

Premiums

1. Premiums will not be awarded simply because the item is the best of its kind exhibited. The judge retains the right to refuse to award a premium of any kind.
 2. If there is a class with no competition, the judge must sign a statement that the article is worthy of first place money: otherwise, a blue ribbon will be awarded but second money will be awarded.
 3. **Premiums will be paid according to the records turned in to the Fair office by superintendents, not by ribbons presented.**
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General Rules and Regulations

1. All exhibitors will be charged a \$5 entry fee. Please make checks payable to the State Fair of West Virginia
 2. Exhibits will not be accepted or released outside of normal check-in and check-out times. No exceptions will be made to this rule.
 3. All limited classes MUST be entered by paper.
 4. Fair officials will take reasonable precaution for the safekeeping of exhibits after their final arrival and arrangement in the building but will NOT be responsible for any damage or loss that may occur.
 5. Fair officials reserve the right to dispose of any decomposing or deteriorating exhibits. Ribbons will be available during check-out time.
 6. The Judge maintains the right to dismiss exhibits that do not conform to the class description.
 7. All exhibits must be the product of 2023, unless otherwise stated.
 8. Entry tags must be securely attached to exhibits prior to arrival.
 9. No professional exhibitors shall be allowed to exhibit. If discovered that an exhibitor receives more than 10% of their income from practicing the craft they enter, all premiums will be withheld, and the exhibitor will no longer be able to exhibit at the State Fair of West Virginia.
 10. Exhibitors are limited to ONE (1) entry per class unless otherwise noted.
 11. Fair officials retain the right to reclass exhibits based on size and class description.
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DEADLINES

Paper entries are due by 12 Noon Friday July 14th

Online entries are due by Midnight Friday July 14th

Entry forms will be accepted beginning May 5th. Any entry forms received before May 5th or after July 14th will not be processed. No exception will be made.

The Fair office will accept paper entry forms from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on weekdays, and 9:00 a.m. until 12 Noon on July 14th.

Online entries will be accepted at www.statefairfowv.com until 12 Midnight on July 14th.

Department J – Fine Arts & Crafts

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IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, August 5th – 1 pm – 4 pm Dept. J Check-In

Monday, August 7th – 4 pm – 8 pm Dept. J Judging

Thursday, August 10th – 9 am Fair Opens

10 – Noon – Christmas Tree Decorating

Sunday, August 20th – 1 pm – 4 pm Dept. J Check-Out

Please Note:

For Mailed Exhibits:

Department J accepts mailed in exhibits. Exhibits sent parcel post **MUST** be addressed to:

Competitive Exhibits Department

PO Drawer 986

Lewisburg, WV 24901

No exhibits will be accepted before July 5, 2023. All exhibits must be received by July 28, 2023.

A money order or check **MUST** be included to cover return postage and insurance of the exhibit.

Additionally:

All articles must be the handiwork of the exhibitor and **must be clean**. Articles must have been made within the last two (2) years, unless otherwise stated, and be in good condition. Previously entered items will not be accepted.

Premiums for Division 1-21

1st - \$8.00 2nd - \$6.00 3rd - \$5.00 Best of Show - \$10

Division 1 – Amateur Art – Junior

All Artwork Must be original. Number pictures are not accepted, unless otherwise specified. Please cover any visible artist signatures. Artwork not to exceed 30” in any direction.

Juniors (Under 9 years of age)

1. Drawing – Pencil, pen and ink, colored pencil, charcoal
2. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor
3. Paint by number from a kit

Juniors (9-13 years of age)

4. Drawing – Pencil, pen and ink, colored pencil, charcoal
5. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor
6. Paint by number from a kit

Juniors (14-17 years of age)

7. Drawing – Pencil, pen and ink, colored pencil, charcoal
8. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor
9. Paint by number from a kit
10. Best of Show Amateur Art – Junior
(Classes 1-9) (Do Not Enter)

Division 2 – Creative Painting – Any Media

Painting materials are exhibitors’ choice. Artwork not to exceed 30” in any direction.

