



that the faceter competed in a world class faceting competition.

**NOTE: This competition is open to qualified faceters
worldwide.**

SHIPPING AND HANDLING

1. Place the stone in a **round** plastic gemstone display cup with foam insert and cap.
2. Place the following in a bubble-protected envelope:

The display cup containing the stone;

A bubble-protected self-addressed and stamped envelope (for returning the stone to the cutter);

A \$30.00 (U.S. equivalent) Postal Money Order order (made out to Charles L. Moon) or currency of the faceter's country to accompany the stones as entry fee.

3. Mail the package to:

Charles L. Moon
155 Myrtle Ct.
Arcata, CA 95521-6511

4. At the participant's discretion, packages should be sent by certified mail and/or insured.
5. Stones will be returned to the participant in the manner selected by the participant as in 4 above.
6. THE POSTMARK DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ENTRY FEE AND FOR SUBMITTING STONES WILL BE PUBLISHED IN A FOLLOWING NEWSLETTER.

Mr. Moon will code the stone (for anonymity), repack and send to a selected judge. The judged stone and comprehensive "mark-up sheet" will be returned to Mr. Moon who will decode, repackage the stone with score sheet and return to the individual contestant.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The announcement of the NORTH AMERICAN FACETING CHALLENGE on this page does not preclude a Single Stone competition in 2003. THERE WILL BE A 2003 SINGLE STONE COMPETITION for NOVICE, PREMASTERS, and MASTERS CLASSES, just as in the previous Single Stone Competitions.

*If a faceter is qualified to enter the the 2003 NAFC, the faceters is **not** prohibited from also entering the MASTERS CLASS/ PAST MASTERS DIVISION of the 2003 Single-Stone competition*

The **NORTH AMERICAN FACETING CHALLENGE (NAFC) for 2003** generally follows the same rules as our Guild's Single-Stone Competitions, with three exceptions.

First:

The NAFC will consist of only one faceting class, i.e.,

THE MASTERS

Second:

The NAFC is to be a competition among

WORLD CLASS FACETERS

Thus, each entrant will be required to supply evidence that world class faceting skill has been demonstrated in previous competitions sponsored by an organized guild or other judging events approved by the USFG Board Of Directors. The cutter must have entered at least two separate Masters and/or Past Masters Competitions with an average score of 90 to be qualified. Having entered a Masters successively followed by a Past Masters, per se, qualifies a cutter for the NAFC. Also, any faceter who has participated in the Australian International Faceting Challenge (IFC) is automatically qualified as a MASTER CLASS faceter and thus qualified to enter the NAFC without further proof of skill level.

Third:

**The NAFC will consist of Section A and Section B,
each requiring a**

STONE CUT FROM A SPECIFIC DESIGN.

The stone cutting designs, requirements and judging rules for the NAFC are contained on pages 23 through 26 of this newsletter.

The top scorers in all three classes in the NAFC will be awarded a trophy and a certificate. Other entries will receive a certificate of accomplishment. Certificates will contain acknowledgement