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The Coolest Celebration on Earth

2007 Ice Carving Competition ***Multi-Block and Single Block Winners Announced***

Saint Paul, Minnesota (January 27th, 2007) – Multi-Block and Single-Block Ice Carving Results are in. Along with how the carving is linked to the contest theme, “Fire and Reign, a New Beginning”, judging will be based on two criteria:

DESIGN: creativity/originality, incorporation of theme, completeness of design

EXECUTION: initial impact, attention to detail, technical difficulty, utilization of ice, finishing, site cleanup, & matching to design

Total points will determine the results.

Multi Block Competition – January 24th – January 26th

Each contestant or team was given 20 blocks of ice approximately 40” x 20” x 10”. Finished carvings could be no more than 12ft above the ground, and no wider than 12ft by 10ft.

Awards:

- 1st Place: \$3,000 – “George and the Dragon” by Chris Swarbrick (Richfield, MN), Greg Schmotzer (Hastings, MN) and Fred Doyle.
- 2nd Place: \$1,500 – “Picture this Minnesota” by Bob Halverson (Baraboo, WI), Ray Denzer (Moundsview, MN) and Perry Carlson (Rush City, MN).
- 3rd Place: \$700 – “Defeating Fire” by Jim Nadeau (Waterloo, IA), James Quast (Long Lake, MN) and Robert Anderson (Inver Grove Heights, MN)
- 4th Place: \$300 – “Elvice” by Rob Graham (Minneapolis, MN), Terry Reis (Mediapolis, IA) and John Raak (Mendota Heights, MN)
- People’s Choice: \$250 – Due to melting there was not an opportunity for the People’s Choice Award.
- Carver’s Choice: \$250 - “Elvice” by Rob Graham (Minneapolis, MN), Terry Reis (Mediapolis, IA) and John Raak (Mendota Heights, MN)

Single Block Competition – January 27th

Each competitor (Professional and Artisan) received two 10” x 20” x 40” blocks of ice to turn into their own dazzling display of skilled artistry.

All categories and divisions receive 1st – 3rd place awards. Each professional division also receives a cash awards as follows:

- Professional Power Tool Division
 - 1st Place: (\$750) – “St. George’s Nightmare” by Greg Schmotzer (Hastings, MN)
 - 2nd Place: (\$500) – “Nothing Mom” by Rob Graham (Minneapolis, MN)
 - 3rd Place: (\$200) – “Reigning Over Fires” by Ron & Karen Dillavou (Waterloo, IA)
- Hand Carve Division
 - 1st Place: (\$750) – “Cold Dog...New Tricks” by Jim Zupfer (Saint Paul, MN)
 - 2nd Place: (\$500) – “Abstract” by Abel Ramirez Aguilar (Mexico City, Mexico)
 - 3rd Place: (\$200) – “Winter Wishing Well” by Jayme Kraft (Newport, MN)

- Artisan Power Tool
 - 1st Place: (\$750) – “An Ice Move” by Joseph Christenson (West Saint Paul) and Peter Christenson (Sout Saint Paul)
 - 2nd Place: (\$500) – “Wildwood” by Jerry Sarff (Elk River, MN) and April Sicchitand (Chaska, MN)
 - 3rd Place: (\$200) – “How to Make a City Pond” by Eric Rotter (Saint Paul, MN)

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