1. Creative Painting – juniors, 9-13 years of age
2. Creative painting – juniors 14-17 years of age
3. Creative painting – 18 years and older
4. Best of Creative Painting
(Classes 1-3) (Do Not Enter)

Division 3 – Amateur Woodwork – Adult

1. Wood burning of any sort, not to exceed 12” in any direction
2. Household good made from wood, not to exceed 20” in any direction
3. Decorative item made from wood, not to exceed 20” in any direction
4. Cane, not to exceed 48” in height
5. Best of Amateur Woodwork – Adult
(Classes 1-3) (Do Not Enter)

Division 4 – Amateur Woodwork – Junior

1. Wood burning of any sort, not to exceed 12” in any direction
2. Household good made from wood, not to exceed 20” in any direction
3. Decorative item made from wood, not to exceed 20” in any direction
4. Cane, not to exceed 48” in height
5. Best of Amateur Woodwork – Adult
(Classes 1-3) (Do Not Enter)

Division 5 - Adult Amateur Photography – Black and White

For class definitions and comprehensive photography rules and regulations, please reference page 44.

1. People: Candid, black& white
2. People: Children, infants to 12 years old
3. People: Action
4. People: Human Interest
5. People: with domestic animals, i.e., dogs, cats, etc.
6. Nature: Flowers, plants, fruits, and vegetables
7. Scenic: Landscape or seascape
8. Scenic: Architectural design/feature, i.e., monuments, bridges, vehicles, trains, etc.
9. Scenic: Nightscapes

10. Animals : Domestic, i.e. dogs, cats, etc.
11. Animals: Wildlife, no pets
12. Still life
13. Best of Adult Amateur Photography – Black and White
(Classes 1-12) (Do Not Enter)

Division 6 - Adult Amateur Photography – Natural Color

For class definitions and comprehensive photography rules and regulations, please reference page 44.

1. People: Candid, black& white
2. People: Children, infants to 12 years old
3. People: Action
4. People: Human Interest
5. People: with domestic animals, i.e., dogs, cats, etc.
6. Nature: Flowers, plants, fruits, and vegetables
7. Nature: Sunsets
8. Nature: Birds, insects
9. Scenic: Landscape or seascape
10. Scenic: Architectural design/feature, i.e., monuments, bridges, vehicles, trains, etc.
11. Scenic: Nightscapes
12. Animals : Domestic, i.e. dogs, cats, etc.
13. Animals: Wildlife, no pets
14. Still life
15. Best of Adult Amateur Photography – Natural Color
(Classes 1-14) (Do Not Enter)

Division 7 – Amateur Photography – Junior

Juniors (12 years of age and under)

1. People
2. Nature
3. Scenic

4. Animals
5. Best of Show (Classes 1-4) (Do Not Enter)

Juniors (13 – 17 years of age)

6. People
7. Nature
8. Scenic
9. Animals
10. Best of Show (Classes 6-9) (Do Not Enter)

Division 8 – Ceramics and Pottery

1. Cast Ceramics – fired
2. Hand-built piece, no larger than 12 inches in any direction
3. Wheel thrown piece, no larger than 12 inches in any direction
4. Best of Amateur Ceramics
(Classes 1-3) (Do Not Enter)

Division 9 – Dolls

Dolls may be no taller than 24”

1. Dolls, any material, i.e., apple, felt, wood, etc.
2. Dolls, any material, not sewn
3. Best of Show Dolls
(Classes 1-2) (Do Not Enter)

Division 10 – Christmas Crafts

1. Christmas tree ornaments, limit three (3), up to 4 inches
2. Christmas tree ornaments, limit three (3), no smaller than 5”, no larger than 8”
3. Christmas packages, no larger than 10”x15”x3”
4. Christmas Wreath, not to exceed 30” in any direction, must be securely fixed with a hook for hanging
5. Christmas Door Decorations
OTHER than Wreaths, not to exceed

- 30" in any direction, must be securely fixed with hook for hanging
- Christmas Tree, no larger than 24" tall, any material
 - Decorated Christmas Gift Bag, made of paper
 - Decorated Christmas Gift Bag, made of fabric
 - Best of Christmas Crafts
(Classes 1-8) (Do Not Enter)

Division 11 – Recycled Materials

All items must be handmade from recycled materials, not to exceed 20" in any direction. Items may include jewelry.

