

DEPARTMENT NO. 4 NEEDLEWORK, HANDCRAFTS & ARTWORK

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1. All Exhibitors must purchase a membership or week's pass in order to be eligible to exhibit. Youths under 18 years old (as of day of entries) do not need a pass if exhibiting in youth categories which only receive ribbons. Children who wish to compete and receive premiums must buy a regular adult week's pass.
2. All entries must be original work of exhibitor. Only finished, clean, work in good condition will be judged. No nudes will be allowed. No article except antiques may be shown more than once. Entries need to have been made during the past show year of 2025-2026. Exhibitors are limited to two entries in each numbered class/category (except youths where indicated).
3. Entries will be taken on Thurs., July 23, 2026 from 11:00 am - 7:00 pm. Articles must be taken down and picked up on August 1, 2026 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm.
4. Judging will take place July 25, prior to the opening of the Fair.
5. All entries will receive the best of care and attention, but the management will not be responsible for the loss or damage of articles.
6. ART entries must be marked with identification (on back of mat, not visible for judging).
7. Photography entries: size of print is to be 5 X 7 and to be mounted on poster board to a maximum of 8 X 10. *Attach on an 8 x 10 Single Ply White Poster Board.* This will be stapled to wall.
8. All framed pictures must be wired for hanging. Pictures painted on roll canvas must be mounted on stretchers and wired for hanging, even if they are not framed. Pastel, charcoal, tempera, ink, and water colors must be covered by clear plastic if not framed with glass.
9. The Department Assistant and/or Judge will determine the final positioning of exhibits and possible expansion of classes.
10. Decisions of the judges are final. Categories may be combined or divided based on number and type of entries received.

PREMIUM DISTRIBUTION

Ribbons, premiums and auction proceeds will be available for pick up Saturday from 7 pm - 8 pm in the Senior Fairboard office and Sunday from 10 am - 1 pm.

Items not picked up by 1 pm Sunday (\$10 and over) will be mailed the following week.

CLASS 115 EMBROIDERY - WHITE OR COLORED BEST OF SHOW - \$20.

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Best Tablecloth or Luncheon Set	8	4	2
2. Best Pillowcase	4	4	2
3. Best Sampler	4	3	2
4. Best Embroidery Picture (framed)	5	4	2
5. Best Pillow or Cushion	4	4	2
6. Best Article not listed	4	3	2
CREWEL EMBROIDERY			
7. Best Tablecloth or Luncheon Set	8	4	2
8. Best Sampler	4	3	2
9. Best Embroidery Picture (framed)	5	4	2
10. Best Pillow or Cushion	4	4	2
11. Best Article not listed	4	3	2
RIBBON EMBROIDERY			
12. Best Sampler	4	3	2
13. Best Embroidery Picture (framed)	5	4	2
14. Article of Clothing	5	4	2
15. Best Article not listed	4	3	2
CROSS-STITCH (STAMPED OR COUNTED)			
16. Best Tablecloth			
A. Stamped Cross-Stitch	8	4	2
B. Counted Cross-Stitch	8	4	2
17. Best Pillowcase			
A. Stamped Cross-Stitch	4	3	2
B. Counted Cross-Stitch	4	3	2
18. Best Sampler			
A. Stamped Cross-Stitch	4	3	2
B. Counted Cross-Stitch	4	3	2
19. Best Picture (framed)			
A. Stamped Cross-Stitch-Kit	5	4	2
B. Stamped Cross Stitch-Original Design	5	4	2
C. Counted Cross-Stitch-Kit	5	4	2
D. Counted Cross Stitch-Original Design	5	4	2

20. Best Pillow or Cushion	4	4	2
A. Stamped Cross-Stitch	4	4	2
B. Counted Cross-Stitch	4	4	2
21. Best Article not listed	4	4	2

CROCHETED ARTICLES

22. Best Pillow or Cushion	4	4	2
23. Best Tablecloth	7	4	2
24. Best Lady's Sweater	7	4	2
25. Best Man's Sweater	7	4	2
26. Best Child's Sweater	7	4	2
27. Best Doily	4	3	2
28. Doll Clothes			
(12" doll or larger—judged on clothing only, not doll)	7	3	2
29. Best Shawl or Poncho	5	3	2
30. Best Hat or Cap	4	3	2
31. Best Mittens or Gloves	4	3	2
32. Best Baby Set or Sweater	5	3	2
33. Best Handbag	4	3	2
34. Best Article not listed	4	3	2
35. Best Scarf	4	3	2
36. Best Socks	3	3	2
37. Best Kitchen Items			
A. Dishcloths	4	3	2
B. Dish Towels	4	3	2
C. Potholders	4	3	2

