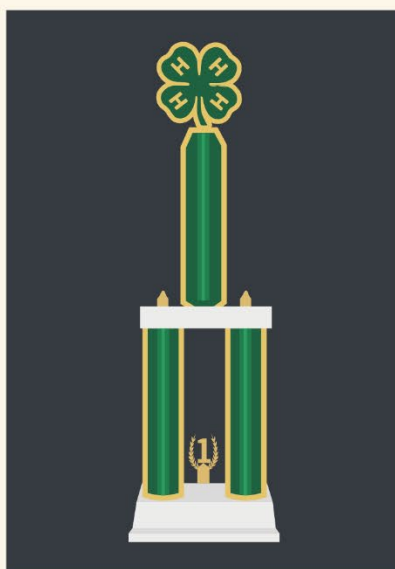




# OPEN CLASS FAIR BOOK



## Instructions on How to Enter Open Class Exhibits and Overall Information

1. **Fair Book:** The Fair Book contains all the entry guidelines, classes and descriptions. Access the 2025 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 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) <http://lcfopenclass.fairentry.com>  
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 the on-line Fair Entry system beginning **Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> through Wednesday, 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 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 29th. Horticulture late entries will be accepted on Wednesday, July 30th 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 the Northeast doors in Pedersen Toyota Center -South at The Ranch. Open Class exhibits (except Horticulture) must be received **Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.** Horticulture exhibits check-in Wednesday, July 30th 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 Pedersen Toyota Center-South to pick up your exhibits on **Wednesday, August 6th 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.
11. All products exhibited must have been prepared since August 1, 2024, except for quilts or photography. Exhibits can be entered only once.

12. Any article may be tested to the satisfaction of the judges. All articles and garments entered must be clean.
13. Children's age is determined as of December 31, 2024.
14. Only one entry will be accepted in each class from each exhibitor except Arts, Photography, and Spinning and Weaving. No Champion or Reserve Champion will be awarded if the exhibit is not worthy.
15. Special awards will be chosen at the discretion of the judge(s) in each department and coordinated through the Superintendents.
16. All exhibits must remain on exhibit for the entire Fair, regardless of whether an award is given. An open class exhibitor schedule included at the end of this Fair Book.
17. **Special Awards:** Exhibitors may collect special awards for department winners. Collection of the award is as follows:  
Wednesday, August 6th 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Otherwise at the Ranch Events office Thursday, August 7th, 8:30 am – 4:30 p.m. and Friday, August 8th<sup>th</sup> 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.**
20. 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.
21. **Responsibility:** The Ranch staff, the Larimer County Fair Board and Volunteers will use reasonable diligence to ensure safety of exhibits after their arrival and placement. Under no circumstance will the parties listed be responsible for any loss or damage done to, occasioned by, or arising from any articles on exhibit. The exhibitors shall indemnify The Ranch, Larimer County Fair Board and volunteers of all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto. The entry of any exhibits on the fairgrounds by any and all exhibitors shall signify his or her agreement to abide by this rule.

# Quilting

Co-Superintendents – Susan Lynd & Ronelda Kraft  
Competition Coordinator – Laura Boldt

## Key dates and times:

**Bring Quilting exhibits: Tuesday, July 29th, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

**Judging time Quilting exhibits: Wednesday, July 30th<sup>t</sup>, 9:00 a.m.**

**Check-out for Quilting exhibits: Wednesday, August 6th, 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

1. Viewing of judging is open to the public Wednesday, July 30th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. No discussion between exhibitors and judges will be allowed during the judging process. The Quilt display will be open Friday 4-8 pm, Saturday and Sunday 10 am to 8 pm and Monday and Tuesday 4-8 pm August 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> in the Pedersen Toyota Center.

