



# CERAMICS + DOLLS

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

2023 Kern County Fair .....	September 20 - October 1, 2023
Online Entries Open .....	Thursday, June 15, 2023
Online Entries Close .....	Friday, September 8, 2023
Ceramic Entries Accepted .....	Saturday, September 16 • 9 AM - 5 PM
Doll Entries Accepted .....	Saturday, September 16 • 9 AM - 3 PM
Entries Released .....	Monday, October 2 • Ceramics (9 AM -4 PM) • Dolls (9 AM -1 PM)

## HOW TO ENTER

### ONLINE ENTRIES

Review the Department Rules and Guidelines  
 Choose from the Divisions and Classes listed  
 Enter Online at kerncountyfair.com and pay the entry fee

### EXHIBITOR NAME

Entries must be made under the name of the individual who prepared it.  
 Do not use business or fictitious names.  
 Enter using the exhibitor’s name as it will appear on the display tag.

### ENTRY CONFIRMATION

An email confirmation will be sent immediately after your online payment is received.  
 If the email confirmation does not arrive shortly after submitting payment, please check your spam/junk folder before contacting the Kern County Fair.

### HELP WITH ENTERING

Phone: During Office Hours, (661) 833-4914 | Email: entry@kerncountyfair.com  
 Office Hours: Monday and Wednesday - 9 AM to 5 PM

## COMMITTEES

### CERAMICS

Beverly Frick - Chairman  
 Jennifer Fabian - Co-Chairman

### DOLLS

Beverly Rymel - Chairman  
 DeLynn Killingsworth, Bettie Madsen - Co-Chair  
 Committee: Natalia & David Howard, Nathan Howard,  
 Christine Reynolds, Brittany Watkins, Bob Stein,  
 Joseph Rivera, Aiden Rivera

## ENTRY LIMIT + ENTRY FEES

Adult Ceramics + Dolls (18 years and older)

*All Junior entries will enter in the Junior Exhibits Department and will be displayed in Building 1*

**Adult Divisions** : \$2 per entry, *except where noted*

Entry Limit: 2 entries per class

## ENTRY DROP OFF + PICK UP

1. Late deliveries will not be accepted
2. Entries may be delivered by someone other than the exhibitor
3. Deliver entries to the Fine Arts Building #4 (Gate 26) on Saturday, September 16,  
(Dolls • 9 AM - 3 PM), (Ceramics • 9 AM - 5 PM)
4. Pick up entries at the Fine Arts Building #4 on Monday, October 2  
(Ceramics • 9 AM - 4 PM), (Dolls • 9 AM - 1 PM)
5. No Security will be provided after release date.

## JUDGING

### AMERICAN SYSTEM OF JUDGING

Each exhibit is judged not only on its own merit, but in comparison to other exhibits using score cards prepared by the State Division of Fairs and Expositions and Fair Management. First, Second, Third Place and Honorable Mention may be awarded in each Class if judges so determine. More than one Honorable Mention per Class may be awarded. Judges are not obligated to place entries if they feel they are without sufficient merit.

## PREMIUMS + AWARDS

### PREMIUMS PER CLASS

*EXCEPT WHERE NOTED*

1ST \$15 • 2ND \$10 • 3RD \$5

### DOLLS

Best of Show - \$25

Judge's Choice Award - Ribbon

Senior Citizen Award - A special ribbon and \$25 will be awarded to the oldest exhibitor (65+)

### CERAMICS

Best of Show - Novice - \$25

Best of Show - Amateur - \$25

Best of Show - Professional - \$50

Best of Show Special Needs - \$25

Chairman's Choice Award - Ribbon

Senior Citizen Award - A special ribbon and \$25 will be awarded to the oldest exhibitor (65+)

# GENERAL RULES

1. Local and State Rules govern this competition.
2. Exhibitors are responsible for reading the Competition Guidelines and must abide by them.
3. Wrong division and class numbers may lead to disqualification. If assistance is needed to determine the Division and/or Class, please contact the Competitive Exhibits Office at (661) 833-4914 or [entry@kerncountyfair.com](mailto:entry@kerncountyfair.com).
4. Entry fees are non-refundable. There will be no refunds for any reason. By entering the competition, you are confirming that you accept the no-refund policy.
5. Entries previously exhibited at the Kern County Fair are not eligible.
6. Final acceptance of the entry will be left to the discretion of the Program Coordinator. Judges and/or the Program Coordinator have the option of reassigning an entry to a more appropriate Division or Class.
7. The Kern County Fair is a family event. No entry with offensive or objectionable content will be accepted. This includes but is not limited to: work dealing with drug use, obscenity, defamatory statements, violence, gang activity, nudity, satanic or cult themes or other offensive or objectionable content. This is at the discretion of the Kern County Fair staff.
8. The State of California nor Kern County Fair & Event Center will be responsible for any loss, damage or theft of exhibitors' property brought on the premises during the period of the Kern County Fair. Reasonable efforts will be undertaken to safeguard exhibitors' property against loss, damage or theft, in the handling and exhibiting of entries.
9. Premium awards may be withheld if rules and regulations are not complied with.
10. Entries and required fees must be submitted by the closing date as specified in each department. Entries will not be accepted after the closing date.
11. Exhibitors are requested to keep their exhibits fresh and attractive.
12. Exhibitors may not remove their exhibit before the official release date.
13. Premiums are paid only from the records of the judges' sheet. Ribbons, tags, or cards have no value as to payment.
14. Employees and their spouses are not eligible to enter the department in which they or their spouses are employed.
15. Sweepstakes shall be awarded on a basis of total ribbons won, with points to be counted as follows: 1st - 5 points, 2nd - 3 points, 3rd - 1 point. In the case of a tie, the exhibitor with the most blue ribbons shall be the winner.
16. All decorative material must be flameproof. The Fire Department Code and The California State Industrial Accident Commission Code and Rulings, require all decorative material to be flameproof. No straw or hay will be allowed in any exhibit.
17. There will be a \$30 stop payment for lost premium checks.
18. Exhibitors must live in Kern County.

