

# Lodi Grape Festival Sept. 17-20



## ENTRY GUIDEBOOK

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# LODI GRAPE FESTIVAL DATES & ADMISSION

## 2026 Festival Dates and Hours:

- Thursday, September 17 – Clark Pest Control Family Value Day: 4:00 PM to 11:00 PM
- Friday, September 18 – California Waste “Free ‘til 5” Day: Noon to Midnight
- Saturday, September 19 – F & M Bank “Community” Day: Noon to Midnight
- Sunday, September 20 – FCB Homes “Red, White & Blue” Day – Noon to 11:00 PM

## Regular Admission Prices:

- Adults (ages 13 and up) - \$15
- Youth (ages 6 to 12) - \$10
- Children 5 and under – Free

## Special Discounts:

- Advance sale admission tickets – \$8 each (good for adults or youth) are available through close of business on Wednesday, September 16.
- Advance unlimited carnival ride wristbands - \$30 available through close of business on Wednesday, September 16.
- Thursday – Fairgoers ages 16 and under get in for free and unlimited ride wristbands are \$23
- Friday – Everyone gets in for free from noon to 5:00 PM
- Saturday – get in for \$2 from noon to 2:00 PM if you bring two cans of food
- Sunday – get in for \$2 from noon to 2:00 PM if you bring two cans of food

**For more information visit [www.grapefestival.com](http://www.grapefestival.com)**

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# **HOW TO ENTER EXHIBITS IN THE LODI GRAPE FESTIVAL**

This Premium Book and Entry Guide lists all the different items you can enter to win cash prizes and/or ribbons. The Book is divided into **SECTIONS** for:

- Adults (Ages 19 and over)
- Juniors (Ages 5 through 18)

Each **SECTION** is divided into **DEPARTMENTS** that are the major categories of exhibits you can enter. Each **DEPARTMENT** is divided into **DIVISIONS** and each **DIVISION** lists the **CLASSES** you can enter.

Here is a list of things you need to do to enter:

1. Read and follow the State and Local Rules as well as the rules and guidelines for the department(s) and division(s) that you enter. Be sure you check each department for age limitations, entry limits, entry fees (if any), etc.
2. This book contains an entry form that can be used for Adults or Juniors. One exhibitor per form. You can request additional entry forms by calling (209) 369-2771.
3. Completely fill out the entry form with your current mailing address, daytime phone number and date of birth if you are under 18 years of age. List your item(s) in the Department, Division and Class you feel best suited for your exhibit. One entry per line. If you have more entries than space allotted use a second entry form.
4. Submit your entry form on or before the date listed under “entry forms due.” Forms must be received no later than 5:00 PM on the date they are due. You may submit your form as follows:
  - Bring your entry form and any entry fees to the Festival office
  - Mail your entry form and any entry fees to P.O. Box 848, Lodi, CA 95241
  - Fax your entry form (if there are no entry fees due) to (209) 369-9185
  - Submit your entry form through the online entry system at [grapefestival.com](http://grapefestival.com)
  - E-mail your entry form (if there are no entry fees due) to [brandy@grapefestival.com](mailto:brandy@grapefestival.com)

Remember – it must be received no later than 5:00 PM on the date it is due.

5. Bring your exhibit(s) to the Festival building location listed for the Department(s) you enter on the date and times listed as “Entry Drop Off”. Exhibits cannot be received earlier or later than the times listed in the Entry Guidebook.
6. Exhibits must be picked up the day after the Festival ends listed as “Entry Pick Up”. The Festival is not responsible for items not picked up on time.

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## **To Summarize:**

- **Read the rules**
- **Fill the form out completely and correctly including signature**
- **Submit the form on or before the due date**
- **Bring your exhibit(s) on the entry drop off date and time listed**
- **Pick up your exhibit(s) on the entry pick up date and time listed**

## IMPORTANT ENTRY DATES

DEPARTMENT	ENTRY FORMS DUE	ENTRY DROP OFF	ENTRY PICK UP
Afghans / Needlework / Sewing	August 21 5 PM	August 28 – 10 AM to 5 PM <u>OR</u> August 29 – 9 AM to 1 PM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Agriculture-Horticulture	September 4 5 PM	September 15 – 8 AM to 11 AM Grape Pavilion	September 21 9 AM to Noon
Baking Jr. Baking	August 21 5 PM	September 13 – 10 AM to Noon Festival Office	
Fine Arts Junior Art	August 21 5 PM	August 28 – 10 AM to 5 PM <u>OR</u> August 29 – 9 AM to 1 PM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Floriculture #1 Junior Floriculture #1	September 4 5 PM	September 15 – 4 PM to 8 PM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Floriculture #2	September 4 5 PM	September 15 – 4 PM to 8 PM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Floriculture #3 Junior Floriculture #2	September 4 5 PM	September 18 – 8 AM to 10 AM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Grape Murals	August 21 5 PM	September 12-15 Grape Pavilion	
Arts & Crafts / Hobbies Junior Arts & Crafts / Hobbies	August 21 5 PM	August 28 – 10 AM to 5 PM <u>OR</u> August 29 – 9 AM to 1 PM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Junior Group Commodity Murals	September 4 5 PM	September 15 – 8 AM to 5 PM Grape Pavilion	September 21 9 AM to Noon
Junior Needlework & Quilts	August 21 5 PM	August 28 – 10 AM to 5 PM <u>OR</u> August 29 – 9 AM to 1 PM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Photography Junior Photography	August 21 5 PM	August 28 – 10 AM to 5 PM <u>OR</u> August 29 – 9 AM to 1 PM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Preserved Foods	August 14 5 PM	August 14 – 8 AM to 5 PM Festival Office	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Quilts/Quilted Wall Hangings/Table Toppers	August 21 5 PM	August 28 – 10 AM to 5 PM <u>OR</u> August 29 – 9 AM to 1 PM Jackson Hall	September 21 9 AM to 4 PM
Viticulture Jr. Viticulture	September 11 5 PM	September 15 – 2 PM to 8 PM Grape Pavilion	September 21 9 AM to Noon

**DON'T FORGET TO READ THE RULES TO MAKE SURE YOU  
DROP OFF YOUR ENTRY COMPLETE AND CORRECT!**

# **LOCAL RULES FOR ALL LODI GRAPE FESTIVAL**

## **COMPETITIVE EXHIBITORS**

Must read before submitting an entry form

1. Entry forms must be in possession of the Lodi Grape Festival Business Office, 413 E. Lockeford Street, Lodi, CA 95240, no later than the entry deadline as listed for each department in the Entry Guidebook. Late entries will not be accepted.
2. Exhibits must be brought to the drop-off location on the date and time listed for each department in the Entry Guidebook. Late entries will not be received.
3. Management reserves the right to remove from display any exhibit deemed unsuitable for family viewing.
4. All exhibits must be picked up on Monday immediately following the Festival or they will be disposed of. The Festival is not responsible for items that are not picked up on the designated date.
5. All entries are entered at the exhibitor's own risk. Great care will be taken in handling the exhibits; however, the Lodi Grape Festival and National Wine Show Association, Inc. and any individual connected therewith assume no liability for loss or damages to any entry.
6. Submission of an exhibit to the Lodi Grape Festival constitutes an understanding and acceptance by the exhibitor of all Local, State, Department and Division rules, regulations and requirements, and grants the Lodi Grape Festival the right to use images of entries for promotional and/or publicity purposes. Whenever possible, artistic credit will be given to the exhibitor.
7. Premiums are paid only in accordance with the results recorded on the judging sheets. Ribbons, tags, etc. have no value as to the payment of premiums. As per State rules, no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class. Ribbons will be awarded as placed. Premium checks will be mailed within 30 days of the close of the Festival. State rules regarding protests shall apply.
8. Entering an exhibit in the Festival does not entitle the exhibitor to free or discounted admission.
9. Exhibitors are not permitted in exhibit buildings at any time prior to opening date of the Festival, including during judging, except when submitting their exhibits. Judging results will not be released prior to the Festival.

The following definitions are important to the understanding of this Exhibit Guidebook:

1. Danish System – the judging process to compare each exhibit on its own merit against the scorecard or recognized standard and award as many first placing, etc. as merited.
2. American System – The judging process to rank exhibits against one another and award one first, one second, etc.
3. Entry – An object or collection of objects intended for exhibit.
4. Exhibit – An entry becomes an exhibit when it is shown or judged at the fair.
5. Exhibitor – The owner of the exhibit. (see definitions in State Rule book.)
6. Junior Department – A department provided for youth.
7. Open Department – See Senior Department
8. Exhibitor Handbook – An entry book, prize list, contest book or other publication specifying rules and awards for fair contests.
9. Senior Department – Any department not considered a junior department.

## **STATE RULES**

State Rules for California Fairs apply and are available online at:

[https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsandExpositions/exhibit\\_and\\_livestock.html](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsandExpositions/exhibit_and_livestock.html)

# FEATURED COMMODITY

San Joaquin County, also known as the breadbasket of the world, produces more than 300 different crops within the county boundaries. The byproducts generated from these commodities range from wine to fresh fruit to milk to feed for livestock.

The mission of the Lodi Grape Festival is to celebrate the agricultural industry and heritage in the County and each year we will choose a new “featured commodity” that will be showcased in every department.

## 2026 WE ARE FEATURING CORN

Corn is believed to have first been grown in the area of the world that is now Mexico but is now widely grown throughout the United States and is a top 10 crop in San Joaquin County. Corn has many uses including food for humans both as fresh and as an ingredient such as corn starch or corn flower, livestock feed, fuel ethanol, industrial uses and ornamentally.

There will be at least one special corn class in each department of competitive exhibits (except for Viticulture and Junior Viticulture). We encourage you to participate in as many as you want and help us celebrate the pumpkin. Special ribbons will be awarded, and a sweepstakes award will be given to the exhibitor with the most entries in the corn categories.

Look for the 🌽 symbol to see what you can enter!

