



ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES COMPETITION

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ONLINE ENTRY REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 1, 2026

ONLINE ENTRY REGISTRATION CLOSES JULY 13, 2026

ENTRY DROP OFF JULY 18, 2026, 9AM-3PM and JULY 21, 2026, 12PM-6PM

ENTRY REMOVAL AUGUST 26, 2026, 12PM-6PM and AUGUST 27, 2026, 3PM-7PM

Entry Fee: \$25.00 allows entries throughout Departments in Creative Arts, Ag-Grange, and Environment and Sportsman. A promo code redeemable for three (3) admission passes will be emailed to the exhibitor on Tuesday, August 11, 2026

Ages: 13 & Up

Prize Checks: Available Tuesday, August 18, 2026, between 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM at the Creative Arts Info Desk along with satin ribbons earned. Checks not picked up by Sunday, August 23, 2026, will be mailed.
***Checks are VOID 60 days from issue date and WILL NOT BE REISSUED. Ribbons will not be mailed.**

Antiques & Collectibles Competition Rules:

1. Please read and abide by all the Erie County Fair rules and regulations.
2. **All entries must be registered by Monday, July 13, 2026.** For more information see the Important Entry Information page at www.ecfair.org.
3. Anyone 13 years old and up is eligible to enter this competition.
4. **In each class, only one (1) article is to be entered, unless otherwise approved.**
5. Antiques are defined as being 75 years old or older (1951). No reproductions will be knowingly accepted, nor will they be eligible for judging.
6. Collectibles are defined as being 50 years old or older (1976) unless otherwise specified. No reproductions will be knowingly accepted, nor will they be eligible for judging.
7. The Superintendent of the department or the designee reserves the right to reject any item(s).
8. Articles inappropriately classified (age or type) may be disqualified by the Superintendent or designee and, as such, will be required to be removed from the department or reclassified if eligible.
9. Display of Articles in the department will be at the discretion of the Superintendent, designee, and/or the judge.
10. **Large or oversized articles (12" or more) must receive prior approval. Please send an email to ceoffice@ecfair.org confirming that your article will be accepted.**
11. All posters and photographs must be framed.
12. If your entry requires a special stand to be safely displayed, please include it during Entry Arrival.

Judging Criteria

- Age and quality of items entered are of utmost importance. Cracks, nicks, or chips are unattractive but will not necessarily disqualify an item from judging. These problems, however, can make the difference between a First & Second Premium.

- Just because an article belonged to your grandparents does not necessarily mean that the article is antique. Please see rule #5/6 above for clarification on the age requirement of an item.
- Articles must be clean and free from dirt, dust, pet hair, and stains. Be careful not to disturb the natural patina of an item.
- The quality of entries is important in determining the number of premiums in each class. One entry in a class does not automatically earn you First Premium. It must be deemed worthy of that Premium.
- 15 or more entries in a class may mean that more than one First & Second Premium may be awarded. Conversely, if an article is not of high enough quality, it may be that no prizes will be given in that class.
- Any article that has a barcode or has a factory-wrapped clam shell is not an antique and will not be accepted under any circumstance.

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES COMPETITION CLASSES

Premiums Offered: 1st Place Blue \$8, 2nd Place Red \$5

Tri-Color: \$25 & Eligible for *Best of Tri-Color Award*

*Tri-Color is an honorary award chosen by the judge for the outstanding article among those entered in competition in each section.

Antiques-1

1. Cobalt Glass
2. Glass Wedding Cake Box
3. Opera Gloves (one pair)
4. Board Game
5. Eyeglasses (one pair)
6. Baby Rattle
7. Halloween Decoration
8. Marriage Certificate
9. Handheld Vanity Mirror
10. Victorian Curling Iron
11. Walking Cane
12. Postmortem Photo
13. Pharmaceutical/Medical item
14. Cuff Links
15. Sword
16. Trans-Oceanic Radio
17. Steamer Trunk
18. Glass Buoy
19. Perfume Bottle
20. Baby Silverware
21. American Flag w/ less than 50 Stars

Collectibles-2

1. Popeye and/or Olive Oyl
2. Chalkware

3. Fabergé Egg
4. Pixie Figurine/ item
5. Model Ship
6. Carved Jade Item
7. The Lone Ranger
8. Bradley Doll
9. Class Ring (in a box)
10. Military Dog Tags
11. Town of Hamburg Item
12. Erie County Fair Memorabilia
13. Gurley Candle (single one or a set of 2)
14. Toby Character Mug/Jug
15. Single Sided Record
16. Boot Spurs (single one or set of 2)
17. Cabbage Patch Doll
18. Batman
19. Glass Hen on Basket/Nest
20. 1976 USA Bicentennial Memorabilia
21. Moon Landing Memorabilia