

Inaugural Techna Glass AGTO Qualifier a "Big Success"



Salt Lake City, Utah July 12, 2008 -- In a very close contest which had the judges deliberating for close to an hour, a winner was named in Techna Glass' first ever prequalifying event for the Auto Glass Technician Olympics. Josh Call (Ogden, Utah) edged out Travis Crebs (Taylorsville, UT) to take first place. With the win, Josh claims the gold medal, becomes the first to have his name engraved on the cup, and receives \$1,750.00 in prizes. Most importantly, Josh and Travis will represent Techna Glass at the IGA Auto Glass Technician Olympics in November. Rick Maciel, a long-time technician for the company, rounded out the prize-winners taking third place.

As the least experienced installer of the group (with eight years experience), Josh was up against some tough competition. He made certain all his techniques were honed by reviewing training videos on the IGA website and asking customers visiting his store to come up close and interact with him while their windshields were replaced. "While I felt a bit of apprehension because this was an inaugural event, I was very confident in my ability," says Josh, "I spent 2 months preparing myself for competition and I knew I would do fine."

Bob and Jay Beranek, who judged the event (and also judge the national olympics), expressed that Techna Glass technicians are very qualified and had a good showing. "We feel that it's a big compliment coming from Bob and Jay," said Troy Mason, President of Techna Glass, "They have seen a lot of installers in a lot of competitions."

The event took place on a sunny Saturday afternoon at Rocky Mountain Raceway in Salt Lake City, Utah. The entire company showed up with friends and family to support the competition. "We lucked out with perfect weather conditions, it couldn't have gone any smoother," says Mason. Proctors for the competition were chosen from the call center sales staff. Several of the proctors commented how they learned a great deal from their experience and can use what they learned in their sales techniques.



After the awards presentation the group moved to the racetrack. Josh Call was recognized in front of the race crowd as the winner of the competition, and was invited to wave the green

starting flag from the tower to begin a race on the oval. One lucky fan won "The Worst Windshield in the Parking Lot Award," and will have their windshield replaced by Techna Glass free of charge.

"I was very happy with the outcome of our inaugural prequalifying event," says Mason, "We feel like it was a big success." Techna Glass is looking forward to the Auto Glass Technician Olympics in November. "I'm very confident that we'll have a good showing in Las Vegas," says Call, "I know that Travis and I will represent Techna Glass very well." The national competition will be held November 7-8, 2008, at the Mandalay Bay Convention Center in Las Vegas, NV. The winner of that competition will receive \$10,000.

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