

**BEADED AND JWELED CATEGORY**

DEFINITION: An egg that has been extensively decorated with beads and/or jewels. The indicated amount of beading required in each level is the minimum. You may choose to exceed this requirement. The focus of the egg should be the beading so there is a limitation to the amount of braid/cording allowed. (See B-4 in workmanship) At the Intermediate level the shell must be cut in some manner; either as a jewel box or some cut out areas, but remember that for each level, a specific amount of shell must be left to provide the required beaded area.

**LEVEL REQUIREMENTS:**

Novice: 50 Points needed for qualification.

1. Must use a goose eggshell
2. Eggshell may be cut or uncut.
3. Egg can be with or without a stand/base.
4. One-third (1/3) of the outer eggshell is to be beaded/jeweled.

Intermediate: 85 Points needed for qualification.

1. Must use a goose eggshell
2. Eggshell must be cut in some manner.
3. Egg must be adhered to a stand.
4. Must use two types of beads/jewels
5. Two-thirds (2/3) of the outer eggshell must be beaded/jeweled.

Master: 95 Points needed for qualification.

1. Applicant's option for type of eggshell used, (remember a small egg requires less beading, resulting in lower degree of difficulty)
2. Filigree or multiple cuts may be used in some manner. However, no more than 5% of the shell shall be removed leaving 95% to be beaded and/or jeweled. .
3. Egg must be adhered to a base/stand
4. Must use AT LEAST three types of beads/jewels.

**STANDARDS: (Judging Criteria)**

I. General Creativity: (20 points)

A. Originality (15 points)

1. Inventive or creative, an original work as opposed to any copy or imitation.

B. Overall Impression (5 points)

1. Pleasing to the eye.

II. Design: (30 points)

A. Form/Shape (5 points)

1. Retention of the egg shape

B. Harmony/Color (15 points)

1. Base/Stand must be coordinated to the design and each other.
2. Total design must be color coordinated.
  - a) Exterior b) Interior c) Base/stand

C. Balance overall (10 points)

1. Elements chosen must be proportionately compatible.

III. Workmanship: (50 points)

A. Neatness (20 points)

1. No glue showing.

2. The hole in the egg must be covered.
  3. Braid/beads must be abutted or mitered properly
  4. Overall neatness.
- B. Degree of Difficulty (30 points)
1. Figures/objects used must be in proportion and compatible to the egg.
  2. Trim should be compatible to the design.
  3. Braid/Beads must be abutted or mitered properly.
  4. No more than 5% of the entire décor on the egg can consist of braid. At least 95% must be jewels or beads.
  5. Bead/jewel lines must flow with the design.
  6. Bead/jewel applications should be consistent, level to the shell surface; with no loose beads; no string showing and the beginning and end of each line should not be obvious.