

Recent StrateGems Awards

Note: Only the last three years are shown. For additional information, please email questions to Mike Prcic (Tuzlak@aol.com)

StrateGems 2007 #3 Award

By Eugene Fomichev

1st Prize - (Leonid Makaronez and Semion Shifrin - M0624)

2nd Prize - (Vladimir Kozhakin - M0596)

1st Honorable Mention - (Michael Keller - M0669)

2nd Honorable Mention - (Aaron Hirschenson - M0665)

Commendations without ranking:

Commendation - (Leonid Makaronez - M0661)

Commendation - (Arieh Grinblat - M0645)

Commendation - (Herb Holden - M0640)

Commendation - (Mike Prcic - M0642)

StrateGems 2007 Moremovers Award

Judge: Oto Mihalčič

1st Prize - (Ioannis Kalkavouras - M0675)

2nd Prize - (Arieh Grinblat - M0673)

3rd Prize - (Eugene Fomichev & Rauf Aliovsadzade - M0671)

1st Honorable Mention - (Leonid Lyubashevsky & Mikhail Satanovsky - M0672)

2nd Honorable Mention - (Leonid Makaronez & Leonid Lyubashevsky - M0627)

3rd Honorable Mention - (Leonid Makaronez & Leonid Lyubashevsky - M0609)

1st Commendation - (Mike Prcic - M0652)

2nd Commendation - (Herb Holden - M0670)

3rd Commendation - (Danny Dunn - M0626)

StrateGems 2006-2007 Studies Award

By Axel Ornstein

1st Prize - (Alexei Sochniev - E0116)

2nd Prize - (Richard Becker & Iuri Akobia - E0117)

3rd Prize - (Pal Benko & Peter Gyarmati - E0106)

1st Honorable Mention - (Richard Becker - E0109)

2nd Honorable Mention - (Gerhard Josten - E0105)

3rd Honorable Mention - (C. Bill Jones - E0122)

Commendations in the order of appearance:

Commendation - (Rashid Khatiamov - E0107)

Commendation - (János Mikitovics & Ervin Jánosi - E0114)

Commendation - (Richard Becker - E0129)

Commendation - (Steven B. Dowd & Mark Ylijoki - E0131)

Commendation - (C. Bill Jones - E0138)

Commendation - (Mirko Marković - E0139)

StrateGems 2007 h#n Award

by Fadil Abdurahmanović

1st Prize - (Rolf Wiehagen and Mirko Degenkolbe - H1234)

2nd Prize - (Václav Kotěšovec - H1207)

3rd Prize - (Dan Meinking - H1185)

Special Prize - (Guy Sobrecases - H1202)

Special Prize - (Marko Ylijoki - H1206)

Honorable Mentions and Commendations are without ranking:

Honorable Mention - (G. Chumakov and R. Aliovsadzade - H1184)

Honorable Mention - (Walter Diaz - H1204)

Honorable Mention - (Robert J. Bales Jr. - H1233)

Honorable Mention - (Jorge Lois and Roberto Osorio - H1260)

Commendation - (Christopher Jones - H1181)

Commendation - (Robert J. Bales Jr. - H1200)

Commendation - (Reinhardt Fiebig and Rolf Wiehagen - H1259)

Commendation - (Mirko Degenkolbe, Steven Dowd and Boško Milošeski - H1261)

StrateGems 2007 h#3 Award

by Živko Janevski

1st Prize - (Viktor Chepizny - H1252)
2nd Prize - (Christopher Jones - H1223)
1st Honorable Mention - (György Bakcsi & László Zoltán - H1247)
2nd Honorable Mention - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - H1220)
3rd Honorable Mention - (Chris Feather - H1199)
1st Commendation - (Christopher Jones - H1251)
2nd Commendation - (Martin Moskowitz - H1197)
3rd Commendation - (Radovan Tomašević - H1194)

StrateGems 2007 – Series-movers & Stalemates Award

by Václav Kotěšovec

Prize - (Steven Dowd - C0219)

Commendations without order:

Commendation - (Unto Heinonen - C0214)
Commendation - (George P. Sphicas - C0235)
Commendation - (Christopher Jones - Q0192)
Commendation - (Guy Sobrecases - Q0194v)
Commendation - (Dan Meinking - Q0199)
Commendation - (Unto Heinonen - Q0208)

