As we continue to plan for The Big E fair to be held September 16 through October 2 of 2022 our exhibitor handbooks and schedules are subject to change and 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 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 15 Online: https://TheBigE.fairwire.com/

Entry Fee per Item $5

Entry Limit Departments 1-13 Three (3) entries per exhibitor

Classes

A: Adult Professional
B: Adult Non-Professional
C: Youth 13-18
D: Youth 5-12

Premiums

Best of Department: $20
Blue: $20
Red: $17
White: $14

Receiving

Wednesday, September 7: 8:00 am to 7:00 pm
New England Center

Judging

Closed to the public
Thursday, September 8 – Saturday, September 10

Release

Monday, October 3, 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Tuesday, October 4, 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, contact Creative Arts at Creativearts@TheBigE.com or call (413) 205-5015.

All armature must be covered.
Divisions 701-704- Items must be made all by hand, no machine felting.
Division 705 is for items with any machine felting.

Division 701 Needle Felting all by hand with 100% natural materials.
Division 702 Wet felting all by hand with 100% natural materials.
Division 703 Needle Felting all by hand using any non-natural materials (including glass or plastic eyes, polymer clay, etc.).
Division 704 Wet Felting all by hand using any non-natural materials (including glass or plastic eyes, polymer clay, etc.).
Division 705 Other than classified – please describe on entry form.
You must indicate on your entry form if your item was made from a kit. A kit includes the pattern and the fiber.

If you created your own hand carded material, please attach a small card describing what pieces were created by you.

Judging Criteria

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SPECIAL AWARDS FOR FELTING

Selection of award recipient is based on "judge's choice" using criteria set by the donor of the award.

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Email: [Schustercraft@gmail.com](mailto:Schustercraft@gmail.com)

One $25 gift certificate to judge's selection youth in felting