

2024
Department 64
Ribbon Refresh

The 2024 Big E will be held September 13-29, 2024.

Exhibitor handbooks and schedules are subject to change.

We suggest you request to be added to the email lists of the departments you are entering, follow the department Facebook page, or check our website frequently for updates.

Email CreativeArts@TheBigE.com to request to be added to be added to our email list.

Follow us on Facebook @bigecreativearts

All exhibitors are required to read and comply with the GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS of the Creative Arts Department and to acknowledge with entry submission that they have obtained **copyright permission** when appropriate.

Entry Form Due	August 12	Enter online: https://TheBigE.fairwire.com/	Email CreativeArts@TheBigE.com Fax (413) 205-5104 Mail Eastern States Exposition Creative Arts –Recycled 1305 Memorial Avenue West Springfield MA 01089	
Entry Fee	\$5			
Entry Limit	1 entry per exhibitor/group. Up to 10 participants per class on a first-come, first-serve basis.			
Classes	B: Adults	C: Youth 13-18	D: Youth 5-12	E: All Ages (Groups)
Premiums	Adult/Group 1 st \$100 Youth 1 st \$75	Adult/Group 2 nd \$75 Youth 2 nd \$50	Adult/Group 3 rd \$35 Youth 3 rd \$20	1 st -3 rd to be awarded in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adults • Youth 13-18 • Youth 5-12 • Groups
Receiving	Tuesday, September 3: 8:00 am to 7:00 pm	New England Center		
Judging	Closed to the public	Wednesday, September 4-Saturday, September 7		
Release	Monday, September 30, 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Monday, October 1, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm	New England Center	
After November 1, all unclaimed items become the property of Eastern States Exposition and will be disposed of as deemed necessary.				
For additional information, please contact Creative Arts at CreativeArts@TheBigE.com or call (413) 205-5015.				

Division 6401 Ribbon Refresh

Create something new out of old ribbons!



RULES

1. The Big E Creative Arts Department will provide each exhibitor/group a bag containing the same number of ribbons.
 - a. There will be multiple colors and styles of ribbons.
 - b. Every effort will be made to provide a variety of colors and styles; however, the Creative Arts department will **not** take requests for additional ribbons, colors, or styles.
2. Additional ribbons (other than those provided) are **not** permitted.
3. Ribbons can be cut, sewn, painted, ripped, burned, or manipulated.
4. Individuals or groups may enter this contest. We request one entry per family/household.
5. The contest is limited to 10 entries per age class on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 - a. The exhibitor/group will be contacted with information regarding when ribbons can be picked up.
 - b. After 10 entries per age class have been received, a waitlist will be started in the event of a cancellation.
 - c. If after receiving the items, you realize you will not be able to complete the project, please notify the office and we will contact the next person on the waiting list.
6. Entries cannot exceed 30" in any direction.
7. Materials used should be covered in ribbon.
 - a. This does not include the poster or mat board used for mounting.
8. If mounted, white posterboard is preferred. If your art is on a stretched canvas or canvas board, it does not need a border.
9. **Exhibitors are only allowed to enter the Ribbon Refresh contest once every two years. 2024 Ribbon Refresh exhibitors are currently ineligible for the 2025 Ribbon Refresh Contest.**



Judge's Criteria

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| 25% | The contestant used all the materials that were provided (required). |
| 25% | The contestant used the materials in a new way to create something different. |
| 25% | The contestant's ideas are recognizable. (Clarity of the idea) |
| 25% | The contestant's overall finished appearance of the creation. (This includes the difficulty of the piece & how well it was made) |