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ALAMEDA  
COUNTY FAIR

JUNE 15 – JULY 8

# ADULT HOBBIES & COLLECTIONS ENTRY GUIDE

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Each exhibitor will receive one 2018 Alameda County Fair  
admission ticket at time of entry delivery

For Questions, please contact:

<u>Delivery Information for Hobby Department</u>		
<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
Friday June 8 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Minerals & Gems Building (Building O) (Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue)
Saturday June 9 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Minerals & Gems Building (Building O) (Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue)
Sunday June 10 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Minerals & Gems Building (Building O) (Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue)
<u>Release Information for Hobby Department</u>		
Tuesday July 10 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Minerals & Gems Building (Building O) (Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue)

[Hobby@alamedacountyfair.com](mailto:Hobby@alamedacountyfair.com)

925-426-5138

Entry Fee: \$2.50 per entry

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### Division 307: Hobby Collections

**Enter Early Space is Limited!**

**Limit:** 1 Entry Per Person

**Special Awards:** Public Favorite Case - "Don Wills Memorial" Plaque  
Best of Show Hobby Case - \$20 and Rosette

#### SPECIAL RULES:

1. Fair cases are limited.
2. **No cases will be assigned until after Tuesday May 2<sup>nd</sup>.** All exhibitors will be called or e- mailed after Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.
3. Please describe collection upon entering.
4. Exhibit may be displayed only 1 year unless varied in some significant way. Entries accepted on space-available basis and to balance the show.
5. At least **12 items** are required for a hobby case entry.
6. The Fair will provide the Hobby cases and will lock each case with fair-provided lock.
7. Please neatly label items with name and something interesting and appropriate (age, source, etc.) Labels should be neat, easy to read, and correct. Using 14-16 point fonts depending on style makes labels easily readable. Tell the public something interesting about your hobby: why you collect or make it, what is unique, where to find more information, how you make it, etc. Encourage the public to study your case. **Judges shall show preference for those displays that are most educational.**
8. It is your responsibility to take out any staples and tape put in the case on tear down day.
9. Each exhibitor is limited to one cash award per class. Judges will make no award if not worthy.
10. Your name should not appear in case. After judging, fair staff will attach an exhibit tag with your name.
11. Please do not place anything on the outside of the cases. No extra electricity inside or out. You may choose to supply battery powered additions.
12. If you have a conflict with the time scheduled to set up your display, please contact (925) 426- 5138 or (925) 426-7611 so that we can work out an alternative time. If for any reason, you will be unable to bring your

collection, please contact us so we can contact a replacement from the waiting list.

#### CLASS:

1. Kitchen Items
2. Animals
3. Vintage
4. Bottles, Cans, and/or Glass
5. Disney
6. Pins & Buttons
7. Holidays: Christmas, Easter, etc.
8. Toys
9. Sports Memorabilia
10. Stars, Movie, TV & Books
11. Hobby Collection – All Other

#### Judging Standards

5%	<b>Quality</b>
10%	<b>Education</b>
10%	<b>Labeling:</b> Correctness & spelling
10%	<b>Explanation:</b> How did you start your collection?
15%	<b>Variety of Material</b>
50%	<b>Showmanship:</b> Total effect of background, lighting, arrangement, neatness, suitability
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100%	

#### **Cash Prizes Per Class:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$25.00**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$20.00**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$15.00**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Place: \$10.00**

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## Division 305: Gem & Mineral

**Limit:** 1 Case Per Class

**Special Awards:** Best of Show Mineral/Gem Case - \$20 and Rosette

### SPECIAL RULES:

1. LABELING: All exhibits must be correctly and adequately labeled.
2. Also see Jewelry Category for other places to enter handmade necklaces etc.
3. Exhibitor must own entries.
4. All lapidary work must be done by the exhibitor.
5. Exhibit may be displayed only 1 year unless varied in some significant way.
6. Open to Amateurs only.

