# WINDCHIME COMPETITION

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## ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JULY 14th, 2023

Entry Fee: \$23.00 allows entries throughout the Erie County Fair. A promo code redeemable for three (3) admission passes will be emailed to the exhibitor on Tuesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>.
Entry Arrival: Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup> between NOON and 8:00 PM.
Entry Removal: Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> between 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM.
Prize Checks: Available Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> 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.

Don't you just love the sound of a windchime in a soft summer breeze? Design and make your own windchime for competition in the 2023 Erie County Fair! We will judge them and display them in the Urban Garden Walk for all to see.

Wind chimes are a type of percussion instrument constructed from suspended tubes, rods, bells or other objects that are often made of metal or wood. The tubes or rods are suspended along with some type of weight or surface which the tubes or rods can strike when they or another windcatching surface are blown by the natural movement of air outside. Since the percussion instruments are struck according to the random effects of the wind blowing the chimes, wind chimes have been considered an example of chance-based music. The tubes or rods may sound either indistinct pitches, or fairly distinct pitches. Wind chimes that sound fairly distinct pitches can, through the chance movement of air, create simple melodies or broken chords. In Ancient Rome the windchime was a symbol of good fortune and a charm against the evil eye. Entries will be displayed in the Urban Garden Walk!

#### Windchime Competition Rules

- 1. Please read and abide by all The Erie County Fair rules and regulations.
- 2. Anyone who is over 13 years old is eligible to enter this contest.
- 3. Limit of 10 entries.
- 4. Designs must be entirely original and the sole work of the entrant.
- 5. All entries must be ready for hanging and be able to withstand the weather.
- 6. Maximum of 3' long (top to bottom).

Judging Criteria: Innovation & Originality

Degree of Detail Level of Difficulty Visual Presentation

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Premiums: Blue - \$15, Red - \$10, Yellow - \$8

Class #1 – Windchime



