



July 21-25, 2021
 Gallatin County Fairgrounds
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DEPARTMENT 01 - CREATIVE ARTS

Three ways to enter:			<u>Deadline</u>
1. Online (preferred) at https://bigskycountrystatefair.fairentry.com			11pm, Sunday, July 13
2. Paper entry form-to Fair Office-No entry fee			5pm Friday, July 2
3. Late/Day-of at Check-In-\$10 entry fee/exhibitor			Monday, July 19
Check-In	Monday, July 19	11am-6pm	Exhibit Building 2
Check-Out	Monday, July 26	2pm-7pm	Exhibit Building 2

Premiums & Special Awards

1st Place = \$5

Ribbon Placings to Third Place (if warranted by judge)

Premiums are paid at Exhibit Building 2 at Check-Out on July 26th

Special rosettes may be awarded for the following:

- Adult Best of Show
- Adult Reserve Best of Show
- Youth Best of Show
- Youth Reserve Best of Show

Best is defined as that which demonstrates the best technique and skill as determined by the judges.

Superintendent's Award – a special rosette ribbon will be awarded to the entry that merits special recognition by the department superintendent. It does not need to be a placing entry.

Prizes Donated by Owenhouse Ace Hardware



Department Rules

1. Entries must be the work of the Exhibitor.
2. Limit of two (2) entries per class per exhibitor.
3. Subject matter deemed not suitable for display in a family exhibit will be returned to the exhibitor.
4. Framed art with glass or entries that are heavy will be accepted, but they MUST have a sturdy wire hanger appropriate for the weight of the frame for hanging. Any framed or heavy entries that do not have a wire, may be rejected.
5. Exhibits previously entered in Big Sky Country State Fair will not be accepted.
6. Articles exhibited and also available for sale to the public must have a sale card available through the Department Superintendent. No self-made signage of any kind allowed. No other advertising is allowed in the area. Sale must take place after completion of Fair.
7. Artwork must be dry.
8. Fabric crafts can easily overlap with Textiles. If the emphasis for your piece is the artistic quality, enter it in Creative Arts. If the emphasis is the needlework quality, enter it in Textiles. Superintendents can help determine the appropriate department.
9. Judging will be by qualified judges of Creative Arts.
10. The option is reserved to withhold ribbons and awards in a class where there is no deserving entry. Where there is no competition, judges may award first, second, third or nothing, according to the merits of the entry.

11. All exhibits and awards will be checked out on **Monday, July 26th 2pm-7pm**. **This is strictly enforced as there is a check-out process. We want to make sure that each exhibit is going home with the correct owner. Please do not remove anything from the building until Check-Out on Monday.** Any items not picked up on Monday will be transferred to the Fairgrounds Office. Unclaimed static articles will be stored by the Fair for 30 days. Fair is not responsible for unclaimed articles in any way. Unclaimed articles after 30 days become the property of the Fair.
12. All participants in Big Sky Country State Fair are responsible for reading the General Fair Regulations and complying with all policies therein.

What Judges Look For ~ Crafts

- **GENERAL APPEARANCE:** Neat, clean, well balanced, finishing techniques enhance finished item
- **WORKMANSHIP:** Consistent use of proper techniques, attention to detail, neatness of work (paint applied evenly & cleanly, no visible glue, etc.), balance of design & color, finishing techniques well done, workmanship appropriate to age of exhibitor
- **SUITABILITY OF DESIGN, COLOR, CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:** Originality/creativity of design, choice of materials, pleasing color combinations, type of materials appropriate to use of finished item
- **DIFFICULTY OF PROJECT**

AGE/ABILITY (*age as of January 1*):

- 01 – Youth 7 Years & Under
- 02 – Youth 8-12 Years
- 03 – Youth 13-17 Years
- 04 – Adult Novice (Little or no experience)
- 05 – Adult Intermediate (Some experience, additional training, no sales, etc.)
- 06 – Adult Advanced (Experienced, award winners, sales, etc.)
- 07 – Special Needs

DIVISION 1 - YOUTH CRAFTS

(Ages/Ability-Use 01, 02, 03, 07 above)

CLASS

- 01 Beadwork
- 02 Legos (maximum size 24"x24")-free-form only, no kits
- 03 Modeled Clay
- 04 Recycled Materials Art
- 05 Pottery/Ceramics
- 06 Creative Kits (including Legos)
- 07 Woodworking Art
- 08 Youth Crafts, other than listed
- 09 Digital Arts-Technical Illustration
- 10 Digital Arts– Cartoons
- 11 Digital Arts-Fantasy Art
- 12 Digital Arts– Hyper Realism
- 13 Digital Arts– Character Design
- 14 Digital Arts– Environmental Design
- 15 Digital Arts– Illustration
- 16 Digital Arts– Typography
- 17 Digital Arts– Miscellaneous

DIVISION 2 - ADULT CRAFTS

(Ages/Ability-Use 04-07 above)

CLASS

18 Jewelry

19 Metalwork

20 Pottery/Ceramics

21 Recycled Materials Art

22 Woodworking Art

23 Adult Crafts, other than listed

24 Poetry-300 word limit

25 Prose-Short Fiction or Personal Narrative

26 Digital Arts-Technical Illustration

27 Digital Arts- Cartoons

28 Digital Arts-Fantasy Art

29 Digital Arts- Hyper Realism

30 Digital Arts- Character Design

31 Digital Arts- Environmental Design

32 Digital Arts- Illustration

33 Digital Arts- Typography

34 Digital Arts- Miscellaneous