StrateGems 2007 Twomovers Award

by Viktor Chepizhny

1st Prize - (Aaron Hirschenson - T0619)
2nd Prize - (Marko Guida - T0606)
3rd Prize - (Dragan Stojnić - T0604)
1st Honorable Mention - (Emanuel Navon - T0613)
2nd Honorable Mention - (Evgeny Bourd - T0601)
3rd Honorable Mention - (Živko Janevski - T0596)
4th Honorable Mention - (Semion Shifrin - T0594)
5th Honorable Mention - (Frank Richter - T0584)
6th Honorable Mention - (John Rice - T0598)
1st Commendation - (Givi Mosiashvili - T0595)
2nd Commendation - (Marjan Kovačević - T0612)
3rd Commendation - (Marko Guida - T0616)
4th Commendation - (Yoel Aloni - T0587)
5th Commendation - (Rainer Paslak - T0589)
6th Commendation - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - T0605)

Revised SG2007 h#n Award

Second Prize, Václav Kotěšovec, is anticipated by Kari Karhunen, Soumen Tehtavaniekat 1997, Commended, h#24 wKh1 Bf1 Pa5-c5-c6-e2-f3-f4-f6-g2 (10)—bKa8 Pa7-a6-c7-e3-f7-f5-g3 (8) **Solution:** 1.Kb8 Kg1 2.Kc8 3.Kd8 4.Kg6 5.Kf8 6.Kg8 7.Kh7 8.Kg6 9.Kf6 10.Ke6 11.Kd5 2.Kc5 13.Kc6 14.Kb7 Kh1 15.c5 Kg1 19.c1S Kg1 20.Se2+ Kh1 21.Sd4 Ba6+ 22.Ka8 Bc8 23.Sc6 a6 24.Sb8 Bb7#

The problem is eliminated from the award and Dan Meinking moves to the 2nd Prize.

StrateGems 2007 Fairies Award

by Kjell Widlert, FIDE International Judge

1st Prize – (Petko Petkov – F0655)
2nd Prize – (Franz Pachl & Dieter Müller – F0692)
3rd Prize – (Petko Petkov – F0678)
4th Prize – (Mario Parrinello – F0663)
1st Honorable Mention – (Guy Sobrecases – F0652)
2nd Honorable Mention – (Mario Parrinello – F0665)
3rd Honorable Mention – (Ion Murărașu – F0691)
4th Honorable Mention – (Václav Kotěšovec – F0659)
5th Honorable Mention – (Petko Petkov – F0690)
6th Honorable Mention – (Franz Pachl & Sven Trommler – F0656)
7th Honorable Mention – (Krassimir Gandev – F0671)
8th Honorable Mention – (Mario Parrinello – F0688)
9th Honorable Mention – (Petko Petkov – F0670)
10th Honorable Mention – (Petko Petkov – F0677)

Commendations without order.

Commendation – (Chris Feather – F0667) Commendation – (Michal Dragoun – F0668)
Commendation – (Mario Parrinello – F0669)
Commendation – (Joahim Iglesias & Guy Sobrecases – F0680)
Commendation – (Franz Pachl & Dieter Müller – F0693)
Commendation – (Chris Feather – F0694)

Commendation – (Mario Parrinello – F0695)

Commendation – (Vito Rallo – F0698)

StrateGems 2008 #2 Award

by Evgeny Bourd

1th Prize - (David Shire - T0653)

2nd Prize - (Givi Mosiashvili - T0640)

3rd Prize - (Robert Burger - T0623)

4th Prize - (Marco Guida - T0644)

5th Prize - (Givi Mosiashvili - T0634)

1st Honorable Mention - (Dragan Stojnić – T0654)

2nd Honorable Mention - (Valentin Rudenko & Viktor Melnichenko† - T0632, improved version)

3rd Honorable Mention - (Paz Einat – T0631)

4th Honorable Mention - (Zoran Gavrilovski – T0641)

Commendations in order of publication.