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Department 2 – Use of Corn or a Corn Product in the Grape Mural design

Department 4 – Table for Two Corn Theme

Department 5 – Centerpiece using Corn or Corn By-products

Department 6 – Use of Corn in an Arrangement

Department 7 – Largest ear of Corn

Department 8 – Corn Jelly

Department 9 – Quilts/Wall Hangings/Tabletoppers with Corn as the Primary Theme

Department 10 – Corn Decoration

Department 11 – Holiday Decoration using Corn

Department 12 – Corn Themed Artwork

Department 13 – Corn as the Focal Point of the Photo

Department 14 – Cornbread and Carmel Corn

Department 20 – Use of Corn or a Corn Product in the Grape Mural design

Department 22 – Ornamental decorated Corn Cob

Department 24 – Use of a Corn in an Arrangement

Department 25 – Any Needlework with Corn as the Primary Theme


Department 26 – Corn themed craft, Pinterest Item, Trash to Treasure, Educational Poster, Corn Cob characters

Department 27 – Corn themed art

Department 28 – Corn as the focal point of the photo

Department 30 – Cornbread and Caramel Corn

## **WHAT'S NEW THIS YEAR?**

- **FEATURED COMMODITY IS CORN** 
- **SEPARATE AMATEUR AND PROFESSIONAL FINE ARTS DIVISIONS**
- **SEPARATE AMATEUR AND PROFESSIONAL LAPIDARY & JEWELRY ARTS IN OPEN ARTS & CRAFTS / HOBBIES**
- **COMMODITY MURAL CLASS FOR SPECIAL DAY CLASSES**
- **CORNBREAD AND CARAMEL CORN IN OPEN AND JUNIOR BAKING**
- **NEW DIVISION FOR INTERLOCKING BUILDING TOYS IN JUNIOR HOME ARTS & CRAFTS / HOBBIES**
- **NEW DIVISION FOR EDUCATIONAL POSTERS IN JUNIOR HOME ARTS & CRAFTS / HOBBIES**
- **SIZE SPECIFICATIONS FOR SMALL QUILTS AND SMALL AFGHANS**
- **DIAMOND ART IN ADULT AND JUNIOR HOME ARTS & CRAFTS / HOBBIES**
- **DECORATED CORN COB CHARACTERS IN JUNIOR ARTS & CRAFTS / HOBBIES**

DEPARTMENT 1

# VITICULTURE

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, September 11</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEE</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Tuesday, September 15</b> <b>2:00 PM to 8:00 PM</b> <b>Grape Pavilion</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to Noon</b> <b>Grapes left after noon</b> <b>will be disposed of</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. No entry fees. No restrictions in the number of entries per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class. Ribbons will be awarded as placed.
2. Festival shall furnish plates for plate displays; exhibitor shall furnish their own boxes for other displays. Boxes must be standard display lugs, but false bottoms are permitted.
3. A farming partnership shall be recognized as an individual; partnership members must not show individually. All the entries of one variety from one vineyard shall be made in the name of one exhibitor.

### Grapes – Plate Display

(3 bunches)

#### Premiums Offered Per Class, Divisions 10-12

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	\$2.00

Department 1

#### Division 10

Table Grapes – Plate Display (3 bunches)

Class

1. Autumn Royal
2. Beauty Seedless
3. Black Emerald
4. Black Hamburg
5. Black Prince (Rose of Peru)
6. Black Rose
7. Cardinal
8. Centennial Seedless
9. Concord
10. Early Muscat
11. Emerald Seedless (Black Seedless)
12. Emperor
13. Exotic
14. Fantasy Seedless
15. Fiesta
16. Flame Muscat

Class

17. Flame Seedless (Red Flame)
18. Flame Tokay
19. Italia (Muscat Italia)
20. Muscat Hamburg
21. Melissa
22. Muscat of Alexander
23. Red Crimson (Crimson Seedless)
24. Red Globe (Rose Ito)
25. Red Seedless
26. Ribier
27. Ruby Seedless (King Ruby)
28. Sultana
29. Thompson Seedless
30. Tokay
31. Any Not Listed - Identify

Department 1

**Division 11**

White Wine Grapes – Plate Display (3 bunches)

Class

1. Albarino
2. Burger
3. Chardonnay
4. Chenin Blanc
5. Colombard
6. Emerald Reisling
7. French Colombard
8. Gewurtztraminer
9. Gray Reisling
10. Green Hungarian
11. Muscat Blanc
12. Muscat Orange

Class

13. Muscat of Alexandria
14. Pinot Blanc
15. Pinot Gris
16. Roussanne
17. Sauvignon Blanc
18. Semillion
19. Symphony
20. Verdelho
21. Viognier
22. White Reisling
23. Any Not Listed - Identify

Department 1

**Division 12**

Red Wine Grapes – Plate Display (3 bunches)

Class

1. Alicante Bouschet
2. Barbera
3. Cabernet Franc
4. Cabernet Sauvignon
5. Carignane
6. Gamay
7. Grenache Noir
8. Malbec
9. Merlot
10. Mission
11. Mourvedre
12. Muscat Hamburg

Class

13. Nebbiolo
14. Petite Sirah
15. Petit Verdot
16. Pinot Noir
17. Rubired
18. Ruby Cabernet
19. Sangiovese
20. Syrah
21. Tempranillo/Valdepenas
22. Teroldego
23. Zinfandel
24. Any Not Listed - Identify

**Grapes – Standard Package Display**

**Premiums Offered Per Class, Divisions 13-15**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$7.50	\$5.00

Department 1

**Division 13**

Table Grapes – Standard Package (continued on next page)

Class

1. Autumn Royal
2. Beauty Seedless
3. Black Emerald
4. Black Hamburg
5. Black Rose
6. Cardinal
7. Christmas Rose
8. Concord
9. Early Muscat

Class

10. Emerald Seedless (Black Seedless)
11. Emperor
12. Exotic
13. Fantasy Seedless
14. Fiesta
15. Flame Muscat
16. Flame Seedless (Red Flame)
17. Flame Tokay
18. Golden Muscat

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 19. Italia (Muscat Italia)         | 25. Ruby Seedless             |
| 20. Olivette Blanche (Lady Finger) | 26. Sultana                   |
| 21. Red Crimson (Crimson Seedless) | 27. Thompson Seedless         |
| 22. Red Globe (Rose Ito)           | 28. Tokay                     |
| 23. Red Seedless                   | 29. Any Not Listed - Identify |
| 24. Ribier                         |                               |

Department 1

**Division 14**

White Wine Grapes– Standard Package

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|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Class</b>        | <b>Class</b>                  |
| 1. Albarino         | 13. Muscat Orange             |
| 2. Burger           | 14. Muscat of Alexandria      |
| 3. Chardonnay       | 15. Pinot Blanc               |
| 4. Chenin Blanc     | 16. Pinot Gris                |
| 5. Colombard        | 17. Sauvignon Blanc           |
| 6. Dovine           | 18. Semillion                 |
| 7. Emerald Reisling | 19. Symphony                  |
| 8. French Colombard | 20. Verdelho                  |
| 9. Gewurtztraminer  | 21. Viognier                  |
| 10. Gray Reisling   | 22. White Reisling            |
| 11. Green Hungarian | 23. Any Not Listed - Identify |
| 12. Muscat Blanc    |                               |

Department 1

**Division 15**

Red Wine Grapes– **Standard Package**

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|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Class</b>          | <b>Class</b>                  |
| 1. Alicante Bouschet  | 13. Nebbiolo                  |
| 2. Barbera            | 14. Petite Sirah              |
| 3. Cabernet Franc     | 15. Petit Verdot              |
| 4. Cabernet Sauvignon | 16. Pinot Noir                |
| 5. Carignane          | 17. Rubired                   |
| 6. Gamay              | 18. Ruby Cabernet             |
| 7. Grenache Noir      | 19. Sangiovese                |
| 8. Malbec             | 20. Syrah                     |
| 9. Merlot             | 21. Tempranillo/Valdepenas    |
| 10. Mission           | 22. Teroldego                 |
| 11. Mourvedre         | 23. Zinfandel                 |
| 12. Muscat Hamburg    | 24. Any Not Listed - Identify |

Department 1

**Division 16**

Fancy Pack Table Grape  
(Standard Package)

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$20.00	\$15.00	\$10.00

- Class**
1. Fancy Pack – Mixture of Grapes

Department 1  
**Division 17**  
 Rack Display  
 (10 Standard Display Packages – One Grower)

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$100.00	\$80.00	\$60.00

- | Class                 | Class                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Alicante Bouschet  | 14. Petite Sirah              |
| 2. Barbera            | 15. Petit Verdot              |
| 3. Cabernet Franc     | 16. Pinot Noir                |
| 4. Cabernet Sauvignon | 17. Rubired                   |
| 5. Carignane          | 18. Ruby Cabernet             |
| 6. Chardonnay         | 19. Sauvignon Blanc           |
| 7. French Colombard   | 20. Symphony                  |
| 8. Grenache Noir      | 21. Syrah/Shiraz              |
| 9. Malbec             | 22. Terodelgo                 |
| 10. Merlot            | 23. Tokay                     |
| 11. Mission           | 24. Viognier                  |
| 12. Mourvedre         | 25. Zinfandel                 |
| 13. Nebbiolo          | 26. Any Not Listed - Identify |

Department 1  
**Division 18**  
 Feature Display  
 (20 Standard Display Packages – One Grower)

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$200.00	\$160.00	\$120.00

- | Class                 | Class                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Barbera            | 8. Symphony                   |
| 2. Cabernet Sauvignon | 9. Syrah/Shiraz               |
| 3. Carignane          | 10. Tokay                     |
| 4. Chardonnay         | 11. Viognier                  |
| 5. Merlot             | 12. Zinfandel                 |
| 6. Mission            | 13. Any Not Listed - Identify |
| 7. Petite Sirah       |                               |

Department 1  
**Division 19**  
 Largest Single Bunch  
 (Judged by weight only)

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$7.50	\$5.00

- | Class                        | Class                         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Any Wine Grape – Identify | 2. Any Table Grape – Identify |

DEPARTMENT 2

# GRAPE MURALS

<p><b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b>  <b>Friday, August 21</b>  <b>5:00 PM</b>  <b>NO ENTRY FEE</b></p>	<p><b>MURAL CONSTRUCTION</b>  <b>September 12-15 in the</b>  <b>Grape Pavilion – must be</b>  <b>completed by 10 PM on</b>  <b>Tuesday, September 15</b></p>	<p><b>AWARDS RELEASED</b>  <b>Monday, September 21</b>  <b>9:00 AM to Noon</b>  <b>Awards will be</b>  <b>available in Festival</b>  <b>office</b></p>	<p><b>JUDGING</b>  <b>Danish system of</b>  <b>judging</b></p>
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## 2026 THEME

# “OUT OF THIS WORLD”

## Department Rules

1. Open to San Joaquin County organizations. For this purpose, “organization” is defined as any non-profit, charitable, service, fraternal or civic group or club. Grapes need not be grown by the exhibitor.
2. Limited to the first eight (8) entries received.
3. Mural design must follow the theme selected by the Lodi Grape Festival.
4. A minimum of 50% of the mural surface area shall be covered with individual berries. A portion of the cap stem must remain attached to the individual berries.
5. Not more than 10% of the mural surface shall be covered with foreign materials – this translates to 9.6 square feet in an 8’ X 12’ mural. The materials must be fireproof. Not more than ½ of 1% of the surface shall be elevated to a maximum height of 4 inches – this translates to ½ square foot of the mural. At least 20% of the remainder of the mural surface shall be covered with grape bunches. Elevations of the bunches shall be the same height to the individual berries.
6. No three-dimensional construction involving the use of grape bunches or individual berries will be permitted.
7. Organization name may not appear in the mural.
8. Children must be supervised during mural construction.

