



JUNIOR FINE ARTS EXHIBIT

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ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JULY 12th, 2024

Entry Fee: \$25.00 Exhibitor Ticket for ages 13-17, (includes a promo code for 3 passes to the Fair) allows entries in the Junior Fine Arts and Junior Section
\$ 5.00 Junior Entry Fee for ages 5-12, (no passes to the Fair – ALL KIDS 12 & younger FREE at the Fair)
Entry Arrival: Tuesday, July 23rd or Wednesday, July 24th between NOON and 8PM
Entry Removal: Wednesday, August 21st or Thursday, August 22nd between 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Prize Checks: Available Tuesday, August 13th – Sunday, August 18th between 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM at the Creative Arts Info Desk along with satin ribbons earned. Checks remaining after this time will be mailed.

General Junior Section Rules

1. Please read and abide by The Erie County Fair and Creative Arts Department rules and regulations.
2. All entries must be pre-registered by Friday, July 12th, 2024. Entries not pre-registered will not be accepted. For more information see the Important Entry Information page.
3. This section is open to exhibitors ages 5 – 17.
4. A junior exhibitor is limited to a total of two (2) entries in the Junior Fine Arts.
5. An exhibitor 13 & older must purchase a \$25.00 exhibitor ticket, which includes three (3) admissions to the Fair **OR** if ages 5-12 must pay \$5 junior entry fee (no passes to the Fair as ALL KIDS 12 & younger are FREE at the Fair).
6. Items will be displayed as space allows and at the discretion of the Superintendent.
7. **Classes in Division 1 & 2 Fine Arts must be framed unless artwork is on canvas. Frame and canvas must be equipped with flexible picture hanging wire, fastened to screw eyes/D-rings. No saw tooth hangers. Fine Arts with photo picture frames will not be accepted.**
8. **Photos must be mounted on 1/4" or 3/16" foam core board *Except classes #9-11.**
9. 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 the website (www.ecfair.org) to see tutorials on requirements.
10. NO artwork or photography that is soiled will be accepted.
11. To note, the Fair accepts artwork from all individuals, regardless of ability. The category of 'Special Children of the Fair' no longer exists. The Fair is an integrated and all-inclusive event, and the exhibits exemplify this.
12. **Works shown in former years will not be accepted. All work must have been done by the exhibitor in the last 5 years.**

Junior Fine Arts Judging Criteria:

- All entries must follow the rules. Verify that the subject matter and the medium used fulfill the category listing.
- The presentation of the artwork or photo.
- Determine if the degree of difficulty is appropriate for the artist's maturity and ability
- The uniqueness of the artwork. The use of the medium in a new way not typical of the traditional, which represents the artists thought about the work he or she is doing.
- The composition of the entries.
- Consider the elements of art used (line, texture, space, color, value, proportion, and shape).

AGES 5 & 6	\$5 Junior Entry Fee (no passes to the Fair, ALL KIDS 12 & younger FREE at the Fair)
AGES 7 – 9	\$5 Junior Entry Fee (no passes to the Fair, ALL KIDS 12 & younger FREE at the Fair)
AGES 10 – 12	\$5 Junior Entry Fee (no passes to the Fair, ALL KIDS 12 & younger FREE at the Fair)
AGES 13 – 17	\$25 Fee (includes 3 passes to the fair)

PAINTING – Oil, Acrylic or Watercolor (MAXIMUM SIZE 20" x 24") - 1

Premiums for Classes #1 - 11 Blue-\$5.00 Red-\$4.00 Yellow-\$3.00

Classes 1-11 - Fine Arts must be framed unless artwork is on canvas. Frame and canvas must be equipped with flexible picture hanging wire that are fastened to screw eyes.