### CLASS:

1. Educational (explains the wonderful world of minerals or lapidary)
2. Geodes, Nodules or Flats
3. Jewelry Case (wax casting, silver-smithing or square wire, 12 items minimum)
4. Lapidary mixed (can be manufactured settings)
5. Rock Novelties
6. Specimen Collection - Mineral specimens of any kind, such as metallic ores, non-metallic ores, gems
7. Case from Group or Society
8. Fair Themed Case – **Hello Summer!**



### Judging Standards

5%	<b>Quality</b>
10%	<b>Education:</b>
10%	<b>Labeling:</b> Correctness & spelling
10%	<b>Explanation:</b> How did you start your collection?
15%	<b>Variety of Material</b>
50%	<b>Showmanship:</b> Total effect of background, lighting, arrangement, neatness, and suitability
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100%	

### **Cash Prizes Per Class:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$25.00**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$20.00**

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**Division 308: Jewelry**

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**Limit:** 3 Entries Per Exhibitor

**Special Awards:** 3 awards in each Amateur & Professional Division

Bead Society of Northern California

- Most Original Wearable or Non-Wearable Object Using Beads - \$75
- Most Original Wearable Beaded Object - \$75
- Most Original Handcrafted Bead - \$75

**SPECIAL RULES:**

1. BEADS: Composition of piece must contain a minimum of 50% beads in the overall design.
2. Entry to be 80% constructed and/or assembled by the Exhibitor.
3. To qualify for any award, labeling must include: type(s) of material(s), hours to assemble, name for the piece, elements made by exhibitor, and state if bead made by exhibitor.
4. The same exhibitor may not win a special award two years in a row.
5. A Professional is any bead maker who has sold work.



**Jewelry CLASS:**

1. Seed Bead Jewelry, Individual pieces or sets.
2. Wire Wrapping
3. Repurposed and Multi Media Jewelry
4. Bead stringing – single/multi
5. Jewelry—Other

**Professional Jewelry CLASS:**

(Professional entries do not receive premiums)

1. Any Professional Jewelry overall design

**Judging Standards**

5%	<b>Originality</b>
15%	<b>Quality of Materials</b>
20%	<b>Labeling</b>
30%	<b>Design</b>
30%	<b>Workmanship</b>

100%

**Division 308 Cash Prizes Per Class:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Place: \$12.00
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Place: \$8.00
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Place: \$3.00

**Division 304 : Novice Wood Carving**

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### Division 306: Open Wood Carving

**Limit:** 2 Entries Per Class

**Special Awards:** Best of Show Woodcarving Society Case - \$20 and Rosette

**Special Note:** *New Division for Novice Carvers See rule #7*

#### SPECIAL RULES:

1. Exhibitor must complete the project within 1 year of the Fair.
2. At time of entry, please include title or subject & type of wood.
3. Woodcarvings need to be less than 3-1/2 feet long and less than 50 pounds.
4. Exhibitors will carry their own woodcarving into the Hobby Building.
5. See also Jewelry Division and Fine Art Department for other places to enter.
6. Date must be carved, engraved, or otherwise visible on each carving entry.
7. **Novice:** Any Carvers who have not won any blue ribbons.  
**Open:** Any Carver who has won one of the following awards (blue ribbon, BOS, Judges Choice, or Show Chairman's Choice

4. Human, realistic
5. Relief Carving
6. Walking Sticks and Canes
7. Pyrography (wood burning)
8. Santa's, all
9. Caricature
10. Stylized, all
11. Miscellaneous
12. Group Display case from wood Carving Group or Guild of Alameda County

#### Judging Standards

<u>ARTISTRY 50%</u>		<u>CARVING SKILLS 50%</u>	
Artistic Impact	10%	Degree of Difficulty	
Utilization of Medium	10%	Technical Skill	
Correctness	10%	Care in Execution	
3-Dimensional Feature	10%	Finish	
Composition	10%	Unity of Techniques	
		100%	



#### **Cash Prizes Per Class:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$20.00**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$10.00**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$5.00**

#### CLASS:

1. Land Animals, realistic
2. Marine Animals, realistic
3. Birds, realistic

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