Advance registration is encouraged. Contestants are to check in the day of the event prior to beginning work. Contestant will receive participant sign to be staked in work area. The working area will be 15 ft x 15 ft.

1) Have fun. Anything goes, you don’t need to be a pro to enter. This contest is for everyone.

2) Sand sculpture is to be made from sand and water only. No additives of any kind (sugar, flour, glue, paint, etc) may be used. Bring large buckets to transfer water from the ocean.

3) Hand tools (shovels, rakes, trowels, etc) only. No mechanical tools may be used in building or carving sculpture. Sprayers to keep sand moist are acceptable. Forms and aids may be used for construction but must be removed before final judging.

4) Only objects found naturally on the beach may be used in the sculpture. “Foreign” objects found on beach may not be used. No added colors, props, objects, etc.

5) Open to any age for individuals or teams. If a child is helped by an adult or anyone else it is considered a team. Team size is limited to 6 people. Prizes may be awarded for individual and teams depending on participation.

6) Any materials brought to beach must be removed after contest. Please help keep our beaches clean.

Judging will occur between 3 - 3:30 pm, contestants must be present to win.

TIPS
Have a plan before starting. Pack your sand very hard and use LOTS of water. Use mounds or stacks of very wet sand then carve out the shape you want. Use deep cuts and features to add detail to the sculpture.

As to theme: of course architectural themes are encouraged, but any seaside theme can win. Try to convey a story - like a one panel comic strip. Combine many different “icons” into a collage instead of having one large element [i.e. carve a reef theme instead of a fish].

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