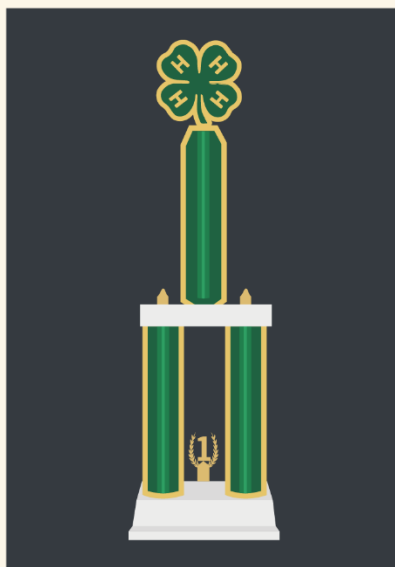


# OPEN CLASS FAIR BOOK



## 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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> through July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:50 pm. Written entry forms can be requested through the Competitions Coordinator at 970-619-4023, [boldtla@larimer.org](mailto: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 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 pm.

7. **Late Registration Forms** – Registrations received after July 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

# Knitting, Crochet & Felting

Superintendent –Geri McGibney  
Competition Coordinator – Laura Boldt

## Rules

### Key dates and times:

**Entry for Needlework exhibits: Tuesday, August 1, 4:00p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

**Judging time for Needlework exhibits: Wednesday, August 2, 8:30 a.m. Open to public viewing.**

**Check-out for Needlework exhibits: Wednesday, August 9, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 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 Class Home Economics, Fine Arts, Photography and Creative Crafts General Rules for additional information.

3. All articles entered in this department can be entered in the Larimer County Fair only once. Articles must be finished since August 1, 2022.

4. All articles entered must be clean and blocked.

**5. Only one entry per exhibitor will be accepted in each class.**  
Exception is 2 of non-like items in Machine Knitting category.

6. All work must be done by exhibitor in all entries.

7. Articles that have name labels or “created by” tags need to have these tags or labels removed or covered.

8. All articles will be judged on **workmanship, design, and suitability** to purpose.

**9. Wall hangings must be covered with backings and be finished and ready to hang.**

12. Children's age determined by their age as of December 31, 2022.

13. On an attached 3” x 5” card for Children, age 13 and under, describe what the child completed and what someone else did.

**15. The Felting/Fulling category is for the creating of felt by using a wet felt or needle felt method.**

**16. Payment of Awards: Exhibitors may collect special awards. See Open Class Division General Rules and Regulations for schedule. Special awards not collected before noon Friday, August 12, will be forfeited. No Exceptions.**

## Machine Knitting

### Class

**110.** Afghan, larger than 48” x 66”, and under 54” x 72”

**120.** Baby Afghan

**130.** Adult Sweater

**140.** Socks, Leggings, Gloves, Mittens

**150.** Child or Infant Garment

**160.** Hats

**170.** Scarves, any shape, smaller than 24” wide and a minimum of 36” in length

**180.** Shawls, any shape, larger than 24” wide and a minimum of 36” in length

**190.** Any Machine Knitted Item, original design

**200.** Any other Machine Knitted item, not listed

## Felting/Fulling

### Class

**210.** Any Hand Knit **or** Hand Crocheted Item Felted/fulled

**220.** Needle Felt Item

**230.** Wet Felt Item

## Miscellaneous

### Class

**240.** Any Hooked Canvas Work Item ex: Hooked rugs & wall pieces. (Needle point Canvas items in Needlework Department)

**250.** Rugs, other than felted

**260.** Loom Knitting

**270.** Any Tatting Item

**280.** Any Other Fiber Item, not listed

**290.** Any Other Felted Item not listed

## Crochet

### Class

**300.** Afghan or Bedspread, larger than 48” x 66” and under 54” x 72”

**310.** Baby Afghan

**320.** Afghan Granny Square

**330.** Adult Sweater

**340.** Child or Infant garment

**350.** Doilies

**360.** Home Accessory Item

**370.** Toys or Novelty Items

**380.** Apparel Accessory

**390.** Any Crochet Item, original design

**400.** Any Other Crochet Item, not listed

## Hand Knitting

### Class

**410.** Afghan, larger than 48” x 66”, and under 54” x 72”

**420.** Baby Afghan

**430.** Adult Sweater

**440.** Socks, Leggings, Gloves, Mittens

**450.** Child or Infant Garment

**460.** Hats

**470.** Scarves, any shape, smaller than 24” wide and a minimum of 36” in length

**480.** Shawls, any shape, larger than 24” wide and a minimum of 36” in length

**490.** Any Hand Knit Item, original design

**500.** Any other Hand Knit item, not listed

## Individuals Over 60

### Class

**510.** Crochet Item

**520.** Home Accessory Item

**530.** Knit Item

## Individuals Over 70

### Class

**540.** Crochet Item

**550.** Home Accessory Item

**560.** Knit Item

## **Individuals–13 years and under**

### **Class**

**570.** Crochet Item

**580.** Hand Knit Item

**590.** Felted or Fulled item

**600.** Any Other Item

## **Individuals–14 years to 18 years**

### **Class**

**610.** Crochet Item

**620.** Hand Knit Item

**630.** Felted or Fulled Item

**640.** Any Other Item

## **Special Awards**

A Grand and Reserve Grand Champion and up to Nine Champion and Nine Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded for outstanding exhibits.

