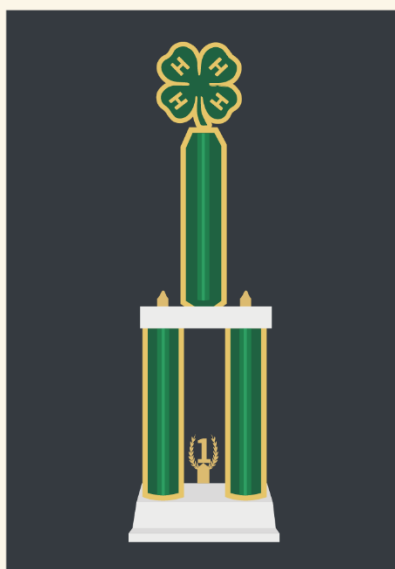


OPEN CLASS FAIR BOOK



Instructions on How to Enter Open Class Exhibits

1. **Fair Book:** The Fair Book contains all the entry guidelines, classes and descriptions. Access the 2023 Larimer County Fair Book online at: <https://www.treventscomplex.com/events/larimer-county-fair/4-h-and-open-class>. Each department is listed separately. Information follows regarding this specific department. Printed Fair Books may be requested from the Competitions Coordinator at 970-619-4023, boldtla@larimer.org

2. **Schedule:** Read the Open Class Schedule at the end of this document.

3. **General Information:** Read the general information and rules. There are separate rules for Open Class Home Economics, Fine Arts, Photography & Creative Crafts division rules and Open Class Horticulture.

4. **Exhibitors** do not need to be Larimer County residents to enter.

5. **Online Entry:** Complete the Open Class Registration online through Fair Entry (not 4-H online)

<https://fairent.com/Fair/SignIn/18412>

If you entered last year, you are in the Fair Entry System as an exhibitor and you just need to add classes. If you are a new exhibitor, please sign up as such and follow the prompts to set you up as an exhibitor. Then add your classes. Everyone should make sure to hit the submit button and receive a confirmation of your entries.

6. **Entry:** Pre-Registration Entry is required in all departments through an on-line Fair Entry system beginning April 1st through July 23rd at 11:50 pm. Written entry forms can be requested through the Competitions Coordinator at 970-619-4023, boldtla@larimer.org. Printed entries can be emailed, delivered or mailed to the Larimer County Fair Office, 5280 Arena Circle, Ste #100, Loveland, CO 80538. Entry Office closes at 4:30 p.m. Postmarks, faxes, or email pre-registration will be accepted only if posted on or before July 23rd at 4:30 pm.

7. **Late Registration Forms** – Registrations received after July 23rd are subject to a late charge of \$5.00/exhibitor. **No Late Entries Taken After Department Check-In, August 1st.**

8. **Check-In** – Open Class Home Economics, Fine Arts, Photography and Creative Crafts exhibits must be in place between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1. Horticulture exhibits entered Wednesday, August 2nd between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. At check-in, arrive in time to receive your exhibitor number and exhibit identification tag(s). Review the information on the I.D. tag and attach one tag to each exhibit. Take exhibit(s) to the Larimer County Fairgrounds (South Hall of the 1st National Bank Exhibition building) during check-in time for the exhibit(s). Park in the 4-H parking lot or Lot A or B.

9. **Check-Out** - Please return to the Fairgrounds to pick up your exhibits on **Wednesday, August 9 between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.** Collect any awards won. **If you are unable to pick up your exhibits that evening, please have someone else do it for you.** Removal of

any exhibit before the designated time requires written approval from the Superintendent or Exhibitor Coordinator. Violation of this rule shall cause the exhibitor to forfeit any awards due him or her.

10. **Judging** - Viewing of judging is open to the public. You are welcome to listen and learn from the judges.

Open Class Home Economics, Fine Arts, Photography, Creative Crafts

Competition Coordinator–Laura Boldt

1. Exhibitors in this department shall make entry by each Department Only – **Baked Products, Canned & Dried Products, Needlework, Knitting, Crocheting & Felting, Quilting, Spinning & Weaving, Machine Work, Fine Arts, Photography, and Creative Crafts.** At check-in time, each exhibitor will be given an exhibitor entry tag. Take each entry and entry tags to the proper department.

2. All products exhibited must have been prepared since August 1, 2022 except for quilts. Exhibits can be entered only once.

