



2024 ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIR ADULT STILL EXHIBITS ENTRY GUIDE

Entry Fee: \$2.00 per entry!

Click [HERE](#) to enter!

Entry Deadline: Wednesday, May 15th @ 5:00 p.m.

For most categories. Please see the following page for details.

Each exhibitor who submits an image or entry for judging will receive an e-ticket (one per exhibitor regardless of the number of entries) good for one admission to the 2024 Alameda County Fair.

**Tickets will be sent to the e-mail on file prior to the opening date of the fair.
Tickets are good for any day the Fair is open.**

**For Questions, please contact:
entries@alamedacountyfair.com
or call 925-426-7611 to leave a message**



ALAMEDA COUNTY FAIR
JUNE 14-JULY 7
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2024 Adult Still Exhibits Calendar

| Sunday May 12 | Monday May 13 | Tuesday May 14 | Wednesday May 15 | Thursday May 16 | Friday May 17 | Saturday May 18 |
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| | | | Entry Registration Deadline 5:00 p.m. for Crafts & Textiles | | Image Upload Deadline 5:00 p.m. for Quilting Entries | |
| May 19 | May 20 | May 21 | May 22 | May 23 | May 24 | May 25 |
| | | | | DELIVER ENTRIES: Crafts & Textiles (By Appt. Only) | DELIVER ENTRIES: Crafts & Textiles 12:00-8:00 p.m. | DELIVER ENTRIES: Crafts & Textiles 8:00 am – 4:00 pm |
| May 26 Entry Registration Deadline 5:00 p.m. for Table Settings | May 27 | May 28 | May 29 | May 30 | May 31 | June 1 |
| June 2 | June 3 | June 4 | June 5 | June 6 | June 7 | June 8 |
| Entry Registration Deadline 5:00 p.m. for Preserved Foods | | | | | DELIVER ENTRIES: Preserved Foods & Table Settings (By Appt. Only) | DELIVER ENTRIES: Preserved Foods & Table Settings 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 pm |
| June 9 | June 10 | June 11 | June 12 | June 13 | June 14 | June 15 |
| | | Entry Registration Deadline 5:00 p.m. for Period 1 Baked & Decorated Foods | | | Opening Day DELIVER ENTRIES: Baked/Decorated Food 7:00-10:00 am | |
| June 16 | June 17 | June 18 | June 19 | June 20 | June 21 | June 22 |
| | Fair Closed | Fair Closed | | | | |
| June 23 | June 24 | June 25 | June 26 | June 27 | June 28 | June 29 |
| Entry Registration Deadline 5:00 p.m. for Period 2 Baked Foods | Fair Closed | Fair Closed Entry Registration Deadline 5:00 p.m. for Dutch Oven Cooking Contest | DELIVER ENTRIES: Period 2 Baked Food 7:00-10:00 am | | | Dutch Oven Cooking Contest |
| June 30 | July 1 | July 2 | July 3 | July 4 | July 5 | July 6 |
| | Fair Closed | Fair Closed Entry Registration Deadline 5:00 p.m. for Beef Is King Cooking Contest | | | | Beef Is King Cooking Contest |
| July 7 | July 8 | July 9 | July 10 | July 11 | July 12 | July 13 |
| Last Day of Fair | | Release of All Entries 12:00-8:00 p.m. | | | | |



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Adult Still Exhibits Department Rules

Submission of entry constitutes agreement to these rules.

