



# PHYSICALLY & MENTALLY CHALLENGED EXHIBITORS ENTRY GUIDE

## I Spy Summer!

Each exhibitor will receive one 2019 Alameda County Fair admission ticket at time of entry delivery

For Questions, please contact:  
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 925-426-7611

**Entry Deadline: April 24<sup>th</sup>**

***Late Entries: Available ONLINE only through May 10<sup>th</sup> : \$5.00 Per Entry***

***Same Day Entries: May 17<sup>th</sup> (3-8 p.m.) & May 18<sup>th</sup> (9 a.m.-3 p.m.):  
 \$10.00 Per Entry  
 (must bring printed entry form along with physical entry(ies) and payment during  
 delivery periods to Building P)***

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Category	Online Entry Deadline	Delivery Information	Release Information
All Categories for Physically or Mentally Challenged Exhibitors	April 24 <sup>th</sup>	Building P Friday, May 17 <sup>th</sup> 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. Saturday, May 18 <sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Building C—South Door Tues. July 9 <sup>th</sup> 12-8 p.m.

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# Physcially & Mentally Challenged Exhibitors Rules

Please read competition guidelines: Changes are made each year.

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- 1) Eligibility:
  - a) Open to residents of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Solano Counties.
  - b) Professional exhibitors (one who has sold more than half of the items made in any year within the entry category, who has taught classes for payment, or is employed in the industry) must enter in the Professional categories only. Professionals receive ribbons, but do not qualify for premiums.
  - c) 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.
  - d) 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.
  - e) No entry will be accepted where an exhibitor prescribes conditions under which they will exhibit.
  - f) To enter in Senior categories, exhibitor must be 62 years or older. Entering in a senior class prohibits entries in other classes within the same division.
  - g) Please email [entries@alamedacountyfair.com](mailto:entries@alamedacountyfair.com) or call 925-426-7611 with any questions.
- 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.
  - d) Similar items may not be entered in multiple divisions or classes.
  - e) Any other classes are for entries that do not fit under another category.
  - f) Items with special competitions (duct tape art, origami, perler bead, etc.) must be entered into the special competition.
  - g) Items may be transferred to a different division or class by fair personnel. This may result in the exhibitor exceeding class limits which may affect award eligibility.
  - h) Appointments may be made to deliver 10 or more entries on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 12-4 p.m.. Please email [entries@alamedacountyfair.com](mailto:entries@alamedacountyfair.com) to request an appointment.
- 3) Presentation:
  - a) The Fair will provide an exhibit tag. Please enter with the exhibitor's name as you wish it to appear on the display tag.
  - b) Items that are soiled or showing wear will not be accepted, judged, or displayed.
- 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) Display:
  - a) 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.
  - b) Displays change every year. While entries will be secure, most items will not be displayed behind glass or in cases.
  - c) Weight of entry is not to exceed 25 pounds without prior approval. Please email [entries@alamedacountyfair.com](mailto:entries@alamedacountyfair.com) to request approval.
- 6) Judging:
  - a) Entries are judged using the American System of Judging where exhibits are judged against each other. There is the availability of one 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. Honorable Mention may be awarded at the judge's discretion. All 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in a division will compete against each other for the Best of Show. Judges may choose to omit a placing if it is believed to be without merit.
  - b) Divisions 196-198 are judged using the Danish System of Judging, have no entry fees, and do not earn premiums.
  - c) Qualified judges are selected by the Alameda County Fair. The decision of the judge is final.
  - d) Judging results will not be given out by phone, mail, or email.
  - e) The Fair does not guarantee the payment of Sponsored special premiums and awards as they are secured in good faith.
  - f) Sweepstakes ties will be broken by number of 1<sup>st</sup> place entries.
- 7) 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 awarded will be waiting for you when you pick up your item.
- 8) 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.

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**Entry Fee:** Free Entry

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Limit:

No Entry limit

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**DIVISION 196**--Blind & Partially Blind Exhibitors

**CLASS:**

1. Any Item (specify)

**DIVISION 197**—Developmentally Disabled Exhibitors

**CLASS:**

1. Ceramics
2. Crafts
3. Drawings/Paintings
4. Needlework (sewing, stitchery, etc.)
5. Any Other (specify)

**DIVISION 198**—Exhibits made by Residents of Medical or Rehabilitation Facilities

**CLASS:**

1. Crafts—Holiday
2. Crafts—Any Other (specify)
3. Drawings/Paintings
4. Any Other (specify)

**SPECIAL RULES:**

- Please state name of medical or recreational facility at time of entry.
- All paintings and drawings must be mounted on card stock or matte board. Only canvas artwork should be framed.
- Please remove any glass or Plexiglas from frames before delivery.
- These divisions are judged using the **Danish system of judging** where multiple items in each class may receive a 1<sup>st</sup> place. Every entry will receive a ribbon and comments from the judges.
- Entries in these divisions have no entry fees and receive no premiums. Each exhibitor will receive 2 fair admission passes when their entry is delivered.

**Judging Standards:**

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

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