

# YOUTH FIBER ARTS GUIDE

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Each exhibitor will receive one 2017 Alameda County Fair admission ticket at time of entry delivery

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**Entry Deadline: April 26<sup>th</sup>**

***Late Entries: Available ONLINE only through May 12<sup>th</sup> -- \$5.00 Per Entry***

***Same Day Entry May 19<sup>th</sup> & May 20<sup>th</sup>: \$10 Per Entry  
(must bring printed entry form along with entry and payment during delivery periods)***

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## YOUTH FIBER ARTS DELIVERY & RELEASE SCHEDULE

Category	Online Entry Deadline	Delivery Information	Release Information
All Fiber Arts	April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Grandstands *NEW LOCATION* Friday, May 19 <sup>th</sup> 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. Saturday, May 20 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Building C—South Door Tues. July 11 <sup>th</sup> 12-8 p.m.

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## YOUTH RULES

### Fiber Arts

**Please read competition guidelines: Changes are made each year.**

- 1) Eligibility:
  - a) Open to residents aged 9-17 years as of January 1<sup>st</sup>. Must be a resident of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, or Solano County.
  - b) The exhibitor must home prepare all entries within one year of the opening date of the fair. Items that have been shown at previous Alameda County Fairs are not eligible and will be disqualified.
  - c) The Fair Association reserves the right to refuse any entry or to refuse to display any entry considered not to be in the best interest of the Fair.
  - d) No entry will be accepted where an exhibitor prescribes conditions under which they will exhibit.
  - e) For projects made in school, please enter under the education department.
- 2) Entry Limits:
  - a) Please note all division and class limits.
  - b) All entries will be accepted unless the exhibitor is otherwise notified
  - c) Entry fees will not be refunded.
- 3) Presentation & Display:
  - a) The Fair will provide an exhibit tag. Please enter with the exhibitor's name as you wish it to appear.
  - b) Items that are soiled or showing wear will not be accepted or displayed.
  - c) Exhibits are displayed to interest the public and showcase the exhibits. The Alameda County Fair assumes total design control over the presentation of the exhibit.
  - d) Displays change every year. While entries will be secure, most items will be not displayed behind glass or in cases.
  - e) All Quilts and Wall hangings must have a sleeve.
- 4) Handling:
  - a) Greatest care will be exercised in handling exhibits, but the Fair Management, Alameda County Fair Association, and the County of Alameda will not be held liable for loss, theft or damage of any kind from any cause. Submission of any work constitutes an agreement to this effect.
  - b) No one but the judges and departmental personnel will be allowed to handle exhibits.
- 5) Judging:
  - a) Entries are judged using the Danish System of Judging where exhibits are judged against a scorecard. There is the availability of multiple 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. Every entry will receive a ribbon. All 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in a class will compete against each other for the Best of Class and all Best of Class within a division will then compete against each other for Best of Show.
  - b) Exhibits are judged by age group as well as by group (4-H vs. Open Youth vs. Other Youth Organization). There is a Best of Show available for each classification and age group within the division.
  - c) Qualified judges are selected by the Alameda County Fair. Judging decisions are final.
  - d) Judging results will not be given out by phone, mail, or email.
- 6) Ribbons:
  - a) Ribbons will be handed out at the time of entry pick up. When your exhibit tag indicates that a ribbon has been won, the ribbon is often not displayed—any ribbons won will be waiting for you when you pick up your item.
- 7) Entry Pick-Up
  - a) Exhibits may not be removed prior to the release day(s).
  - b) Exhibits may be picked up by anyone who has your claim check.
  - c) Exhibits not picked up on the release day(s) will be retained at the Exhibit Office at the owner's risk. There is a storage fee per exhibitor. The Fair Association will not be responsible for unclaimed exhibits and may dispose of remaining items at the start of the Labor Day Weekend.
- 8) Sponsored Awards:
  - a) Sponsored awards for all categories can be found on the youth sponsored awards page. Sponsored awards are chosen from eligible entries in the award categories. No special entry is required.
  - b) The Fair does not guarantee the payment of Sponsored special premiums and awards as they are secured in good faith.
  - c) Awards will be handed out at the Youth & Creative Living Awards ceremony. Award winners will be notified prior to the ceremony.
- 9) Definitions:
  - a) 4-H (Members of an Alameda County 4-H Club currently enrolled in this project).
  - b) Youth (Entries made by youth independent of 4-H or other youth organizations).
  - c) Other Youth Organizations (Scouts, YMCA, AWANA, etc.)

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**Division 1521: Youth Needlework**



**Entry Fee:** \$1.50 Youth & 4-H ONLY

**Limit:** No Limit

**4-H 9-11 Years Old:**

- 11. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 12. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 13. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**4-H 12-14 Years Old:**

- 21. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 22. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 23. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**4-H 15-18 Years Old:**

- 31. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 32. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 33. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**Youth 9-11 Years Old:**

- 41. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 42. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 43. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**Youth 12-14 Years Old:**

- 51. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 52. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 53. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**Youth 15-17 Years Old:**

- 61. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 62. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 63. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**Other Youth Org. 9-11 Years Old:**

- 71. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 72. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 73. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**Other Youth Org. 12-14 Years Old:**

- 81. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 82. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 83. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**Other Youth Org. 15-17 Years Old:**

- 91. Counted Cross Stitch Item
- 92. Crochet or Knit Item (No swatches)
- 93. Any Other (Bobbin lace, embroidery, plastic canvas, ect.)

**SPECIAL RULES:**

- Glass & Plexiglas should be removed from any frames before delivery. Entries with glass or Plexiglas may be marked down by the judges.
- Framed entries must have an appropriate hanger or stand.

