

FINE ARTS & MORE



FINE ARTS EXHIBIT

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ONLINE ENTRY STARTS JUNE 1st, 2021
ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY JULY 16, 2021

Entry Fee: \$15 fee allows for unlimited entries throughout department (unless otherwise specifically noted). Fee includes one (1) promo code for an admission ticket to the fair, parking included.
Entry Arrival: Tuesday, July 27th between 12:00 Noon and 6:00 PM, Wednesday, July 28th between 12:00 Noon and 6:00 PM OR Thursday, July 29th between 12:00 Noon and 8:00 PM
Entry Removal: Tuesday, August 24th between 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Prize Checks: Tuesday, August 17th – Sunday, August 22nd between 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM

General Fine Arts Exhibit Rules

1. Please read and abide by all The Erie County Fair and Creative Arts Department rules and regulations. New details for 2021!
2. All entries must be pre-registered by Friday July 16, 2021. Entries not pre-registered will not be accepted. For more information [see the Rules and Regulations](#).
3. An exhibitor can participate in one division only, novice, amateur, or professional, and cannot be in 2 different **divisions**.
4. Exhibitors are **limited to a total of 2 entries in Fine Arts**.
5. All paintings must be well framed & wired for hanging. Drawings, pastels and watercolors must have mats and be protected with glass. **Oil and Acrylic paintings should not be matted or be behind glass**. A well framed picture must be wired with flexible picture hanging wire, fastened to D-Rings/screw eyes. The same applies for metal frames with sliding hangers, which must be attached, approximately 4 inches from the top. Plastic frames, saw tooth bars, unframed wooden panels, hook holders embedded in cardboard backing, cardboard loops, screws, thumbtacks and string will be DISQUALIFIED; they are unsafe in our show conditions. (Quality of framing is at the discretion of the Superintendent and will be rejected if unsatisfactory). Refer to "Framing and Wiring" tutorial on the www.ecfair.org webpage under competitions tab.
6. No frame needed if you use gallery canvases with oil or acrylic painting only. See "Selecting your Canvas" tutorial on the www.ecfair.org webpage under competitions tab.
7. **PAINTING SIZE MAXIMUM OF 24" (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MATTE OR FRAME)**.
8. All artwork will be inspected upon arrival to make sure artwork adheres to all rules (size, framing, etc.). If artwork does not meet the requirements it will not be accepted. Please go to the website (www.ecfair.org) to see tutorials on requirements.
9. "Miscellaneous" includes printing, collage, airbrush, silk-screening – at the discretion of the Superintendent.
10. Works shown in former years should not be entered.
11. The judge may withhold or give additional prize awards.
12. To note, the Fair accepts artwork from all individuals, regardless of ability. The category of 'Exceptional Artist' no longer exists. The Fair is an integrated and all-inclusive event, and the art exhibit exemplifies this.

NOVICE DIVISION – ANY MEDIUM (PAINTING SIZE MAXIMUM OF 24" (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MATTE OR FRAME))

Novice: for those with very little training in art and those who have never won an award.

Premiums Blue-\$8.00 Red-\$5.00

1. Abstract – nonrepresentational, 2 dimensional
2. Animal Portraits- 1 animal
3. Animal Story- 2 or more
4. Drawing – on paper using pencil, ink, charcoal, etc.
5. Figure – one or more figures, partial and/or full body view
6. Flowers
7. Landscape - suburbs and rural scenes- farm
8. Miscellaneous – prints, dry point, silkscreen, mixed media (2-dimensional), does not fit into an existing class
9. Portrait Person- close up view
10. Seascape
11. City Scene, Architecture
12. Still Life
13. Fair Theme

AMATEUR DIVISION – ANY MEDIUM (PAINTING SIZE MAXIMUM OF 24" (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MATTE OR FRAME))

Amateur: for those who paint but do not sell their work, or exhibit nor teach.

Premiums Blue-\$15.00 Red-\$10.00

1. Abstract – nonrepresentational, 2 dimensional
2. Animal Portraits- 1 animal
3. Animal Story- 2 or more
4. Drawing – on paper using pencil, ink, charcoal, etc.
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PROFESSIONAL DIVISION – ANY MEDIUM (PAINTING SIZE MAXIMUM OF 24" (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MATTE OR FRAME))

Professional: for the artist who teaches or sells his or her work

Premiums Blue-\$20.00 Red-\$15.00

1. Abstract-non representation, 2 dimensional
2. Animal Portraits- 1 animal
3. Animal Story- 2 or more
4. Drawing – on paper using pencil, ink, charcoal, etc.
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GRAPHIC DESIGN COMPETITION

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Graphic Design Competition Rules

1. Please read and abide by all The Erie County Fair and Creative Arts Department rules and regulations.
2. Anyone who is not a professional designer and is over 13 years old is eligible to enter this contest.
3. Required size is 11” by 17”
4. The design must include “Erie County Fair”
5. Limit of 10 entries
6. No clip art, stock photos or copyrighted material.
7. Designs should be full process color.
8. Designs must be in good taste and suitable for family viewing.
9. Designs must be entirely original and the sole work of the entrant.

Judging Criteria:

Innovation & Originality
Artistic Merit
Composition
Level of Difficulty
Visual Presentation

Graphic Design Competition

Premiums for Class #1: 1st place \$25, 2nd place \$15, 3rd place \$10

Class #1 – Graphic Design