



Home & Hobby Building The Valley's Most Talented and Best Homemade Arts All Under One Roof with Home Arts & Jr. Exhibits Entries

Discover the best bakers, crafters, sewers and artists from right here in Fresno County, all under one roof! From cooking contests to household creations and more, this combined building (in the original Jr. Exhibits location) is the perfect destination to see some of the best work by our community's most talented individuals, both young and old!

Table Settings Contest.....**Set Up - Fri, Sept 15 and Sat, Sept 16 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**
Always a crowd pleaser at The Big Fresno Fair, the Table Settings Contest is one of the most competitive entries. Each year only 12 entries are accepted in these classes: 2023 Fair Theme "Picture Yourself Here", Unspoken Heros, Glitz and Glam, Anniversary Table Choose year, and more.

Save Mart Sugar Contest.....**Entries Received Sat, Sept 30 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**
Do you have a knack for baking breads, cakes, fudge, pies, cookies or pastries? If so, Save Mart will be giving away special prizes to those who receive the highest total points in the various Baked Goods contests who use Save Mart sugar to create their masterpiece.

Snackable Sun-Maid Baking Contests..... **Entries Accepted on Sat, Sept 30 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**
This contest features anything "snackable" and of course including Sun-Maid dried fruits! Entries will include a bar, bite, mix (i.e., trail mix, granola or similar), cookie, muffin or something easily "snackable." All entries must include Sun-Maid raisins or Sun-Maid dried fruit (dates, apricots, figs, cranberries or mangoes for example). Grand Prize Winner will receive a Kitchen Aide Mixer, and runner-up will receive a Williams Sonoma Bakeware Set courtesy of Sun-Maid!

Made with Butter – Butter Cake Contest..... **Exhibits Received, Sat, Sept 30 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
Butter makes everything better! As always, some delicious butter cakes will be entered for the chance to win the grand prize of 20 pounds of butter and a trophy! Contest is sponsored by California Dairies, Inc.

"Arleen B. Owen Legacy Pie" Contest**Sat, Oct 7 from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**
In honor of an amazing woman and 71-year Big Fresno Fair Home Arts entrant, who especially loved pies, we are honored to name this year's pie contest after Arleen B. Owen. So, everyone bring your best pie-making skills and let's make Arleen (and her family) proud. Classes include: Double Crust, Single Crusted, Custard Pie and any other pie. Entries are accepted at 11 a.m. and judging is at 12 p.m.

NEW Rib Showdown.....**Sun, Oct 8 from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.**
Do you make the best ribs on the block? Then come see how they fare when competing against all of Fresno County. Classes include: Sweet, Mild, Tangy and Smoked. Entries are received starting at 11 a.m. and then judging takes place at 12 p.m.

NEW Best Food Around the World **Sun, Oct 8 from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.**
To celebrate all the amazing food around the world, we have created this new contest that brings the world's cuisines right to The Big Fresno Fair. Classes include: Italian, Indian, Asian, Mediterranean and other. Entries are received starting at 11 a.m. and then judging takes place at 12 p.m.



NEW South of the Border Cooking ContestSun, Oct 8 from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

We can't wait to see the tasty entries for this new contest that expanded the popular "Tamale Throwdown" to include other popular dishes full of flavor! Classes include: Tamales, Salsa, Main Dish, Side Dish, Dessert and other. Entries are received starting at 11 a.m. and judging takes place at 12 p.m.

Live Cake Decorating Contest Sun, Oct 8 from 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Bring your baked cakes or Styrofoam base, not frosted or decorated in any way, and come create your masterpiece at the Fair for all to see. Cakes must be three tiers, but no more than five and each entrant and bring one helper. Decorating from 3 p.m. – 6 p.m., then judging begins at 6:30 p.m.

Poetry Contest.....On Display throughout the Fair

Entrants will write or illustrate poetry for display at the Fair based on the 2023 Fair theme "Picture Yourself Here" Poetic Picking (based on agriculture), short poetry or anything else they choose. Judging will take place before the Fair, so come see who won!

Student Art Displays.....On Display throughout the Fair

See more than 600 pieces of art such as ceramics, paintings, photography, woodworking, clothing, flower arrangements, metal projects and 4-H and FFA projects on display during the 12 days of the Fair; created by the most talented high school artists of Fresno County!