Department 2  
**Division 20**  
 Grape Murals

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$1,500.00	\$800.00	\$600.00

### Class

1. 8’ X 12’ grape mural

### Special Awards

- Best of Show - \$1,000
- Manager’s Award - \$500
- President’s Award - \$500
- Best Use of Theme - \$500
- People’s Choice - \$250

**Use of Corn or Corn By-Products in Mural Design - \$100 🌽**

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT GRAPE MURALS

- Q. From start to finish how long does it take to make a mural?  
A. About two months from concept to completion.
- Q. Do they reuse the same materials every year?  
A. No, you start from scratch every year to depict the new theme.
- Q. When do you start working on the mural?  
A. You can start as soon as the Festival releases the theme which is sometime in May or June.
- Q. Is there prize money?  
A. Yes, anywhere from \$200 to \$2,000.
- Q. Are those Jordan almonds that you use for white grapes?  
A. No, all materials we use are real grapes or materials from the grape vine. However, we do use spray paint to get the colors we need in our design.
- Q. Why don't the murals spoil?  
A. We leave a little piece of the grape stem on the grape called the bellybutton to keep it from spoiling.
- Q. How many grapes do you use?  
A. Between 7,000 and 10,000 individual grapes.
- Q. Who can do a mural?  
A. Grape Murals can be done by San Joaquin County organizations. For this purpose, "organization" is defined as any non-profit, charitable, service, fraternal or civic group or club.
- Q. Is the mural one big board?  
A. No, it would be much too heavy so it is broken up into pieces like a jigsaw puzzle.
- Q. How many days does it take to put the grapes on?  
A. Three to four days.
- Q. Where do you get the grapes from?  
A. Local farmers will donate grapes, however, you may have to go to the vineyard and pick them yourself.
- Q. Is there someone involved with the Lodi Grape Festival who could give an interested group instructions on how to put together a mural?  
A. Yes! Please call the Festival office at (209) 369-2771 and we can connect you with experienced mural constructors.
- Q. How many big murals can there be?  
A. There is space for a total of eight large murals – the size is 8' X 12'.

# FLORICULTURE #1

## TABLE SETTINGS

<p><b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b>  <b>Friday, September 4</b>  <b>5:00 PM</b>  <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b></p>	<p><b>DISPLAY TABLE SETTING</b>  <b>Tuesday, September 15</b>  <b>4:00 PM to 8:00 PM</b>  <b>Jackson Hall</b></p>	<p><b>ENTRY PICK UP</b>  <b>Monday, September 21</b>  <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b>  <b>Jackson Hall</b>  <b>Must be picked up that day</b></p>	<p><b>JUDGING</b>  <b>American System of</b>  <b>judging</b>  <b>Judged on neatness,</b>  <b>creativity, adherence</b>  <b>to theme and</b>  <b>presentation</b></p>
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## Department Rules

1. Tables will be provided – do not bring one.
2. One (1) entry per exhibitor per division.

Department 4

**Division 30**

Table for Two

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$50.00	\$35.00	\$25.00

### Division 30 Rules

1. Limited to the first 12 entries received.
2. Tables are 3' X 4' X 30" tall and are rough wood – bring your own protective cover. Tablecloths must hang to the floor (a flat queen-sized sheet will work).
3. Tables are to be set with a tablecloth, napkins and table service – NO FLATWARE. Must display a menu and everything must relate to the class entered. Unopened wine or beer bottles may be used but no fresh food may be used. Centerpiece may be of fresh, dry and/or silk materials and need not be floral unless specified but must be low enough to see across the table. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items – do not use sentimental or irreplaceable items in your setting.
4. See State and Local Rules for responsibility.

Class

1. **Corn theme** 🌽
2. Holidays
3. Monochrome –the theme of the setting is one color; the color can be various hues
4. From the Garden
5. Exhibitor's Choice

Department 4

**Division 31**

Table for Four

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$75.00	\$50.00	\$35.00

**Division 31 Rules**

1. Limited to the first 16 entries received.
2. Tables are 3' X 4' X 30" tall and are rough wood – bring your own protective cover. Tablecloths must hang to the floor (a flat queen size sheet will work).
3. Tables are to be set with a tablecloth, napkins and table service – NO FLATWARE. Must display a menu and everything must relate to the class entered. Unopened wine or beer bottles may be used but no fresh food may be used. Centerpiece may be of fresh, dry and/or silk materials and need not be floral unless specified but must be low enough to see across the table. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items – do not use sentimental or irreplaceable items in your setting.
4. See State and Local Rules for responsibility.

Class

1. Farmers Market
2. Decades – pick a decade of your choice
3. Vintage Carnival
4. Winter Wonderland
5. Exhibitors Choice

Department 4

**Division 32**

Table for Six

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$100.00	\$75.00	\$50.00

**Division 32 Rules**

1. Limited to the first four (4) entries received
2. Tables are 60" round tables. Tablecloths must hang to the floor.
3. Tables are to be set with a tablecloth, napkins and table service – NO FLATWARE. Must display a menu and everything must relate to the class entered. Unopened wine or beer bottles may be used but no fresh food may be used. Centerpiece may be of fresh, dry and/or silk materials and need not be floral unless specified but must be low enough to see across the table. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items – do not use sentimental or irreplaceable items in your setting.
4. See State and Local Rules for responsibility.

Class

1. Out of this World

DEPARTMENT 5  
**FLORICULTURE #2**  
**PLANTS**

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, September 4</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Tuesday, September 15</b> <b>4:00 PM to 8:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>judging</b>
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**Department Rules**

1. Two (2) entries per exhibitor per class.
2. Flowers and plants must be grown by exhibitor.
3. No props, stands, containers or accessories will be provided. Exhibitors may use own props or stands. Containers are not to exceed 18" unless otherwise specified. Please mark your belongings.

Department 5  
**Division 34**  
Potted Plants

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$9.00	\$6.00	Ribbon

Class

1. Cactus – identify on entry form
2. Succulent – identify on entry form
3. Green Plant – upright or hanging
4. Color Bowl
5. Succulent Garden
6. Bonsai – include year on entry form
7. Herb Garden
8. Any Not Listed – identify on entry form

Department 5  
**Division 35**  
Grow Where You're Planted  
Unique Planter

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$50.00	\$25.00	Ribbon

Division 35 Rules

1. One (1) entry per exhibitor. Limited to the first 12 entries received.
2. Entry must be watertight and not leaking – will be displayed indoors.

Class

1. Unique Planter

Department 5  
Division 36  
Silk or Dried Flower Arrangement

Premiums Offered Per Class

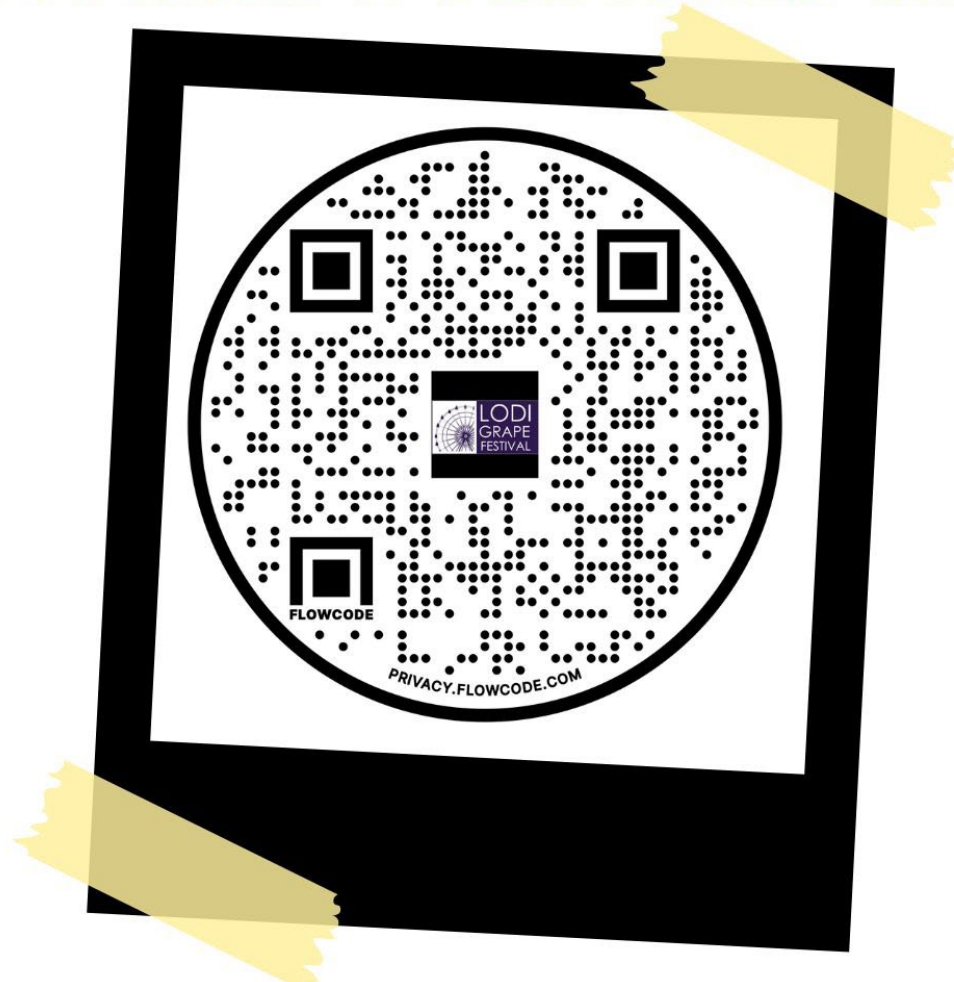
1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$5.00	Ribbon