- Metal
- Plastic
- Glass
- Other
- Best of Recycled Materials
(Classes 1-4) (Do Not Enter)

Division 12 – Decorated Clothing and Accessories

All clothing must be free of stains, odor free, and include a hanger for display.

- Painted Designs on Shirts or Sweatshirts
- Appliqued or Decorated Sweatshirts
- Decorated Tote Bag (appliqued or painted)
- Tie-Dyed T-Shirt
- Decorated Aprons (appliqued or painted)
- Best of Decorated Clothing and Accessories **(Classes 1-5)** (Do Not Enter)

Division 13 – Decorated Gourds – Adult

- Painted Dried Gourds
- Birdhouse Gourds
- Wildlife Inspired Gourd, examples include bird, reptile, animal, insect, etc.

- Best of Decorated Gourds – Adult
(Classes 1-3) (Do Not Enter)

Division 14 – Decorated Gourds – Junior *Gourds can be decorated using any material.*

- Decorated Gourds, ages 6-10
- Decorate Gourds, ages 11-15
- Best of Decorated Gourds – Junior
(Classes 1-2) (Do Not Enter)

Division 15 – Home Décor and Accessories

- Hand-made Flowers; silk, fabric, shell, glass, etc.
- Candles, original
- Painted brick Doorstop
- Wreaths, Spring/Summer. Not to exceed 30" in any direction, must be securely fixed with hook for hanging
- Wreaths, Fall/Winter. Not to exceed 30" in any direction, must be securely fixed with hook for hanging
- Wreaths, Holiday Theme, NOT Christmas. Not to exceed 30" in any direction, must be securely fixed with hook for hanging
- Wreaths, natural materials. Not to exceed 30" in any direction, must be securely fixed with hook for hanging
- Barnwood Decorations. Any item made of recycled wood, not to exceed 3' in any direction.
- Wall Plaque, any material. Not to exceed 15" in any direction, must be securely fixed with hook for hanging.
- Handmade Soap
- Mason Jar Crafts – Any craft using one (1) mason jar
- Best of Home Décor and Accessories
(Classes 1-11) (Do Not Enter)

Division 16 – Outdoor Décor

1. Decorated Wooden Birdhouse (no larger than 12" in any direction)
2. Painted Patio Rock, not to weigh more than 1 lb.
3. Painted Garden Stepping Stone, no larger than 12" in any direction
4. Decorated Clay Flowerpot (no larger than 12" in diameter)
5. Painted Wooden Garden/Yard Sign, not to exceed 12"x22", mounted on stake no taller than 36"
6. Best of Outdoor Décor
(Classes 1-5) (Do Not Enter)

Division 17 – Paper Crafts

1. Paper Collage, pasted together to make a picture, not to exceed 18"x22" (follow frame exhibit guidelines on page 45)
2. Greeting Card
3. Rubber Stamp Art
4. Quilling, not to exceed 15" in any direction
5. Origami, not to exceed 15" in any direction
6. Paper Mache, not to exceed 15" in any direction
7. All Other Paper Crafts, not to exceed 15" in any direction
8. Best of Paper Crafts
(Classes 1-7) (Do Not Enter)

Division 18 – Decorative Painting and Glass Collage

1. Reverse Glass Collage, not to exceed 18"x22"
2. Reverse Glass Painting, not to exceed 18"x22"
3. Decoupage, any size
4. Tole Painting, metal, any size
5. Stenciled Article, household, any size, excludes furniture

6. Stenciled Article, apparel, and jewelry
7. Mosaic, any size
8. Diamond Painting, not from kit, any size
9. Best of Decorative Painting and Glass Collage
(Classes 1-8) (Do Not Enter)

Division 19 – Miscellaneous Crafts, Adult

1. Best Display of State Fair of WV Ribbons
2. Basketry
3. Costume Jewelry
4. Miscellaneous Metalcraft, any metal
5. Handmade Duct Tape Item, not to exceed 24" in any direction
6. Best of Show (Classes 1-5) (Do Not Enter)

Division 20 – Lego Crafts

All Lego's must be on a base, no larger than 12"x12"x14".