1. Eligibility:
 - a. The competition is for adult residents of California.
 - b. Professional exhibitors must enter the Professional categories. A Professional is someone who has: 1) sold more than half of the items made in any year within the entry category, 2) who has taught classes for payment, or 3) is employed in the industry. Professionals receive ribbons, but do not qualify for premiums.
 - c. Senior categories are optional categories for exhibitors ages 62 years and older. Exhibitors may not enter as both a senior and a non-senior in the same entry category.
 - d. With submission of entry registration, the exhibitor confirms their ability to deliver entry to the fair on the posted delivery date(s) and time(s). Entry fees will not be refunded. Late entries will not be accepted.
2. Entries:
 - a. Entry Limit: 2 per class per exhibitor (unless otherwise specified).
 - b. Exhibitors must prepare non-food entries within one year of the opening date of the Fair.
 - c. The Fair will provide an exhibit tag using the information provided upon registration.
 - d. Exhibit tags will be printed as entered. Any changes to the entry title or category must be emailed prior to the posted registration deadline. Once the deadline has passed, no changes may be made to the title or category entered and the entry will be judged as entered.
 - e. On occasion, entries may be transferred to a different division or class by judges or fair staff. This may result in the exhibitor exceeding class limits, which may affect award eligibility.
 - f. Division and Class: An entry eligible in more than one Division and/or Class should be entered in the Division and/or Class for which it best qualifies. The Alameda County Fair or judges may disqualify or transfer entries to the correct category (at their discretion). It is not, however, the responsibility of the Alameda County Fair or a judge to transfer an entry to the correct class or division.
3. How to Enter:
 - a. Review the Adult Still Exhibits Department and any division specific rules.
 - b. Go to: <https://alamed.fairwire.com/> and Register/Log-In.
 - c. Select the "Create Entries" option.
 - d. Choose the Department/Division/Class for each entry.
 - e. Enter the title (and description, if desired).
 - f. Complete payment of entry fees. (Entries are not accepted prior to payment of entry fees.)
 - g. Entry Confirmation: Upon receipt of entry fees, an email confirmation will be sent. This will be your receipt for the entry fee.
4. Display, Handling, Presentation, & Release of Entries:
 - a. The Fair Association reserves the right to refuse any entry or refuse to display any entry considered not to be in the best interest of the Fair. No entry will be accepted where an exhibitor prescribes conditions under which they will exhibit. Once submitted, all exhibits are under the direct control of the Fair Association and cannot be removed until the specified release day.
 - b. 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.
 - c. While entries will be secure, most items will not be displayed behind glass or in cases.
 - d. Please be aware of all requirements including size, weight, and mounting instructions. Items that do not adhere to those requirements will not be selected for physical display.
 - e. Upon submitting an entry for physical display at the Fair, the exhibitor agrees to pick up the entry after the fair on the posted release date. Failure to pick up the entry may affect selection for display at future Alameda County Fairs.
 - f. Any unclaimed entries or ribbons will be held at the Exhibits Office until Labor Day. After that point, they will be discarded.
5. Judging & Awards:
 - a. Entries are judged using the American System of Judging where exhibits are judged against each other. There is the availability of one 1st, 2nd, 3rd place. Honorable Mention may be awarded at the discretion of the judge(s). All 1st place winners in a division will compete against each other for the Best of Show. Judges may choose to omit any placing that is believed to be without merit.
 - b. Qualified judges are selected by the Alameda County Fair. Judging decisions are final.



- c. Sponsored Awards:
 - i. Sponsored awards will be awarded from eligible entries selected for physical display and delivered to the Fair. Each entry may only win one sponsored award.
 - ii. The Fair does not guarantee the payment of Sponsored special premiums and awards as they are secured in good faith.
- d. Sweepstakes are offered in Baked Food, Hand Crafts, Preserved Food, Textiles, & Sewing and are calculated based on total points (1st: 5 pts, 2nd: 3 pts, 3rd: 1 pt.) earned for eligible entries.
 - i. Ties will be broken by the number of Best of Show or 1st place entries.
 - ii. 1st Place: \$30, 2nd Place: \$25, 3rd Place: \$20, 4th Place: \$15, 5th Place: \$10
- e. Premium awards are mailed in mid-July.

Culinary Arts Rules

Submission of entry constitutes agreement to these rules (& Adult Stills Department Rules).

1. Entries:
 - a. If allowed, and entering more than one recipe per class, the recipes must be different. Within any year, each recipe may only be entered once.
 - b. Food entries do not need to be baked or preserved from an original recipe (unless otherwise specified), but must be handmade by the entrant from scratch and must not use any prepared mixes (with the exception of Tricks with a Mix).
 - c. All baked foods must be entered with a complete recipe at time of delivery. Recipes will not be shared and will be returned with the judge's comment card.
 - d. Enter: 1 whole loaf, cake, pie; 7 cupcakes, cookies, candies, muffins, pastries, rolls, etc. Multiple items should not be individually wrapped. Only a portion of the entry may be displayed.
 - e. Refrigeration is not guaranteed and will not be provided after judging has concluded.
2. Presentation & Display:
 - a. All Period 1 baked food items will be discarded prior to Period 2 delivery. Items may be discarded prior to that time if they become deteriorated; this is at the discretion of fair personnel. Results will be available via QR code posted in the building.
 - b. With the exception of pies which should be entered in a glass pie plate, baked food entries should be delivered in non-returnable, disposable containers, plates or wraps.
 - c. Baked goods will be displayed on plates provided by the fair. Unless otherwise specified, plate presentation has no effect on judging results.
3. Judging & Awards:
 - a. Judging Standards:
 - i. Breads: 10% Appearance, 30% Flavor, 25% Texture, 15% Crumb, 10% Crust, 10% Recipe
 - ii. Decorated Food: 30% Appearance, 25% Icing, 25% Uniformity in Decorating, 10% Originality/Creativity, 10% Difficulty Factor.
 - iii. Pies/Pastries: 20% Appearance, 30% Crust, 40% Filling, 10% Recipe
 - iv. Guittard Chocolate Contest: 20% Appearance, 30% Texture, 40% Taste, 10% Creativity
 - v. King Arthur Flour Baking Company: 25% Appearance/Creativity, 25% Texture, 50% Taste
 - vi. All Other Categories: 20% Appearance, 25% Texture, 45% Flavor, 10% Recipe.
 - b. Ribbons, judge's comment cards, and recipes for table settings, baked, decorated, and preserved foods will be available for pick up during Fair hours beginning Sunday, June 30. Any desired ribbons, comment cards or recipes not picked up during the fair must be picked up on the exhibit release day. Ribbons, comment cards, and recipes will not be mailed. Unclaimed ribbons, comment cards and recipes will be held at the Exhibit Office until Labor Day. At that point, they will be discarded.
 - c. Cash Awards Per Class (unless otherwise noted): 1st Place: \$10, 2nd Place: \$8, 3rd Place: \$6



