



# Black Queen

*Hobby and Miniature Painting Competition*

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**NEW VENUE  
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## NEW FORMAT

2 DAYS

8 CATEGORIES

4 WORKSHOPS

1 EXHIBITION

## CATEGORIES:

1. SINGLE MINIATURE

2. LARGE & MOUNTED MINIATURE

3. UNIT / SQUAD

4. OPEN

5. DIORAMA / DUEL

6. BUST

7. MASTERCLASS

8. BEST OF SHOW BY UMS "AGRAM"



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## Rules For The Black Queen Hobby & Miniature Painting Competition 2020.



*This pack contains the full Black Queen Hobby and Miniature Painting Competition rules by UMS "Agram" to be held on February 29<sup>th</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 in Zagreb, Croatia as part of the Exhibition of Miniatures and Tabletop Terrain Agram.*

This year's **Black Queen** event will be divided into two parts: the Exhibition and the Competition.

All material will be published and presented in English. Interpreters or translations can be provided only for Croatian language due to the variety of nationalities we expect to attend the tournament.

Entry descriptions to be handed in have to be in English.

**Entry to this competition is free.**

Lunch for both days is available for 100 Kn (15 Euro).

If you have any questions about the event please e-mail: [ums.agram@gmail.com](mailto:ums.agram@gmail.com)

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Schedule for the competition as well as the scoring system and the rules and categories are written by members of UMS "Agram" and are copyfree.

By submitting models to the Exhibition and/or the Competition you give UMS "Agram" the right to photograph and publish, details of models entered for archival and promotional purposes.

### **How does the Black Queen Exhibition work?**

On Saturday morning during registration for Black Queen Hobby and Miniature Painting Competition you may enter your exhibits along with your entries for the competition. The exhibition will last until 18:00 on Sunday. Each individual exhibitor will be given his/her own space for his/her miniatures with the exhibitor's name clearly visible.

**If you wish to exhibit your works in the Exhibition part of the event, you MUST pre-register for Black Queen!**

None of the exhibits entered in the Exhibition will be eligible for the Competition!

**IMPORTANT:** You are eligible for exhibiting your miniatures only if you are a competitor in the Black Queen so if you wish to exhibit your models you must enter at least one entry in the Painting Competition.

### **THINGS YOU NEED TO BRING WITH YOU**

- ❖ Your entries
- ❖ Your entry form
- ❖ Superglue (for emergency repairs)

The pre-registration period for Black Queen 2020 starts with the release of this rulespack. The pre-registrations will be open until **1<sup>st</sup> of February !**

You will be able to register at the event, but the pre-registrations will help us speed up the process.

Pre-registration may be sent via:

- snail mail at: UMS "Agram"  
Frankopanska 4  
HR-10000, Zagreb  
CROATIA

- e-mail: [ums.agram@gmail.com](mailto:ums.agram@gmail.com)

Pre-registration **must include** the name of the participant(s), contact e-mail or GSM number (please let us know if you are vegetarian or have any special requests regarding lunch), filled entry form for the Competition and the number of exhibits for the Exhibition if you plan to exhibit as well.

A single person may send registrations for his/hers club/team mates (with their consent, of course) but they must contain all the info required, for each club/team mate.

## How does the Black Queen Hobby and Miniature Painting Competition work?

On Saturday morning during registration for Black Queen Hobby and Miniature Painting Competition you will submit your entries with a filled out registration form (you can find the form at the end of this document). Your models will be displayed in glass cases for the whole duration of the two-day event, with the judging being carried out on Saturday and the Awards Ceremony at the end of the event on Sunday. During the event every entry will be photographed. However, all competitors will be fully responsible for the transport of their own entries to and from the competition, and for storing their own transport and packing materials on the day. Please don't ask us to look after carrying cases and giant cardboard boxes. Once entries are booked in we will undertake to look after them as carefully as we can. However, we can accept no responsibility for loss or damage to individual entries. Although the models will be inside glass cabinets, they are entered at the competitor's own risk.

Finally, remember that the point of the painting competition is to showcase the efforts of all those who paint miniatures in our hobby and to have some fun. You may not agree with the final outcome, but please bear in mind that the judges' decisions are final. After all the entries are submitted they will be assigned into appropriate categories and put on display.

