

BASIC ELEMENTS OF AN "ACHIEVEMENT" SCROLL

In An Tir, Achievement Scrolls are created for awards that convey an Award, Grant or Patent of Arms. These include; the Award of Arms, the Court Barony, the Order of the Goutté de Sang, the Order of the Grey Goose Shaft, the Ordo Hastae Leonis, the Order of the Jambe de Lion, the Ordre du Lion et de la Lance, the Order of the White Scarf, the Order of Chivalry, the Order of the Laurel, the Order of the Pelican, the Viscounty, the County and the Duchy.

Achievement Scrolls are only created for recipients who have registered a name and heraldic device with the College of Arms. The text must include the recipient's name (spelled exactly as it is registered) and the recipient's registered device blazon.

Standard examples of scroll texts are available. Moreover, wordsmithing a scroll text is encouraged as long as the final text has been approved by Sable Sable and Black Lion Principal Herald. Their Royal Majesties' approval must also be obtained for awards intended to be presented during Their reign. In addition, the award recipient should be consulted for post-award assignments or commissions.

The words on an Achievement Scroll record the particulars of Their Royal Majesties' gift and must include:

~ THE ADDRESS ~

names the intended audience

To all whom these presents shall come...

~ THE INTITULATION ~

states the title(s) and names(s) of the Royalty

We <name of sovereign>, **by right of arms** [King/Queen] An Tir and, <name of consort>, [King/Queen] An Tir...

~ THE NOTIFICATION and EXPOSITION ~

declares the deeds and name(s) of the recipient(s)

having weighed well the remarkable works and labors of <name(s) of recipient(s)>...

~ THE DISPOSITION ~

identifies the gift

do bestow upon [him/her] a <name of award> **and the sole and exclusive right to bear the arms** <blazon> ...

~ THE CORROBORATION and DATE ~

gives the verification, validation and date

all this We do confirm by Our hand and seal this <day> **of** <month>, **anno societatis** <year>.

~ THE AFFIRMATION ~

affirms the arms

I, Black Lion Herald, do attest that this document bears true arms.

The design of an Achievement Scroll must include the heraldic Badge of the order - if there is one. Adequate space must be provided for the placement of Their Royal Majesties' signatures and either the Kingdom Great Seal or Signet Seal. Space must be provided for the Black Lion Principal Herald's signature and seal as well. It is acceptable to affix the seals in pendant form.

The design must always incorporate the recipient's Heraldic Achievement. An achievement includes the recipient's personal heraldry along with various heraldic elements as are accorded to the rank of the award. Some achievement elements are optional, See the An Tir Achievement Customs for the list of elements and how to use them.