| | Registration Deadline (5:00 p.m.) | Deliver to Building C -- West Door (7:00-10:00 a.m.) |
|----------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Period 1 | June 11 | June 14 |
| Period 2 | June 23 | June 26 |

Breads

Enter one whole loaf. 7 muffins/rolls/etc.

Yeast Bread

Class: 01 Ethnic 04 Shaped Bread or Rolls
 02 Sourdough 05 Any Other Non-Loaf
 03 Any Other Loaf

Non-Yeast Bread

01 Banana 05 Coffee Cake
 02 Fruit 06 Muffins
 03 Zucchini 07 Any Other Non-Loaf
 04 Any Other Loaf

Cakes

Enter one whole cake.

Cake -- Layer

Class: 01 Chocolate
 02 Fruit Flavored
 03 Any Other Layer Cake

Cake -- No Layer

01 Bundt
 02 Cheesecake
 03 Fruit Flavored
 04 Any Other

Confections

Enter 7 pieces (not individually wrapped).

Class: 01 Fudge
 02 Any Other Confection

Cupcakes

Enter 7 cupcakes.

Class: 01 Cupcakes

Cookies

Enter 7 Cookies.

Class: 01 Biscotti 07 No Bake
 02 Brownie 08 Oatmeal
 03 Chocolate Chip 09 Peanut Butter
 04 Fruit Flavored 10 Shortbread
 05 Ginger 11 Snickerdoodle
 06 Molasses 12 Any Other Cookie

Pies & Pastries

Enter 1 whole pie in clear, glass pie plate (labeled with exhibitor's name). 7 pastries.

Class: 01 One Crust Pie
 02 Two Crust Pie
 03 Savory Pie
 04 Pastries



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First Time Baking Exhibitors

Exhibitors who have never entered any
Alameda County Fair Baking Competition
Enter 1 whole loaf/cake/pie. 7 cookies/muffins/candy/etc.
Class: 01 First Time Baking Exhibitors

Special Diet

Please include specific special diet in the entry title.
(dairy free, gluten free, vegan, etc.)
Enter 1 whole loaf/cake/pie. 7 cookies/muffins/candy/etc.
Class: 01 Special Diet

Professional Baked Food

Ribbon Only. No premiums.
Enter one whole loaf/cake/pie. 7 cookies/cupcakes/muffins/etc.
Class: 01 Professional Baked Food

Special Baking Competitions (Period 1)

Entry Deadline: June 11 @ 5:00 p.m.
Deliver to Building C – West Door – Friday, June 14th 7:00-10:00 a.m.
Enter one whole loaf/cake/pie. 7 cookies/cupcakes/muffins/etc.

Cereal Treat Bars

Use your favorite cereal. A great summer snack!
Class: 01 Cereal Treat Bars

Cookies with That Summer Feeling

Enter a cookie that evokes That Summer Feeling!
Class: 01 Cookies with That Summer Feeling

Guittard Chocolate Contest

Enter any **original** creation using at least 10 oz. of any combination of Guittard Chocolate products.
Entries may not include any pre-packaged (cake/frosting/etc.) mixes.
Guittard packaging must accompany your entry at the time of delivery.
Entry must be the original entry of the exhibitor and may not have been entered and won in any other competition.
Include your name, address, phone number, and email in the upper right-hand corner of your recipe.
All recipes become the property of the Guittard Chocolate Company.
Prizes are sponsored by Guittard Chocolate Company.
1st Place: \$40 plus 10lb. chocolate bar; 2nd Place: \$30; 3rd Place: \$20.
Class: 01 Cakes, Cupcakes, Pies
02 Bars, Cookies, Candies



Special Baking Competitions (Period 2)

Entry Deadline: June 23 @ 5:00 p.m.

