

## SKILL LEVEL DEFINITIONS

### NOVICE

Entry level carvers with less than two years experience. Carvers must move up after winning 3 Blue Ribbons or Best in Show.

### INTERMEDIATE

Carvers whose skills exceed the novice level. Must move up after winning five blue ribbons or best in show in the intermediate level.

### ADVANCED

Carvers whose skills have advanced beyond the intermediate level. Must move to Masters after winning Best of Show in the advanced level.

### MASTER

Carvers who have won blue ribbons in the advanced skill level in a major competition. Carving and painting skills should exceed the advanced level.

### EXCELLENCE

Carvers who have attained the highest level carving and painting skills and have won blue ribbons in a major competition. Professional carvers; teaching carvers; carvers making significant money from the sale of carvings; and carvers who have won Best of Show at the masters level must enter this division.