

WESTERN REGIONAL COMPETITION - NMTA

Official Show and Competition – 2018 SPECIAL AWARDS

Updated as needed according to previously unanimous voting by members and/or directors.

SPECIAL SPONSORED AWARDS: (awards based on availability each year)

NEW * SCI AWARDS:

We are happy to announce that the SCI Award is back for a 2nd year. It is an award generously sponsored by the EL PASO SCI CHAPTER. It will be an award to honor the best 3 African or exotic Big Game Mammal as recognized by the SCI (Gamehead or Lifesize) entries at our show. All 3 will be chosen by our certified judges.

And NEW for this year the EL PASO SCI CHAPTER has double the awards to now include awards to honor the best 3 North American Big Game Mammals as recognized by the SCI (Gamehead or Lifesize) entries at our show. All 3 of these will also be chosen by our certified judges.

There will be a first, second, and third place award. Each will come with a nice hard wood plaque as well as \$4500 worth of cash prizes. First place will be awarded \$1,000, 2nd will be awarded \$750.00 and third \$500.00. Thank you El Paso SCI! **Thank you El Paso SCI!**

NEW * Matuska Competitor's Award

The Matuska Competitor's Award will be awarded to the competitors with 4 of the highest scoring entries in the Masters or Professional Divisions. All entries must have a 1st or 2nd place ribbon with a combination score of 350 or greater.

NEW * PRO-1 AWARD – “JUDGES' CHOICE BEST ENTRY” utilizing PRO-1 Performance Chemicals. (Requires use of Pro-1 Hide Paste and/or Pro-1 Trans in the mount.

The Mule Deer Foundation Awards:

Duke City Chapter - Mule Deer Foundation sponsoring the highest scoring Mule Deer.

Tri-County Chapter - Mule Deer Foundation sponsoring the most realistic Mule Deer.

Polytranspar Award - Awarded to the taxidermist who has the highest score Fish using Polytranspar paint.

McKenzie Best Lifesize - Awarded to the Lifesize piece as chosen by the voting registered taxidermists

McKenzie Best Fish - Awarded to the Fish piece as chosen by the voting registered taxidermists

McKenzie Best Bird - Awarded to the Bird piece as chosen by the voting registered taxidermists

McKenzie Best Gamehead - Awarded to the Gamehead piece as chosen by the voting registered taxidermists

WASCO Award - Chosen by the Judges and Awarded to the Most Artistic Entry

NTA Award - Taxidermist of the Year Award donated by the National Taxidermist Association

The Breakthrough Award - This award is given to the best over-all mount in the show. All entries are eligible. The winning mount is determined by the judges. The award includes \$100 from Breakthrough magazine.

The Starfish Award - Presented to the taxidermist who has the highest score for a replica fish mount.

The Artisan Award - Provided by the UTA and Presented to the mount with the most votes by the NMTA members. All divisions/categories are eligible.

The Van Dyke's Award – Awarded to the Most Original and Creative Presentation