Deliver to Building C – West Door – Wednesday, June 26th 7:00-10:00 a.m.

Enter one whole loaf/cake/pie. 7 cookies/cupcakes/muffins/etc.

Family Favorite Summer Treats

Enter your family's favorite summer treat.

Class: 01 Family Favorite Summer Treats

Mix it Up – Tricks with a Mix

Use a pre-packaged mix to make something new.

Class: 01 Mix it Up – Tricks with a Mix

King Arthur Baking Company Cookie Contest

Entries must use only King Arthur Flour. Provide proof of purchase (packaging or receipt) upon delivery.

Exhibitors must use and submit a cookie recipe found on the King Arthur Baking Company website at the following link:

[Get Back To Baking! \(kingarthurbaking.com\)](https://www.kingarthurbaking.com)

Prizes (Gift Cards) sponsored by King Arthur Baking Company.

1st Place: \$75; 2nd Place: \$50; 3rd Place: \$25.

Class: 01 King Arthur Baking Company Cookie Contest

Decorated Food

Entry Deadline: June 11 @ 5:00 p.m.

Deliver to Building C – West Door – Friday, June 14th 7:00-10:00 a.m.

Enter one whole cake. 7 cookies/cupcakes.

A Styrofoam or cardboard form should be used, but all non-structural decorations must be edible.

Please delivery on a covered, firm surface with no more than 1 ½" beyond all edges of the entry.

Entries are judged on appearance only.

Cash awards per class: 1st Place: \$15; 2nd Place \$10; 3rd Place: \$5

Decorated Food

Class: 01 Decorated Cake
02 Decorated Cookies/Cupcakes
03 Wedding Cake
04 Any Other (gingerbread house, sugar art, etc.)

Professional Decorated Food

Ribbon Only. No premiums.

Class: 01 Professional Decorated Food



Beeswax & Honey

Entry Deadline: June 2 @ 5:00 p.m.

Deliver to Building C – West Door

Friday, June 7th (Appt. Only) & Saturday, June 8th 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Submit 1 Jar/bottle per entry

- Class:
- 01 Extracted Honey
 - 02 Other Honey (framed, spun, etc.)
 - 03 Any Other (soap, candles, etc.)

Preserved Food

Entry Deadline: June 2 @ 5:00 p.m.

Deliver to Building C – West Door

Friday, June 7th (Appt. Only) & Saturday, June 8th 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Submit 1 Jar/bottle per entry.

1. All entries must be submitted in a standard canning jar with new screw bands (no paraffin seals).
2. Exhibitors must attach a label to the bottom of the jar with the product name, date prepared, preservation method, and any unusual ingredients.
3. All jars must be properly sealed. Unsealed jars and jars that are unable to be opened by the judges will be disqualified and may not be displayed.
4. Please have proper headspace. Judges use the guidelines posted in the most recent version of the Ball Blue Book.
5. Vinegars & Liqueurs should be entered in a glass bottle or decanter.
6. Dried foods may be entered in any clear self-sealing bag or container.
7. Entries in the "Any Other" classes may only be entered if there is no class listed for that category.
8. For example, soft spreads spiced or enhanced may only be entered in those specific classes.
9. Judging Standards:
 - a. Dried: 10% Container, 40% Flavor & Aroma, 25% Uniform Color, 25% Texture
 - b. Fruits & Vegetables: 10% Container, 20% Pack, 60% Product, 10% Proper Headspace
 - c. Soft Spreads: 10% Container, 15% Appearance, 25% Texture, 40% Flavor, 10% Proper Headspace.
 - d. Vinegars & Liqueurs: 25% Appearance, 45% Flavor & Aroma, 15% Aftertaste, 15% Overall Impression.



Preserved Food

Entry Deadline: June 2 @ 5:00 p.m.

Deliver to Building C – West Door

Friday, June 7th (Appt. Only) & Saturday, June 8th 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Jams

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|--------|----|------------------|----|-----------------------------|
| Class: | 01 | Apricot | 09 | Plum |
| | 02 | Blackberry | 10 | Raspberry |
| | 03 | Low Sugar | 11 | Spiced/Enhanced |
| | 04 | Mixed Fruit (2) | 12 | Strawberry, Plain |
| | 05 | Mixed Fruit (3+) | 13 | Strawberry + Fruit |
| | 06 | Peach | 14 | Any Other Berry |
| | 07 | Pear | 15 | Any Other (Non-Stone Fruit) |
| | 08 | Pepper + Fruit | 16 | Any Other Stone Fruit |

Jellies

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|----|-------------|----|---------------------|
| 01 | Apple | 07 | Pomegranate |
| 02 | Berry | 08 | Spiced/Enhanced |
| 03 | Grape | 09 | Wine |
| 04 | Low Sugar | 10 | Any Other Fruit |
| 05 | Mixed Fruit | 11 | Any Other Non-Fruit |
| 06 | Pepper | | |

Curd, Marmalades, Syrups, etc.

