

Utah Nail Expo 2023 Fantasy Nail

Fantasy nail art (divisional, novice & veteran)

One nail tip only - turn-in

Theme: Figurine of something that has/had a heartbeat

1. Competitors may submit more than one entry, but must pay a registration fee for each entry
2. Entries may be turned in by the competitor or the competitor may have someone else turn it in. Entries may be mailed in. You do not need to be present to enter this competition. All Competitors are responsible to pick up or make arrangements to pick-up or have entries mailed back to them.
3. All work must be completed prior to the competition. This is a turn-in competition.
4. Fantasy Nail art must consist of ONE nail only. Nail can be a pre-made tip or sculpted but must be possible to be attached to a finger.
5. Competitors must create fantasy style nail including at least one figure, there are no size limits.
6. All nail art must be made from professional nail products and embellishments (colored acrylic, light-cured gel, polish, etc.) no polymer clay. All art must be made by hand, no pre-made, store bought molds may be used to create art.
7. Competitors may use liquid & powder acrylic, light cured gel, poly-gel, paste gel, 3D gel.
8. Embellishments, i.e., rhinestones, metal pieces, beads, etc., may be used, but must NOT exceed 25% of the overall design.
9. Top coat, UV gel or traditional may be used.
10. NO COPYRIGHT designs (manufactures logos or designs). Violation will result in a 15 point deduction.
11. Display: Tip must be SECURELY fastened to a decorated board that will act as the costume of the nail art piece, large enough to hold nail. Please make sure entries are able to be removed from any boxes for judging. Any entry that does not meet this requirement may receive point deduction.
12. All entries must be new and cannot have been entered in any competition previously.
13. Entries cannot be posted on social media sites prior to judging.
14. Competitors must prepare and submit a written statement in two parts:
 1. List of types of products used to create art (do NOT name specific brands or manufacturers)
 2. Explain your interpretation of the theme.

Failure to provide this information will result in a 5 point deduction. DO NOT INCLUDE YOUR NAME on write ups.

Judging Criteria:

- 1. Originality 5pts:** The design is unique and different from other entries
- 2. Visual Interest 10pts:** The design captures your attention and keeps it
- 3. Overall Impression 10pts:** The design has a great overall impression and follows all rules.
- 4. Workmanship 10pts:** Quality work, shows artistic skills and is neat and clean
- 5. Complexity 10pts:** Design is challenging and showcases multiple skills and techniques
- 6. Theme Interpretation 5pts:** Design portrays the theme well and creatively
- 7. Design and Detail 10pts:** The design is well planned, and the detail is clean and precise
- 8. Color 10pts:** The colors complement and are cohesive to the design
- 9. Dimension 10pts:** The dimension is noticeable and complementary to the design
- 10. Presentation 10pts:** Entry is within rules and presented according to rules. Presentation is neat and clean.
- 11. Costume board 10 pts:** The costume board decoration enhances the nail design and is complimentary

Total 100 possible points.

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