## RULES

- ❖ You are allowed as many entries per category as you like
- ❖ Any models that have already taken part in one of our painting competitions are not allowed to re-enter in the same category (in other words, if you had a model as an entry for single miniature category in one of our previous competitions you can still enter it as a part of a diorama or a unit this year)
- ❖ There must be at least three entries from different painters per category in order for the category to be valid
- ❖ Painters will be rewarded, not the entries! You may only win a single award per category.
- ❖ If there are not enough entries in any one category, it will be joined with another category (closest to the original)
- ❖ The judges will assign models into appropriate categories
- ❖ The models must be on appropriately sized bases. However, they can still be attached to a display base or a plinth
- ❖ Competitors need not be present at the event (you can send your models via friend, however we will not accept models sent by mail)

## CATEGORIES

The competition is divided into following categories:

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. <b>Single Miniature</b>            | 5. <b>Diorama / Duel</b>                        |
| 2. <b>Mounted and Large Miniature</b> | 6. <b>Open</b>                                  |
| 3. <b>Unit / Squad</b>                | 7. <b>Bust</b>                                  |
| 4. <b>Masterclass</b>                 | 8. <b>Best of Show</b> sponsored by UMS „Agram“ |

All categories cover a wide range of fantasy / SF miniatures from various manufacturers like Games Workshop, Wyrd, etc. However, they must not be pre-painted!

**Single Miniature category** includes human sized models up to troll / ogre size. Models riding mounts do not qualify for this category. The models must be on appropriately sized bases. However, they may still be attached to a display base or a plinth, not much larger than 50x50mm. (Painters with our invitation may not enter this category).

**Mounted and Large Miniature category** includes ogres / trolls and larger models (up to giant and dragon size) and human sized models on mounts. The models must be on appropriately sized bases. However, they may still be attached to a display base or a plinth. (Painters with our invitation may not enter this category).

**Unit / Squad category** includes units/squads of at least 4 models. Warbands for skirmish games (such as Malfaux, Mordheim, Necromunda etc.) will be placed into this category. Note that units may have display bases. Display base is a piece of terrain with a slot in it for the bases/movement tray. If the display base does not have slots for the models (or some other means for attaching models on to it – magnets for example) it will be put into Diorama / Duel category and the unit will remain in the unit category. Vehicles and warmachines will be placed in the most appropriate category, either Unit/Squad or Diorama/Duel or even Open category at the judges' discretion. For example: a tank will go into Open category, a warmachine like a trebuchet with a display base will go into Diorama/Duel category, while the same trebuchet without a base but with a crew will go into Unit/Squad category. (Painters with our invitation may not enter this category).

**Masterclass Category**, the most prestigious category (with the best prizes!), is made for pro painters and painters who received our invitation. However, anyone can enter this category even without our invitation as long as they entered at least one other category. An entry for this category can vary from a single model to units if up to three models. Note that monsters and larger units from painters with our invitation will be placed into Open category. The painters with our invitation can only enter the Masterclass, Diorama/Duel, Bust and Open categories. The winners of the Masterclass Category get an invitation to all future Black Queen Hobby and Miniature Painting Competitions by default.

**Diorama / Duel category** is just what it says. Dioramas can be up to approximately 30 x 30 x 30cm in size. Also, here you may also enter your tabletop scenery. (Open for painters with our invitation).

**Open category** is the category in which you can let your imagination run wild. Your entry may either be a large monster (like the Mumak, Dragon, Giant, Fell Beast etc.), a large scale model (Inquisitor etc.), a heavily converted model, a scratch-built model... Also, note that if your miniature is not on an appropriately sized base it will be placed into this category. (Open for painters with our invitation).

**Bust category** is the category reserved for busts of any scale and theme (fantasy, sci-fi, postapoc, steampunk or historic).

**Best of Show!** is a special category sponsored by UMS „Agram“, where all the models from all other categories are judged together by Ana Polanščak and the best is the winner of this category.

## **DECIDING THE WINNERS**

The first three places (painters, not entries – each painter can get only one award per category) of each category will be decided and awarded by our panel of judges (3).

## **PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD**

All the entries in all the categories are eligible for this category, and the winner will be decided by our visitors' and participants' votes. The voting will take place from noon until 18.00 on Saturday. The author of the entry with the most votes will be declared the winner.

