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Subject: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [bartv](#) on Fri, 12 Apr 2013 14:30:18 GMT  
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(Image: '30 pencil icosahedron' by Michiel Cornelissen)

This weekend's contest is slightly different: we're not going to design anything. Instead, I'll assume that you already have an amazing collection of Shapeways prints at your place. The challenge then is to make the best product photograph you can! Here are some great pointers to get you started. Experiment with lighting, setting, composition, and make the best entry.

You have until Monday evening 18:00, GMT+1 to come up with your ideas!

How to enter

To enter this contest, just place the photograph in a reply (upload the image, and click 'Insert image into message body' to embed it in your forum message). Feel free to add a link to your product, of course.

Who wins?

You decide! Visit the model that you like most, and add it to your favorites. The model with the most votes wins.

What's the prize?

Eternal fame! Kudos from the Shapeways team! Riches! Okay, well, the winner will get a \$25 gift certificate.

That's all?

Yep, just grab your camera, rearrange the room and shoot those pictures!

Bart

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [davidnichols](#) on Fri, 12 Apr 2013 17:21:06 GMT  
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Here's a shot I took the other day of a few different Sutro Tower models I've been working on.  
Enjoy!

The product can be found here: <http://www.shapeways.com/model/901435/sutro-280mm-tall.html>

David

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [gevil](#) on Fri, 12 Apr 2013 17:25:05 GMT  
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this is my soap dish. my wife did the photo with a Canon 5DII and an 50mm 1.4 lens.  
hope you guys like it. it's great for keeping the soap dry.

soap not included.

if anyone want one, here's the link.

<http://www.shapeways.com/model/837294/niemeyer-soap-dish.htm> I

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [trishycakes](#) on Sat, 13 Apr 2013 02:55:29 GMT  
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Throwing my hat...er...horn into the ring. Shot this while prepping my cosplay photoshoot this evening.

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [fdecomite](#) on Sat, 13 Apr 2013 10:50:35 GMT  
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Hi,  
here is my contribution for this weekend contest  
Available at my shop : <http://shpws.me/llZq>

Francesco

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [trishycakes](#) on Sat, 13 Apr 2013 11:41:42 GMT  
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My link disappeared so it would be:  
<http://www.shapeways.com/model/767868/unicorn-horn.html>

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [Gromfrog](#) on Sun, 14 Apr 2013 13:32:58 GMT  
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I finally had some time to enter this week, so i thought that i should get a better picture for my Espresso Machine Model as the current ones aren't great.

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [Gromfrog](#) on Sun, 14 Apr 2013 13:40:47 GMT  
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The link did not appear in my previous post, not sure why but here you can view the model.  
<http://www.shapeways.com/model/784738/espresso-machine-with-24-cups.html>

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [lensman](#) on Mon, 15 Apr 2013 17:14:16 GMT  
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Nice pic, gevil, but doesn't that holder then let the soap drip all over the counter-top?

Glenn

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [trishycakes](#) on Tue, 16 Apr 2013 02:24:32 GMT  
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@Gromfrog The espresso/cafe is adorable!  
@Francesco The shadows are killer in this photo!

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Subject: Re: Weekend Contest #8: Product Photography  
Posted by [bartv](#) on Tue, 16 Apr 2013 09:20:21 GMT  
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Hey all,

Good heavens! Look at all those gorgeous photos! To be honest, I think everyone should be a winner this week - but I only have one gift coupon to give away

Instead, let me write down what I liked about each photo:

@davidnichols - we know how HARD it is to photograph products in White Strong & Flexible well, but your image is stunning. Do you care to tell us a bit more about how you achieved it?

@gevil - beautiful warm atmosphere and great use of depth of field. This one looks like it comes straight from a home deco catalog.

@trishycakes - I love the humor in your pic

@fdecomite - Oh wow, the colors and shadow work together amazingly well!

@Gromfrog - Awesome photography, and you can really tell that you put a lot of work into putting this composition together.

After a lot of thought, I've chosen to proclaim Gromfrog the winner of this weekend's contest - the entire composition has been created especially for this one product and it really shows off its qualities.

Congratulations Gromfrog!

Keep those great pics coming everyone! Shops that look better sell better as well

Until next weekend!

Bart