These special awards are made possible by the following sponsors:

Grand Champion Knitting, Crocheting & Felting Exhibit

**Mary Biggers State Farm Insurance**, Fort Collins

Reserve Champion Knitting, Crocheting & Felting Exhibit

**Mary Biggers State Farm Insurance**, Fort Collins

Outstanding Machine Knitting Exhibit

**Rocky Mountain Machine Knitters Guild**

Reserve Outstanding Machine Knitting Exhibit

**Geri McGibney**

Outstanding Felting/Fulling Exhibit- Pauline Deckinger Memorial

**Kara Rudnick**

Reserve Outstanding Felting/Fulling Exhibit- Remina Rudnick Memorial

**Kara Rudnick**

Outstanding Crochet Exhibit

**Mary Biggers State Farm Insurance**, Fort Collins

Reserve Outstanding Crochet Exhibit

**Mary Biggers State Farm Insurance**, Fort Collins

Outstanding Hand Knitting Exhibit

**Front Range Knitting Guild**, Mary Freitag

Reserve Outstanding Hand Knitting Exhibit

**Cynthia Tiger**

Outstanding Senior Citizen Exhibit

**Marcy French**

Reserve Outstanding Senior Citizen Exhibit

**Mary Fetzner**

# 2023 Larimer County Fair Schedule of Events for Open Class

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

<b><u>SUNDAY, JULY 23</u></b>			
11:59 p.m.	OPEN CLASS EXHIBIT ENTRY/PRE-REGISTRATION FORM SUBMISSION DEADLINE-	5:30p.m. – 6:30p.m. 6:30p.m. – 7:30p.m. 7:30p.m. – 8:30p.m.	Judge's Comments on Children, Youth, Teen Photography Exhibits Judge's Comments on Amateur Division Photography Exhibits Judge's Comments on Advanced Amateur Division Photography Exhibits
<b><u>SATURDAY, JULY 29</u></b>			
9:30 a.m.	LARIMER COUNTY FAIR PARADE <i>Downtown Loveland</i>		<i>SFNBO</i>
<b><u>MONDAY, JULY 31</u></b>			
4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Open Class Exhibit Set Up <i>SFNBO</i>		
<b><u>TUESDAY, AUGUST 1</u></b>			
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Open Class Home Economics, Fine Arts, Photography & Creative Crafts Exhibits - Check-In <i>SFNBO</i>		
<b><u>WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2</u></b>			
7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Open Class Horticulture (Garden Flowers & Vegetables, Fruit & Herbs) Check-In <i>SFNBO</i>		
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Open Class Creative Crafts, Quilting, Needlework, Machine Work, Baked Products, Spinning & Weaving & Fine Arts Judging <i>SFNBO</i>		
10:00 a.m.	Wine & Liquer Judging <i>SFNBO</i>		
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Open Class Horticulture Vegetables, Fruits & Herbs Judging <i>SFNBO</i>		
1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Open Class Horticulture Garden Flowers & Floral Arrangements Judging <i>SFNBO</i>		
1:30 p.m.	Honey Judging <i>SFNBO</i>		
<b><u>THURSDAY, AUGUST 3</u></b>			
8:00 a.m.	Building open to Superintendents for display <i>SFNBO</i>		
			<i>SFNBO – South First National Bank of Omaha Building</i>
		<b><u>FRIDAY, AUGUST 4</u></b>	
		4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls <i>Open to the Public</i>
		<b><u>SATURDAY, AUGUST 5</u></b>	
		10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls <i>Open to the Public</i>
		11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Demonstration Presentations <i>SFNBO Stage</i>
		<b><u>SUNDAY, AUGUST 6</u></b>	
		7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Free Pancake Breakfast <i>Party Tent outside MAC Arena</i>
		10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls <i>Open to the Public</i>
		11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Demonstration Presentations <i>SFNBO Stage</i>
		<b><u>MONDAY, AUGUST 7</u></b>	
		4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls <i>Open to the Public</i>
		<b><u>TUESDAY, AUGUST 8</u></b>	
		4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls <i>Open to the Public</i>
		<b><u>WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9</u></b>	
		4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Open Class Check-Out <i>SFNBO</i>