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|--------|----|---------------------|----|---------------------|
| Class: | 01 | Butter | 05 | Marmalade—Any Other |
| | 02 | Curd | 06 | Syrup |
| | 03 | Marmalade 1 Citrus | 07 | Any Other |
| | 04 | Marmalade 2+ Citrus | | |

Pickled Foods & Relishes

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|----|--------------------------|----|-----------|
| 01 | Chutney | 04 | Relish |
| 02 | Cucumber, Bread & Butter | 05 | Any Other |
| 03 | Cucumber, Dill | | |

Canned Fruits & Vegetables

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|--------|----|------------|----|-----------------|
| Class: | 01 | Applesauce | 04 | Any Other Fruit |
| | 02 | Apricots | 05 | Any Vegetable |
| | 03 | Peaches | | |

Sauces & Condiments

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|----|----------------|----|-----------|
| 01 | Barbecue Sauce | 03 | Any Other |
| 02 | Salsa | | |

Vinegar & Oil

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|--------|----|--------|----|-----------|
| Class: | 01 | Garlic | 03 | Any Other |
| | 02 | Fruit | | |

Liqueur

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|----|-------------------------|----|-----------|
| 01 | Citrus Based | 03 | Any Other |
| 02 | Fruit Based (no citrus) | | |

Dried Foods

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|--------|----|---------------------------|
| Class: | 01 | Dried Meat |
| | 02 | Any Other Dehydrated Food |

Professional Preserved Food

Ribbon Only. No premiums.

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| 01 | Professional Preserved Food |
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Table Settings

Entry Deadline: May 26 @ 5:00 p.m.

Deliver to Building C – West Door

Friday, June 7th (Appt. Only) & Saturday, June 8th 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Entry Limit: 1 Per Class Per Exhibitor

Single table setting limited to 24"x 24" with a 15" height limit.

A 24"x 24" piece of sturdy cardboard, wood, or foam board covered with fabric or paper is required as the base of the setting. All components must be placed only on this board.

Include menu and related centerpiece.

Use appropriate service & utensils and make sure the setting matches the items on the menu.

Nothing edible or alive may be a part of the display.

Judging Standards: 25% Overall Appearance, 50% Functionality, 25% Creativity

Cash awards per class:

1st Place: \$10.00, 2nd Place: \$7.00, 3rd Place: \$5.00

- Class: 01 Movie, Book, or TV Show
 02 Family Gathering
 03 Fair Theme



Fiber Arts Rules

Submission of entry constitutes agreement to these rules (& Adult Stills Department Rules).

1. Entries must be clean, neat, and ready for display.
2. Items that are soiled or showing wear will not be accepted, judged, or displayed.
3. All quilts and wall hangings must have a 4" sleeve to accommodate a cross pole for hanging. (Sleeve must be continuous across the width of the piece. Fold a 9" strip of fabric in half and sew with a ½" seam, making a long tube. Place seam against the back of the piece and baste or blind stitch the sleeve in place 1" below the top and ½" from each side, taking care not to sew through the front.)
4. Judging Standards:
 - a. Crochet & Knit: 25% Appearance, 50% Workmanship, 25% Suitability
 - b. Lace & Tatting: 20% Appearance, 70% Workmanship & Technical Skills, 10% Difficulty Factor
 - c. Needlework & Embroidery: 30% Appearance, 50% Workmanship, 20% Suitability
 - d. Quilting: 50% Art, 50% Construction
 - e. Rugs/Spinning/Weaving: 30% Appearance, 40% Workmanship, 20% Suitability, 10% Creativity
 - f. Sewing: 40% Appearance, 60% Workmanship

Crochet & Knit

Entry Deadline: May 15th @ 5:00 p.m.
 Deliver to Alameda County Fairgrounds Board Room
 Enter through Gate on Pleasanton Avenue
 Thursday, May 23rd (Appt. only)
 Friday, May 24th 12:00-8:00 p.m.
 Saturday, May 25th 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Maximum size: 70" x 75" (not including fringe)

Cash Awards per class: 1st Place: \$10; 2nd Place: \$7; 3rd Place: \$5

Crochet Afghans

- Class:
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|----|-------------------|
| 01 | Any Open Stitch |
| 02 | Any Closed Stitch |
| 03 | Any Other |
| 04 | Lap-Sized |
| 05 | Senior Exhibitor |