1. Junior Lego Construction, completely original, ages 6-9
2. Junior Lego Construction, from kit or pattern, ages 6-9
3. Junior Lego Construction, completely original, ages 10-14
4. Junior Lego Construction, from kit or pattern, ages 10-14
5. Lego Construction, completely original, ages 15 and older
6. Best of Show (Classes 1-4) (Do Not Enter)
7. Best of Show (Class 5) (Do Not Enter)

Division 21 - Miscellaneous Crafts – Junior

1. Handmade Duct Tape Item, not to exceed 24" in any direction
2. Hand-Formed or Molded Ceramics

3. Collage, any material, fixed to hang, not to exceed 18"x22"
4. Origami, not to exceed 15" in any direction
5. Paper Mache, not to exceed 15" in any direction
6. Jewelry Made with Purchased Items, beads, charms, etc.
7. Best of Show (Classes 1-6) (Do Not Enter)

Premiums for Division 22-23

1st - \$10.00 2nd - \$8.00 3rd - \$7.00 Best of Show - \$10

Division 22 – Amateur Framed Art - Adult

All Artwork Must be original. Number pictures are not accepted, unless otherwise specified. Please cover any visible artist signatures for judging. Artwork not to exceed 30" in any direction. Please reference framing guidelines on page 45.

1. Drawing – Pencil, pen and ink, charcoal, colored pencil
2. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor (People)
3. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor (Animals)
4. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor (Still Life)
5. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor (Scenic)
6. Pastel – Portraits (People)
7. Pastel – Portraits (Animals)
8. Pastel – Still Life
9. Pastel – Scenic
10. Best Of Show Framed Art – Adult **(Classes 1-10) (Do Not Enter)**

Division 23 – Amateur Canvas Art - Adult

All Artwork Must be original. Number pictures are not accepted, unless otherwise specified. Please cover any visible artist signatures for judging. Artwork not to exceed 30" in any direction. Includes thin board.

1. Drawing – Pencil, pen and ink, charcoal, colored pencil
2. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor (People)
3. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor (Animals)
4. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor (Still Life)
5. Painting – Oil, acrylic, watercolor (Scenic)
6. Pastel – Portraits (People)
7. Pastel – Portraits (Animals)
8. Pastel – Still Life
9. Pastel – Scenic
10. Best Of Show Canvas Art – Adult **(Classes 1-10) (Do Not Enter)**

Division 24 – Department J Special Contest

“Cue the Fun” Photography Contest

Submit a photograph of any color or subject that best depicts the State Fair’s 2023 theme
“Cue the Fun”

Please Enter Department J, Division 24, Class 1

Premiums

1st - \$8.00 2nd - \$6.00 3rd - \$5.00

State Fair of West Virginia Christmas Card Contest

Get into the Christmas spirit by designing an original SFWV themed Christmas card.

Rules:

1. The card should be 8.5”x11” horizontally or vertically.
2. The design should relate to the Fair but convey a holiday message.
3. May use any medium, except for computer generated art.

Please Enter Department J, Division 24, Class 2

Premiums

1st - \$8.00 2nd - \$6.00 3rd - \$5.00

Flea Market Flip

Have an item you repurposed from a flea market or yard sale? Show off your creativity in this contest!

Rules:

1. This contest is limited to the first **TEN (10)** entries. Entries must be submitted by paper.
2. All items must have been purchased at a flea market or yard sale.
3. Items may be no larger than 4 feet in any direction.
4. Exhibitors may include before and after pictures.

Please Enter Department J, Division 24, Class 3

Premiums

1st - \$25.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00

Barn Quilt

Barn quilts are a fantastic way to show creativity and add charm to a barn. The winning barn quilt will be hung on one of our horse barns along 219 North.