Commendation - (Dragan Stojnić – T0645)

Commendation - (Arieh Grinblat – T0646)

Commendation - (Robert Lincoln - S43,P165,N16)

Commendation - (Emanuel Navon – T0650)

StrateGems 2008 Studies Award

by Alain Pallier

Prize - (Franjo Vrabec - E0149)

Special Prize - (Vladimir Neishtadt - E0147)

1st-2nd Honorable Mention - (János Mikitovics - E0152)

1st-2nd Honorable Mention - (Richard Becker - E0146)

3rd Honorable Mention - (Steven Dowd & Dan Meinking - E0155)

1st Commendation - (Mirko Marković - E0142)

2nd Commendation - (Vladimir Nikitin - E0159)

StrateGems 2008 h#n Award

by Mike Prcic

1st Prize - (Reinhardt Fiebig & Rolf Wiehagen - H1312)

2nd Prize - (Martin Moskovich† - H1333)

3rd Prize - (Daniel Novomesky - H1307)

1st Honorable Mention - (Misha Shapiro - H1287)

2nd Honorable Mention - (Viktor Chepizhny - H1284)

Commendations in the order of publication.

Commendation - (Guy Sobrecases & Jacques Rotenberg - H1281) Commendation - (Zlatko Mihajloski - H1308)

Commendation - (Guy Sobrecases & Jacques Rotenberg - H1352)

Commendation - (Robert J. Bales Jr. - H1353)

StrateGems 2008 Proof Games Award

by Radovan Tomašević

1st Prize - (Silvio Baier - P0234)

2nd Prize - (RobertoOsorio/Jorge Lois - P0227)

Special Prize - (Kevin Begley/Kostas Prentos - P0220)

1st Honorable Mention - (Nicolas Dupont - P0229)

2nd Honorable Mention - (Paul Răican - P0233)

1st Commendation - (Paul Răican - P0221).

2nd Commendation - (James Soliman - P0226)

StrateGems 2008 h#2 Award

by Živko Janevski

1st Prize - (Viktor Chepizhny - H1320)

2nd Prize - (Francesco Simoni - H1337)

3rd Prize e.a. - (Nikola Stolev - H1272v)

3rd Prize e.a. - (Fadil Abdurahmanović & Mike Prcic - H1268v)

1st Honorable Mention - (Almiro Zarur - H1339)

2nd Honorable Mention - (Zoran Sibinović - H1292)

1st Commendation - (Francesco Simoni - H1273)

2nd Commendation - (Vitaly Medintsev - H1294)
3rd Commendation - (Newman Guttman - H1289)
4th Commendation - (Misha Shapiro H1340)

StrateGems 2008 h#3 Award

by Petko A. Petkov

1st Prize - (Nikola Stolev - H1351)
2nd Prize - (Živko Janevski - H1350)
1st Honorable Mention - (Manachem Witztum & Jean Haymann - H1297)
2nd Honorable Mention - (Christopher Jones - H1349)
3rd Honorable Mention - (Viktor Zaitsev & Alexandr Bulavka - H1328)
Commendation - (Mike Prcic - H1345)
Commendation - (Guy Sobrecases - H1341)
Commendation - (Henk Weenink - H1278)
Commendation - (Mecislovas Rimkus - H1348)

StrateGems 2008 #n Award

by Eugene Fomichev

1st-2nd Prize - (Hans Peter Rehm - M0735)
1st-2nd Prize - (Alexander Melnichuk & Nikolai Kharchishin - M0766)
Special Prize - (Alexander Sygurov - M0705)
1st Honorable Mention - (Mikhail Kostylev & Alexander Melnichuk - M0764)
2nd Honorable Mention - (Rainer Ehlers - M0692)
3rd Honorable Mention - (Zoran Sibinović - M0691)

Commendations in order of publication.

Commendation - (Rauf Aliovsadzade & Leonid Makaronez - M0706)
Commendation - (Alexander Feoktistov - M0708)
Commendation - (Rauf Aliovsadzade - M0738)
Commendation - (Arieh Grinblat - M0763)
Commendation - (Anatoly Stepochkin - M0767)

StrateGems 2008 Retros Award

by Radovan Tomašević (Zaječar-Serbia)

Orthodox problems

Prize - (Dimitry Baibikov - R0141v)
Honorable Mention - (Barry Keith - R0146)

Heterodox problems

1st-2nd Prize - (Dragan Petrović - R0145)
1st-2nd Prize - (Klaus Wenda and Vlaicu Crisan - R0147)
3rd Prize - (Klaus Wenda - R0144)
Honorable Mention - (Wolfgang Dittmann and Vlaicu Raican - R0107v)

Commendations without order.

