

TOBY

TEDDY BEAR OF THE YEAR

2019 Public's Choice Awards

The Teddy Bear of the Year (TOBY) competition celebrates excellence in conception, design, and execution of teddy bears and soft-sculpture animals.

Photos of all the entries are reviewed by professionals within the teddy bear industry who evaluate each submission on:

- Overall aesthetic appeal
- Excellence in concept, design, and execution
- Quality of material and workmanship

The highest-scoring creations in each category receive a TOBY Industry's Choice Award and move on to the next round as the nominees for the TOBY Public's Choice Awards.

You be the judge!

We are pleased to announce the winners of the 2019 Teddy Bear of the Year (TOBY) Industry's Choice Awards. The Industry's Choice winners now become the nominees for the Public's Choice Awards, voted on by Teddy Bear Times & Friends readers.

And now for the nominees...

Miniature Dressed Artist Bear



Watson
Ginger Brame



Arthur
Donna Griffin



Sugar
Sayumi Koizumi

Miniature Dressed Artist Bear (cont.)



Captain Jack Sparrow
Natascha Sabo



Lady Aurelia
Dagmar Seibel

Miniature Undressed Artist Bear



Misha
Brenda Parker



Flora
Tracy Meier



Peter the Embroidered Bear
Nataliya Akimova



Criswell
Christie Kotz



Titan
Natascha Sabo

Small Dressed Artist Bear



Lady Rose
Yvonne Andrew



Cooper
Sandra Marie



Gordon
Nataliya Ryazanova



Unicycle Riding
Masae Hamagami



Emily
Eun Sook Ma

Small Undressed Artist Bear



Minho
Silke Hirschfelder



Gigio
Annalisa Taddei



Sable
Tracy Meier

Small Undressed Artist Bear (cont.)



Tootsie
Catharina Kammers



Polar Bear
Kurumi Hashino

Large Dressed Artist Bear



Teddy Puppeteer
Sue VanNattan



Mary
Kaeko Hayashida



Isaiah
Clare Maxted



Emerald the Peacock Fairy
Mireille Begijn



The Time Thief
Michele Freeman

Large Undressed Artist Bear



Raffaello
Tatyana Kazayeva



Kimey
Silke Hirschfelder



Kopernikus
Sandra Marie



Nilla Snowbear
Christie Kotz



Panda Bear Bamboo
Natalia Tolstykina

Miniature or Small Artist "Friend"



Ollie
Linda Joan Chiasson



Sjakko
Melanie Meulenberg-Ansems



Goldfish Cat
Kumiko and Masaru Nakano

Miniature or Small Artist "Friend" (cont.)



Hunter
Rob & Shane Elliott



Pug Puppy Pinolo
Kumiko and Masaru Nakano

Large Artist "Friend"



Mandrill Salvador
Natalia Tolstykina



It's Party Time!
Masako Kitao



Chico
Melanie Meulenberg-Ansems



Spica
Aiko Kawamoto



Olivia
Kaeko Hayashida

Nontraditional Materials Artist Bear or "Friend"



Marlene the Little Sphynx
Marina Goltyaeva



Eagle Alexander
Algirdas Mazgelis



Needle-Felted DikDik
Cindy-Lou Thompson



Kamil the Puppy Pug
Marina Goltyaeva



Ice Dragon
Natascha Sabo

Artist Set or Vignette



In the Secret Garden
Ginger Brame



Bostwick & Son: Restoration and Salvage
Pam Pontious

Artist Set or Vignette (cont.)



Ambrosius Alchemist Lab
Sabine Cheshire



The Tinkerers
Rob & Shane Elliott



Panda Ling and Chow Ming
Donna Griffin

Voting & More!

The TOBY Public's CHOICE winners will be announced in issue 245 of Teddy Bear Times & Friends magazine.

How to Vote:

Visit www.thetobyawards.com/ and fill out the online form to cast your vote.

Deadline to cast your vote is **December 1, 2019**.

Thank You to Our Judges!

We would like to thank all of our 2019 Judges for the time and effort spent deliberating on this year's Industry's Choice Awards. Thank you to collector and historian Rebekah Kaufman of My Steiff Life, William Morris Chief Operating Officer of Charlie Bears Ltd., and Joanne McDonald of Vectis Auctions Ltd. We would also like to thank Teddy Bear Times & Friends Head Editor, Jill Mundy for standing in as our Tie-breaker Judge.

Questions?

For any questions about voting in the TOBY Awards, please email hello@teddybeartimes.com