Judging Standards:

- 25% **General Appearance**
- 50% **Workmanship**
- 15% **Difficulty Appropriate For Age**
- 10% **Suitability**
- 100%

Cash Prizes:

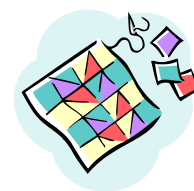
- (4-H & Youth Only)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$2.00**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$1.75**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$1.50**

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 Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> from 12-4 p.m.  
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## Division 1522: Youth Quilting

**Entry Fee:** \$1.50 Youth & 4-H ONLY

**Limit:** No Limit

### 4-H 9-11 Years Old:

- 11. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 12. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting

### 4-H 12-14 Years Old:

- 21. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 22. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting

### 4-H 15-18 Years Old:

- 31. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 32. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting

### Youth 9-11 Years Old:

- 41. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 42. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting

### Youth 12-14 Years Old:

- 51. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 52. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting

### Youth 15-17 Years Old:

- 61. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 62. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting

### Other Youth Org. 9-11 Years Old:

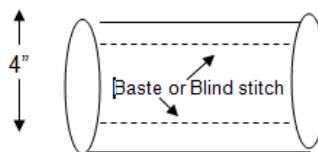
- 71. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 72. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting

### Other Youth Org. 12-14 Years Old:

- 81. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 82. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting

### Other Youth Org. 15-17 Years Old:

- 91. Quilted Item – Completely done by exhibitor
- 92. Quilted Item – An adult assisted with the quilting



### SPECIAL RULES:

- All quilts and wall hangings **MUST** have a 4" sleeve casing at the top back to accommodate a crosspole for hanging. Sleeve must be continuous across the width of the quilt. Fold a 9" strip of fabric in half and sew with a 1/2" seam, making a long tube. Place seam against quilt back and baste or blindstitch sleeve in place 1" below top and 1/2" from each side, taking care not to sew through the front of the quilt. (See figure)
- Please ensure that both the top and bottom of the sleeve are secured to the quilt for hanging purposes.
- When necessary due to space constraints, only a portion of the quilt may be visible during display.
- On quilted items that an adult assisted with the quilting, please designate adult's work on an attached card.

### Judging Standards:

50% **Art**  
 50% **Construction**  
 100%

### Cash Prizes:

(4-H & Youth Only)  
**1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$2.50**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$2.00**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$1.75**

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**Division 1523: Youth Machine Sewing**

**Entry Fee:** \$1.50 Youth & 4-H ONLY  
**Limit:** No Limit

**4-H 9-11 Years Old:**

- 11. Clothing
- 12. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 13. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 14. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**4-H 12-14 Years Old:**

- 21. Clothing
- 22. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 23. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 24. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**4-H 15-18 Years Old:**

- 31. Clothing
- 32. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 33. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 34. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**Youth 9-11 Years Old:**

- 41. Clothing
- 42. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 43. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 44. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**Youth 12-14 Years Old:**

- 51. Clothing
- 52. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 53. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 54. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**Youth 15-17 Years Old:**

- 61. Clothing
- 62. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 63. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 64. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**Other Youth Org. 9-11 Years Old:**

- 71. Clothing
- 72. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 73. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 74. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**Other Youth Org. 12-14 Years Old:**

- 81. Clothing
- 82. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 83. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 84. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**Other Youth Org. 15-17 Years Old:**

- 91. Clothing
- 92. Clothing Accessories (bag, hat, ect.)
- 93. Home Accessories (Pillow, Placemat, ect.)
- 94. Any Other (stuffed animal, cloth doll, ect.)

**SPECIAL RULES:**

- No hand needlework. Please see Youth Needlework for any hand sewing or needlework.

**Judging Standards:**

- 30% **General Appearance**
- 60% **Workmanship**
- 10% **Difficulty Appropriate for Age**
- 100%

**Cash Prizes:**

- (4-H & Youth Only)*
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**Division 1548: Youth Physically or Mentally Challenged Exhibitors**

**Entry Fee:** \$1.50 Youth & 4-H ONLY

**Limit:** No Limit

**4-H 9-11 Years Old:**

- 11. Fine Arts & Photography
- 12. Arts & Crafts
- 13. Any Other (specify)

**4-H 12-14 Years Old:**

- 21. Fine Arts & Photography
- 22. Arts & Crafts
- 23. Any Other (specify)

**4-H 15-18 Years Old:**

- 31. Fine Arts & Photography
- 32. Arts & Crafts
- 33. Any Other (specify)

**Youth 9-11 Years Old:**

- 41. Fine Arts & Photography
- 42. Arts & Crafts
- 43. Any Other (specify)

**Youth 12-14 Years Old:**

- 51. Fine Arts & Photography
- 52. Arts & Crafts
- 53. Any Other (specify)

**Youth 15-17 Years Old:**

- 61. Fine Arts & Photography
- 62. Arts & Crafts
- 63. Any Other (specify)

**Other Youth Org. 9-11 Years Old:**

- 71. Fine Arts & Photography
- 72. Arts & Crafts
- 73. Any Other (specify)

**Other Youth Org. 12-14 Years Old:**

- 81. Fine Arts & Photography
- 82. Arts & Crafts
- 83. Any Other (specify)

**Other Youth Org. 15-17 Years Old:**

- 91. Fine Arts & Photography
- 92. Arts & Crafts
- 93. Any Other (specify)

**SPECIAL RULES:**

- Photos, paintings and drawings need to be mounted on matte board or card stock.
- Glass & Plexiglas should be removed from any frames before delivery.
- Creative Writing is limited to 2 pages and must be on 8 ½ x 11" paper and submitted in a page protector.

Judging Standards:  
 10% **Ready for Exhibit**  
 25% **Design**  
 30% **Use of Materials**  
 35% **Creativity**  
 100%

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