1. Two (2) entries per exhibitor per class.

Class

1. Flower Arrangement
2. Wreath
3. Centerpiece using Corn or Corn By-products 🌽
4. Any Not Listed – Identify on Entry Form

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# FLORICULTURE #3

## Cut Flowers

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, September 4</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF*</b> <b>Friday, September 18</b> <b>8:00 AM to 10:00 AM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>judging</b> <b>Begins at 10:00 AM</b> <b>sharp. Entries will not</b> <b>be received once</b> <b>judging begins.</b>
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### Department Rules

1. One (1) entry per exhibitor per class. Exception for other colors/blends class – may enter multiple entries in this class only but no more than one of each color/blend and it must not fit into any other class.
2. Flowers must be grown by exhibitor.
3. Please bring your own vases.
4. No props, stands, containers or accessories will be provided. Exhibitors may use own props or stands. Containers are not to exceed 18" unless otherwise specified. Please mark your belongings.

#### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	Ribbon

#### Department 6

##### Division 37

##### Roses

##### Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora (Single Bloom)

1. Red
2. Pink

3. White
4. Yellow

5. Orange
6. Other colors/blends

##### Floribunda (Single Bloom)

7. Red
8. Pink

9. White
10. Yellow

11. Orange
12. Other colors/blends

##### Minature (Single Bloom)

13. Red
14. Pink

15. White
16. Yellow

17. Orange
18. Other colors/blends

##### Spray (2 or more blooms)

19. Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora

20. Floribunda

21. Minature

##### Roses (other)

22. Roses (other)

23. Any other type of rose

#### Department 6

##### Division 38

##### Cut Flowers

##### Class

1. Fresh Rose Arrangement in vase
2. Fresh Arrangement – flowers of your choice
3. Floating Open Rose
4. Mixed Bouquet – 2 more species, 12 stems

##### Class

5. Mixed Color Bouquet – single species, 12 stems
6. Fresh Single Stem – flower of your choice
7. Corn Arrangement – use of corn or corn by-products in arrangement 🌽

**\*WHERE TO DROP OFF FLORICULTURE #3 ENTRIES**

Entries are dropped off in Jackson Hall between 8 AM and 10 AM on Friday, September 18. This is during the Festival, but before the gates are open to the public. To drop off your entries, drive west on Lockeford Street from Cherokee Lane and turn right into Gate 8 leading you into the grass parking lot. Take an immediate left into Gate 9 and look for the signage directing you to the east door of Jackson Hall. There will be a tent and tables set up for entries to be delivered.



DEPARTMENT 7

# AGRICULTURE-HORTICULTURE

Dedicated to the memory of Merry Sasaki

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, September 4</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Tuesday, September 15</b> <b>8:00 AM to 11:00 AM</b> <b>Grape Pavilion</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to Noon</b> <b>Produce left after noon</b> <b>will be disposed of</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. No entry fees.
2. Two (2) entries per exhibitor per class.

### Premiums Offered Per Class, Divisions 50-54

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$3.00	\$2.00	Ribbon

Department 7  
**Division 50**  
 Fruit & Pod Vegetables

Class

1. Beans, Green Bush or String – 7 pods
2. Beans, Any Other – Identify – 7 pods
3. Eggplant, Globe – 1
4. Eggplant, Long – 3
5. Okra – 3
6. Peppers, Green Bell – 3
7. Peppers, Red Bell – 3
8. Peppers, Yellow Bell – 3
9. Peppers, Any Other Color Bell – 3
10. Peppers, Green Chili – 3
11. Peppers, Red Chili – 3
12. Pepper, Green Cayenne – 6
13. Peppers, Red Cayenne – 6
14. Peppers, Wax – 3
15. Peppers, Jalapeno – 3
16. Peppers, Serrano – 6
17. Peppers, Any Other – Identify – 6

Class

18. Tomatoes, Cherry – small – 7
19. Tomatoes, Cherry – medium – 6
20. Tomatoes, Cherry – large – 5
21. Tomatoes, Cherry – yellow – 5
22. Tomatoes, Globe – 3
23. Tomatoes, Grape – 5
24. Tomatoes, Heirloom – small – 3
25. Tomatoes, Heirloom – medium – 3
26. Tomatoes, Heirloom – large – 3
27. Tomatoes, Red – large – 3
28. Tomatoes, Red – small – 5
29. Tomatoes, Red Pear – 3
30. Tomatoes, Yellow Pear – 3
31. Tomatoes, Roma – 6
32. Tomatoes, Any Yellow – Identify – 6
33. Tomatoes, Any Other – 6
34. Any Not Listed – Identify

Department 7  
**Division 51**  
Leafy & Stem Vegetables

Class

1. Basil – 5 stems (no flowers)\*
2. Bay Leaf – 3 stems\*
3. Cilantro – 5 stems\*
4. Corn, Sweet White – 3 ears 🌽
5. Corn, Sweet Yellow – 3 ears 🌽
6. Mint – Identify – 5 stems\*
7. Onion – Green Bunching – 5 stems

\*drop off in a pint jar with water

Class

8. Oregano – 5 stems\*
9. Parsley – 5 stems\*
10. Rosemary – 5 stems\*
11. Sage – 5 stems, 15" or less\*
12. Thyme – 5 stems\*
13. Any Not Listed – Identify\*

Department 7  
**Division 52**  
Bulb, Root and Tuber Vegetables

Class

1. Beets, Garden – 1 bunch (3 plants)
2. Carrots, Long Type – 1 bunch (3 plants)
3. Carrots, Short Type – 1 bunch (3 plants)
4. Garlic, Brown – 6 heads
5. Garlic, Elephant – 3 heads
6. Garlic, White – 6 bulbs
7. Garlic, Braided – 10 bulbs
8. Garlic, Italian Red – 5 hard stems
9. Onions, Australian Brown - 3

Class

10. Onions, Red Torpedo – 3
11. Onions, Silver Skin Crowder – 3
12. Onions, Stockton Red – 3
13. Onions, Yellow Globe – 3
14. Potatoes, White Rose – 3
15. Potatoes, Red Rose – 3
16. Potatoes, Purple – 3
17. Potatoes, Russet – 4
18. Any Not Listed – Identify

Department 7  
**Division 53**  
Vine Crop

Class

1. Cucumber, Lemon – 3
2. Cucumber, Slicing Green – 2
3. Cucumber, Small Pickling – 6
4. Cucumber, Large Pickling – 3
5. Cucumber, Armenian Type – 2
6. Melon, Cantaloupe – 1
7. Melon, Casaba – 1
8. Melon, Crenshaw – 1
9. Melon, Honey Dew – 1
10. Pumpkin, Pie – Identify – 1
11. Pumpkin, Halloween – Identify – 1

Class

12. Pumpkin, Mini – 2 or 3
13. Squash, Acorn – 1
14. Squash, Banana – 1
15. Squash, Hubbard – 1
16. Squash, Butternut, mature – 1
17. Squash, Scallop, table size – 3
18. Squash, Crookneck, table size – 1
19. Squash, Green Zucchini, table size – 3
20. Squash, Any Other – Identify – 3
21. Watermelon, Striped – 1
22. Any Not Listed – Identify

Department 7  
**Division 54**  
Tree Crops, Nuts & Seeds

- | Class                               | Class                             |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Almonds – 10                     | 12. Pears, Bartlett – 3           |
| 2. Apples, Fuji – 3                 | 13. Pears, Asian – 3              |
| 3. Apples, Gala – 3                 | 14. Pears, Any Other – 3          |
| 4. Apples, Golden Delicious – 3     | 15. Persimmons – 3                |
| 5. Apples, Granny Smith – 3         | 16. Pistachios                    |
| 6. Apples, Red Delicious – 3        | 17. Plums – 3                     |
| 7. Apples, Any Other – Identify - 3 | 18. Pomegranate – 3               |
| 8. Figs – 3                         | 19. Sunflower – 3                 |
| 9. Kiwi – 3                         | 20. Walnuts – 5                   |
| 10. Olives – 10                     | 21. Any Not Listed – Identify - 3 |
| 11. Peaches – 3                     |                                   |

NOTE: A monstrosity is one that is too large to be of commercial value as stated in Section 42513 of the California Agricultural Code.

**Premiums Offered Per Class, Divisions 55-56**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$25.00	\$10.00	Ribbon

**Division 55-56 Rules**

1. No restrictions in number of entries per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class.

Department 7  
**Division 55**  
Giant Pumpkins

- Class
1. Pumpkins

Department 7  
**Division 56**  
Monstrosities

- Class
1. Melons, except watermelon
  2. Squash
  3. Watermelon
  4. **Ear of Corn** 🌽

Department 7  
**Division 57**  
Fruit and/or Vegetable Basket

Create a “market basket” of assorted delights from your garden. Use your own container. Baskets will be judged on overall appearance, colorfulness and excellence of products used.

**Division 57 Rules**

1. One (1) entry per exhibitor per class.
2. Products must be grown by exhibitor; basket and decoration material items may be purchased.
3. Herbs may be used in all baskets.