**Who can vote?** Every staff member, visitor and competitor at the event may vote, with the exception of the judges.

**How does the scoring work?** The voting is done via paper ballots. Each person may vote for a single entry chosen from the entire competition. Once the poll is closed, the judges will count the votes and the entry with the most votes will be the winner of the People's Choice Award. If there is a tie, the panel of judges will decide the winner.

## Workshops and Painting Booths

Along with the Black Queen Hobby and Miniature Painting Competition and Exhibition we will be running a number of side events. On Saturday after the Opening ceremony we will organise a pair of two-hour miniature painting workshops. On Sunday before the Awards ceremony we will hold another pair of two-hour workshops. The themes and tutors will be announced at a later date, so make sure you follow our social media —>



Additionally, there will be painting booths equipped with all the tools and paints you need, so if you are competing or just browsing, bring your minis for some painting fun!



### SCHEDULE:

#### SATURDAY

Please note that there is no point queuing up until 9:00 (especially if it's raining).

10:00 – 12:00 Earliest entry and registration

12:00           Opening ceremony

12:00 – 18:00 EXHIBITION AND  
                  COMPETITION

13:00 – 15:00 Workshop 1

16:00 – 18:00 Workshop 2

#### SUNDAY

Again, please note that there is no point queuing up until 9:30 AM.

10:00 – 16:00 EXHIBITION AND  
                  COMPETITION

11:00 – 13:00 Workshop 3

14:00 – 16:00 Workshop 4

17:00 – 18:00 Awards ceremony and closing

### The Legend of the Black Queen

There once was a lady who was very wicked towards her servants, and as she always wore black she became known as the Black Queen. Nobody was allowed to enter her lands and whoever did was arrested and thrown to the lions which she kept for just that reason, or was attacked by two eagles who were trained to pick out the eyeballs of their victims.

When the Turks raided throughout the Croatian lands, they didn't forget Medvedgrad. When they approached the fortress, the queen called her servants to defend the castle, but none came. She was in quite a predicament so she swore to the Devil that if he helped her she would give him Medvedgrad. Noone answered. Then she offered Medvedgrad and all the gold, but still noone answered. She then offered Medvedgrad and herself and the Devil repelled the Turks!

But now the Queen wanted to get rid of the curse so she proclaimed that she would give a hoard of treasure to anyone who would carry her around her fortress three times to lift the curse. A coal miner volunteered. The queen turned herself into a raven to make it easier for the coal miner to carry her but warned him not to be scared of anything that happens along the way. First they encountered wolves and lions but the coal miner pressed on, then snakes attacked him but still he walked on. As he was but a few steps from completing the task all at once the Devil appeared in front of him, his knees buckling he dropped the Queen. Later on a brigand volunteered but he also failed the test and so the Queen died cursed.

A couple of days after her death, one of the servants came to ask her for some money because his children were dying of hunger. He came to her chambers, knocked on the door but noone answered. He opened the door and found the Queen lying dead beside a viper. First he was scared but then he decided to take some coins. He went to the vault and found two chests, one filled with gold the other with silver. He noticed that lying on top of the gold there was another viper so he took the silver. Once outside he wanted to count the money but the silver turned to coal. He returned for the gold but the viper would not let him in, so he went home penniless.

To this day the viper lies outside the vault letting none in...



# Black Queen 2020

## Hobby & Miniature Painting Competition Entry Form

Name & Surname:  
(Ime i prezime:) \_\_\_\_\_

Club & Country / city:  
(klub i država / grad:) \_\_\_\_\_

GSM Number & e-mail:  
(Mob. i e-mail:) \_\_\_\_\_

Entry No1:  
(izložak broj 1:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No7:  
(izložak broj 7:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No2:  
(izložak broj 2:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No8:  
(izložak broj 8:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No3:  
(izložak broj 3:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No9:  
(izložak broj 9:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No4:  
(izložak broj 4:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No10:  
(izložak broj 10:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No5:  
(izložak broj 5:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No11:  
(izložak broj 11:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No6:  
(izložak broj 6:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

Entry No12:  
(izložak broj 12:) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of models / broj figura: \_\_\_\_\_  
Display base / Movement tray:   yes                   no

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Name & Surname:  
(Ime i prezime:) \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of entries:  
(Broj izložaka:) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of models (in all entries):  
Ukupan broj figura (u svim izlošcima:) \_\_\_\_\_