Commendation - (Wolfgang Dittmann - R0100v)
Commendation - (Thomas Volet and Noam Elkies - R0143)
Commendation - (Vlaicu Crisan - R0148)

Mike Prcic Jubilee Tourney (MP-70JT) Award 2010

1st Prize - (Unto Heinonen)
2nd Prize - (Jorge Joaquim Lois)
3rd Prize - (Fadil Abdurahmanović)
4th Prize - (Yosi Retter)
5th Prize - (Harald Grubert)
6th Prize - (Alesandr Semenenko)
7th Prize - (Reinhardt Fiebig)
8th Prize - (Christer Jonsson)
9th Prize - (Walter A. Diaz)
10th Prize - (Christer Jonsson)
1st Honorable Mention - (Vladimir Tyapkin & Gennady Chumakov)
2nd Honorable Mention - (Zlatko Mihajloski)
3rd Honorable Mention - (Harald Grubert)

- 4th Honorable Mention - (Nikola Predrag)
- 5th Honorable Mention - (Unto Heinonen)
- 6th Honorable Mention - (Nikola Predrag)
- 7th Honorable Mention - (Zlatko Mihajloski)
- 8th Honorable Mention - (Arpad Molnar)
- 9th Honorable Mention - (Ingemar Lind)
- 10th Honorable Mention - (Christopher Jones)

Commendation are not rated, thus they are all equal.

- Commendation - (Antanas Vilkauskas)
- Commendation - (Rolf Wiehagen & Mirko Degenkolbe)
- Commendation - (Christer Jonsson)
- Commendation - (Unto Heinonen)
- Commendation - (Guy Sobrecases)
- Commendation - (Antonio Garofalo)
- Commendation - (Ioannis Garoufalidis)
- Commendation - (Bob Lincoln)
- Commendation - (Unto Heinonen)
- Commendation - (Nikola Predrag)
- Commendation - (Tomislav Petrović)
- Commendation - (Ingemar Lind)

Good Companions Quick Composing Tourneys, 2010

Section-A: Parry Series

Judge: Dan Meinking

- 1st Prize - (Vlaicu Crisan & Ion Murărasu)
- 2nd Prize - (Ralf Krätschmer)
- 3rd Prize - (Ion Murărasu)
- 4th Prize - (Ricardo de Mattos Vieira)
- 5th Prize - (Bojan Bašić)
- Special Prize - (Cornel Pacurar & Arno Tüngler)
- 1st Honorable Mention - (Ion Murărasu)
- 2nd Honorable Mention - (Mark Kirtley)
- 3rd Honorable Mention - (Ivan Skoba & Arno Tüngler)
- 4th Honorable Mention - (Cornel Pacurar)
- 1st Commendation - (Dieter Müller)
- 2nd Commendation - (Geoff Foster)
- 3rd Commendation - (Dieter Müller & Michael Barth)
- 4th Commendation - (Ralf Krätschmer)

Section-B: Proofgames

Judge: Gianni Donati

- 1st Prize - (Dan Meinking)
- 2nd Prize - (Itamar Faybish)
- 3rd Prize - (Michel Caillaud)
- 4th Prize - (Michel Caillaud)
- 5th Prize - (Roberto Osorio & Jorge Lois)
- 1st Honorable Mention - (Andrey Frolkin & Kostas Prentos)
- 2nd Honorable Mention - (Andrey Frolkin & Kostas Prentos)
- 3rd Honorable Mention - (Itamar Faybish)
- 4th Honorable Mention - (Itamar Faybish)
- 5th Honorable Mention - (Roberto Osorio & Jorge Lois)
- 6th Honorable Mention - (Ion Murărasu & Vlaicu Crisan)
- Commendation - (Itamar Faybish)
- Commendation - (Itamar Faybish)
- Commendation - (Kostas Prentos & Mario Parrinello)
- Commendation - (Kostas Prentos & Andrey Frolkin)
- Commendation - (Roberto Osorio & Jorge Lois)

StrateGems 2009 Retros Award

Judge: Hans Gruber

- 1st Prize - (Dragan Lj. Petrović - R0149)
- 2nd Prize - (Wolfgang Dittmann - R0153)

