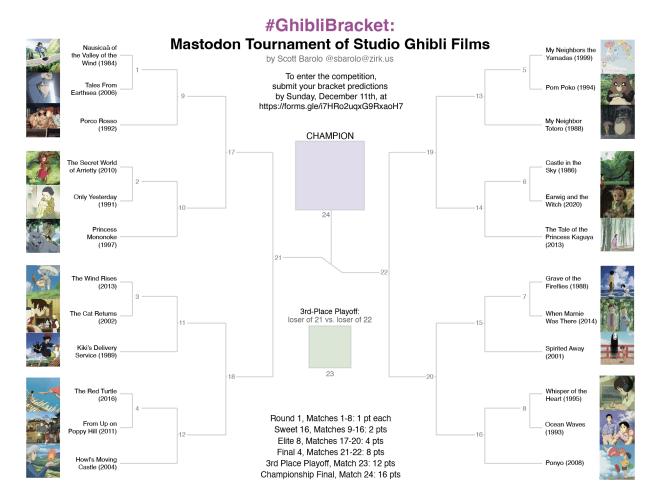
#GhiblilBracket Mastodon Tournament of Studio Ghibli Films: Rules and Links by Scott Barolo @sbarolo@zirk.us



Read all this stuff before you submit a bracket.

1. #GhibliBracket is a single-elimination tournament of the films released by Studio Ghibli. Each match is a Mastodon poll between 2 films. Matches will start on Monday, December 12th, 2022.

A PDF bracket showing all 24 matches can be downloaded at this link.

- 2. To enter a bracket into the competition:
- a. Donate equivalent of USD\$10 or more to any charity, if you can afford to. If you can't donate right now, see point 4.
 - b. Those with cushy jobs: maybe give more?
 - c. Download a bracket (see link above).
 - d. Fill it out by hand—it makes completing the online form much easier.

e. **Submit your predictions by Sunday, December 11th** using this Google Form: https://forms.gle/i7HRo2ugxG9RxaoH7

You can submit as many brackets as you like (at one charity donation each).

3. Any charity that helps alleviate suffering is fine. Don't send me money. The submission form will ask for the name of the charity you gave to (**on or after December 4th, 2022**).

After the tournament I will post links to the chosen charities of the bracketeers, so that others can donate. I won't reveal the amount donated.

4. If you can't afford to donate right now, you can still submit a bracket to the official competition.

Hopefully, generous donors will step forward to sponsor your bracket with a \$10 (or more) donation to any charity. *Please let me know (via Mastodon reply or DM) if you want to sponsor others.*

- 5. How you can help:
 - Make a donation to your charity of choice and enter the tournament!
 - Contact me to sponsor entries for those who can't afford to give to charity right now. Your \$10 donation to any charity will sponsor one person's entry.
 - Pledge to donate to one of the winning bracketeers' chosen charities!
 (There's a question about this on the Google form.) You aren't obligated to give to any cause you don't like. You can pledge to one of the top 10 bracketeers' chosen charities, or to the top-scoring bracket that picks your favorite crayon as the winner, or to the *lowest-scoring* bracket—whatever you want. This is a way of multiplying people's donations.

6. Scoring and winning

The bracket with the most points wins; ties are broken by the number of matches predicted correctly. Points awarded for each match are listed on the bottom of the bracket form. Any conflicts or ambiguities will be resolved by me, as needed, as the final arbiter. Entering the contest indicates your agreement to the above. No one should send me money at any time.

When it's all over I will post the top-scoring bracketeers and the charities they gave to (but not the amounts), to bring more attention to your favorite

charity. Those who pledged to do so will make donations to one of the top 10 bracketeers' chosen charities.

May the odds be ever in your favor!
—Scott

<u>Here's the link again for submitting your bracket predictions</u> by Sunday the 11th. The first match-ups will begin on Monday.