KNITTED ARTICLES

38. Best Lady's Sweater	7	4	2
39. Best Man's Sweater	7	4	2
40. Best Child's Sweater	7	4	2
41. Best Handbag	4	3	2
42. Best Baby Set or Sweater	5	3	2
43. Best Shawl, Stole or Poncho	5	3	2
44. Best Gloves or Mittens	4	3	2
45. Best Hat or Cap	4	3	2
46. Best Scarf	4	3	2
47. Best Doll Clothing			
(12" doll or larger - judged on clothing only, not doll)	5	3	2
48. Best Socks	4	3	2
49. Best Kitchen Items			
A. Dishcloths	4	3	2
B. Dish Towels	4	3	2
C. Potholders	4	3	2
50. Best Article not listed	4	3	2

APPLIQUÉ

51. Best Pillow or Cushion	4	4	2
52. Best Pillowcases	4	3	2
53. Best Tablecloth or Luncheon Set	5	4	2
54. Best Article not listed	4	3	2

DECORATED SWEATSHIRT OR T-SHIRT (ON PURCHASED SHIRTS)

55. Best Appliqué	5	3	2
56. Best Painted	5	3	2
57. Best Cross-Stitch	5	3	2
58. Best Embroidery	5	3	2

NEEDLEPOINT

59. Best Painted	4	4	2
60. Best Picture (framed)	5	4	2
61. Best Article not listed	4	3	2

RUGS

62. Best Hooked	5	3	2
63. Best Braided	5	3	2
64. Best Crocheted	5	3	2
65. Best Homemade Rug not listed	5	3	2

SEWING

66. Best Shirt, Blouse, or Vest	5	4	2
67. Best Coat or Jacket	8	5	2
68. Best Dress	8	5	2
69. Best Skirt	8	5	2
70. Best Formal Wear	8	5	2
71. Best Quilted Wearable	5	3	2
72. Best Robe or Sleepwear	4	3	2
73. Best Slacks	4	3	2
74. Best Apron	3	3	2
75. Best Children's Clothing	5	3	2
76. Best Sportswear	5	3	2
77. Best Pillows	4	4	2
78. Best Sewn Bags	4	4	2
79. Best Table Runner	4	4	2
80. Best Potholders	4	4	2
81. Best Sewn Doll Clothes, up to 18 inch doll	4	4	2

82. Altered (changed from one thing to another)	4	4	2
83. Vintage Clothing			
A. Men	4	3	2
B. Women	4	3	2
C. Children	4	3	2

TOYS

84. Best Crocheted	4	4	2
85. Best Knitted	4	3	2
86. Best Quilted (hand, machine, or combination)	4	3	2
87. Best Sewn	4	3	2
88. Any Other	4	3	2

DOLLS

89. Handmade (completely)	7	4	2
90. Handmade (partial)	5	3	2
91. Quilted	5	3	2
92. Crocheted	5	3	2
93. Knitted	5	3	2
94. Any Other	3	3	2

**QUILTS, SPREADS, and COVERLETS
BEST OF SHOW - \$25**

95. Best Appliqué			
A. Hand Quilted	12	8	4
B. Machine Quilted	12	8	4
96. Best Pieced Patchwork			
A. Hand Quilted	12	8	4
B. Machine Quilted	12	8	4
97. Best Intricate Design			
A. Hand Quilted	12	8	4
B. Machine Quilted	12	8	4
98. Best Embroidery/Cross-Stitch			
A. Hand Quilted	12	8	4
B. Machine Quilted	12	8	4
99. Best Infant			
A. Hand Quilted	12	8	4
B. Machine Quilted	12	8	4
100. Best Historical & Best Preserved (year made)	10	5	3
101. Best Lap Quilt			
A. Hand Quilted	12	8	4
B. Machine Quilted	12	8	4
102. Best Cover Not Listed			
A. Hand Quilted	12	8	4
B. Machine Quilted	12	8	4
C. Tied	12	8	4
103. Best Non-Sewn Coverlet	7	4	3

