

Thermoforming Institute's 27th Annual Spring Conference

March 9 - 12, 2008 * The Ritz-Carlton * Lake Las Vegas, NV

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A Business Unit of The Society of the Plastics Industry, Inc.

Thermoforming Institute National Awards (TINA) OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM AND PRODUCT DATA SHEET (Please provide one entry form for each submission)

Entry Deadline: Monday, March 3, 2008 (at 5:00 p.m. Pacific)

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

Best in Innovation - Thin Gauge

Criteria: Entry highlights creativity and a progression of state-of-the-art in the thermoforming process. Entries will be judged on the innovative use of process, design, materials and tooling. Innovation represents a change from what was previously accepted as general practice.

Best in Innovation - Heavy Gauge

Best in Application - Thin Gauge

Criteria: Entry highlights the creative problem solving of a product that successfully meets the customer's/product's needs. Entries will be judged on the application and use of process, design, materials and tooling.

Best in Application - Heavy Gauge

ADDITIONAL AWARD!!

Best in Show

This will be given to the entry that receives the highest numbers of votes from all entries in both categories combined.

PLEASE NOTE:

1. Companies are encouraged to enter more than one product in the competition categories.
2. Entry form must be accompanied by the appropriate fee.
3. A copy of this form must also accompany the product shipment. (Please include a picture or description of set-up of entry if no company representative will be present.)
4. Please send a photo of the entry (jpg. file preferred) to ktan@plasticsindustry.org for use at the conference.
5. **Deadline for entries is March 3, 2008.**

Please be sure that all sections of the following forms are completed, and sent to:

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SUBMITTED BY:

Company: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Company Representative: _____
Contact Person for Entry: _____
Telephone: (____) _____
Fax: (____) _____
E-Mail: _____

Product Name: _____
Customer Name: _____

Circle which category this part is to be entered:

Best in Innovation -
Thin Gauge
Best in Innovation -
Heavy Gauge
Best in Application -
Thin Gauge
Best in Application -
Heavy Gauge

1. Part Entry Description. Briefly describe the item, its purpose and why it should be considered for an award. Point out any unique qualities of design, manufacturing difficulty or other features. Emphasize the five most important details about the product that you would include in a press release. Awards will be determined on the basis of aesthetics, creativeness, functionality and design difficulty. (Attach additional sheet if necessary.)

2. Part Profile. Describe why your part is best suited for the category selected. Include information such as how did the design meet the client's goals, and how it benefits the end user. If the materials and/or processes used are ecologically responsible, explain how.

Material Used: _____
Gauge: _____
Design: _____
Tooling: _____
Other: _____

3. Design. Please state how the design was executed.

Design was done using CAD Mold flow analysis
Blueprints were required Finite element analysis
Other _____

4. End Market. Please state what end market the entry is designed for.

5. Material. Please do not use trade names. Why was this material selected?

6. Tooling.

Aluminum _____
Other _____
Molded-in Texture: Yes / No
Additional Information _____

7. Finishing.

 (for Heavy Gauge entries)

Acrylic N/A (unfinished) Clear Coats
Polyurethane Self-Texturing Water Base
Other _____
Number of coats required: _____
EMI/EFI Technique: _____

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8. Entry Handling and Display Information—please check one.

Entry will be: Hand carried
 Requires shipping

Display requires: Table Top
 Free Standing

Product Size/Dimensions: _____

Weight: _____

ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED:

- \$50 Per entry - Ti member companies
 \$100 per entry - SPI members, but not Ti members
 \$150 per entry - non-SPI members

Check (made payable to SPI Thermoforming Institute)

Entry Form sent by FAX (949) 261 - 6979. Payment to follow.

Credit Card

MC Visa AmEx

Acct # _____ Exp. Date _____

Cardholder Name _____

Signature _____

Please mail application and payment to:

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