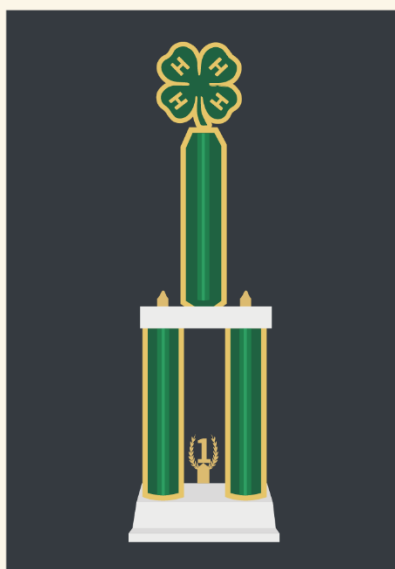


OPEN CLASS FAIR BOOK



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.

Needlework

Superintendent – Vicky Hays
Competitive Coordinator – Laura Boldt

Needlework Rules

Key dates and times:

Entry for Needlework exhibits: Tuesday, August 1, 4:00p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Judging time for Needlework exhibits: Wednesday, August 2, 8:30 a.m.

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

1. Viewing of judging is open to the public August 2, beginning at 8:30 am
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. All work must be done by exhibitor in all entries.
6. Articles that have name labels or “created by” tags need to have these tags or labels removed or covered.
7. All articles will be judged on **workmanship, design, and suitability** to purpose.
8. **Wall hangings must be covered with backings and be finished and ready to hang.**
9. Wall hangings will be measured by the counted work not including the matting &/or frame.
10. **All Counted Work must include an index card stating the length and width of the worked area along with the stitch count.**
11. Children's age determined by their age as of December 31, 2022.
12. On an attached 3” x 5” card for Children, age 13 and under, describe what the child completed and what someone else did.
13. **Machine embroidery is not accepted and will not be judged; the embroidery classes are for hand embroidery.**
14. **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 11, will be forfeited. No Exceptions.**

Non-Counted Surface Embroidery (No Machine Embroidery)

Class

- 110.** Home Accessory Item (pillowcases, luncheon cloths, etc., not including wall hangings)

- 120.** Wall hanging or pictures
130. Candlewicking item
140. Punch Embroidery item
150. Any Crewel Work Item
160. Any Other Embroidery item, not listed

Counted Work

Class

- 170.** Wall Hanging, under 9” x 6”
180. Wall Hanging, larger than 9” x 6” and under 12”x16”
190. Wall Hanging, larger than 12” x 16”
200. Home Accessory Item, table linens, towels, etc.
210. Holiday Ornament
220. Any other holiday item, tree skirt, stocking, pillow, etc.
230. Wall hanging with beads, under 9”x6”
240. Wall hanging with beads, larger than 9”x6” and under 12”x16”
250. Wall hanging with beads, larger than 12”x16”
260. Sampler, must include numbers and /or letters
270. Any Item, 18 count or less per inch
280. Any Item, 20 to 27 count per inch
290. Any Item, 28 count or more per inch
300. Any other Counted Work Item, not listed

Miscellaneous

Class

- 310.** Any Needlepoint item, yarn/thread on canvas or plastic
320. Any stamped cross stitch item
330. Any Tatting Item
340. Any Other Needlework, not listed

Individuals Over 60

Class

- 350.** Any embroidery item
360. Any counted work item, no beads
370. Any counted work with beads item
380. Any miscellaneous needlework item

Individuals Over 70

Class

- 390.** Any embroidery item
400. Any counted work item, no beads
410. Any counted work with beads item
420. Any miscellaneous needlework item

Individuals–13 years and under

Class

- 430.** Any embroidery item
440. Any counted work item, no beads
450. Any counted work with beads item
460. Any miscellaneous needlework item

Individuals–14 years to 18 years

Class

- 470.** Any embroidery item
480. Any counted work item, no beads
490. Any counted work with beads item
500. Any miscellaneous needlework item

Special Awards

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

These special awards are made possible by the following sponsors:

Grand Champion - Needlework Department

Rocky Mountain Chapter Embroiders Guild of America, Fort Collins

Reserve Grand Champion - Needlework Department

Rocky Mountain Chapter Embroiders Guild of America, Fort Collins

Outstanding Embroidery Exhibit

Vicky Hays, Fort Collins

Reserve Outstanding Embroidery Exhibit

Vicky Hays, Fort Collins

Outstanding Counted Work Exhibit

Colorado Cross Stitcher, Fort Collins

Outstanding Reserve Counted Work Exhibit

Colorado Cross Stitcher, Fort Collins

Outstanding Miscellaneous Needlework Exhibit

Mary Biggers State Farm Insurance, Fort Collins

Reserve Outstanding Miscellaneous Needlework Exhibit

Mary Biggers State Farm Insurance, Fort Collins

Outstanding Senior Citizen Exhibit

Marcy French

Reserve Outstanding Senior Citizen Exhibit

Mary Fetzer

Outstanding Any Age Youth Exhibit

Mary Biggers State Farm Insurance, Fort Collins

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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-

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

SATURDAY, JULY 29

9:30 a.m.

LARIMER COUNTY FAIR PARADE
Downtown Loveland

MONDAY, JULY 31

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Open Class Exhibit Set Up
SFNBO

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

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

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

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

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

10:00 a.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

11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Demonstration Presentations
SFNBO Stage

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Free Pancake Breakfast
Party Tent outside MAC Arena

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

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

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

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

10:00 a.m.

Wine & Liqueur Judging
SFNBO

11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Demonstration Presentations
SFNBO Stage

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Open Class Horticulture Vegetables, Fruits & Herbs Judging
SFNBO

MONDAY, AUGUST 7

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

Open to the Public

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Open Class Horticulture Garden Flowers & Floral Arrangements Judging
SFNBO

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

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

Open to the Public

1:30 p.m.

Honey Judging
SFNBO

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Open Class Check-Out
SFNBO

SFNBO – South First National Bank of Omaha Building