# CERAMICS DEPARTMENT RULES

1. All work must have not been previously exhibited at the fair and been completed since previous year's fair.
2. Bring stands for free standing pieces if needed.
3. It is the discretion of the Ceramics committee if stands that are brought in can be used to display art work.
4. Porcelain to be entered under the Porcelain Classes only
5. Hydrocal or Plastercraft articles should be entered in the Hobby Department

**Novice:** has worked with ceramics less than 2 years

**Amateur:** has worked with ceramics over 2 years

**Professional:** Teaches or sells for profit

# DOLLS DEPARTMENT RULES

1. All work must have not been previously exhibited at the fair and been completed since previous year's fair.
2. All display accessories must be attached, no glue
3. No large platforms will be allowed
4. All entries must fit in the display area and cases.
5. Clay entries must be sculpted, and wood entries must be carved, painted and dressed.
6. All entries must be tasteful and uphold the high standards of the Kern County Fair.
7. To award Best of Show, there needs to be at least 3 separate exhibitors per division
8. Dolls must be clean and in good condition.

# DOLLS

*Sponsored by Bob Stein*

## DIVISION 300: DOLLS MADE BY EXHIBITOR

### CLASS:

1. Antique and modern day reproduction, finished by exhibitor
2. Original doll sculpted for exhibitor
3. Soft Sculptured doll
4. Miniature Dolls, 7 inches and under
5. Paper Mache

## DIVISION 301: DOLL DRESSING CONTEST

### CLASS:

1. Baby Doll
2. Homemade Clothing (sewing, crocheting, knitting, etc.)
3. Doll in Costume
4. Other

# CERAMIC WHEEL WORK

## DIVISION 302: NOVICE CERAMIC WHEEL WORK

### CLASS:

1. Bowl
2. Flower Pot or Planter
3. Vase
4. Miscellaneous

## DIVISION 304: PROFESSIONAL CERAMIC WHEEL WORK

### CLASS:

1. Bowl
2. Flower Pot or Planter
3. Vase
4. Miscellaneous

## DIVISION 303: AMATEUR CERAMIC WHEEL WORK

### CLASS:

1. Bowl
2. Flower Pot or Planter
3. Vase
4. Miscellaneous

# CERAMIC ORIGINAL BY HAND

## DIVISION 305: NOVICE ORIGINAL BY HAND

### CLASS:

1. Bowl
2. Coil
3. Figurine
4. Slab
5. Miscellaneous

## DIVISION 307: PROFESSIONAL ORIGINAL BY HAND

### CLASS:

1. Bowl
2. Coil
3. Figurine
4. Slab
5. Miscellaneous

## DIVISION 306: AMATEUR ORIGINAL BY HAND

### CLASS:

1. Bowl
2. Coil
3. Figurine
4. Slab
5. Miscellaneous

# FIRED CERAMIC FINISH

## DIVISION 308: **NOVICE CERAMIC**

### CLASS:

1. Under-Glaze: Animal
2. Under-Glaze: Any Holiday
3. Under-Glaze: Misc.
4. Glaze: Animals
5. Glaze: Cups or Mugs
6. Glaze: Figurine
7. Glaze: Misc.
8. Stains
9. Special Technique
10. Free Brush
11. Embossed
12. Mixed Media (At least 3)
13. Other than listed

## DIVISION 309: **AMATEUR CERAMIC**

### CLASS:

1. Under-Glaze: Animal
2. Under-Glaze: Any Holiday
3. Under-Glaze: Misc.
4. Glaze: Animals
5. Glaze: Cups or Mugs
6. Glaze: Figurine
7. Glaze: Misc.
8. Stains
9. Special Technique
10. Free Brush
11. Embossed
12. Mixed Media (At least 3)
13. Other than listed

## DIVISION 310: **PROFESSIONAL CERAMIC**

### CLASS:

1. Under-Glaze: Animal
2. Under-Glaze: Any Holiday
3. Under-Glaze: Misc.
4. Glaze: Animals
5. Glaze: Cups or Mugs
6. Glaze: Figurine
7. Glaze: Misc.
8. Stains
9. Special Technique
10. Free Brush
11. Embossed
12. Mixed Media (At least 3)
13. Other than listed

## DIVISION 311: **SPECIAL NEEDS EXHIBITOR**

*DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING  
NO ENTRY FEE - RIBBONS ONLY*

### CLASS:

1. Any Ceramic Piece