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The Worshipful Company of Turners

THE OPEN THEMED COMPETITION 2016

**This Competition will be held at Carpenters' Hall, Throgmorton Avenue,
London, EC2N 2JJ
on Tuesday 11th October 2016
with entries to remain exhibited as part of Wizardry in Wood 2016
Wednesday 12th October to Saturday 15th October 2016**

**This competition is open to any turner resident in Great Britain and is for a
themed piece, namely:**

'The 350th Anniversary of the Great Fire of London'

(with particular emphasis on the spirit of rejuvenation and innovation it engendered)

Prizes of £1250, £500 and £250 will be awarded.

There will be a separate award for school children.

RULES AND CONDITIONS

1. The piece should be of a size suitable for display on a shelf or tabletop.
2. The piece must be primarily created on the lathe, but can incorporate materials other than wood and/or use other techniques.
3. Interpretation of the theme is left to the turner. It must be new, original, and specifically created for the competition.
4. The turner should have fun making it. There will be a special prize for the best entry by a school child.
5. All work must have been executed by the competitor except commercially made components, such as screws.
6. There is no restriction on the number of entries by each competitor and winners of previous competitions may enter, but the work must not have been entered for any other competition of the Company.
7. The judges will consider the quality of the work and how it relates to the theme.
8. The Judges' decision shall be final and binding on all competitors.
9. A First Prize of £1250, a voucher for £150 from Robert Sorby plus a certificate will be awarded for the winning entry, a Second Prize of £500 plus a voucher for £100 from Robert Sorby will be awarded for the second best entry while a Prize of £250 and a voucher for £50 will be awarded for the third best entry. In the event that the quality of entries is outstanding, a Prize of £50, and a certificate may also be awarded for the fourth best entry.
10. The winning piece will be retained by the Company. All other entries will all be returned to the makers.

11. No prize shall be awarded if the best entries are considered by the judges to be of insufficiently high standard.
12. Entry forms may be obtained from the Secretary of your organisation or, for independent turners, from the Clerk of the Turners' Company or from the Company website. Completed forms must be returned to the Clerk by 12th September 2016.
13. Each entry must be signed and dated on the base and a label, clearly stating the name of the competition for which it is entered, must be affixed over the makers name so that the piece remains anonymous.
14. Delivery of entries. Entries must be:
 - **delivered** to the Reception Steward at Carpenters' Hall between 9.30 am and 11.30am on the morning of October 11th 2016; or,
 - **mailed or otherwise delivered** to the Clerk at the Company's address above to arrive no later than Friday 7 October 2016; or,
 - **mailed or otherwise delivered** to one of the reception centres (addresses and details to be announced elsewhere on the website).
15. An adhesive marker (or equivalent) unique to the competitor will be applied to the underside of each entry so that anonymity is maintained until the judging has been completed.
16. Each entry must be accompanied by a typed postcard describing the entry (in particular the wood and finish used); the asking price if it is being offered for sale; and, if the competitor wishes, their contact/business card. These will be exhibited after the competition has been judged. The company reserves the right to withhold any promotional material which is too large or not in keeping with these guidelines.
17. Entries offered for sale will be subject to a 15% commission.
18. Prize winning pieces will be identified as soon as practicable after judging has been completed. Competitors will be invited to view the competitions (but not Wizardry in Wood) between 3.30pm and 5.00pm on 11 October 2016.
19. Prize winners will be published on the Company's website on Wednesday 12 October 2016.
20. The award ceremony for prize winners will take place at 3.00pm on Saturday 15 October 2016.
21. All competitors will be issued with two complimentary tickets to Wizardry in Wood for Saturday 2016 and may attend the award ceremony before collecting their pieces.
22. All entries not retained by the Company must be removed from Carpenter's Hall only between 4.00pm and 5.00pm on the afternoon of Saturday 15th October 2016. Un-collected entries will be returned by pre paid mail or via one of the reception centres.
23. Competitors are responsible for the adequate packaging of their work; an appropriately sized cardboard or wooden box must be provided for all entries, which must be marked clearly with the competitor's name and address.