



# Mastercon XVII Registration Form

**Thursday September 25, thru Saturday September 27, 2008**

- The registration fee covers admission to the contest, warehouse sale, seminars, and round table.
- Model entry fee is \$2.00 per model and will be paid at the door.
- There will be a cash bar at the welcome party on Friday and at the awards banquet on Saturday.

Squadron Customer Number:		Date Submitted:	
Last Name:	First Name:	Middle Initial:	
Address:			
City:	State :	Zip Code:	Country:
Home/Cell Phone:		Work Phone:	
E-mail Address:			
Other Hotel:		(or Cell/local phone number during convention):	

**Yes... I will be staying at the Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Lewisville (See page 2 for details)**

Guest Name: _____	Arrival Date: __/__/__	Departure Date: __/__/__
Type of Room: King <input type="checkbox"/>	Double/Double <input type="checkbox"/>	Non Smoking <input type="checkbox"/> Smoking <input type="checkbox"/>
Room Guaranteed by Credit Card: Card #: _____	Exp. Date: __/__/__	
Name on Credit Card: _____	Signature: _____	

## Registration Fees for All Current Squadron Mail Order Customers that Will be Entering Models:

Full names for General Admission badges you are requesting _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____	Special Early Registration Thru July 20: \$25.00	
	Early Registration July 21 thru August 10: \$35.00	
	Registration August 11 thru September 25: \$50.00	
	Banquet Dinner Tickets: \$29.00 each x _____	
	General Admission <b>FREE</b>	<b>FREE</b>
	<b>Total</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>A. Payment by Credit Card:</b> Card # _____ Exp. Date: __/__/__ Signature: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>B. Payment by Check:</b> Make check payable to Squadron Mail Order.		

**YES!** I want to conduct an informal modeling seminar at Mastercon. I understand I am responsible for bringing all of my own tools and materials, and that I will be contacted in August for scheduling. My seminar will be on the following subject or technique:  
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 \_\_\_\_\_

**PHOTOGRAPHY RELEASE AGREEMENT:** I hereby grant Squadron/VLS full and unreserved rights to photograph all models placed into competition, and to publish these photographs in any and/or all Squadron/VLS magazines, books, ads, newsletters, web sites, or other publications. I understand there is no compensation if these photographs are published, unless I am personally notified otherwise by Squadron/VLS in writing.

**Mail Registration to: Squadron/Mastercon • Attn.: Chuck • 1115 Crowley Drive • Carrollton, Texas 75006-1312  
 OR Call Chuck at 1-800-527-7427 Ext 1003**

# Model Entry Categories

## Open Division - For Senior/Advanced Modelers

- (01) Military Vehicles - Fully tracked, all scales
- (02) Military Vehicles - Non-fully tracked military vehicles, all scales
- (03) Prop Aircraft - Including Helicopters, all scales
- (04) Jet Aircraft - including rockets and factual spacecraft, all scales
- (05) Figures/Busts/ 70mm and smaller
- (06) Figures/Busts - 71mm and larger
- (07) Dioramas/Vignettes - All scales, all sizes
- (08) Ships - All scales
- (09) Civil Wheeled Vehicles - Cars/Trucks/Motorcycles, all scales
- (10) Miscellaneous - Space, Monsters, Dinosaurs, etc., all scales

## Masters Division

- (17) Masters Division - All subjects, all scales
- See contest rules for further information  
All Master Division Entries - All types

## "Out of Box" Division

- (11) "Out of Box" - All subjects, all scales
- For all Basic, Open and Masters Division Competitors  
Any model built straight from the box with no alterations or added detail.  
Entry may be displayed on a plain base - no landscaped bases.

## Basic Division

### For Intermediate/Beginner Modelers

- (12) Military Vehicles - All types, all scales
- (13) Aircraft - All types, all scales
- (14) Figures - All types, all scales
- (15) Dioramas - All types, all scales, all sizes
- (16) Miscellaneous - Cars, trucks, ships, sci-fi vessels, etc., all scales

## Hotel Information:



### Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Lewisville

785 State Hwy. 121 Bypass

Lewisville, Texas 75067

Tel: 972-459-4600

Fax: 972-459-4633

e-mail: [wendy.bonds@hilton.com](mailto:wendy.bonds@hilton.com)

Web Site: [www.dallaslewisville.stayhgi.com](http://www.dallaslewisville.stayhgi.com)

Less than a year old, the Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Lewisville is one of the premier hotel properties in our area.

