

# TWIPYs Media Categories Removal Statement

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With input from the TWIPY Committee as well as members of the pinball community, I have decided that the TWIPY Pinball Awards (TWIPYs) will no longer include any media categories. I determined that these categories were no longer meeting our mission of celebrating the pinball hobby and were instead lending to a toxic environment within the community. I'm very sorry to those pinball content creators who worked hard to become eligible, especially those in the "new" categories. The categories removed from the 2023 voting will be the following:

~~Favorite Pinball Streamer~~

~~Favorite New Pinball Streamer~~

~~Favorite Pinball Podcast~~

~~Favorite New Pinball Podcast~~

~~Favorite Pinball YouTube Channel~~

~~Favorite New Pinball YouTube Channel~~

~~Favorite Pinball Website~~

**Our Mission:** The TWIPY Pinball Awards are a celebration of the pinball hobby! The TWIPYs are a "People's Choice" type awards, where the public votes for their favorites in the pinball world as we celebrate pinball excellence.

The final categories for the voting period starting on **Dec. 18th, 2023**, will be the following:

## TWIPY 2023 CATEGORIES

Game specific Categories:

**Best Theme**

**Best Animations and Display**

**Best Toys and Mechs**

**Best Sound (Music, Callouts, and Sound Effects)**

**Best Rules – Lyman F. Sheats Jr. Award**

**Best Playfield Gameplay and Layout**

**Best Artwork**

**Game of the Year**

**Other Categories:**

**Favorite Pinball Mod of 2023 (third-party mods only)**

**Favorite Home Brew Pinball Machine**

**Favorite Pinball Convention/Event**

**Favorite Pinball Location**

**Favorite Pinball Topper of 2023**

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