**AFGHANS
BEST OF SHOW - \$25
CROCHET**

104. Best Single Color	7	4	3
105. Best Two-Tone	7	4	3
106. Best Multicolor	7	4	3
107. Best Baby Afghan	7	4	3
108. Best Any Other	7	4	3

KNITTED

109. Best Single Color	7	4	3
110. Best Two-Tone	7	4	3
111. Best Multicolor	7	4	3
112. Best Baby Afghan	7	4	3
113. Best Any Other	7	4	3

**WALL HANGINGS
Need to have the ability to be hung**

114. Quilted			
A. Hand Quilted	5	4	2
B. Machine Quilted	5	4	2
115. Painted	5	4	2
116. Cross-Stitch	5	4	2
117. Appliqué	5	4	2
118. Any Other	5	4	2

**CRAFTS – CLASS 116
PLASTIC CANVAS
BEST OF SHOW - \$25**

1. Structures	3	3	2
2. Pictures Framed or Unframed	3	3	2
3. Any Other	3	3	2

JEWELRY

Create your own display

4. Bead Work	4	3	2
5. Crocheted	4	3	2
6. Resin	4	3	2
7. Indian – Turquoise	4	3	2
8. Any Other	4	3	2

WOOD

(no more than 2 items done in year 2025-2026)

9. Wood Sculpture			
A. Small Carved Items	5	3	2
B. Large Carved Items	7	4	2
10. Construction (Buildings or other-no more than 2 ft. sq.)	4	3	2
11. Plaques	4	3	2
12. Toys	5	3	2
13. Furniture	7	3	2
14. Any Other	4	3	2

BASKETS

15. Fabric	5	3	2
16. Crocheted	5	3	2
17. Woven	5	3	2
18. Quilted	5	3	2
19. Any Other	5	3	2

CHRISTMAS CATEGORY

20. Handmade Ornaments (must have 3)	4	3	2
21. Tree Skirts	4	3	2
22. Stockings	4	3	2
23. Wreaths (no larger than 18 in., must have hanger)	4	3	2
24. Clothing	4	3	2
25. Quilts	4	3	2
26. Wooden Items	4	3	2
27. Table Runner, Place Mats, or Napkins	4	3	2
28. Stained Glass Item	4	3	2
29. Any Other	4	3	2

OTHER HOLIDAYS

30. Wreaths (no larger than 18 in, must have a hanger)	4	3	2
31. Holiday clothing items	4	3	2
32. Table Runner or Place Mats	4	3	2
33. Quilts	4	3	2
34. Other holiday decorations	4	3	2
35. Any other	4	3	2

MISCELLANEOUS

36. Leather Work	4	3	2
37. Craft Painting	4	3	2
A. Diamond Art			
B. Multi Media Painting			
38. Bead or Sequin	4	3	2
39. Article not listed	4	3	2

CLASS 119

ART

BEST OF SHOW - \$25

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- Entries will be taken on Thurs., July 23, 2026 from 11:00 am - 7:00 pm. Articles must be taken down and picked up on August 1, 2026 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Premiums will be available in the Senior Fairboard Office from 7 pm - 8pm Saturday night. Items and premiums not distributed at this time will be locked up overnight and available for pick up on Sunday, August 2 in the Fair Board Office from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm. Premiums under \$10 will not be mailed to the exhibitor if not claimed Saturday night or Sunday morning.
- All entries must be marked with identification (on back of matte).
- All entries must be original work of exhibitor.
- All framed pictures must be wired for hanging.
- All pictures painted on roll canvas must be mounted on stretchers and wired for hanging, even if they are not framed.
- Exhibitors are limited to two (2) entries in each class.
- Exhibitors must have completed their entries during the 2023-2024 show year.
- Nudes will be excluded.
- The ASSISTANTS will determine the final positioning of exhibits
- Pastel, charcoal, tempra, and water colors must be covered by clear plastic if not framed with glass.
- While the committee will exercise due caution in safeguarding exhibits, it cannot assume responsibility for injury or loss.
- Judges shall withhold premiums when entries are unworthy of awards.
- Decision of the judges is final.
- Judging will take place on Saturday, July 25

CLASS NO. 119-A PORTRAITS or FIGURE STUDY

		1st	2nd	3rd
Exhibit No. 1	Oil or Acrylics	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 2	Watercolor or Pastel	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 3	Charcoal, Ink, Other	10	5	3