**Premiums Offered Per Class, Classes 1-3**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$7.50	Ribbon

Class

1. Vegetable Basket – larger than 14”
2. Fruit Basket – larger than 14”
3. Mixed Basket (may include fruit and vegetables) – larger than 14”

**Premiums Offered Per Class, Classes 4-6**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$8.00	\$5.50	Ribbon

Class

4. Vegetable Basket – smaller than 14”
5. Fruit Basket – smaller than 14”
6. Mixed Basket (may include fruit and vegetables) – smaller than 14”

DEPARTMENT 8

# PRESERVED FOODS

<p><b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b>  <b>Friday, August 14</b>  <b>5:00 PM</b>  <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b></p>	<p><b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b>  <b>Friday, August 14</b>  <b>8:00 AM to 5:00</b>  <b>PM</b>  <b>Festival Office</b></p>	<p><b>ENTRY PICK UP –</b>  <b>OPENED JARS</b>  <b>Monday, August 26</b>  <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b>  <b>Festival Office</b></p>	<p><b>ENTRY PICK UP –</b>  <b>UNOPENED JARS</b>  <b>Monday, September 21</b>  <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b>  <b>Jackson Hall</b>  <b>Must be picked up that</b>  <b>day</b></p>	<p><b>JUDGING</b>  <b>American</b>  <b>System of</b>  <b>Judging</b></p>
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## Department Rules

1. Must provide two (2) samples of each item entered – one for judging and one for display. Samples opened for judging may be picked up at the Festival office on Monday, August 24, 2026. Refrigeration is not available. Entries may not all be sampled.
2. Exhibitor provided labels with the required information shall be affixed to the bottom of the jar.

### Division 60-61 Rules

1. Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class.
2. All entries shall comply with the USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning.
3. Entry form shall specify canning method (i.e. water bath, pressure canner or steam canner), length of preparation time and date of preparation.
4. Jar size shall be half pints and shall specify canning method (i.e. water bath, pressure canner or steam canner), length of preparation time and date of preparation.
5. All entries must be prepared by the exhibitor within a one-year period prior to judging date.
6. Jars must be standard and sealed – no paraffin seals and no freezer preserves. A standard jar is a container specifically designed for canning purposes. Jars must be sealed with new, rust-free rings. Entries not properly sealed will not be judged.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$4.00	Ribbon

Department 8  
**Division 60**  
 Jam

Class

1. Apricot
2. Blackberry
3. Boysenberry
4. Grape
5. Peach

Class

6. Strawberry
7. Raspberry
8. Mixed Fruit - Identify
9. Any Other – Identify

Department 8

**Division 61**

Jelly

Class

1. Apple
2. Grape
3. Mint
4. Pomegranate

Class

5. Strawberry
- 6. Corn** 🌽
7. Mixed Fruit - Identify
8. Any Other - Identify

**Division 62 Rules**

1. One (1) entry per exhibitor per class.
2. Entry form shall specify date and city of preparation.
3. Jar size shall be half pints jars with new, rust- free rings or one pound glass jars in the "Queen-line" or "Classic" style.

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$4.00	Ribbon

Department 8

**Division 62**

Honey

Class

1. Extracted Honey – Dark
2. Extracted Honey – Light
3. Naturally Granulated – Firm Set Honey

Class

4. Infused Honey – Flavored
5. Creamed Honey – Natural
6. Creamed Honey – Flavored

# QUILTS/QUILTED WALL HANGINGS & TABLE TOPPERS

<p><b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b>  <b>Friday, August 21</b>  <b>5:00 PM</b>  <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b></p>	<p><b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b>  <b>Friday, August 28</b>  <b>10:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b>  <b>OR</b>  <b>Saturday, August 29</b>  <b>9:00 AM to 1:00 PM</b>  <b>Jackson Hall</b></p>	<p><b>ENTRY PICK UP</b>  <b>Monday, September 21</b>  <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b>  <b>Jackson Hall</b>  <b>Must be picked up that day</b></p>	<p><b>JUDGING</b>  <b>American System of</b>  <b>Judging</b></p>
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## Department Rules

1. Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any class.
2. Exhibits may not have been previously exhibited at the Lodi Grape Festival.
3. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and must be unused, clean and in new condition. Any pet hair should be removed from the quilt before it is dropped off.
4. Quilts must be complete and handmade unless otherwise specified.
5. Wall hangings must be ready to hang.
6. Any quilt 8' X 8' in size or larger may not be able to be displayed. Management reserves the right to fold quilts for display purposes.
7. Sleeves for hanging quilts are highly encouraged.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$25.00	\$20.00	Ribbon

Department 9

### Division 65

Small Quilts (Baby, Throw or Lap Size)

**No larger than 70" X 80"**

Class

1. Baby or Lap Quilt, Hand Quilted
2. Baby or Lap Quilt, Machine Quilted
3. Any Small Quilt, Original Design
4. Miniature Quilt, not larger than 18" X 20"
5. Small Comforter, Tied – no quilting

Class

6. Combination Pieced/Appliqued, Hand Quilted
7. Combination Pieced/Appliqued, Machine Quilted
8. Holiday Quilt, any – larger than 36" X 36"
- 9. Any Quilt with Corn as the Primary Theme 🌽**
10. Any Not Listed – must not fit in any other class

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$50.00	\$35.00	Ribbon

Department 9  
**Division 66**  
Large Quilts (Bed Size)

Class

1. Hand Appliqued/Hand Quilted
2. Hand Appliqued/Machine Quilted
3. Machine Appliqued/Hand Quilted
4. Machine Appliqued/Machine Quilted
5. Machine Pieced/Hand Quilted
6. Machine Pieced/Machine Quilted
7. Hand Pieced/Hand Quilted
8. Hand Pieced/Machine Quilted

Class

9. Machine Pieced/Hand Tied
10. Embroidered/Hand Quilted
11. Original Design
12. Reversible Quilt
13. Combo Pieced/Appliqued, Hand Quilted
14. Combo Pieced/Appliqued, Machine Quilted
- 15. Any Quilt with Corn as the Primary Theme** 🌽
16. Any Not Listed – must not fit in any other class

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$20.00	\$15.00	Ribbon

Department 9  
**Division 67**  
Quilted Wall Hangings/Table Toppers or Runner

Class

1. WH - Hand Appliqued/Hand Quilted
2. WH - Hand Appliqued/Machine Quilted
3. WH - Machine Appliqued/Hand Quilted
4. WH - Machine Appliqued/Machine Quilted
5. WH - Pieced/Hand Quilted

Class

6. WH - Pieced/Machine Quilted
7. WH – Pieced/Appliqued
8. Table Topper or Runner – Hand Quilted
9. Table Topper or Runner – Machine Quilted
- 10. Any WH or TT with Corn as the Primary Theme** 🌽

**Special Award**

People's Choice - \$250

# AFGHANS / NEEDLEWORK / SEWING

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, August 21</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Friday, August 28</b> <b>10:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Saturday, August 29</b> <b>9:00 AM to 1:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any class.
2. Exhibits may not have been previously exhibited at the Lodi Grape Festival.
3. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and must be unused, clean and in new condition.
4. Afghans and needlework must be complete and handmade unless otherwise specified.
5. Wall hangings must be ready to hang. If framed it must be a wired wall mount, not a table mount (may not have legs on the frame). Frame must be securely wired from side to side. No sawtooth hangers, masking tape, string, poptop rings, etc. Frames must be in good condition.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$15.00	\$10.00	Ribbon

Department 10

### Division 70

Small Afghans (Crib or Throw Size)

**No larger than 40" X 60"**

Class

1. Small Afghan – Knitted

Class

2. Small Afghan – Crocheted

Department 10

### Division 71

Large Afghans (Bed Size)

Class

1. Large Afghan – Knitted

Class

2. Large Afghan – Crocheted

Department 10

### Division 72

Needlework

Class

1. Applique
2. Beading
3. Crochet
4. Cross Stitch
5. Embroidery
6. Handmade Scarf

Class

7. Knitting
8. Knit to Felt
9. Needlepoint
10. Weaving – Throw, etc. – larger than 24"
11. Any Not Listed (no clothing)
- 12. Any Item with a corn as the primary theme 🌽**

Department 10

Division 73

Sewing

Class

1. Large – Bag or Purse
2. Medium – Bag or Purse
3. Small – Bag or Purse
4. Table Topper or Runner (not quilted)
5. Pot Holders/Bowl Cozies/Hot Pads – specify

Class

6. Any Kitchen Item Not Listed - specify
7. Soft Sculpture (toys, pillows, etc.)
8. **Corn decoration – not quilted** 🌽
9. Any Other Item Not Listed – specify



# ARTS & CRAFTS / HOBBIES

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, August 21</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Friday, August 28</b> <b>10:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Saturday, August 29</b> <b>9:00 AM to 1:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any class.
2. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and must have been completed in the last 12 months.
3. Items that are meant to hang must be ready to be hung.
4. An **Amatuer** is defined as a person who engages in art activity as a pastime rather than a profession.
5. A **Professional** is defined as a person who engages in art activity as a livelihood an/or earns income from their artwork, educational courses, etc.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	Ribbon

Department 11  
**Division 75**  
 Paper Crafts

Class

1. Scrapbook Page
2. Greeting Cards

Class

3. Any Not Listed – Specify on entry form

Department 11

### Division 76

Holiday Decorations

Class

1. Ornament
2. Wreath
3. Wrapped gifts – show off a unique style of wrapping or something elegant

Class

4. Any Other Not Listed
5. **Any holiday decoration using corn and/or corn by-products** 🌽

Department 11

### Division 77

“Pin”spiration

A non-perishable item inspired by a Pinterest post – a printout of the post must be included.

