2024 SOHS HISTORICAL COMIC CONTEST RULES

Who is Eligible?

Southern Oregon Historical Society (SOHS) 2024 Historical Comic Contest is open to any comic creator living in the Southern Oregon region.

Any creator under the age of eighteen must have permission from a parent or legal guardian to enter. As indicated by their signature on the entry form.

Enter the category that matches your age on May 4th, 2024.

Schedule

Submissions for the competition will be open on March 1st, 2024 at 12pm and close on April 22nd, 2024 12 p.m. local time.

Results of the competition are scheduled to be announced on May 4th at the Rogue Comic Con Event in Pear Blossom Park, Medford, OR 97501.

Comic Theme

Tales from Southern Oregon

Usually when we learn about our past it's through history books, museums and other curated collections. Someone somewhere has made the choice of what to include, and what to leave out. In Southern Oregon, along with most other places in this country, what that has meant is that the stories of minorities, marginalized communities and even the "Average Joe" are not told and shared.

Create a comic strip style comic that shares a story of Southern Oregonian grit, an underdog tale, a hero's triumph, a dastardly foe's demise.

They should be based on a true story or a tall tale from around the Southern Oregon area. They can be something that's already in the history books, or a story you think should be! We have a chance to be the story makers now and we want to share everyone's story.

Comics may be in any genre but must be in a comic strip style form and have content based on or related to a story from Southern Oregon. Comic pages can be any size, there are no requirements for dimensions or DPI.

All files must be provided in paper format or in PDF format with a maximum file size of 100MB. If you are providing a digital copy, please send it along with your application, to Finn Brake at education@sohs.org

All lettering, captions, and titles are encouraged to be in English, but if not, a translation into English should be provided for the Judges.

You must be the owner or licensee of all rights associated with the comic's characters and story. Fan-fiction and unlicensed works will be disqualified.

Please no excessive violence, profanity, political or sexual content.

Judging Process

This is a competition, not a sweepstakes or lottery. Your comic will be judged on the skills displayed by the comic creators. These skills include, but are not limited to: creativity on the theme, artistic quality and historical content/context.

There will be a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for each category.

All comics will be read and scored by judges chosen by SOHS.

Winners and Prizes

There will be a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for each of the categories; 12 - under, 13-18, 19 and up.

1st place in each category will receive a prize of \$100. 2nd place in each category will receive a prize of \$50. 3rd place in each category will receive a prize of \$25.

Prizes will be sent to the person who submitted the comic to the competition. Prizes will be sent to the winners within 10 days of the announcement. Winners are responsible for all taxes and fees associated with prize receipt.

Your Comic Rights

You maintain all rights to your comic, including characters, settings, and story.

You are free to enter your comic in other competitions simultaneously.

You are free to submit your comic for publishing with any publisher.

By participating in the competition, you grant SOHS the right to use your comic's name and the names of the comic's creators for promotional purposes without any payment to you. SOHS reserves the right to publish your comic in our printed or digital media.

Questions and Submissions

Please direct any inquiries to Finn Brake, Assistant Curator, SOHS at education@sohs.org