CLASS NO. 119-B ANIMAL STUDY

		1st	2nd	3rd
Exhibit No. 1	Oil or Acrylics	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 2	Watercolor or Pastel	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 3	Charcoal, Ink, Other	10	5	3

CLASS NO. 119-C LANDSCAPE

		1st	2nd	3rd
Exhibit No. 1	Oil or Acrylics	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 2	Watercolor or Pastel	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 3	Charcoal, Ink, Other	10	5	3

CLASS NO. 119-D SEASCAPE

		1st	2nd	3rd
Exhibit No. 1	Oil or Acrylics	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 2	Watercolor or Pastel	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 3	Charcoal, Ink, Other	10	5	3

CLASS NO. 119-E STILL LIFE

		1st	2nd	3rd
Exhibit No. 1	Oil or Acrylics	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 2	Watercolor or Pastel	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 3	Charcoal, Ink, Other	10	5	3

CLASS NO. 119-F ARCHITECTURAL ART

		1st	2nd	3rd
Exhibit No. 1	Oil or Acrylics	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 2	Watercolor or Pastel	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 3	Charcoal, Ink, Other	10	5	3

CLASS NO. 119-G MODERN or ABSTRACT

		1st	2nd	3rd
Exhibit No. 1	Oil or Acrylics	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 2	Watercolor or Pastel	10	5	3
Exhibit No. 3	Charcoal, Ink, Other	10	5	3

CLASS NO. 119-H STAINED GLASS

		1st	2nd	3rd
Exhibit No. 1	Ornaments (window or otherwise)	4	3	2
Exhibit No. 2	Picture	7	4	3
Exhibit No. 3	Wall Hanging	7	4	3
Exhibit No. 4	Dimensional Articles	7	4	3

CLASS NO. 120

BEST OF SHOW - \$25

PHOTOGRAPHY: (amateurs only)

photo 5 X 7 (matted to be 8 X 10 on single ply white poster board)

		1st	2nd
1. Portrait or Figure			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
2. Still Life (motionless collection of items)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
3. Water Scene (lake, ocean, river, pool)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
4. Landscape (distant view of nature)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
5. Sunrise /sunset			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
6. Historical (point of interest)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
7. Farm Animal			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
8. Pet (domesticated animal)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
9. Wild Animal			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3

10. Insect			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
11. Bird			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
12. Sports (person or team featured without perceived action)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
13. Action (shows perceived motion)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
14. Nature (close up of flowers, trees without living animal)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
15. Celebration (group of people that is not sports)			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3
16. Photoshopped			
a. Color		5	3
b. Black and White		5	3

CLASS 121 – CHILDREN'S ART SHOW

Note: youth entries do not need season or membership ticket.

Ages 14 years or under

Each child limited to three (3) items.

All entries will receive ribbons.

CLASS 122

CERAMICS and POTTERY

	1st	2nd	3rd
122A ADVANCED HOBBYIST			
1. Glaze	7	5	3
2. Under glaze	7	5	3
3. Over glaze	7	5	3
4. Stain	7	5	2
5. Hand formed	7	5	3
6. Dolls	7	5	3
7. Miscellaneous	7	5	3
122B HOBBYIST			
1. Glaze	5	4	3
2. Under glaze	5	4	3
3. Over glaze	5	4	3
4. Stain	5	4	3
5. Hand formed	5	4	3
6. Dolls	5	4	3
7. Miscellaneous	5	4	3
122C POTTERY			
1. Handmade	7	5	3
2. Glaze	7	4	3
3. Under glaze	7	4	3
4. Over glaze	7	4	3
122D CHILDREN (ribbon awards only)			
1. Glaze			
2. Under glaze			
3. Over glaze			
4. Stain			
5. Hand formed			
6. Dolls			
7. Miscellaneous			

NOTE: CHILDREN (AGES 14-18) WHO WISH TO COMPETE FOR MONEY MUST BUY A REGULAR ADULTS' WEEK'S PASS

**BEST of SHOW - Photography:
BEST of SHOW for 122A,122B or 122C
Rosette and additional \$25.00 Premium**

Walk about with the Master Gardeners after the judging on Monday and Friday to discuss why some exhibits received ribbons and others did not. Learn a few tricks that you can use next year.