



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 2024 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 and follow the specific information for departments. **Photography exhibitors should be sure to understand and follow the rules for size and mounting of photos before arriving at check-in.**
- 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://faireentry.com/Fair/SignIn/19828>. 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 confirmation of your entries.
- 6. Entry:** Pre-Registration Entry is recommended in all departments through an on-line Fair Entry system beginning **Friday, March 1st through Tuesday, 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 opens at 8:30 a.m. and 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** – Late Entries Taken at Department Check-In, Tuesday, July 30th. Horticulture late entries will be accepted on Wednesday, July 31st from 7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- 8. Check-In** – Park in the McKee Building parking lot or Lot A or B then enter on the Northeast doors in South Hall of the 1st National Bank building at The Ranch. Open Class exhibits (exception Horticulture) must be received **Tuesday, July 30th between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.** Horticulture exhibits check-in Wednesday, July 31st between 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. At check-in, arrive in time to receive your exhibitor identification tag(s). Review the information on the I.D. tag and assign one tag to each exhibit. Take exhibit(s) to the respective departments.
- 9. Check-Out** - Please return to The Ranch South Hall of the 1st National Bank building to pick up your exhibits on **Wednesday, August 7 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 to him or her.
- 10. Judging** - Viewing of judging is open to the public. You are welcome to listen and learn from the judges.
- All products exhibited must have been prepared since August 1, 2023, except for quilts or photography. Exhibits can be entered only once.
- Any article may be tested to the satisfaction of the judges. All articles and garments entered must be clean.
- Children's age is determined as of December 31, 2023.
- 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 chosen at the discretion of the judge(s) in each department and coordinated through the Superintendents.
- All exhibits must remain on exhibit for the entire Fair, regardless of whether an award is given.
- 17. Special Awards** - Exhibitors may collect special awards for department winners. Collection of the award is as follows: Wednesday, August 7th 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Otherwise at the Ranch Administration office Thursday, August 8th, 8:30 am – 4:30 p.m. and Friday, August 9th 8:30 a.m. – noon. Special awards not collected will be forfeited. No Exceptions.
- 18. Premiums/Money** - Premiums will be given for class placement in youth designated classes. No money is awarded for general/adult classes.
- 19. The use of marijuana or CBD in any display, food item, or exhibit is prohibited and shall be rejected.**
- 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.

Machine Works

Superintendent – Janet Feil
Competition Coordinator – Laura Boldt

Key dates and times:

Entry for Machine Works exhibits: Tuesday, July 30th, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Judging time for Machine Works exhibits: Wednesday, July 31st, 9:00 a.m.

Check-out for Machine Works exhibits: Wednesday, August 7th, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

1. Viewing of judging is open to the public on July 31st, at 9:00 a.m.
2. Do not put names on clothing exhibits. Use hangers. Use a skirt hanger for skirts & shorts.
3. No garments are to be removed before check-out time.
4. All garments must be machine-made with appropriate hand sewing where necessary.
5. Only one entry will be accepted in each class from each exhibitor.
6. All articles entered in this department must have been finished since August 1, 2023.
7. Children, Youth and Teen exhibitors will need to supply their date of birth upon entry.
8. FOR CLASS #130, #280, #290, #490 AND #500 DESCRIBE HOW THE ITEM WAS RECYCLED AND FROM WHAT SOURCES ON THE INDEX CARD.
9. **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 9th, will be forfeited. No Exceptions.**

Youth Exhibits

(Made by Individual 13 years and under)

Class

110. Clothing Article, machine made
120. Machine Made Novelty Item (Purse, Animal, Toy, etc.)
130. Recycled Garment (garment made from another garment, curtains, drapes, etc.)
140. Hand stitched item

Teen Exhibits

(Made by Individual 14 -18 Years)

Class

210. Blouse, Shirt or Vest
220. Ensemble (Pants or skirt with Blouse or Jacket)
230. Coat or Jacket or Cape or filled Vest
240. Dress or Jumper
250. Baptismal Outfit, Wedding Dress, Evening Wear, Formal Wear
260. Pants, Overalls, Shorts, Skirt, Night Wear
270. Costume or Period Outfit
280. Recycled Garment (Clothing)
290. Recycled Garment (Animal, Toy, Purse, etc.)
300. Accessories (Tie, Belt Scarf, Bag, hats, Apron, Bib, etc.)
310. Home Décor Item
320. Machine Made Stuffed Animal, Bear, Toy
330. Doll Clothes (3 outfits) displayed on board or Doll Outfit exhibited on a Doll (Doll not judged)
340. Any Other Garment not listed

Adult Exhibits

Class

- 410. Blouse or Shirt
- 420. Ensemble (Pants or skirt with Blouse or Jacket)
- 430. Coat or Jacket or Cape or filled Vest
- 440. Dress or Jumper
- 450. Baptismal Outfit, Wedding Dress, Evening Wear, Formal Wear
- 460. Pants, Overalls, Shorts, Skirt
- 470. Night Wear, Sleep Wear, Loungewear
- 480. Costume or Period Outfit
- 490. Recycled Garment (Clothing)
- 500. Recycled Garment (Animal, Toy, Purse, etc.)
- 510. Accessories (Tie, Belt Scarf, Bag, Hats, Apron, Bib, etc.)
- 520. Home Décor Item
- 530. Machine Made Stuffed Animal, Bear, Toy
- 540. Doll Clothes (3 outfits) displayed on board or Doll Outfit
exhibited on a Doll (Doll not judged)
- 550. Any Other Garment, not listed

Special Awards

A Grand and Reserve Grand Champion and six Champion and six Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded for outstanding exhibits in this department.

These special awards are made by the following sponsors:

Outstanding Youth Exhibit

Fort Collins Chapter of the American Sewing Guild, Sandra Haddorff, President, Fort Collins

Outstanding Teen Exhibit

Fort Collins Chapter of the American Sewing Guild, Sandra Haddorff, President, Fort Collins

Outstanding Adult Exhibit

Fort Collins Chapter of the American Sewing Guild, Sandra Haddorff, President, Fort Collins

2024 Larimer County Fair Schedule of Events for Open Class

SCHEDULE as of February 12, 2024

SUNDAY, JULY 23

11:59 p.m. OPEN CLASS EXHIBIT ENTRY/PRE-REGISTRATION FORM SUBMISSION DEADLINE-

SATURDAY, JULY 27

9:30 a.m. LARIMER COUNTY FAIR PARADE *Downtown Loveland*

MONDAY, JULY 29

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Open Class Exhibit Set Up *SFNBO*

TUESDAY, JULY 30

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Open Class Home Economics, Fine Arts, Photography & Creative Crafts Exhibits - Check-In *SFNBO*

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

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, Knitting, Baked Products, Canned & Dried Products Spinning & Weaving & Fine Arts Judging *SFNBO*

10:00 a.m. Wine & Liqueur Judging *SFNBO*

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Open Class Horticulture Garden Flowers & Floral Arrangements Judging *SFNBO*

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Open Class Horticulture Vegetables, Fruits & Herbs Judging *SFNBO*

1:30 p.m. Honey Judging *SFNBO*

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

8:00 a.m. Building open to Superintendents for display *SFNBO*

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. 4-H & Open Class Exhibit Halls *Open to the Public*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

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*

MONDAY, AUGUST 5

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Open Class Unclaimed Items & Awards pick-up *SFNBO*

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Open Class Unclaimed Items & Awards pick-up *SFNBO*

SFNBO – South First National Bank of Omaha Building