1. May be a 2'x2', or 3'x3' square. Display cannot be on point (diamond shaped) - due to display limitations.
2. Needs to be prepared for hanging. Participant must supply hooks ("J" hooks) 2" from top edge of quilt. Participant is responsible for using the correct size of hooks according to weight.
3. Must be on 3/8" or 1/2" thick exterior durable material. MDO (medium density overlay) board is recommended.
4. Champion Barn Quilt will be displayed on one of the SFWV horse barns along 219 North.
5. Limited to the first 8 entries. Must enter by paper.

Please Enter Department J, Division 24, Class 4

Premiums

1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$50.00 3rd - \$25.00

Christmas Tree Decorating Contest

Decorate a tree that represents your interpretation of the theme "Campfire Song". The State Fair will provide a 4' tall Christmas tree, all you need is the materials to decorate!

Rules:

1. This contest is limited to the first **FIVE (5)** entries. Entries must be submitted by paper.
2. Contestants must provide all decorations including lights, electrical cords, and tree skirts.
3. **Trees will be decorated on Thursday, August 10th between 10 am and 12 Noon. Judging will follow at 6 pm.**
4. Parking on the fairgrounds will not be permitted. Please plan accordingly.

Please Enter Department J, Division 24, Class 5

Premiums

1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$50.00 3rd - \$25.00

Decorated Potted Olive Tree

Bring in your decorated faux potted olive tree for this brand new contest!

Rules:

1. This contest is limited to the first FIVE (5) entries. Entries must be submitted by paper.
2. Contestants must provide all decorations including lights, electrical cords, and tree skirts.
3. Trees may be decorated at home and brought in during Department J check in.

Please Enter Department J, Division 24, Class 6

Premiums

1st - \$40.00 2nd - \$30.00 3rd - \$20.00

Department J Special Awards

Jim Jackson Memorial Award

Best of WV Sunsets

A winner will be chosen from Division 6, Class 7 by the Jackson Family.

Prize

\$100.00+Rosette

Additional Exhibit Guidelines

Honey

Scoring for honey will be as followed:

Density 20 points

Absence of Crystals 10 points

Cleanliness 24 points

Flavor 8 points Color 8 points

Container appearance 10 points

Accuracy/ Uniformity of filling 20 points

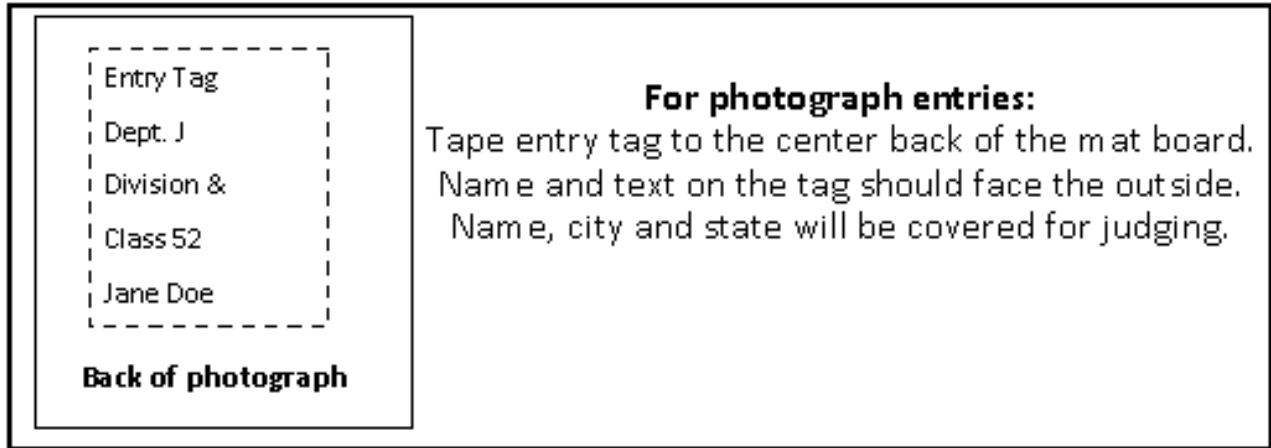
Total 100 points

Wool

1. Fleeces must be entered in the name of the grower.
2. All wool will be placed in a clear plastic bag. (Exhibitor must provide their own bag). Please indicate the breed in which the wool came from on your entry.
3. Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries in any class; however, no fleece can compete in more than one (1) class.
4. Each fleece must have been shorn in 2021 and represent no more than 12 months growth, except yearling fleeces, which 16 month growth will be allowed.
5. Any fleece entered in the competition should be clean, free of vegetable contamination, dung locks or tags and show no evidence of moths. It should be properly skirted and tied with a paper twine, flesh side out, in a manner to allow it to be handled without falling apart.

Photography

1. Exhibitors are limited to ONE (1) ENTRY PER CLASS AND THREE (3) TOTAL photographs per exhibitor.
2. Judging will be done by the usual standards of subject matter, composition, and photographic excellence. Composition and exposure must be the work of exhibitor, however the developing and finishing may be done by anyone.
3. Photos must be 5"x7" inches and matted on a BLACK 8"x10" RECTANGLE MAT BOARD. No staples on mats.
4. If photo or mat does not meet requirements, the photo will not be judged. Mat must be made like the example provided.
5. Failure to mount prints will result in disqualification.
6. Mats will be sold at check in for \$2.00 each.
7. Photos may be taken with a 35mm camera or a digital camera.
NO FRAMED PHOTOGRAPHS ACCEPTED



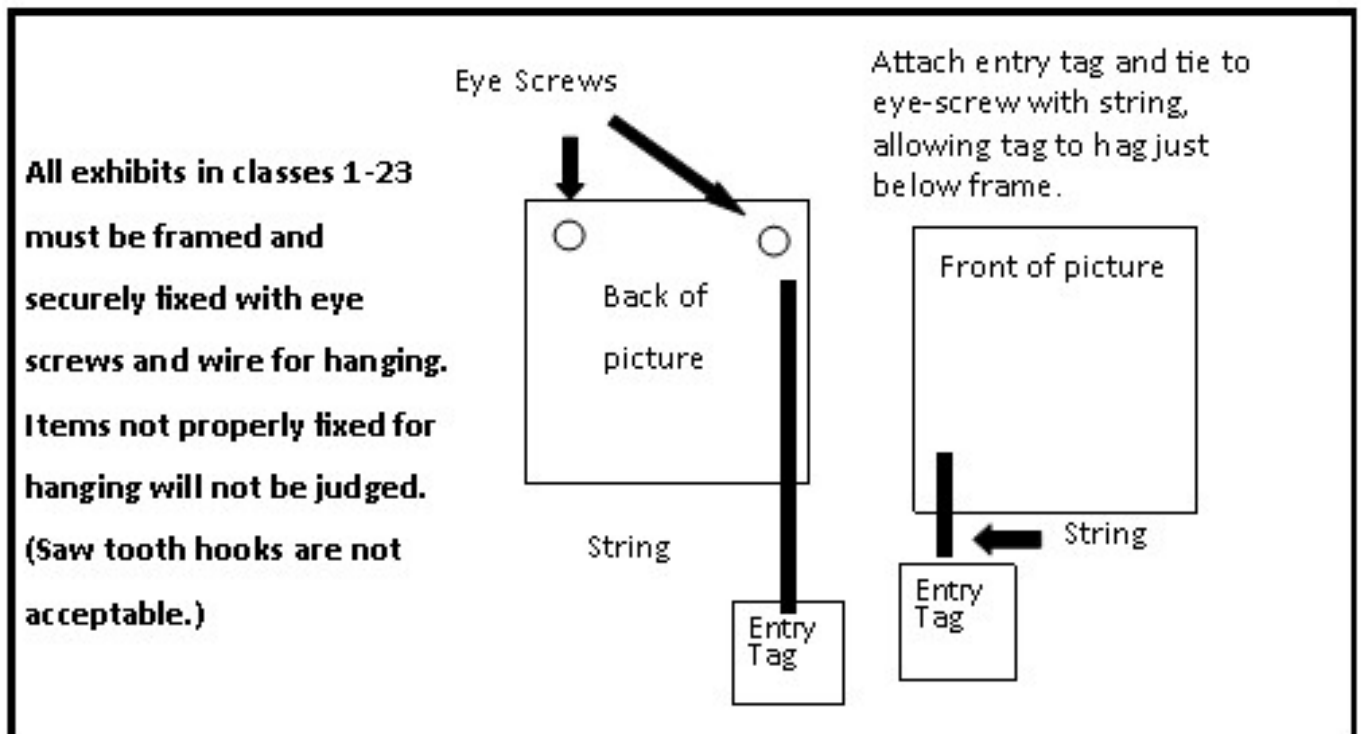
PEOPLE: Adults, children, babies, portraits and character studies or entire figures, alone or in a group where the main subject is the person or persons rather than the environment, close-ups or as a part of a larger composition.