3. Any article may be tested to the satisfaction of the judges. All articles and garments entered must be clean.

4. Children's age is determined as of December 31, 2022.

5. Only one entry will be accepted in each class from each exhibitor except Fine Arts, Photography, and Spinning and Weaving. No Champion or Reserve Champion will be awarded if the exhibit is not worthy. Special Awards will be given at the judges' discretion.

6. All awards will be chosen at the discretion of the judge(s) in each department.

7. All exhibits must remain on exhibit for the entire Fair, regardless of whether an award is given.

8. **Special Awards** - Exhibitors may collect special awards for department winners. Collection of the award is as follows: Wednesday, August 9th 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Otherwise at the Ranch Administration office Thursday, August 10, 8:30 am – 4:30 p.m. and Friday, August 11th 8:30 a.m. – noon. Special awards not collected will be forfeited. No Exceptions.

9. **Premiums/Money** - Premiums will be given for class placement in youth designated classes. No money is awarded for general/adult classes.

10. **The use of marijuana or CBD in any display, food item, or exhibit is prohibited and shall be rejected. The exhibitor shall be referred to law enforcement.**

11. Classes may be combined or divided at the discretion of the superintendents. If there are 3 or more items in a miscellaneous or "Any Other" class, a new class may be made.

Creative Crafts

Superintendent -
Competition Coordinator – Laura Boldt

Key dates and times:

Entry for Creative Crafts exhibits: Tuesday, August 1, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Judging time for Creative Crafts exhibits: Wednesday, Aug 2, 7:00 a.m.

Check-out for Creative Crafts exhibits: Wednesday, August 9, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

1. Viewing of judged and awarded items is open to the public Friday, August 4, beginning at 4:00 p.m.

2. See Open Home Economics, Fine Arts, Photography and Creative Crafts General Rules for additional information.

3. All exhibits must have been completed since August 1, 2022.

4. All items will be judged on workmanship, beauty of design, general appearance, creativity, and how it will be used.

5. **A written explanation on a 3” x 5” card must be attached to the exhibit. Explain what part is created/completed by the exhibitor. List any unique skills used.**

6. **An exhibitor may enter only one item in each class.**

7. Classes may be combined and/or divided at the discretion of the superintendent and judge.

8. **Classes 110 - 300 should be made by a child with minimum supervision by an adult. Please indicate age of children on entry tag.**

10. Items meant to be hung will be hung, unless otherwise requested by exhibitor.

11. If a class doesn't exist anywhere in the **OTHER** Open Class departments for an exhibit, it may not be shown in the Open Class Creative Crafts class #530.

12. If your exhibit is overly large (i.e. wagon, saddle, doll house, furniture or other large object) please include dimensions and alert staff on entry form when entering so ample space can be planned for display.

13. **Payment of Awards: Exhibitors may collect special awards. See Open Class Division General Rules and Regulations for schedule. Special awards not collected before noon August 11, will be forfeited. No Exceptions.**

Children - 12 years and under

(Age as of December 31, 2022)

Include age on 3” x 5” card, (Rule #4)

Class

110. Children, 4 and under, any craft

120. Children 5 & 6 years of age, any craft

130. Handcrafted item of metal, leather, wood, candles, clay

140. Item of paper, stone, or any other medium not listed in class #130

150. Jewelry, all materials

160. Pottery/Ceramics, purchased mold and or/painted

170. Pottery/Ceramics, handmade design and /or painted

180. Original creation made with Legos, **MUST BE MOUNTED TO A SOLID BASE**

190. Any item made from a kit

200. Plastic crafts of all kinds

Teens – 13 years through 18

(Age as of December 31, 2022)

Include age on 3” x 5” card, (Rule #4)