2. All articles entered in this department can be entered in the Larimer County Fair only once.

3. All articles entered must be **clean and free of animal hair and odors including smoke.**

4. Only one entry will be accepted in each class per exhibitor. In some cases, the class will be determined by the perimeter of the quilt. **(The distance around the outside edges of the quilt.)**

5. All work must be done by the exhibitor. **An exception is the Duet Category, where quilting is done by another.**

**6. All name tags and labels need to be covered or removed.**

7. Articles will be judged on **workmanship, design, and suitability** to purpose.

8. Ages for the youth division will be their age on December 31, 2024.

**9. If you require special hanging brackets or handling, we will try to accommodate your needs. However, if the superintendents do not feel the quilt can be handled or hung safely it will not be accepted.**

10. Once a quilt is entered in a class it can only be moved to a different class if it was entered in an incorrect class and must be approved by the superintendents.

11. If the exhibitor or volunteer is unclear of the correct class for a quilt, they will request assistance from the superintendents for determination.

**12. 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 9, will be forfeited. No Exceptions.**

13. Champion & Reserve Champion Rosette Ribbons will be awarded per judge discretion after judging is completed for a class grouping.

**Definitions:**

1. Art Quilt is a contemporary artwork of original design involving the creative expression of various processes, such as dying, painting, stitching, embellishing, quilting and weaving. An Art Quilt does not follow traditional block lines, borders or binding. These reflect imagery or ideas and are not made from a pattern, kit or class instructions. They will be judged on creativity, workmanship and suitability of intent. Let your creativity go wild!
2. Duet is a quilt made by one person and quilted by another.
3. Free motion quilting is hand guided, either on a home machine or long-arm.

**Adult Division**

**One person quilts. Made by one person only. Should be entered in Classes 100 – 220.**

**Quilted on Standard Home Machine****Free motion / hand guided****Class**

**100. Perimeter is 275" or less**

**110. Perimeter is 276" or greater**

**Quilted on an Embroidery Machine (in the hoop) with Quilting Designs****Class**

**120. Perimeter is 275" or less**

**130. Perimeter is 276" or greater**

**Quilted on a Long-Arm Machine****Edge to Edge computerized designs****Class**

**140. Perimeter is 270" or less**

**150. Perimeter is 271" to 370"**

**160. Perimeter is 371" or greater**

**Quilted on a Long-Arm Machine****Custom quilting – computer aided****Individual designs for blocks and borders****Class**

**170. Perimeter is 270" or less**

**180. Perimeter is 271" to 370"**

**190. Perimeter is 371" or greater**

**Quilted on a Long-Arm Machine****Custom quilting hand-guided/free motion****Class**

**200. Perimeter is 270" or less**

**210. Perimeter is 271" to 370"**

**220. Perimeter is 371" or greater**

### **Duet Quilts**

**Made by one person and quilted by someone else. Should be entered in classes 230 to 290.**

**Quilted on a Long-Arm Machine  
Edge to Edge Computerized design**

#### **Class**

**230. Perimeter is 270" or less**

**240. Perimeter is 271" to 370"**

**250. Perimeter is 371" or greater**

### **Duet Quilts**

**Quilted on a Long-Arm Machine  
Custom quilting – computer aided  
Individual designs for blocks and borders**

#### **Class**

**260. Perimeter is 300" or less**

**270. Perimeter is 301" or greater**

### **Duet Quilts**

**Quilted on a Long-Arm Machine  
Custom quilting – hand guided / free motion**

#### **Class**

**290. Any Size**

### **Youth Division**

**Quilt must have been made within the last 2 years  
Ages 18 and under as of December 31, 2023**

#### **Class**

**300. Ages 12 and under, any size, made by exhibitor, can be quilted by another**

**310. Ages 13 to 18, any size, made by exhibitor, can be quilted by another**

### **Additional Categories**

#### **All Ages**

**Note: For the following classes, quilting may or may not be done by the exhibitor.**

### **Special Techniques**

**Quilt must be completed recently. Each technique will be judged separately. Hand embroidery and hand applique should be represented in the majority of the quilt.**