NATURE: Any subject found in nature, plants or flowers, close-ups, etc.

SCENIC: Landscapes, seascapes, architectural and industrial scenes, or any scene that has a fundamental unit of design or mood of such magnitude that all else is subordinate to it.

STILL LIFE: Table top photography, flowers, etc. Subject matter must be arranged by the photographer. **ANIMALS:** Any animal or animals (pets, livestock, zoo, marine) in a natural setting. No posed, official show type photos. **CANDID:** Not posed, informal.

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Bar Cookie Score Card	
Appearance: Uniform, well cut shape ..	25
Texture: Rich, moist eating quality	25
Tenderness: A thin delicate crust	25
Flavor: Appealing flavor	25

Drop Cookie Score Card	
Appearance: Fairly uniform, mound shape ..	25
Texture: Interesting or novelty texture.	25
Color : Delicately browned exterior.....	25
Flavor: Good flavor	25

Pressed Cookie Score Card	
Appearance: Well-shaped and well defined pattern of cookie. Interesting assortment of sizes and shapes.....	25
Texture: Very tender and crisp.....	25
Color : Delicately browned exterior.....	25
Flavor: Rich and buttery	25

Rolled Cookie Score Card	
Appearance: Retains shape of cutter.....	25
Texture: Crisp, thin cookie or soft, thick cookie depending on variety	25
Color : Lightly browned surface	25
Flavor: Rich, delicate flavor.....	25
TOTAL:	100

Canned Fruit and Vegetables	
Quality of Product.....	40
Maturity.....	15
Color.....	10
Condition.....	15
Pack.....	30
Proportion of Solids to Liquids.....	10
Uniformity of Product.....	10
Correct Head Space	10
Cleanliness and Appearance	30
Total.....	100

Pickle Foods Score Card	
Sealing and Container	15
Pack	10
Color	15
Uniformity	15
Texture	15
Flavor	30
Total	100

Soft Spread Score Card	
Sealing and Container	10
General Appearance	10
Color	15
Clearness and Sparkle	15
Texture	25
Flavor	25
Total	100

Knitting and Crocheting

Knitting and Crocheting Scorecard

Knitting or Crocheting Technique.....	33.3	Finishing.....	33.3
Suitability of yarn to the article.....	33.3	Total.....	100

Horticultural Definitions

Stalk is the stem of the plant.

Spike is a lengthened flower cluster (gladiolus).

Spray is a main stem with wide side branches and blooms on all sides.

Maple Syrup Scoring

Density– Should be greater than or equal to 66.0° Brix and less than or equal to 68.9° Brix. The Brix will be determined by judges using a refractometer.

Color– All entries must conform to the new grading standards and will be judged accordingly.

Clarity– Should be clean and clear with no visible impurities (cloudy, sugar sand, etc.)

Flavor– Should be free of off-flavors

Maple Candy Scoring

Appearance– color, form good no separation or white areas.

Texture– Hardness, crystallinity, surface texture.

Flavor– Representative of maple candy with no off flavors.