StrateGems 2009 Proof Games Award

Judge: Hans Gruber

- 1st Prize - (Jorge Lois & Roberto Osorio - P0248)
- 2nd Prize - (Silvio Baier - P0249)

- 1st Honorable Mention - (Gianni Donati - P0242)
- 2nd Honorable Mention - (Kostas Prentos & James Soliman - P0246)
- 1st Commendation - (Kostas Prentos - P0254)
- 2nd Commendation - (Paul Monsky - P0257)

StrateGems 2008 Series-movers and Stalemates Award

Judge: Petko A. Petkov

- Prize - (Robert J. Bales Jr. - C0238)
- Special Prize - (Václav Kotěšovec - C0263)
- 1st Honorable Mention - (Stephan Dietrich - 0256)
- 2nd Honorable Mention - (Václav Kotěšovec - C0262)
- 3rd Honorable Mention - (Steven Dowd - C0245)
- Commendation - (Zoltán Laborczy - C0243)
- Commendation - (Robert J. Bales Jr. - C0261)
- Commendation - (Zoltán Laborczy - C0246)

Strategems 2009 Threemovers Award

Judge: Bob Burger

- 1st Prize - (Leonid Makaronez & Alexander Sygurov - M0805)
- 2nd Prize - (Michael Keller - M0776)
- 3rd Prize - (Januarta Simadhinata - M0829)
- 4th Prize - (Arieh Grinblat - M0833)
- Special Prize - (Mike Prcic - M0862)
- 1st/2nd Honorable Mention, ex aequo - (Richard Becker - M0817)
- 1st/2nd Honorable Mention, ex aequo - (Valery Ivanov - M0844)
- 3rd Honorable Mention - (Leonid Lyubashevsky and Leonid Makaronez - M0832)
- 4th Honorable Mention - (Valentin Rudenko and Viktor Chepizhny - M0830)
- 5th Honorable Mention - (Alexander Melnichuk, Valentin Khupchenko, and Vitaly Shevchenko - M0774)
- Commendation - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - M0773)
- Commendation - (Mike Prcic - M0775)
- Commendation - (Eugene Fomichev - M0777)
- Commendation - (Leonid Makaronez - M0779)
- Commendation - (Vladimir Kozhakin - M0794)
- Commendation - (Pavel Neistadt - M0800)
- Commendation - (Mahir Mammadov and Alexander Melnichuk - M0801)
- Commendation - (Vasily Malyuk - M0802)
- Commendation - (Evgeni Bourd and Arieh Grinblat - M0806)
- Commendation - (Pavel Neistadt - M0807)
- Commendation - (Herb Holden - M0823)
- Commendation - (Vasily Malyuk - M0825)
- Commendation - (Mikhail Matrenin and Alexander Melnichuk - M0827)
- Commendation - (Valery Kopyl - M0834)
- Commendation - (Alexander Melnichuk and Vladimir Kozhakin - M0850)
- Commendation - (Gennady Zgerski - M0855)
- Commendation - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - M0856)

StrateGems 2009 Moremovers Award

Judge: Zlatko Mihajloski

- 1st Prize - (Mikhail Marandyuk - M0839)
- 2nd Prize - (Arieh Grinblat & Evgeny Bourd - M0836)
- 3rd Prize - (Valery Kirillov & Grigory Popov - M0842)
- 4th Prize - (Leonid Lyubashevsky & Mikhail Satanovsky - M0868)
- 1st Honorable Mention - (Ramutis Souzenas - M0865)
- 2nd Honorable Mention - (Leonid Makaronez - Leonid Lyubashevsky - M0837)
- 3rd Honorable Mention - (Leonid Makaronez - Leonid Lyubashevsky - M0866)
- 4th Honorable Mention - (Oto Mihalko - M0786)
- 5th Honorable Mention - (Mike Prcic - M0811)
- 1st Commendation - (Eugene Fomichev - M0841)
- 2nd Commendation - (Marcel Doré - M0871)
- 3rd Commendation - (Richard Becker - M0781)
- 4th Commendation - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - M0813)
- 5th Commendation - (Godehard Murkish & Edwin D. Grivans - M0787)

