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**Category: Architectural landscape elements. Individuals.**

**X International Contest Festival “Ax Day”**

**August 15-20, 2017**

1. The purpose and intent of the “Ax Day” Contest Festival is to restore and sustain the traditions of wooden architecture, draw public attention to the restoration of traditional carpentry associated with woodworking.
2. Conditions of the contest in this category:
   1. This category is for individual artisans. One assistant is allowed.
   2. An artisan must at its own discretion select and build one of the six structures below for the contest:

* **Park bench.** You must construct a park bench out of 6m-long and 25-50mm-wide cut timber and logs (6 m in length, 150-300 mm in diameter). The bench must be at least 2m-long and capable of bearing the weight of 5-6 people at maximum.
* **Swingset.** You must construct a swingset out of 6m-long and 25-50mm-wide cut timber and logs (6 m in length, 150-300 mm in diameter). The swingset should be mounted not higher than at 2.5 m. Contestants must minimize free access to mechanical elements of the structure.
* **Merry-go-round.** You must construct a merry-go-round (1.5-3 m in diameter) out of 6m-long and 25-50mm-wide cut timber and logs (6 m in length, 150-300 mm in diameter). Contestants must minimize free access to mechanical elements of the structure.
* **Pedestrian overpass.** You must construct a pedestrian overpass (straight of arched) out of 6m-long and 25-50mm-wide cut timber and logs (6 m in length, 150-300 mm in diameter). Length of structure must be at least 5 m; height of railings at least 900 mm, height of intermediate kids’ railings must be at least 450 mm. Distance between rail posts must not exceed 200 mm. A zone with a bench on the overpass is a plus.
* **Entrance pillars.** You must construct two entrance pillars out of 6m-long (at least 500 mm in diameter) logs. Sculptures on the pillars must be mirrored or thematically connected. Height of woodcarving and sculptures must be at least 3.5 m. Foot of the pole must be at least 2.5 m. The part of the foot of the pole that goes underground must be treated with anti-rotting coating. The contestants are to install their structure themselves.
* **Flow of creativity.** You must construct any kind of structure of any size and shape to your liking out of 6m-long and 25-50mm-wide cut timber and logs (6 m in length, 150-300 mm in diameter).
  1. Priority is given to those structures that reflect national traditions of the corresponding contestants.
  2. The structures shall be made using power tools, gasoline-powered tools and hand tools.
  3. The contestants must use their own tools. Self-brought material is allowed.
  4. The contestants’ flow of thought should not be limited by style and construction requirements.
  5. Contestants must clean up their workplace.
  6. Application of anti-rotting coatings onto structures is mandatory.

1. Contest timing:

Beginning: August 15, 2017, end: August 20, 2017. Commencement of construction prior to the official start shall lead to demerit points during evaluation.

1. Evaluation criteria:
2. Artistic concept;
3. Quality of surface treatment;
4. Quality of woodcarving;
5. General look of the structure;
6. Structure’s durability and installation reliability;
7. Compliance with safety requirements;
8. National component.