Infant & Toddler Items

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|----|-------------------|
| 01 | Afghan or Blanket |
| 02 | Single Item |
| 03 | Set (2+ pieces) |
| 04 | Any Other |
| 05 | Senior Exhibitor |

Crochet Items

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|----|------------------------|
| 01 | Accessories—Flat |
| 02 | Accessories—Other |
| 03 | Crochet Doll or Animal |
| 04 | Any Other |
| 05 | Senior Exhibitor |

Knit Sweaters

- Class:
- | | |
|----|-----------------------------|
| 01 | One Color, Pattern Stitch |
| 02 | Multi-Color, Pattern Stitch |
| 03 | Other Stitch |
| 04 | Senior Exhibitor |

Infant & Toddler Items

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| 01 | Afghan or Blanket |
| 02 | Single Item |
| 03 | Set (2+ pieces) |
| 04 | Any Other |
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Knit Items

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|----|-------------------|
| 01 | Accessories—Flat |
| 02 | Accessories—Other |
| 03 | Afghan |
| 04 | Any Other |
| 05 | Senior Exhibitor |



Quilting

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 Saturday, May 25th 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Please indicate on entry title if the entry is an original design.
 Quilts larger than the display area may need to be pinned. Quilts without sleeves will not be hung.
 In cases where someone other than the exhibitor completed the quilting,
 please specify the quilter's name upon entry registration.

All Quilting entries must have images uploaded to qualify for awards.
Images to upload: Whole front, whole back, close up of one block/18" x 18" area.
Refunds will not be issued for failure to upload images.

After payment, select **UPLOAD MEDIA** and follow the prompts to upload the digital image files that correspond with the Title/Description. If you have multiple entries, please carefully look at the Title/Description in the top right-hand corner when uploading the digital images to ensure the images match the entry.

Cash Awards per class: 1st Place: \$12.00, 2nd Place: \$8.00, 3rd Place: \$6.00

Hand Quilted by Exhibitor

Class: 01 Bed Quilt (any size)
 02 Wall Hanging

Domestic Machine Quilted by Exhibitor

01 Bed Quilt (any size)
 02 Wall Hanging

Long Arm Machine Quilted by Exhibitor

01 Bed Quilt (any size)
 02 Wall Hanging

Quilt Top by Exhibitor Quilted by Another

Class: 01 Bed Quilt (Full to King)
 02 Bed Quilt (Twin & Smaller)
 03 Wall Hanging

Senior Quilting (may not also enter other quilt categories)

01 Bed Quilt (any size)
 02 Wall Hanging
 03 Any Other Quilting

Professional Quilting Ribbon Only. No premiums.

01 Art Quilt or Wall Hanging
 02 Traditional Quilt or Wall Hanging

Embellished Quilting

Class: 01 Any Embellished Quilting
 02 Wall Hanging

Specialty Quilting

01 Art Quilt or Wall hanging

Group Quilts

01 Any Group Quilt



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Needlework/Embroidery/Lace/Tatting

Framed pieces must have the back neatly finished and be ready to hang with picture wire or have an appropriate stand. Glass and Plexiglass should be removed from any frames before delivery.

Cash Awards per class: 1st Place: \$8.00, 2nd Place: \$6.00, 3rd Place: \$4.00

Needlework

Class: 01 Counted Cross Stitch
 02 Any Other Needlework
 03 Senior Exhibitor

Embroidery

01 Any Embroidery
 02 Senior Exhibitor

Lace & Tatting

01 Any Lace & Tatting

Rugs

Cash Awards per class: 1st Place: \$10.00, 2nd Place: \$7.00, 3rd Place: \$5.00

Class: 01 Any Rug

Sewing

When possible, please deliver clothing entries on a mannequin or dress form.

Cash Awards per class: 1st Place: \$10.00, 2nd Place: \$7.00, 3rd Place: \$5.00

Adult Clothing

Class: 01 Costume
 02 Single Garment
 03 Any Other Adult Clothing
 04 Senior Exhibitor

Children's Clothing

01 Costume
 02 Single Garment
 03 Any Other Children's Clothing
 04 Senior Exhibitor

Miscellaneous Sewing

01 Accessories—Clothing
 02 Accessories—Other
 03 Doll Clothing
 04 Kitchen Items
 05 Any Other Sewing
 06 Senior Exhibitor



Spinning & Weaving

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Friday, May 24th 12:00-8:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 25th 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Skeins must be at least 20 yards.

Please attach a 4" x 4" swatch of material showing intended use of yarn to each article.

