

Museum of Robots in Second Life Announces the Build-A-Robot Competition

Virtual World Museum of Robots Hosts Competition That Asks Residents to Create Robots to Wear and Display

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., May 28 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – Museum of Robots (www.MuseumofRobots.com) in Second Life announces the “Build-a-Robot” Competition, and invites all Second Life residents to participate. According to the organizers, “Our goal is to explore what a robot is, how it can be expressed within the parameters of Second Life, and to encourage creativity and originality. Our definition of ‘robot’ is unlimited: any creation that the designer thinks can be called a robot is acceptable.”



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Entrants receive a merchandise prize, with an additional Linden dollars cash prize pool awarded to the top 10 winners. Entries must be received by June 25, 2008. Winners will be selected by panels of judges and popular choice, and announced at an awards ceremony at Museum of Robots on July 19. Entry Classes include Standalone display, Wearable, and Homage to Classic Robots.

There is a maximum limit of 100 prims per entry. A “prim,” or primitive, is

the basic building unit in Second Life, and a goal of the competition is to encourage efficient Second Life building techniques.

Says Museum of Robots co-founder Vicki Kung (Bibi Bayliss in Second Life), "Our purpose in limiting the number of prims used in an entry is to challenge designers to efficiently work within strict prim limits, but we don't want to limit imagination or creativity. We're excited to see how designers interpret and explore 'robot' with limited building resources."

Competition rules are available at Museum of Robots and sponsoring locations in Second Life and on the Museum's web site. The Museum of Robots is located at [SLurl = <http://slurl.com/secondlife/Kubrick/98/161/26>].

About Museum of Robots

Museum of Robots is dedicated to the appreciation of robots. Its mission is to promote understanding of the place of robots in popular culture, art, and science and features exhibits, art, and special events. Current exhibits include: "The Art of Eric Joyner" featuring selected works from his upcoming book, "Robots and Donuts"; Celebrity Robots Hall of Fame, featuring famous robots of cinema and television; Toy Robots, featuring toy robots from a private collection, and Bot Shots, featuring robot photography.

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