Class

1. Small (under 12”)
2. Medium (12”-18”)

Class

3. Large (over 18”)

Department 11  
**Division 78**  
Diamond Art  
(must be wired for hanging)

- |                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Class                | Class      |
| 1. Animals           | 3. Holiday |
| 2. Characters/People | 4. Scenic  |

Department 11  
**Division 79**  
Wine Related Crafts

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|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Class                   | Class                   |
| 1. Cork art             | 3. Any other not listed |
| 2. Wine bottle creation |                         |

Department 11  
**Division 80**  
What's Old is New

- Class
1. Create something new from something used – must include photo of original item

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$8.00	\$5.00	Ribbon

Department 11  
**Division 81**  
Amateur Lapidary & Jewelry Arts

- |                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Class               | Class   |
| 1. Stone (Cabochon) | 3. Metal design (forming and/or soldering metals) |
| 2. Wire wrapped     | 4. Beadwork                                       |
|                     | 5. Any other not listed                           |

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$8.00	Ribbon

Department 11  
**Division 82**  
Professional / Advanced Lapidary & Jewelry Arts

- |                                       |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Class                                 | Class             |
| 1. Standard Cabochon using a template | 4. Wire wrapping  |
| 2. Free Formed Cabochon               | 5. Metal Smithing |
| 3. Faceting                           | 6. Beadwork       |

DEPARTMENT 12  
**FINE ARTS**

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, August 21</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Friday, August 28</b> <b>10:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Saturday, August 29</b> <b>9:00 AM to 1:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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**Department Rules**

1. Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any class.
2. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and may not have been previously exhibited at the Lodi Grape Festival. Must have been completed in the last 12 months.
3. **Size Limits – Maximum of 36" X 36" including frame. If the item is more than 15 lbs. exhibitor must provide a manner to display.**
4. All exhibits must be securely wired for hanging with a wire – no sawtooth hangers, masking tape, string, pop top rings, etc. Frames must be in good condition.
5. Water media, graphics and pastels must be under glass, plastic or plexiglass.
6. Entry must be labeled with name and phone number on the back when dropping it off.
7. An **Amatuer** is defined as a person who engages in art activity as a pastime rather than a profession.
8. A **Professional** is defined as a person who engages in art activity as a livelihood an/or earns income from their artwork, educational courses, etc.

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00

Department 12

**Division 85**

Amateur Fine Arts

Class

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Water Media</li> <li>2. Oil</li> <li>3. Acrylic</li> <li>4. Graphics – includes drawings, pen &amp; ink, etc.</li> </ol> | <p style="text-align: center;">Class</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Mixed Media – more than one media used</li> <li>6. Pastels</li> <li>8. Sculpture – metal, clay, wood, pottery, etc.</li> <li><b>8. Corn Themed Artwork – any medium 🌽</b></li> </ol> |
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**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$100.00	\$50.00	\$25.00

Department 12

**Division 86**

Professional Fine Arts

Class

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Water Media</li> <li>2. Oil</li> <li>3. Acrylic</li> <li>4. Graphics – includes drawings, pen &amp; ink, etc.</li> </ol> | <p style="text-align: center;">Class</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Mixed Media – more than one media used</li> <li>6. Pastels</li> <li>7. Sculpture – metal, clay, wood, pottery, etc.</li> <li><b>8. Corn Themed Artwork – any medium 🌽</b></li> </ol> |
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## Department Rules

1. Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any class. No more than nine (9) entries per exhibitor may be submitted in this department.
2. Prints must be at least 8" X 10" and may be either on a mat or framed. Must be clean and in good display condition.
  - If MATTED – must be securely affixed to a mat at least 2" wider and longer than the print. Thick or double mats may be damaged by display hangars. Maximum size matted is 16" X 20".
  - If FRAMED – frame must be a wired wall mount, not a table mount (may not have legs on the frame). Frame must be securely wired from side to side. No sawtooth hangers, masking tape, string, poptop rings, etc. Frames must be in good condition.
3. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and may not have been previously exhibited at the Lodi Grape Festival. Must have been completed in the last 12 months.
4. Protective covers left on the entry may not be returned.
5. All exhibits must be securely wired for hanging with a wire – no sawtooth hangers, masking tape, string, poptop rings, etc. Frames must be in good condition.
6. Entry must be labeled with name and phone number on the back when dropping it off.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$30.00	\$15.00	\$7.00

**Division 87**  
Black & White Prints

Department 13  
**Division 88**  
Color Prints

**Division 89**  
Computer Enhanced Prints  
(abnormal/abstract/creative)

Class

1. Portrait – subject must be person/people
2. Floral
3. Animals
4. Architecture/Cityscape
5. Landscape

Class

6. Insects
7. Food
8. Grapes – focal point must be grape(s) or vineyard
- 9. Corn – focal point must have to do with corn 🌽**
10. Any Not Listed – must not fit in any other class

DEPARTMENT 14

# BAKING

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> Friday, August 21 5:00 PM <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> Sunday, September 13 10:00 AM to Noon Festival Office	<b>AWARDS RELEASED</b> Monday, September 21 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Jackson Hall Must be picked up that day	<b>JUDGING</b> American System of Judging
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## Department Rules

1. One (1) entry per exhibitor per class.
2. Entry must be home prepared by the exhibitor without the use of commercially prepared ingredients.
3. Must submit the number of items indicated next to the class to be used for judging and display. Items shall be on a disposable paper or plastic plate and covered with plastic wrap or in a plastic storage bag.
4. Recipe should be included when entry is received.
5. Entries will be displayed as long as possible and will be disposed of only if necessary.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$7.00	\$5.00	Ribbon

Department 14  
Division 90  
Baked Goods

### Class

1. Traditional Chocolate Chip Cookies – 6 cookies
2. Cookies using Chocolate – 6 cookies
3. Oatmeal Cookies – 6 cookies
4. Cornbread - 2 mini loaves 🌽
5. Caramel Corn – Two-gallon sized plastic bags 🌽

# STATE RULES FOR JUNIORS

## LODI GRAPE FESTIVAL COMPETITIVE EXHIBITORS

Must read before submitting an entry form

### DEFINITIONS:

1. **EXHIBITOR** – The owner of the exhibit. In the Junior Department, brothers and/or sisters are considered separate exhibitors.
2. **4-H EXHIBITOR** – Exhibitors who meet 4-H exhibitor requirements for the projects they enter.
3. **OPEN JUNIOR CLASS** – A class open to all junior exhibitors and having no junior organization affiliation requirement.
4. **OWNERSHIP** – The growing, construction or purchase of exhibits as verified by the adult leader, teacher or parent/guardian signature on the entry form, or as otherwise stated in the exhibitor handbook.

### GENERAL STATE RULES:

1. Primary exhibitors must be 5 years old as of December 31, 2025 to exhibit at fair.
2. Junior exhibitors must be at least nine (9) years old on or before December 31, 2025. Exhibitors are eligible to compete/exhibit through December 31 of the year in which they turn 19 years of age.
3. Junior exhibitors must own and/or grow or construct their own exhibits.
4. Advisor, leader, teacher, or parent/guardian signature on entry form is required by the Fair certifying that:
  - a. Projects have been under supervision in accordance with the rules and regulations of the organizations and the Fair; and
  - b. The entry is the project of the exhibitor and is eligible for exhibit.Failure or refusal of such advisor, leader or parent/guardian to sign the required entry form will prevent the exhibitor from entering.
5. Junior exhibitors and junior organizations may be allowed to enter exhibits in the senior (adult) department classes for which they only be eligible only when:
  - a. "All other" classes are not available;
  - b. A class for the exhibit is not provided in the junior department.

## LOCAL RULES FOR JUNIORS

1. All classes in the Junior Department are open classes and local classes (restricted to residents of San Joaquin, Sacramento, Calaveras and Stanislaus Counties) unless otherwise specified.
2. Entry forms must in possession of the Lodi Grape Festival Business Office, 413 E. Lockeford Street, Lodi, CA 95240, no later than the entry deadline as listed for each department in the Entry Guidebook. Late entries will not be accepted.
3. Exhibits must be brought to the drop off location on the date and time listed for each department in the Entry Guidebook. Late entries will not be received.
4. Management reserves the right to remove from display any exhibit deemed unsuitable for family viewing.
5. All exhibits must be picked up on Monday immediately following the Festival or they will be disposed of.
6. All entries are entered at the exhibitor's own risk. Great care will be taken in handling the exhibits; however, the Lodi Grape Festival and National Wine Show Association, Inc. and any individual connected therewith assume no liability for loss or damage to any entry.
7. Submission of an exhibit to the Lodi Grape Festival constitutes an understanding and acceptance by the exhibitor of all Local, State, Department and Division rules, regulations and requirements, and grants the Lodi Grape Festival the right to use images of entries for promotional and/or publicity purposes. Whenever possible, artistic credit will be given to the exhibitor.
8. Premiums are paid only in accordance with the results recorded on the judging sheets. Ribbons, tags, etc. have no value as to the payment of premiums. As per State rules, no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class. Ribbons will be awarded as placed. Premium checks will be mailed within 30 days of the close of the Festival. State rules regarding protests shall apply.
9. Entering an exhibit in the Festival does not entitle the exhibitor to free or discounted admission.

# JUNIOR GROUP COMMODITY MURALS

OPEN TO SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY YOUTH GROUPS & SCHOOL CLASSES

<p><b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b>  <b>Friday, September 4</b>  <b>5:00 PM</b>  <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b></p>	<p><b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b>  <b>Tuesday, September 15</b>  <b>8:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b>  <b>Grape Pavilion</b>  Place in the mural space  assigned to you</p>	<p><b>JUDGING</b>  <b>Danish System of</b>  <b>judging</b></p>
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## 2026 THEME

# “OUT OF THIS WORLD”

## Department Rules

1. Limited to first 32 entries received.
2. Mural shall be created on board obtained at the Lodi Grape Festival office. Boards are approximately 4' X 4'. DO NOT GLUE ITEMS DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD! Staple (sparingly) posterboard, foil or other backing to the board before gluing on commodities. Please do not paint directly on board or border.
3. Mural must follow specified theme and must consist of commodities grown or produced in San Joaquin County (list of acceptable commodities is on the following page). Commodities may be fresh or dried. You may use food coloring or dye to color commodities but please use as much natural color as possible.
4. The Lodi Grape Festival prefers these murals to be created as much as possible by youths – perfection is not expected.
5. Fair staff will strip the boards after the Festival can be reused. Ribbons must be picked up the day after the Festival closes, between 8 a.m. to noon.
6. If exhibitor group is not a classroom, enter the class corresponding to the grade of the oldest group member.