With complimentary high-speed Internet and wireless access, refrigerator, microwave, and coffee maker featuring Starbucks coffee for each room, it's just like home.

All rooms also feature a large desk, and even a hair dryer, iron and ironing board, not to mention High Definition LCD TV with on demand movies, video games and complimentary HBO.

Located just 10 minutes from DFW Airport, 20 minutes from Dallas/Love Field Airport and just 5 minutes from the Squadron warehouse. Come spend a few days with Hilton and Squadron/VLS.

**A special guest room rate of \$75 + tax per room is being offered to all Mastercon guests. You may make your Hilton room reservations any one of the following ways:**

- Mail this form to Squadron/VLS Mastercon XVII  
1115 Crowley Drive, Carrollton, Texas 75006-1312.
- Call Chuck at 1-800-527-7427 ext 1003.
- Call Hilton at 972-459-4600 or 1-800-HILTONS and mention the Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Lewisville and the "Mastercon XVII 2008" block.
- Book through [www.dallaslewisville.stayhgi.com](http://www.dallaslewisville.stayhgi.com) with the Group/Convention code of "MACO".

Squadron/VLS is very pleased to invite you to join us, fellow modelers, Masters Members, and of course Bob Letterman and Mike McMahan at the 2008 Mastercon XVII.

**Squadron/VLS Mastercon  
1115 Crowley Drive • Carrollton, Texas 75006-1312**



Hilton Garden Inn Dallas/Lewisville - Lewisville, Texas



Pool



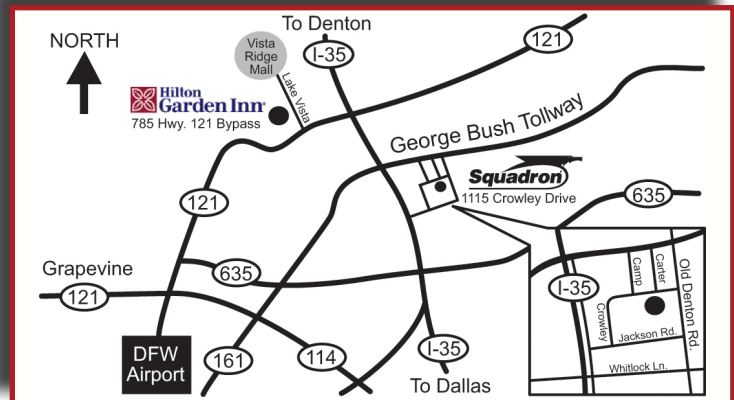
Lobby



Outdoor Bar



Guest Room (Double/Double)



**Thursday, September 25, 2008**

**6:00pm-9:00pm** Registration opens at 6:30pm, bring model entry forms and entry fees

**Location**

Hilton

**Friday, September 26, 2008**

**9:00am** Registration and contest area open; door prize drawings and raffle tickets begin

Hilton

**8:30am-5:00pm** Open House at Squadron/VLS warehouse

Squadron Warehouse

**1:00pm-4:00pm** Seminars conducted in the "seminar" room

Hilton

**5:00pm** Registration closes

Hilton

**7:00-10:00pm** Welcome party (cash bar); members elect Grand Marshall

Induction of Masters Division contestants

Hilton

**Saturday, September 27, 2008**

**8:00am** Registration and contest area open; door prizes continue; \$1 raffle drawings begin

Hilton

**8:00am-1:00pm** Open House at Squadron/VLS warehouse

Squadron Warehouse

**11:00am-1:00pm** Model Registration Closes - Contest voting Begins (registered contestants only)

Hilton

• **BALLOTS MUST BE TURNED IN BY 1:00pm. ENTRIES MAY NOT BE REMOVED UNTIL AFTER THE AWARDS BANQUET** •

**1:00pm** "Speed Draw" remaining door prizes and \$1 raffle prizes

Hilton

**1:00pm-5:00pm** Ballot tabulation

Hilton

**1:00pm-4:00pm** Seminars conducted in the "seminar" room

Hilton

**5:30pm** Round table discussion with Mike McMahon and Bob Letterman

Hilton

Select Mastercon XVIII theme, any Masters business

**7:30pm-11:00pm** Banquet Dinner and Awards Ceremony (cash bar)

Hilton

Presentation of the \$5 and \$10 raffle drawings; "Best of Category" and "Masters Trophy" voting