StrateGems 2009 Studies Award

by Richard Becker

- Prize - (Franjo Vrabec - E0168)
- 1st Honorable Mention - (Juri Akobia - E0169)
- 2nd Honorable Mention - (Janos Mikitovics - E0165)
- 1st Commendation - (Harold van der Heijden - E0164)
- 2nd Commendation - (Ilham Aliev - E0175)

StrateGems 1st Miniature #2 Tourney Award

Judge: Robert Lincoln

1st Prize - Victor Aberman
2nd Prize - Dimitri Turevski
3rd Prize - Dimitri Turevski & Dimitri Zhilko
4th Prize - Valery Gorbunov
5th Prize - Michael McDowell
1st Honorable Mention - Michael McDowell
2nd Honorable Mention - Miro Stivek
3rd Honorable Mention - Yoel Aloni
4th Honorable Mention - Dimitri Turevski
5th Honorable Mention - Y. Fokin
6th Honorable Mention - Robert Woodworth
Commendation - Stephen Dietrich & Otto Mihalco
Commendation - Dimitri Grichenko
Commendation - František Sabol
Commendation - Walter Diaz

StrateGems 2009 h#2 Award

Judge: Živko Janevski

1st Prize - (Viktor Chepizhny - H1431)
2nd Prize - (Vitaly Medintsev - H1408)
3rd Prize - (Ricardo Vieira - H1362)
1st Honorable Mention - (Vladislav Nefedov - H1379) (Published in SG45, 2009, page 50)
2nd Honorable Mention - (János Csák - H1361)
3rd Honorable Mention - (Emanuel Navon - H1387)
1st Commendation - (Aaron Herschenson, Emanuel Navon & Jean Haymann - H1366)
2nd Commendation - (Andreas Schonholzer - H1365)
3rd Commendation - (Valery Kopyl - H1430)

StrateGems 2009 h#2½ and h#3 Award

Judge: Borislav Gadjanski

1st Prize - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - H1442)
2nd Prize - (Christopher Jones - H1373)
3rd Prize - (Christer Jonsson - H1437)
4th Prize - (Nikola Stolev - H1396)
5th Prize - (Gennady Chumakov & Eugene Fomichev - H1416)
1st Honorable Mention - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - H1392)
2nd Honorable Mention - (Christopher Jones - H1440)
3rd Honorable Mention - (Zlatko Mihajloski - H1394)
4th Honorable Mention - (Leonid Makaronez & Semion Shifrin - H1414)
5th Honorable Mention - (Živko Janevski - H1372)
6th Honorable Mention - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - H1412)
1st Commendation - (Mečislovas Rimkus - H1438)
2nd Commendation - (Christopher Jones - H1393)
3rd Commendation - (Lennart Werner - H1436)
4th Commendation - (Henk Weenink - H1410)
5th Commendation - (Victor Lukyanov - H1389)
6th Commendation - (Semion Shifrin - H1439)
7th Commendation - (Piet Pascale - H1435)
8th Commendation - (Toma Garai - H1368)
9th Commendation - (Leonid Makaronez & Rauf Aliovsadzade - H1395)

StrateGems 2009 #2 Award

Judge: Milan Velimirović

1st-2nd Prize - (Paz Einat - T0670)
1st-2nd Prize - (Vasyl Dyachuk - T0689)
3rd Prize - (Yosi Retter & Aaron Hirschenson - T0692)
4th Prize - (John Rice - T0663)
1st Honorable Mention - (Rainer Paslack - T0697)
2nd Honorable Mention - (Valery Kopyl - T0694)
3rd Honorable Mention - (Aleksy Gasparyan & Ashot Egyazaryan - T0681) 4th Honorable Men-
tion - (Evgeny Bourd & Arie Grinblat - T0676)
5th Honorable Mention - (Marco Guida & Aaron Hirschenson - T0691)

Commendations in order of appearance.

Commendation - (Abdelaziz Onkoud - T0665)
Commendation - (Nikola Stolev - T0671)
Commendation - (Abdelaziz Onkoud & Jean-Marc Loustau - T0675)

Commendation - (Marko Guida - T0685)
Commendation - (Christopher Reeves - T0688)
Commendation - (Aaron Hirschenson - T0693)
Commendation - (Rainer Paslack - T0695)