



ENTRY FORM

- Payment must accompany entry & entry form.
- Please use one entry form for each entry.
- Print clearly and retain copies for your records.
- All entries must be submitted by U.S. or Canadian* residents.
- Entries must be received by September 23, 2022.
- NY Drop-Off date is October 3, 2022.

Entrant _____

(One person's name only – this individual will receive all credit)

Company _____

Mailing address for correspondence (including returning shipment)

Name _____

Street Address/PO Box _____

City _____ State _____

Zip Code/Postal Code _____

Country _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

New York Drop-Off Participant – Yes No

AGTA SPECTRUM AWARDS™ – Check the primary category in which you are entering jewelry. Unchecked entries will be entered into

Business/Day Wear.

- Bridal Wear, Evening Wear
- Business/Day Wear Men's Wear
- Classical

PLATINUM HONORS™ – This piece meets the criteria for Platinum Honors™ sponsored by PGI.

- Platinum Honors™
- Bridal Wear Under \$3,500 (excluding center gemstones)
- Business/Day Wear Under \$3,500 (excluding center gemstones)
- Evening Wear Under \$3,500 (excluding center gemstones)

WJA GEM DIVA™ – Female designers in all Spectrum categories will be eligible. Sponsored by WJA.

Gem DIVA™

CUTTING EDGE AWARDS™ – If your entry is an unset gemstone or object of art (not designed to be worn), check the primary category entered:

- North American Mined Gemstones (U.S. & Canada)
- Classic Gemstones (ruby, sapphire, emerald)
- All Other Cut Gemstones Pairs & Suites
- Innovative Faceting Carving
- Phenomenal Gemstones Objects of Art

If you state that your entry is untreated or from a specific origin, and want that information included in the entry description, you must include a scanned copy of a report from an accepted industry laboratory.

Description of entry _____

Gemstone(s) variety & cut _____

Gemstone size, weight _____

Gemstone enhancements _____

Metal type and purity _____

Please note: If you state that your entry is treated or from a specific origin, and want that information included in the description, you must include a scanned copy of a report from an accepted industry laboratory.

Were gemstones or pearls used in this piece purchased from an AGTA Supplier? (For informational purposes only)

Yes No

Visit agta.org to check if your materials are from an AGTA Member.

REPLACEMENT COST/ ENTRY FEE

Replacement cost of entry for insurance & shipping (\$) _____

Replacement cost = labor + cost of materials in like quality or kind.

Entry Fee _____

(1st Entry – \$295.00, all subsequent entries – \$225.00 each)

To receive Early Bird Entry Fees of \$265 on the 1st Entry and \$205 on all subsequent entries, you must pay for your entries online prior to August 19, 2022.

INSURANCE

- Entries valued at \$15,999 or less will not require additional insurance fees.
- Entries valued at \$16,000 and up will require insurance fees of \$1.00 per \$1000 of the replacement cost value (i.e. \$16,000 = \$16 insurance fee).
- Entries with a replacement cost over \$250,000 are responsible for providing their own insurance coverage. Proof of insurance will be required.
- AGTA is not responsible for any loss in excess of \$250,000 replacement cost.

PAYMENT METHOD:

Check number _____

Credit card number _____

Expiration date _____

CRV # _____ Billing Zip Code _____

Name of cardholder _____

Signature of cardholder _____

Amount _____

SHIPPING – AGTA will pay for return shipping via registered/insured U.S. mail for all entries with a replacement cost under \$100,000. Entrants entering pieces with a replacement cost over \$100,000 will be responsible for return shipping fees. Entries will be returned after the conclusion of the competition.

Check this box to indicate you have read and agree to the Rules & Regulations described on the reverse side of this entry form.

Signature of entrant _____

Printed name of entrant _____

Date _____

**Canadian shipments must be accompanied by NAFTA form (B232) or it will be refused.*

2022 COMPETITION RULES & REGULATIONS

By signing the entry form, entrants agree to abide by the rules of the AGTA Spectrum Awards™ competition and the final decision of the judges.

In submitting an entry for consideration, entrants agree to hold the American Gem Trade Association (AGTA), its officers and directors, its staff and employees, its advertising and publicity agencies, and its members harmless from all claims, litigation and other legal proceedings. The entrants understand that AGTA will be responsible only for the replacement value of the material and labor, payable in the event of a loss, theft, or damage of any entry while in the possession of AGTA. While in possession, the entrant understands that AGTA insures the entry against loss, damage or theft, whether occasioned by negligence or not. Entrants also understand that AGTA will take every reasonable precaution to ensure the safety and security of jewelry and gemstones submitted for judging.

The deadline for entry is September 23, 2022. Entries that arrive after the entry deadline will not be accepted unless prior arrangements have been made. International entries (those outside the U.S. and Canada) will not be accepted. NY Drop-Off is October 3, 2022. Location: TBD.

Entries that do not meet these rules of entry will be disqualified. Disqualified entries will be returned to the entrant without being judged.

If an entry is found to have damage upon receipt the entry will be shipped back to entrant for repair and resubmission. AGTA is not responsible for entries that are damaged during the shipping process. If this occurs, please contact your shipper for their damage policy.

The AGTA Cutting Edge Awards™ portion of the competition exists to honor creativity and excellence among lapidary artists, hence this portion is open only to gemstone materials of natural origin.