Cash Awards per class: 1st Place: \$8, 2nd Place: \$6, 3rd Place: \$4

Hand Spun Yarn

- Class: 01 Animal Fiber
02 Blends
03 Wool
04 Any Other

Hand Spun Articles

- 01 Any Hand Spun Article

Weaving

- 01 Hand Spun Yarn
02 Store Bought Yarn

Handcraft Rules

Submission of entry constitutes agreement to these rules (& Adult Stills Department Rules).

1. Entries must be clean, neat, and ready for display.
2. Items that are soiled or showing wear will not be accepted, judged, or displayed.
3. Items with special competitions available (egg carton, pipe cleaner, etc.) must be entered in those competitions.
4. Spray adhesives, rubber cement, and masking tape do not reliably hold. Please use permanent adhesive when possible.
5. Jewelry should be entered in the Adult Collections & Hobbies department.
6. In cases where kits are allowed, no more than 50% of materials used may be from a kit.
7. Weight limit: 25 pounds. Maximum size: 24" x 36" without prior approval.
8. Unless otherwise indicated cash awards per class: 1st Place: \$8, 2nd Place: \$6, 3rd Place: \$4.
9. Judging Standards:
 - a. Crafts: 25% Appearance, 50% Workmanship, 15% Suitability/Difficulty Factor, 10% Creativity.
 - b. Craft Special Competitions: 20% Appearance, 40% Workmanship, 15% Difficulty Factor, 15% Creativity, 10% Compliance.
 - c. Gourds: 25% Appearance & Artistry, 45% Craftsmanship, 20% Originality, 10% Suitability to Purpose.
 - d. Miniatures: 25% Appearance, 40% Craftsmanship, 25% Creativity, 10% Consistency to Scale.
 - e. Paper Crafts/Scrapbooking: 40% Appearance, 30% Workmanship, 20% Difficulty Factor, 10% Originality & Creativity.
 - f. Paper Tole: 30% Overall Appearance, 50% Workmanship, 20% Difficulty.
 - g. Stained Glass: 30% Overall Appearance, 20% Color Coordination, 50% Technical Skills.
 - h. Tole/Decorative Painting: 25% Appearance, 40% Workmanship, 15% Difficulty Factor, 20% Creativity.
 - i. Wood: 20% Appearance & Artistry, 60% Craftsmanship, 10% Originality, 10% Suitability to Purpose.



Crafts

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Please indicate on entry title if the entry is an original design.

Finished entry must be at least 2" in size and either freestanding or mounted so it is freestanding, with no more than 1" undecorated perimeter.

Bling Something and Going Green entries must include a "before" photo when submitted.

Shoebox Float entries must be made from a traditional cardboard shoebox no larger than 9" x 13".

Miniatures must have a Plexiglass cover on any open side. Inside & Outside construction will be judged.

Paper Tole entries may have Plexiglass and must be ready to hang with picture wire.

Stained Glass entries must be self-supporting or be ready to hang with an appropriate hanger for the weight of the entry.

Crafts

Class: 01 Ceramics 04 Any Other
 02 Holiday or Seasonal 05 Senior Exhibitor
 03 Outdoor

Crafts with That Summer Feeling

Class: 01 Crafts with That Summer Feeling

Cricut Crafts

Class: 01 Cricut Crafts

Craft Special Competitions

01 Bling Something! 06 Perler Bead Craft
 02 Egg Carton Craft 07 Pipe Cleaner Craft
 03 Fair Themed Craft 08 Rock Painting
 04 Going Green Craft 09 Shoebox Float
 05 Literature Based Craft

Einstein Shape Art

A new shape called an Einstein has taken the math world by storm. The craggy, hat shaped tile can cover an infinite plan with patterns that never repeat. What can you create with an Einstein?

01 Einstein Shape Art

Dolls & Animals

Class: 01 Any Handmade Doll or Animal

Gourd Crafting

01 Any Gourd Crafting

Mechanical Science

Class: 01 Any Mechanical Science

Miniatures

01 Any Miniature

Paper Tole

Class: 01 Scenes
 02 Flowers
 03 Any Other

Stained & Fused Glass

01 Stained Glass
 02 Fused Glass



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Paper Crafts & Scrapbooking

Please credit source if entry is not an original design.

All entries must be predominately made from paper with minimal non-paper items (such as buttons or brads as accents).

Pre-cut kits are not allowed.

Scrapbook pages should be submitted in a page protector with a maximum size of 12" x 12".