**Contest area must be cleared by midnight**

**What is Mastercon and who can enter?**

Mastercon began in 1992 by VLS as a yearly gathering over Labor Day weekend of the "Masters" group, those VLS customers who chose to pay for, and participate in, a discounted buyer's club. Today the old VLS Masters group, with its membership fees and discounts, no longer exists, but all Squadron/VLS customers share discounted prices with no membership fee. This September 25-27, 2008, Mastercon will be a model show and competition for all Squadron/VLS customers who have purchased within the last 12 months. Squadron/VLS customers may enter as many models as they wish, except no prior Mastercon-winning entries are eligible.

**Who judges the models and what are the awards?**

Every entrant is a judge with an equal vote. The entrants judge the models: *The People Choose!* Multiple Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals are awarded in each of the 17 categories, based on the popular vote. Additionally, Open division, special trophies will be awarded for the **Best Armor, Aircraft, Figure, Diorama, Ship, Civilian Vehicle, and Miscellaneous** entry. Further, these 7 winning entries will compete - again by popular vote - for the "**Big Eagle**" **Masters Trophy**, a stunning, life size Napoleonic Eagle, mounted on an engraved base. Nobody may win this special award more than once. Also there is a "**Little Eagle**" **Peoples Choice Trophy** for the entry receiving the most people's choice votes. There are even more awards. All entries are eligible for special awards that will include: **Theme Award: The Movies; Squadron/VLS Award for the Best Scratch Built Entry; Squadron/VLS Creations Award for the best use of a Squadron/VLS product** (e.g. True Details, Custom Dioramics, Warriors, etc.) Still more, there will be special sponsor awards, including but not limited to, **Best Camouflage Award** (sponsored by Warriors) and the **Annual Tamiya Award**, presented by a Tamiya representative. Finally, there will be a special award to the **Best Basic Division Entry**.

**Are there separate divisions for the novice and advanced builders?**

Yes. There are four divisions: **Basic** (5 separate categories for the intermediate/beginner), **Open** (10 separate categories for the senior/advanced), **Out-of-the-Box** (1 category for everybody), and **Masters** (1 category for modelers who earned entry into Masters). The Masters division has always been for modelers whose work has earned the special recognition of their fellow Mastercon participants. Usually, if a modeler is eligible to enter the Masters division, he puts his/her best entry there. If he/she chooses, other entries may be placed in the Open or Out-of-the-Box divisions. Today, as for the past few years, the only way for a new contestant to become eligible for the Masters division is to win the Open division's "Big Eagle" Masters Trophy, as voted by all Mastercon attendees. One last note: if you enter the Basic division, all of your other entries must be in Basic, unless you also enter Out-of-the-Box models.

**Other information**

The definition of a diorama is: "*If it looks like a diorama, it is a diorama.*" Figure categories are for single figures and busts, scenes with multiple figures must be entered in the vignette/diorama category. Out-of-the-box entries, (category 11) may be displayed on a plain base if desired, no landscaped bases.

Non-competitors may view the contest room and participate in the Squadron/VLS warehouse sale. Registered contestants may bring guests FREE. \$1, \$5, and \$10 raffle tickets will be sold in the contest room Friday and Saturday. Door prizes will be drawn in the contest room Friday and Saturday. \$1 raffles will be drawn in the contest room beginning Saturday morning. \$5 and \$10 raffles will be drawn at the banquet. You must be present to claim any prizes. We suggest you bring your shopping list and be prepared for all the special sales and discounts available at the Squadron/VLS Warehouse.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Squadron Customer #: \_\_\_\_\_

Scale \_\_\_\_\_ Kits Used \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Entry \_\_\_\_\_

## Please check the boxes that apply to special awards

<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Theme Award</b> MOVIES (*Highlight in Yellow)	<b>Category Number</b> _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Squadron/VLS Creations Award</b> Best VLS Proprietary Entry (*Highlight in RED)	<b>Model Entry No.</b> <i>Staff Use Only</i>  _____ - _____
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