

# Salon Art - Natural Nails

## RULES & GUIDELINES

1. This is a soak of gel category judged on both technical and artistic criteria
2. Total time allocated is 1.5 hours.
3. Gel polish is to be applied on all nails across two hands and be finished in salon styled nail art.
4. Application is to be done on natural nails only.
5. Any shape or length is fine.
6. The model can come with pre-manicure nails but must have no product on the nail plate.
7. Products used can be any type of soak off colour gel; Gel polish, Gel art paint, foil gel, blooming gels etc
8. There is no limitation on Gel colours used
9. Foils, Glitter, studs, Rhinestones, Bullion beads, Pigments, chromes and Stamping is allowed.
10. no pre-assembled art allowed, all work must be created on the arena floor
11. Any art on the surface of the nail must not exceed 5mm in any direction
12. Nail glue is allowed
13. All products used during a manicure are allowed.
14. E-files are allowed
15. Cuticle oil is allowed
16. All general floor rules and guidelines apply.
17. Total points 110



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## JUDGING CRITERIA

### Nail Shape

Nail may be any shape but must be symmetrical with the top of the free edge filed smoothly.

### Application

Is the application clean with no product on the skin. Is the Gel applied as close to the nail fold as possible without flooding or excess buildup of product.

### Under Nail

No dust, debris or product under the nails.

### Smoothness

Does the nail feel perfectly smooth.

### High shine

is the entire surface of the nail finished in a high gloss. The topcoat is fully cured with no dull spots and any inhibition layer is removed.

### Product Control

Does the Polish cover the entire nail surface. Are the products applied evenly without streaks or transparent patches. If glitter or other nail art supplies are used, was it controlled and sitting where it was intended. with no bubbles or pitting

### Overall Impression

The judges will be looking at the total artistic element represented on each nail and that it is evenly distributed across the set.

### Expertise

This is looking at the overall level of difficulty for your division.

### Colour use.

Do the colours work well together and complement the design.

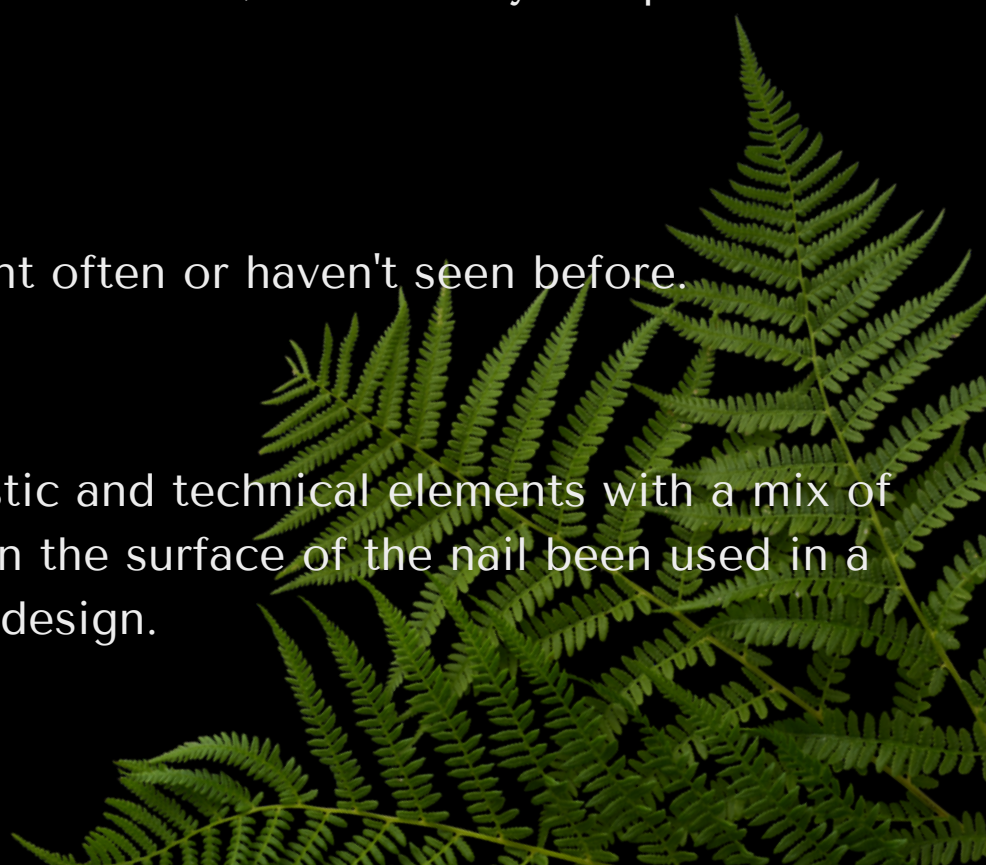
Do the colours used flow over the design through all 10 nails, and do they complement and have contrast.

### Uniqueness

Does the set show uniqueness, something you dont often or haven't seen before.

### Design

Do the nails show a creative collaboration of artistic and technical elements with a mix of products or technique used. Have any elements on the surface of the nail been used in a creative way and do they complement the overall design.





# Competition Divisions



## Floor

### NOVICE

never competed in a floor comp

### OPEN

Anyone who has competed on floor in a recognised competition

### MASTERS

Anyone who has placed first in open or higher in a recognised competition.

Limited spaces





# Placings

**1st Place**

**2nd Place**

**3rd Place**

**Highest Score**

Highest score percent achieved overall.

**Overall Winner**

Highest combined score when all Categories are entered.  
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