Paper Crafts

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| Class: | 01 | Greeting Cards—Birthday | 05 | Greeting Cards—Any Other |
| | 02 | Greeting Cards—Fair Themed | 06 | Quilling |
| | 03 | Greeting Cards—Holiday | 07 | Any Other |
| | 04 | Greeting Cards—Thank You | 08 | Senior Exhibitor |

Scrapbooking

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| 01 | Scrapbook Layout (1 page) |
| 02 | Scrapbook Layout (2 pages) |
| 03 | Senior Exhibitor |

Tole & Decorative Painting

Entries are accepted on wood, metal, or other 3-Dimensional Items.

See the Adult Fine Arts Department for entering items on canvas or paper.

Table Top painting is the exception to the rule: Table Top painting may be on canvas or paper, and must be submitted in a self-supporting frame (one that would sit on a table top) no larger than 8" x 10".

Tole & Decorative Painting

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| Class: | 01 | European Folk Art Painting | 04 | Any Other Surface |
| | 02 | Decorative Painting on Wood or Metal | 05 | Table Top Painting |
| | 03 | Decorative Painting on Fabric | 06 | Senior Exhibitor |

Professional Tole & Decorative Painting

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| 01 | Professional European Folk Art Painting |
| 02 | Professional Any Other Tole & Decorative Painting |

Wood

Painted wood entries should be entered in Crafts or Tole/Decorative Painting.

Kits are not allowed.

Wood Turning

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| Class: | 01 | Wood Turning |
| | 02 | Senior Exhibitor |

Woodworking

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| 01 | Furniture |
| 02 | Any Non-Furniture |
| 03 | Senior Exhibitor |



Professional Categories (Non-Food)

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No Entry Limits. Ribbon Only. No Premiums.
 Information for Baked, Decorated, & Preserved Foods for Professionals are listed on those specific pages.
 Please see individual pages for specific rules and information for the categories listed below.

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| Class: | 01 | Arts & Crafts | 04 | Traditional Quilting |
| | 02 | Fiber Art | 05 | Tole or Decorative Painting—European Folk Art |
| | 03 | Art Quilting | 06 | Tole or Decorative Painting—Any Other |

Intellectual, Developmental, & Physical Disabilities

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No Entry Fee. No Entry Limits. No Premiums.
 Each exhibitor who submits an entry for display will receive two fair admission passes.
 Tickets will be emailed in late May/early June.
 Please include the name of facility/program (when applicable) at the time of entry registration.
 All paintings & drawings should be mounted on heavy card stock or mat board (maximum size: 24" x 36").
 Only canvas artwork should be framed and should have picture wire on the back for hanging.
 Entries are judged using the Danish system of judging. Every entry submitted for display will receive a ribbon.
 Judging Standards: 25% Design, 30% Use of Materials, 35% Creativity, 10% Ready for Exhibit

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| Class: | 01 | Ceramics | 04 | Any Other |
| | 02 | Crafts | 05 | Group Project |
| | 03 | Drawing/Painting | | |



Adult Still Exhibits Sponsored Awards

We appreciate our generous sponsors for the awards for the 2024 Alameda County Fair!
All eligible entries will automatically be considered. Winners will be contacted via email in June.

Amador Valley Quilters

- Best Fair Themed Quilt or Wall hanging \$50
- Best Large Quilt (completed entirely by the exhibitor) \$50
- Best Original Design in Quilting \$25
- Best Wall hanging (completed entirely by the exhibitor) \$25

Dianne Yudelson

- Best Cocktail or Formal Dress (Sewing) \$20
- Best Use of Ruffles (Sewing) \$20
- Best Vintage or Retro Dress (Sewing) \$20

Fremont Frosters

- Billie Frederick Memorial Award for Best Decorated Cake \$20
- Billie Frederick Memorial Award for Most Creative Decorated Cake \$20
- Billie Frederick Memorial Award for Best Use of Fondant \$20

Ken Beebe & Laurel Seymour-Beebe

- Arthur Seymour Memorial Award for Yeast Bread (2 awards: Period 1 & Period 2) \$20
- Bobbi Good Memorial Award (Christmas Themed) \$20
- David Reitz Award \$20
- Patricia Seymour Memorial Award for Sewing \$25
- Sonya Good Memorial Award \$20

Northern California Decorative Artists

- Best Decorative Painting on Fabric \$35
- Best Decorative Painting on Metal or Wood \$35
- Best Decorative Painting on Other Surface \$35
- Best European Folk Art Decorative Painting \$35
- Best Professional Decorative Painting \$35
- Best Professional European Folk Art Decorative Painting \$35
- Best Senior Exhibitor Decorative Painting \$35

Roni Item

- Best Baked Food (2 awards: Period 1 & Period 2) \$25

Awards are secured in good faith. Awards are subject to change. The Fair does not guarantee sponsored awards.