

Artificer Guild Master Recognition Requirements

Years of involvement required in Belegarth or a similar organization: at least 8.
(If years of involvement are in an organization other than Belegarth, you may skip Apprenticeship but must serve at least a year as a Journeyman before being promoted to Master.)

Must be competent in at least one secondary skill.

Must provide a digital portfolio of Belegarth-related work, showing a progression in skill, with notations regarding construction and lessons learned. The portfolio should include at least 5 items, but not more than 15, with no more than 75 photographs detailing the work. If the work cannot be captured by photography (i.e. music) please use an alternative appropriate form of recording. Both primary and secondary skill should be included.

Must submit a Master's Tutorial. The tutorial should relate to your primary skill and may be of any length and complexity.

The portfolio and tutorial should be EMAILED to belegarth.artificer.guild@gmail.com.

The work shown must demonstrate the pursuit of excellence and show foresight, knowledge, and skill. Projects should demonstrate a high level of difficulty with good evidence of time spent researching, experimenting, and honing skills. For example, a Master of crafts such as sewing or leatherworking must demonstrate a very strong understanding of the material used, as well as excellent design, thoughtful construction, and careful finishing techniques. Aesthetics, innovation, durability, and situational appropriateness will be considered. For skills other than crafts, such as music or cooking, the proposed Master must demonstrate an understanding of the various genres within their skill, be able to both plan and execute extremely well, and be able to produce a product that is complex and serves the needs of the people and culture of Belegarth. In all cases, the willingness and determination to continuously develop personal skills and also improve Belegarth as a whole must be evident.

The proposed Master should demonstrate a pattern of perseverance in the following areas:

- *Involvement and interaction with the people of Belegarth and related organizations
- *Research and development of skill
- *Craftsmanship, innovation, and artistry
- *Teaching