In the AGTA Spectrum Awards™ portion of the competition, gemstone jewelry entered in the competition must utilize natural colored gemstones or cultured pearls. Entrants may use enhanced colored gemstones or cultured pearls and diamonds of any color (enhanced or natural). Entrants acknowledge, however, that the competition exists for the purpose of promoting natural colored gemstones and cultured pearls, and that the judges will consider the requisite use of these gemstones in comparison to diamonds in the selection of winners. Jewelry suites will be accepted individually requiring a separate entry fee per piece.

Assembled stones and stones of man-made origin are not eligible for the competition.

All jewelry designs must be original.

Entrants agree to clearly indicate, to the best of their knowledge, gemstone enhancement information for all gemstones or gemstone jewelry entered in the competition. Gemstones so commonly

enhanced that they are considered ubiquitous in the trade (such as the heating of ruby or sapphire) will be assumed to be treated, unless otherwise noted by the entrant. If the entry form indicates an untreated gemstone where this is rare or unusual, the entry must be accompanied by a laboratory report verifying this. Entrants unfamiliar with common gemstone enhancements should request a complimentary copy of the "Gemstone Information Manual" from the AGTA.

Piece Exposure – Social Media & Print & Other Contests
If the piece has been previously submitted to other competitions, published in a print publication, or has been on social media, its eligibility is subject to review.

For the purposes of publicity, one person and/or company (the entrant) will be granted credit, regardless of the number of people involved in a collaborative entry. Additional credits will NOT be provided to the media. Please complete the entry form carefully; no changes to the information on this form will be accepted or allowed after the conclusion of judging.

By entering this competition, entrants acknowledge and agree that, although the competition is intended to honor creativity and excellence among lapidary artists, designers and manufacturers, neither the judging of the entries nor the designation of winners constitutes or shall be deemed or construed to be a determination by AGTA, the AGTA Spectrum Awards™ competition or the judges thereof that the design, cut, composition or appearance of any entry was originally developed or created by the entrant thereof.

Because winning entries historically have received substantial publicity, entrants must agree to consign winning entries to AGTA for the purpose of photography, display and promotion.

Winning entries will be on display at the 2023 AGTA GemFair™ Tucson.

AGTA reserves the right to photograph all gemstones and jewelry submitted for judging in the competition for promotional use without payment or royalty to the entrant for such use.

Entrants grant AGTA competition judges the right to make corrections or adjustments to an entry form, if the judges believe the entry would be better suited to win in another category. Judges also reserve the right to refrain from awarding a winner in categories where the number or nature of entries does not warrant recognition, in their opinion.

At the discretion of the judges, up to three winners in each category or division will be awarded trophies. Additionally, one "Best Use of Pearls", "Best of Show" and one "Best Use of Color" trophy will be awarded. Manufacturing Honors (if any) trophies can be awarded in every category. Editors' Choice trophy will be awarded. Honorable mentions (if any) will receive a certificate. The Buyers' Choice trophy will be selected at AGTA GemFair™ Tucson.

A "Best of Single Entries" trophy will be awarded to both AGTA Spectrum Awards™ (finished jewelry) and Cutting Edge Awards™ (loose gemstones).

For the Platinum Honors™ sponsored by PGI, each Spectrum category will be awarded one Platinum Honors™ award, along with one "Best Use of Platinum and Color" and one "Best Use of a Platinum Crown." Additionally, three awards will be presented for Bridal Wear Under \$3,500 retail (excluding center gemstone), Business/Day Wear Under \$3,500 retail (excluding center gemstone) and Evening Wear Under \$3,500 retail. In order for a piece to be eligible in this division, the platinum must meet ISO standards (900 or 950) and must comprise at least 90 percent of the metal used. All entries meeting these qualifications will be judged separately in the Platinum Honors™ division.

- Judging will take place in October 2022
- Winners will be notified by telephone after the conclusion of the competition.
- Non-winning entries will be returned to entrants within 4 weeks.
- Please note that AGTA cannot guarantee the return of your original packing materials, custom boxes or bags.

Shipping

AGTA will pay for return shipping via registered/insured U.S. mail for all entries with a wholesale value under \$100,000.

Entrants with pieces with a wholesale value over \$100,000 will be responsible for arrangement and payment of return shipping fees.

Insurance

- Entries valued at \$15,999 or less will not require additional insurance fees.
- Entries valued at \$16,000 and up will require insurance fees of \$1.00 per \$1000 of the replacement cost value (i.e. \$16,000 = \$16 insurance fee).
- Entries with a replacement cost over \$250,000 are responsible for providing their own insurance coverage. Proof of insurance will be required.
- AGTA is not responsible for any loss in excess of \$250,000 replacement cost.

Replacement cost=labor+cost of materials in like quality or kind.

Entry and insurance fees must accompany the item(s) entered in the competition and be drawn on a U.S. bank. Fees are in U.S. dollars and may be paid by check, Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express. AGTA strongly recommends that the entrant should retain a copy of entry forms and rules.

AGTA is not responsible for any duties or fees associated with shipments from Canada. Fees charged by customers are the responsibility of the entrant.

IMPORTANT SHIPMENT INFORMATION

Please ship all packages to:
AGTA
Attn: Marketing
3030 LBJ Freeway, Suite 840
Dallas, TX 75234

Entries will be returned by registered/insured U.S. mail, unless otherwise noted above.

All Canadian shipments must be accompanied by a NAFTA form (B232) or it will be refused.