1. Abstract – nonrepresentational, 2 dimensional
2. Animal Portraits - 1 animal
3. Animal Story - 2 or more
4. City Scenes & Architecture
5. Human Figure - one or more figures, partial and/or full body view

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6. Flowers
7. Landscape – mountains, suburbs, rural
8. Miscellaneous - prints, silkscreen, mixed media (2-dimensional), does not fit into an existing class
9. Portrait Person- close up view
10. Seascape
11. Still Life

OTHER MEDIUMS (MAXIMUM SIZE 20" x 24") - 2

Premiums for Classes #1 - 9 Blue-\$5.00 Red-\$4.00 Yellow-\$3.00

Classes 1-9 - Fine Arts must be framed unless artwork is on canvas. Frame and canvas must be equipped with flexible picture hanging wire that are fastened to screw eyes.

1. Drawing, animal or figure done in pencil, ink, charcoal, pastel, or crayon
2. Drawing, portrait done in pencil, ink, charcoal, pastel, or crayon
3. Landscape/Seascape done in pencil, ink, charcoal, pastel, or crayon
4. Still Life or Flower Study
5. Animal or Human Figure
6. Picture made with Fair theme
7. Character picture (cartoon or animated), done in pencil, ink, charcoal
8. Original Design (use your imagination)
9. Digital Art

PHOTOGRAPHY – (MUST BE 8" x 10" EXCEPT CLASSES #28-30 where 4"x6" will be required size) - 3

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* All photography must be mounted on 1/4" or 3/16" foam core board except class #9-11, Velcro stickers will be provided for hanging.

1. Photography-scene
2. Photography- landscape, seascape
3. Photography-portrait or human figure
4. Photography- dog or cat
5. Photography- any other animal
6. Photography-still life or flower study
7. Photography-with Fair theme
8. Unique photograph (nothing obscene)
9. Best Snapchat Filter (nothing obscene) * Mounting not required* 4"x 6" size
10. Best Instagram Photo (nothing obscene) * Mounting not required* 4"x 6" or 4"x4" size
11. Polaroid Picture (No Size Restriction) * Mounting not required* 4"x 6" size

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Bridget Perison Memorial Award
June Pearl Merit Award**



PLEIN AIR PAINTING CONTEST

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Saturday, August 10, 2024

Exhibitors must pre-register by Friday, July 12th.

Who: Open to everyone 13 years of age and older. Pre-registration is required.

Limit: One entry per exhibitor.

Where: Check-in at the Creative Arts Exhibit Area (lower grandstand), between **11:00AM and Noon on Saturday, August 10th**. The artist's canvas, paper, board, etc. must be stamped by the art exhibit staff prior to beginning work. Up to two surfaces may be stamped at check-in. At the time of check-in please let staff know where on the Fairgrounds you will be painting. Only 1 submission will be judged.

What: Bring your own art supplies; be ready to paint on location, within the Fairgrounds. Size restrictions for **adults** are no larger than 36" x 36" and no smaller than 11" x 14" (excluding mat). Size restrictions for **juniors** are no larger than 16" x 20" and no smaller than 9" x 12" (excluding mat). Matting or framing of acrylic is optional. Matting is suggested for all other mediums. **NO OIL PAINTS** are allowed. You are encouraged to visit the Fair prior to contest day to scout out your subject area, however, no photos or sketches of your subject will be allowed on contest day. Frames and Canvases need D-Rings/Screw eyes and wire to hang.

****Artist please ask building superintendents/concessionaires where to setup to avoid blocking aisle/lines.**

Judging: Artwork to be completed and returned to the Creative Arts Exhibit Area (lower grandstand) **by 5:00PM, on Saturday, August 10th** for judging. You may **not** touch your painting after 5:00PM, it must be in its final form to be submitted. Awards presentation at 5:30PM. Artwork will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair and will be released from the grounds on Tuesday, August 21st - August 22nd between 11:00AM and 7:00PM.

Questions? 716-649-3900 ext. 6407 or www.ecfair.org

ADULT

Divisions

1. Amateur - Premiums Blue- \$100, Red- \$75, Yellow- \$50
2. Professional – Premiums Blue- \$200, Red- \$150, Yellow- \$75

JUNIOR (AGES 13-17 ONLY)

Division

3. Junior Plein Air – Premiums Blue- \$50, Red-\$35, Yellow- \$25