

HISTORICON 2025

PAINTING COMPETITION

In July this year, wargamers flocked to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, USA, for Historicon 2025. In addition to the hundreds of wonderful games covering dozens of wargaming periods and genres, there was also the painting competition.

This was the tenth time *Wargames Illustrated* has presented the Historicon Painting Competition and the entries were as strong as ever. More than 100 entries were brought to the cases for display and judging on the Saturday of the event, and almost 30 medals were handed

over for the top three entries in each category. Typically, the Single Miniature categories are the most popular, but this year the script was flipped and the Unit/War Machine categories stood out as the strongest of the event.

Dave Taylor, assisted by Brien Dulaney and Jeff Smith, noted that it was exciting to see some great variety in the Historical Unit/War Machine Small Scale category. The winners for this one included a company of 1/285th scale tanks and a 1/700th scale sailing ship.

Andrew Waxtel continued his run of Best of Show awards with a wonderfully presented unit of Stormcast Eternals from *Warhammer Age of Sigmar*, but there are certainly several painters snapping at his heels. We'll see how they do next year!



HISTORICAL SINGLE MINIATURE

1. Paul Buccheri
Self-Portrait II

2. Steve Kee
Big Red 1, D-Day 1944

3. John Redmann
*Knight of St. John,
Agnus Dei Banner*



Dakota Herson
*Japanese
Infantry Squad*



HISTORICAL UNIT/ WAR MACHINE - 25MM+

1. Ed Kee
M18 Hellcat

2. Mark Franke
Churchill

3. Andrew K. Wilson
Byzantine Heavy Cavalry



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1. Andrew Frensen
German Pak40



HISTORICAL UNIT/ WAR MACHINE - SMALL SCALE

1. V. Paul Bernadino III
1941 Leicht Panzerkompanie

2. Ed Kee
HMS Victory

3. John Redmann
Type C Kaibokan





FANTASY SINGLE MINIATURE

1. Andrew Waxtel
Briar Queen
2. Justin Jackson
Flintlock
3. Gregory Zuniga
Sir Peacock



SCI-FI SINGLE MINIATURE

1. Gregory Zuniga
Ventress
2. Steve Kee
Witch Hunter
3. Tyler Grecco
Zombie



FANTASY UNIT/ WAR MACHINE

1. Andrew Waxtel
Stormcast Triumphant

2. Justin Jackson
Ghouls

3. Steve Kee
Glottkin





OPEN

1. Nathan Boddie
Lucius the Eternal

2. Ed Kee
Spitfire Pilot

3. Gregory Zuniga
Bunny Graffiti





SCI-FI UNIT/WAR MACHINE

1. Andrew Waxtel
*Titan of House
Salem-Waxtel*

2. Paul Buccheri
God's Garden

3. Brett Yardley
Light Meets Dark



DIORAMA

1. Nik Smith
Desert Rendezvous

2. Gregory Zuniga
Owl Bear

3. Nathan Boddie
Astartes Assault