**Any size**

#### **Class**

**400. Hand pieced and hand quilted**

**410. Hand pieced and machine quilted**

**420. Machine pieced and hand quilted**

**430. Hand embroidered blocks (making up the majority of the quilt top)**

**440. Hand applique (used in the majority of the quilt top)**

**450. Whole cloth (top layer is made from a single piece of fabric.**

**No applique or patchwork is used in the design. The appearance relies on the quilting motifs chosen and quilting stitches are usually intricate and closely spaced.)**

## **Machine Embroidered Quilts**

### **Class**

- 510. Quilt designed by exhibitor using pre-digitized single pattern, any size**
- 520. Predesigned digitized quilt pattern, any size**

## **Paper Pieced Quilts**

**(Judy Niemeyer, Jacqueline de Jonge, Bella Bella)**

### **Class**

- 600. Perimeter 270” or less**
- 610. Perimeter 271” to 370”**
- 620. Perimeter 371” or greater**

## **T-Shirt Quilt**

**Blocks are repurposed T-Shirts**

### **Class**

- 630. T-shirt quilt, any size**

## **Pre-Printed Panel Quilt**

**The original panel can be used as a whole or deconstructed to accomplish the finished product. Borders and other embellishments may be added.**

### **Class**

- 640. Pre-Printed Panel Quilt, any size**

## **Christmas Quilt**

**Quilt follows a Christmas theme with machine piecing and quilting. Applique, embroidery (hand or machine), embellishments may be added.**

### **Class**

- 650. Christmas Quilt, any size**

## **Patriotic Quilt**

**(Red, White & Blue)**

**Applique, embroidery (hand or machine), embellishments may be added.**

### **Class**

- 660. Patriotic Quilt, any size**

## **Holiday/Special Occasion Quilts**

**Halloween/ Wedding etc.**

**Applique, embroidery (hand or machine), embellishments may be added**

### **Class**

- 670. Holiday/Special Occasion, any size**

## **Machine Appliqued Quilts**

**Applique being the primary feature**

### **Class**

- 680. Perimeter is 275” or less**
- 690. Perimeter is 276” or greater**

**Found and Finished  
Quilt Blocks/Top  
Inherited from family, found at a thrift store or garage sale.  
Now they are finished!!!  
Please include a short story with your entry.**

**Class**

**700. Any size**

**Memory Quilts**

Celebrating family history, life of a loved one, important event in life. Materials used can be clothing, photos, memorabilia, etc. Please include a “story”!

**Class**

**710. Memory Quilt, any size**

**Golden Oldies!**

Antique (old) quilts that are in excellent condition. Please write a brief history/story. These do not compete with Restored Quilts. The purpose is to showcase the importance of quilts in our family and country history. Will be awarded a ribbon only.

Not eligible for Champion/Reserve Champion or special award consideration.

**Class**

**720. Golden Oldies Quilt, any size**

**Art Quilts**

**LETTING YOUR CREATIVITY RUN WILD!**

An art quilt is a contemporary artwork of original design involving the creative expression and exploration of various processes, such as dyeing, painting, stitching, embellishing, quilting, and weaving. An art quilt does not follow traditional block lines. These reflect imagery or ideas and are NOT made from a pattern, kit or class instructions.

**Class**

**800. Pictorial (example: scenic nature scene portrayed with cloth and thread) any size**

**810. Abstract (collage, using fabric to “paint” a representation) any size**

**Multi-person Quilts by group**

These classes are for quilts where 3 or more people are involved in making the quilt. One or more people may make the top and one person or a group of people may do the quilting.

Requirement: Attach a 3” x 5” card with the entry tag, listing the group name and the contact person.

Ribbon will be awarded to the group.

**Class**

**900. Group quilt, Perimeter 300” or less**

**910. Group quilt, Perimeter 301” or greater**

**Accessories**

Must be 3 layers quilted. May be either hand or machine quilted. Hand or machine appliques, embroidery and embellishments may be added.