Department 20  
**Division 100**  
Commodity Murals

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$300.00	\$200.00	\$100.00

### Class

1. Junior Group Commodity Mural – Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
2. Junior Group Commodity Mural – 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade
3. Junior Group Commodity Mural – 9<sup>th</sup> grade and above
4. Junior Group Commodity Mural – Special Day Class

### Special Awards

Best of Show - \$500  
Manager’s Award - \$300  
President’s Award - \$300  
Best Use of Theme - \$250  
People’s Choice - \$250

**Use of Corn or Corn By-products in Mural Design - \$100 🌽**

## 2026 THEME

# ***“OUT OF THIS WORLD”***

Creatively use the theme incorporating the grape industry and farming into your mural design.

Below is a list of commodities grown in San Joaquin County which are acceptable to be used on the commodity murals (i.e. macaroni, popcorn, etc. should not be used). The list was provided by the San Joaquin County Ag Commissioners Office.

Alfalfa	Almonds	Apple
Apricot	Artichoke Seed	Asparagus
Asparagus Seed	Avocado	Banana Peppers
Barley	Beans, dried	Bean, Lima
Bean, Succulent	Beehive	Blackberry
Blueberry	Broccoli	Cabbage
Cactus, leaf	Cactus, pear	Cantaloupe
Carrot	Cauliflower	Cherry
Chestnut	Christmas Tree	Citrus
Clover	Corn, seed 🌽	Corn, grain 🌽
Corn, sweet 🌽	Cotton	Cucumber
Eggplant	Fig	Forage Hay/Silage
Garlic	Granary	Grape
Grass Seed	Herb, spice	Honeydew Melon
Kale	Kiwi	Lettuce Leaf
Melon	Melon Seed	Mustard
Nectarine	Oat	Okra
Olive	Onion, dry, etc.	Turf
Orange	Orchardgrass	Parsley
Peach	Pear	Peas
Pecan	Pepper, fruit	Pepper, spice
Persimmon	Pistachio	Plum
Pomegranate	Potato	Potato Seed
Pumpkin	Quince	Raisins
Rice	Ryegrass	Safflower
Sorghum	Soybean	Spinach
Spinach Seed	Squash	Strawberry
Sudangrass	Sugarbeet	Sunflower
Sweet Basil	Tangerine	Tomato
Walnut	Watermelon	Wheat

# JUNIOR FLORICULTURE #1

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, September 4</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Tuesday, September 15</b> <b>4:00 PM to 8:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. Two (2) entries per exhibitor per class.
2. Flowers and plants and arrangements must be grown by or the work of the exhibitor.
3. No props, stands, containers or accessories will be provided. Exhibitors may use own props or stands. Containers are not to exceed 18" unless otherwise specified. Please mark your belongings.

	Department 22	
	Potted Plants	
<b>Division 105</b>	<b>Division 106</b>	<b>Division 107</b>
Ages 9-12	Ages 13-15	Ages 16-19

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$7.50	Ribbon

Class

1. Cactus
2. Succulent (single)
3. Green Plant, upright or hanging

Class

4. Color Bowl
5. Succulent Garden
6. Any Not Listed – Identify on Entry Form
7. **Ornamental corn cob – decorated/painted and incorporated in a plant 🌽**

Department 22

### Division 108

Dry or Silk Arrangement (No Fresh Materials)

**Special consideration given if Corn or Corn By-Products are used in the design 🌽**

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$7.50	Ribbon

Class

1. Ages 9-12
2. Ages 13-15
3. Ages 16-19

# JUNIOR FLORICULTURE #2

## Cut Flowers

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, September 4</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF*</b> <b>Friday, September 18</b> <b>8:00 AM to 10:00 AM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>judging</b> <b>Begins at 10:00 AM</b> <b>sharp. Entries cannot be</b> <b>received once judging</b> <b>begins.</b>
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## Department Rules

1. Two (2) entries per exhibitor per class.
2. Please bring your own vases.
3. No props, stands, containers or accessories will be provided. Exhibitors may use their own props or stands. Containers are not to exceed 18" unless otherwise specified. Please mark your belongings.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	Ribbon

Department 24  
Cut Flowers

**Division 110**  
Ages 9-12

**Division 111**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 112**  
Ages 16-19

### Class

1. Fresh Arrangement – flowers of your choice
2. Mixed Bouquet – 2 or more species, 12 stems
3. Mixed Color Bouquet – single species, 12 stems
4. Fresh Single Stem – flower of your choice
5. **Corn Arrangement – flowers of your choice, must use an ear of corn, corn stalk, or other corn product in the design 🌽**

## **\*WHERE TO DROP OFF FLORICULTURE #3 ENTRIES**

Entries are dropped off in Jackson Hall between 8 AM and 10 AM on Friday, September 18. This is during the Festival, but before the gates are open to the public. To drop off your entries, drive west on Lockeford Street from Cherokee Lane and turn right into Gate 8 leading you into the grass parking lot. Take an immediate left into Gate 9 and look for the signage directing you to the east door of Jackson Hall. There will be a tent and tables set up for entries to be delivered.

# JUNIOR QUILTS & NEEDLEWORK

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, August 21</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Friday, August 28</b> <b>10:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Saturday, August 29</b> <b>9:00 AM to 1:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>American System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. Two (2) entries per exhibitor per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any class.
2. Exhibits may not have been previously exhibited at the Lodi Grape Festival.
3. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and must be unused, clean and in new condition.
4. Quilts and needlework must be complete and handmade unless otherwise specified.
5. Wall hangings must be ready to hang.

**Division 115**  
Ages 9-12

Department 25  
**Division 116**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 117**  
Ages 16-19

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$7.50	Ribbon

### Class

1. Small Quilt
2. Large Quilt
3. Afghan, knit
4. Afghan, crochet
5. Tabletop or Wall Hanging
6. Embroidery – no clothing
7. **Any needlework – Corn themed** 🌽

# JUNIOR ARTS & CRAFTS / HOBBIES

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, August 21</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Friday, August 28</b> <b>10:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Saturday, August 29</b> <b>9:00 AM to 1:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>Danish System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. Two (2) entries per exhibitor per class.
2. Exhibits may not have been previously exhibited at the Lodi Grape Festival.
3. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.

### Department 26

**Division 120**  
Ages 5-8

**Division 121**  
Ages 9-12

**Division 122**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 123**  
Ages 16-19

#### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	Ribbon

#### Class

1. Leathercraft
2. Papercraft (scrapbook page, greeting card, etc.)
3. Stepping Stone / Pavers
4. Holiday Decoration
5. Beadwork
6. Sewing
7. **Corn themed item using one of the above style of crafting** 🌽

#### “Pin”spiration

A non-perishable item inspired by a Pinterest post – a printout of the post must be included

### Department 26

**Division 124**  
Ages 5-8

**Division 125**  
Ages 9-12

**Division 126**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 127**  
Ages 16-19

#### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$3.00	\$2.00	Ribbon

#### Class

1. Pinspiration
2. **Corn themed Pinterest item** 🌽

Trash to Treasure

A non-perishable item made from recycled materials – not larger than 24”, free from hazardous materials, not more than 10 lbs.

Department 26

**Division 128**  
Ages 5-8

**Division 129**  
Ages 9-12

**Division 130**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 131**  
Ages 16-19

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$3.00	\$2.00	Ribbon

Class

1. Trash to Treasure
2. **Corn themed Trash to Treasure** 🌽

Building is a “Snap”

Interlocking building toys (Lego’s, Knex, etc.)

Department 26

**Division 132**  
Ages 5-8

**Division 133**  
Ages 9-12

**Division 134**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 135**  
Ages 16-19

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$7.00	Ribbon

Class

1. Original design – make it your own
2. Made from a kit

Teach us about Corn 🌽

Create an educational poster focused on corn, corn by-products, etc.

Department 26

**Division 136**  
Ages 5-8

**Division 137**  
Ages 9-12

**Division 138**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 139**  
Ages 16-19

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	Ribbon

Class

1. Educational Poster

Diamond Art  
(must be wired for hanging)

Department 26

**Division 140**  
Ages 5-8

**Division 141**  
Ages 9-12

**Division 142**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 143**  
Ages 16-19

Class

1. Animals
2. Characters/People

Class

3. Holiday
4. Scenic

Decorated Corn Cob Characters 🌽

Department 26

**Division 144**  
Ages 5-8

**Division 145**  
Ages 9-12

**Division 146**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 147**  
Ages 16-19

Class

1. Any character made using a corn cob as the base (similar to Mr. Potato Head toy)

# JUNIOR ART

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, August 21</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Friday, August 28</b> <b>10:00 AM to 5:00 PM</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Saturday, August 29</b> <b>9:00 AM to 1:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>Danish System of</b> <b>Judging Div. 150-</b> <b>152</b>  <b>American System of</b> <b>Judging Div. 153</b>
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## Department Rules

1. Exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and may not have been previously exhibited at the Lodi Grape Festival.
2. Exhibits must be either:
  - a. Mounted on heavy stock (not more than ¼" thick) with a border of at least 2" on every side; or
  - b. Securely framed and wired for hanging (except sculpture)
3. Water media and pastels must be securely framed and wired for hanging.
4. Teachers submitting student work: one entry form per student and it must have date of birth and current address on form. School address is not acceptable.

Department 27  
**Division 150**  
 Ages 5 through 8

### Division Rules

1. Two (2) entries per exhibitor per class.

### Ribbons Offered Per Class

Class

1. Drawing – i.e. using a pencil, crayon, ink, charcoal – includes graphics
2. Painting – i.e. using a brush or palette knife with oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels
3. **Any style – corn theme** 🌽

Department 27  
**Division 151**  
 Ages 9 through 12

### Division Rules

1. Four (4) entries per exhibitor per class.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	Ribbon

Class

1. Drawing – i.e. using a pencil, crayon, ink, charcoal – includes graphics
2. Painting – i.e. using brush or palette knife with oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels
3. Mixed Media – any combination of two or more methods
4. **Any style – corn theme** 🌽

Department 27  
**Division 152**  
Ages 13 through 15

Division Rules

- Four (4) entries per exhibitor per class.