Class

210. Handcrafted item of metal, leather, wood, candles, clay

220. Item of paper, stone, or any other item not listed in class #210

230. Jewelry, all materials

240. Pottery/Ceramics, purchased mold and/or painted

250. Pottery/Ceramics, handmade design and /or painted

260. Original creation made with Legos, **MUST BE MOUNTED TO A SOLID BASE**

270. Any item made from a kit

280. Plastic crafts of all kinds

All Ages

Class

300. Ceramics, fired, glazed, stained, chalks, all included

310. Pottery, Wheel Thrown

320. Pottery, Sculpted Freehand

330. Item made from recycled materials (enter recycled garment or sewn item in Machine Work Department)

340. Dolls, all mediums, and designs

350. Painting on any type of material – cloth, wood, etc. except paper

360. Adult Coloring, must be matted or framed for hanging

370. Memory Books / Scrapbooking, a single page entry

380. Any Holiday Craft

390. Plastic Crafts

400. Rubber stamping

410. Any craft/material **NOT** listed in any other class

420. Floral Arranging, Real, Silk & Dried Arrangements

430. Wreaths, all designs, and shapes

440. Basket, handmade, any material

450. Jewelry, hand crafted original designs

460. Jewelry, beads, wire, any other material designs

470. Beadwork, all designs, and items

480. Leathercraft, all styles, and designs

490. Stained Glass

500. Item made with natural stones, painted or with other added materials.

510. Woodcarving, people, including caricatures

520. Woodcarving, critters

530. Carving, all other materials and designs, bark, gourds, ornaments, ie. pinewood derby car

540. Woodworking item using techniques other than carving

550. Functional item made with any material, furniture, home décor

560. Restoration

570. Any item made from a kit

580. Any craft item made by individual 60 to 70

590. Any craft item made by individual over 71

Special Awards

A Grand and Reserve Grand Champion Exhibit will be selected, and six Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded for outstanding exhibits.

These special awards are made possible by the following sponsors:

Judge's Choice – Exceptional Merit

Stacie Hougard

Most Creative Use of Materials – All Ages

J. T's Woodworks, Jann Theilgaard, Loveland

Most Creative Use of Materials – Youth 12 and under

J. T's Woodworks, Jann Theilgaard, Loveland

Most Creative Use of Materials– Teens 13 to 18

J. T's Woodworks, Jann Theilgaard, Loveland

Outstanding Creativity

Tigges Farm, Kathy Rickart, Greeley

Outstanding Exhibit - People or Critters Woodcarving

Northern Colorado Woodcarvers, Paul Price

Outstanding Exhibit - Carving (all other materials)

Northern Colorado Woodcarvers, Paul Price

Outstanding Exhibit - Woodworking (techniques other than carving)

Northern Colorado Woodcarvers, Paul Price

2023 Larimer County Fair Schedule of Events for Open Class

SCHEDULE as of May 10, 2023 ---- SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

SUNDAY, JULY 23

11:59 p.m.

OPEN CLASS EXHIBIT
ENTRY/PRE-REGISTRATION
FORM SUBMISSION DEADLINE-

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls
Open to the Public

SATURDAY, JULY 29

9:30 a.m.

LARIMER COUNTY FAIR PARADE
Downtown Loveland

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls
Open to the Public

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Demonstration Presentations
SFNBO Stage

MONDAY, JULY 31

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Open Class Exhibit Set Up
SFNBO

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Free Pancake Breakfast
Party Tent outside MAC Arena

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls
Open to the Public

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Demonstration Presentations
SFNBO Stage

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Open Class Home Economics, Fine
Arts, Photography & Creative Crafts
Exhibits - Check-In *SFNBO*

MONDAY, AUGUST 7

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls
Open to the Public

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

7:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Open Class Horticulture (Garden
Flowers & Vegetables, Fruit & Herbs)
Check-In *SFNBO*

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Open Class Creative Crafts, Quilting,
Needlework, Machine Work, Baked
Products, Spinning & Weaving & Fine
Arts Judging
SFNBO

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. 4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls
Open to the Public

10:00 a.m.

Wine & Liqueur Judging *SFNBO*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Open Class Check-Out *SFNBO*

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Open Class Horticulture Vegetables,
Fruits & Herbs Judging *SFNBO*

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Open Class Horticulture Garden
Flowers & Floral Arrangements
Judging *SFNBO*

SFNBO - South First National Bank of Omaha Building

1:30 p.m.

Honey Judging *SFNBO*

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3

8:00 a.m.

Building open to Superintendents for
display *SFNBO*

5:30p.m. - 6:30p.m.

Judge's Comments on Children, Youth,
Teen Photography Exhibits

6:30p.m. - 7:30p.m.

Judge's Comments on Amateur
Division Photography Exhibits

7:30p.m. - 8:30p.m.

Judge's Comments on Advanced
Amateur Division Photography
Exhibits
SFNBO