**Class**

**1000. Wall hanging, no side longer than 70”. Must be 3 layers quilted. Must have a hanging sleeve**

**1100. Table runners and placemats. Must be 3 layers quilted.**

**1200. Pillows. Top must be 3 layers quilted.**

**1300. Purses, totes, and bags. Must be 3 layers quilted.**

### Special Awards

A Grand and Reserve Grand Champion and 29 Champion and 29 Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded for outstanding exhibits.

### Special Awards

Class #	Description	Sponsors
100-130	Quilted on home machine/embroider	The Sewing Circle
140-220	Quilted on a long arm machine	Stitches Lyons Quilting Rocky Mountain Quilt Foundation Quilter's Dream Wild Oats Sewing LNCQ Peak to Peak Stitching
230-290	Duet Quilts	Wild Oats Sewing The Fig Leaf Rocky Mountain Quilt Foundation Stitches
300-310	Youth made quilts	Cooley Family Quilt Together Group
400-450	Special Techniques Division	Women of the Cloth LNCQ
510-520	Machine Embroidered Quilts	Sew Downtown The Sewing Circle
600-620	Paper Pieced Quilts	Quilter's Dream The Sewing Circle
630-640	T-Shirt Quilt/ Panel Quilts	Wild Oats Sewing
650-670	Christmas; Holiday; Patriotic;	The Sewing Circle Quilter's Dream
680-690	Machine Applique Quilt	The Sewing Circle

700	Found and Finished	Wild Oats Sewing
710	Memory Quilt	Rocky Mountain Quilt Foundation
800-810	Art Quilts	LNCQ
900-910	Group Quilts	LNCQ
		Rocky Mountain Quilt Foundation
1000-1300	Accessories	The Sewing Circle Sew
		Downtown Stitches
Judges Choice awards – One per judge		LNCQ
Superintendent Awards		Cindy Sue Designs Pieceful
		Acres

# 2025 Larimer County Fair Schedule of Events for Open Class

*SCHEDULE as of January 3, 2025*

## **WEDNESDAY, JULY 23**

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

## **SATURDAY, JULY 26**

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

## **MONDAY, JULY 28**

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Open Class Exhibits Set Up *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **TUESDAY, JULY 29**

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Open Class Exhibits - Check-In *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **WEDNESDAY, JULY 30**

7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Open Class Horticulture (Garden Flowers & Vegetables, Fruit & Herbs) Check-In  
*South Pedersen Toyota Center*

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Open Class Arts, Baked Products, Creative Crafts, Knitting, Machine Work, Needlework, Preserved Food Products (& Honey), Quilting & Spinning & Weaving  
*South Pedersen Toyota Center*

12:00 p.m. Wine & Liquer Judging *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Open Class Horticulture Garden Flowers & Floral Arrangements Judging  
*South Pedersen Toyota Center*

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Open Class Horticulture Vegetables, Fruits & Herbs Judging *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **THURSDAY, JULY 31**

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Building open to Superintendents for display *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **FRIDAY, AUGUST 1**

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Open Class Exhibit Halls - Open to the Public *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **SATURDAY, AUGUST 2**

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Open Class Exhibit Halls - Open to the Public *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **SUNDAY, AUGUST 3**

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

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Open Class Exhibit Halls - Open to the Public *South Pederson Toyota Center*

## **MONDAY, AUGUST 4**

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Open Class Exhibit Halls - Open to the Public *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **TUESDAY, AUGUST 5**

4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Open Class Exhibit Halls - Open to the Public *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6**

4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Open Class Check-Out *South Pedersen Toyota Center*

## **THURSDAY, AUGUST 7**

8:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Open Class Unclaimed Items & Awards pick-up *Pedersen Toyota Center Event Office*

## **FRIDAY, AUGUST 8**

8:30 p.m. – 12:00 p.m. Open Class Unclaimed Items & Awards pick-up *Pedersen Toyota Center Event Office*