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$5.00	Ribbon

Class

- Drawing – i.e. using a pencil, crayon, ink, charcoal – includes graphics
- Painting – i.e. using brush or palette knife with oils, acrylics, watercolors, pastels
- Mixed Media – any combination of two or more methods
- Any style – corn theme** 🌽

Department 27  
**Division 153**  
Ages 16 through 19

Division Rules

- One (1) entry per exhibitor per class.

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$35.00	\$25.00	\$10.00

Class

- Water Media
- Oil/Acrylic
- Graphics – includes drawings, pen & ink, etc.

Class

- Mixed Media – more than one media used
- Pastels
- Sculpture – metal, clay, wood, pottery, etc.
- Any style – corn theme** 🌽

# JUNIOR PHOTOGRAPHY

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## Department Rules

1. Exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor and may not have been previously exhibited at the Lodi Grape Festival.
2. Prints must be no less than 8" X 10' and may be either matted or framed
  - If MATTED – must be securely affixed to a mat at least 2" wider and longer than the print. Thick or double mats may be damaged by display hangars. Maximum size matted is 16" X 20".
  - If FRAMED – frame must be a wired wall mount, not a table mount (may not have legs on the frame). Frame must be securely wired from side to side. No sawtooth hangers, masking tape, string, poptop rings, etc.
  - Mats and frames must be in good, clean condition.
3. Teachers submitting student work: one entry form per student and it must have date of birth and current address on form. School address is not acceptable.

Department 28  
**Division 160**  
 Ages 5 through 8

Division Rules

Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class.

### Ribbons Offered Per Class

Class

1. Photo, any original
2. **Photo, any style – corn theme** 🌽

Department 28  
**Division 161**  
 Ages 9 through 12

Division Rules

Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	Ribbon

Class

1. Photo, any original
2. **Photo, any style – corn theme** 🌽

Department 28  
**Division 162**  
Ages 13 through 15

Division Rules

Three (3) entries per exhibitor per class.

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$5.00	Ribbon

Class

1. Photo, any original
2. **Photo, any style – corn theme** 🌽

Department 28  
**Division 163**  
Ages 16 through 19

Division Rules

One (1) entry per exhibitor per class.

**Premiums Offered Per Class**

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$25.00	\$15.00	\$10.00

Class

1. Photo, Black & White
2. Photo, Color
3. Photo, Computer Enhanced (significantly altered, improved and/or changed)
4. **Photo, any style – corn theme** 🌽

# JUNIOR VITICULTURE

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, September 11</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Tuesday, September 15</b> <b>2:00 PM to 8:00 PM</b> <b>Grape Pavilion</b>	<b>ENTRY PICK UP</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to Noon</b> <b>Grapes left after noon</b> <b>will be disposed of</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>Danish System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. No entry fees. No restrictions in the number of entries per class, but no exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class. Ribbons will be awarded as placed.
2. Festival shall furnish plates for plate displays; exhibitor shall furnish own boxes for other displays. Boxes must be standard display lugs, but false bottoms are permitted.
3. A farming partnership shall be recognized as an individual; partnership members must not show individually. All the entries of one variety from one vineyard shall be made in the name of one exhibitor.

### Grapes – Plate Display

(3 bunches)

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	\$2.00

Department 29

#### Division 170

Wine Grapes – Plate Display (3 bunches)

Class

1. Barbera
2. Burger
3. Cabernet Franc
4. Cabernet Sauvignon
5. Carignane
6. Chardonnay
7. Chenin Blanc
8. French Colombard
9. Merlot

Class

10. Mission
11. Petite Sirah
12. Petit Verdot
13. Pinot Grigio
14. Syrah
15. Tempranillo
16. Zinfandel
17. Any Not Listed - Identify

Department 29

#### Division 171

Table Grapes – Plate Display (3 bunches)

Class

1. Black Monukka
2. Black Prince (Rose of Peru)
3. Concord
4. Exotic
5. Gold

Class

6. Queen
7. Ruby Seedless
8. Thompson Seedless
9. Tokay
10. Any Not Listed - Identify

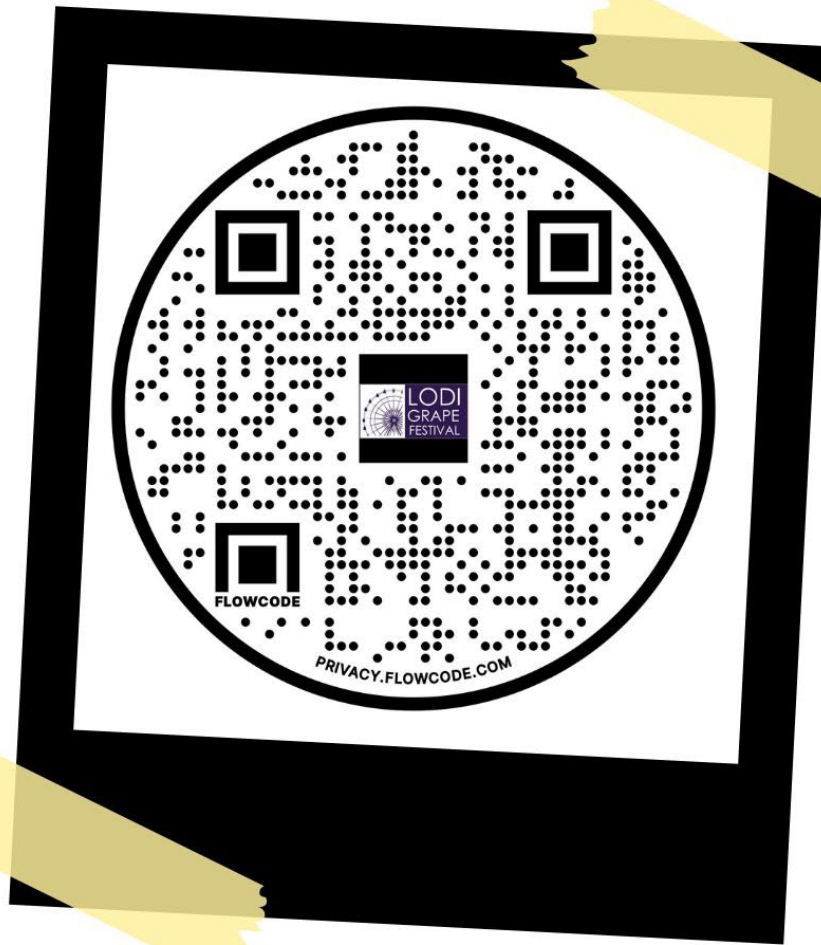
Department 29  
**Division 172**  
Standard Package Display – Grapes  
(One Grower)

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$10.00	\$7.50	\$5.00

Class

1. Red Table – Identify
2. White Table – Identify
3. White Wine – Identify
4. Red Wine - Identify

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# JUNIOR BAKING

<b>ENTRY FORMS DUE</b> <b>Friday, August 21</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> <b>NO ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>ENTRY DROP OFF</b> <b>Sunday, September 13</b> <b>10:00 AM to Noon</b> <b>Festival Office</b>	<b>AWARDS RELEASED</b> <b>Monday, September 21</b> <b>9:00 AM to 4:00 PM</b> <b>Jackson Hall</b> <b>Must be picked up that day</b>	<b>JUDGING</b> <b>Danish System of</b> <b>Judging</b>
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## Department Rules

1. One (1) entry per exhibitor per class.
2. Entry must be home prepared by the exhibitor without the use of commercially prepared ingredients.
3. Must submit the number of items indicated next to the class to be used for judging and display. Items shall be on a disposable paper or plastic plate and covered with plastic wrap or in a plastic storage bag.
4. Recipe should be included when entry is received.
5. Entries will be displayed as long as possible and will be disposed of only if necessary.

### Premiums Offered Per Class

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
\$5.00	\$3.00	Ribbon

**Division 175**  
Ages 9-12

Department 30  
**Division 175**  
Ages 13-15

**Division 177**  
Ages 16-19

### Class

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Traditional Chocolate Chip Cookies – 6 cookies</li> <li>2. Cookies using Chocolate – 6 cookies</li> <li>3. Oatmeal Cookies – 6 cookies</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Cornbread - 2 mini loaves 🌽</li> <li>5. Caramel Corn – Two-gallon sized plastic bags 🌽</li> </ol> |
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***DID YOU KNOW?*** *The Lodi Grape Festival & National Wine Show Association, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)5 organization contracted by San Joaquin County since 1941 to produce the annual Lodi Grape Festival and Harvest Fair and other events and manage the fairgrounds on a year-around basis. The Lodi Grape Festival is the legal San Joaquin County fair recognized by the California fair system, overseen by the Department of Agriculture, Division of Fairs and Expositions, and a member of Western Fairs Association and the International Association of Fairs and Expositions.*

*The Lodi Grape Festival's mission and main purpose is to promote the agriculture and agricultural products of San Joaquin County, and to offer diverse forms of agricultural education. The Festival strives to present unique, family-oriented exhibits that not only entertain, but educate and enlighten. Operating revenues are generated from activities on the fairgrounds – from building rentals to basketball tournaments, as well as the annual Festival and Spring Wine Show - and are used to maintain and improve the fairgrounds and service programs both during fair time and throughout the year.*

*The annual Lodi Grape Festival celebrates the grape harvest and provides an opportunity for many groups and organizations to raise funds for community and charitable projects. Lions Clubs and 4-H Clubs, Boy and Girl Scouts, Future Farmers of America and local sports booster clubs, as well as classrooms countywide, make money by selling products at the Festival or by entering the wide variety of agriculture-related competitive exhibits offered each year. Well over \$200,000 is raised annually by these groups as a result of the Festival, in addition to the more than \$30,000 in prize money paid out by the Festival each year to individuals and groups for their exhibits.*

*The Lodi Wine Festival showcases the wines from Lodi and surrounding areas, offering patrons a chance to taste a wide variety of wines in a beautiful indoor environment. The event began in 2016, but it evolved from the Lodi Spring Wine Show which ran from 1980 through 2015 and it is the most venerable of all wine events in the Lodi area.*

*In 2003 the Festival Association established the "Bucks for Books" Scholarship Fund, providing funds for college textbook expenses to deserving area youth. Since its inception more than \$117,000 has been awarded thanks to fund raising efforts and donations*



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