

# Creative Arts Division 13 Handicrafts New Mexico State Fair September 10 – 20, 2026

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## Entry Dates

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2026  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2026

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00  
Fees are Non-Refundable

## Special Rules

1. Large items will be displayed in an open area on space available basis and at the discretion of officials.
2. No electrical outlets available.
3. Only one entry per class.
4. Entry must have been made since the previous New Mexico State Fair.

5. Items that require hanging must have a permanent attachment for hanging.
6. Wall Hangings, (**Paintings and Drawings will ONLY be accepted in Non-Professional Art!**).
7. Newborn baby dolls, **Not** accepted.
8. **NEW:** Christmas Tree decorating: See class # 7. Expo NMSF will provide a tree to the first 10 exhibitors. Exhibitor must provide all decorations. Please arrive early, set up must be completed on day of entry. To reserve a tree, please call us.
9. **NEW:** Table Scaping: See class #25. Exhibitor must provide table and all table setting décor. Set up must be completed on day of entry.
10. Precautions are taken for the safety of all entries, but in no case, will the New Mexico State Fair, the state of New Mexico, employees, contractors or volunteers be held liable for the loss or damages to any entry while in the Fair's possession. Participants are encouraged to carry their own insurance.
11. Participant recognizes that marketing of the Fair and its grounds requires use of photography and video. Participant hereby expressly grants to the Fair the irrevocable, assignable right and license to take, use and publish participant images and work without the need for any other approval. Images and work will not be used for profit.
12. Participants are responsible for picking up their own work or provide written authorization for pick-up by another individual.
13. **NEW:** Work must be picked up Tuesday, September 22, 2026, from 9:00am – 4:00pm. Any work remaining on the Fairgrounds after this date will be considered abandoned and shall become the property of the NM State Fair to be disposed of at its discretion.

# Handicrafts

## Sections 429 – 434

### Ribbon Awards

**1<sup>st</sup> Place   2<sup>nd</sup> Place   3<sup>rd</sup> Place**  
**Best of Show – Rosette**

**Note:** Best of Show will be awarded only in classes where there are three (3) or more entries.

**Section 429:** Junior, 6 yrs. old and younger

**Section 430:** Youth, 7-11 yrs. old

**Section 431:** Senior Youth, 12-17 yrs. old

**Section 432:** Adult, 18 yrs. and older

**Section 433:** Seniors, 60 yrs. and older

**Section 434:** Professional, 5 or more years' experience.

**Each Section will compete in the following classes.**

### Class 1-27

1. Basket
2. Basket, Southwestern design
3. Centerpiece, any medium, no larger than 18"x18"x18
4. Clay
5. Clocks
6. Crafted Picture, combination mediums – wired to hang – no larger than 24"x24"
7. Christmas Tree Decorating (**tree being provided will be between 3' – 4' tall.**)  
**See rule # 8 under Special Rules.**
8. Diorama: No larger than 18"x18"

9. Doll House: Wood construction - Must be a building of more than one room and include a significant amount of handwork. Maximum base no larger than 2'x4' and Maximum height no taller than 42". Sturdy transparent covering, plexiglass preferred. Must be attached if the back or sides are left open to view the interior furnishings. All Doll Houses will be displayed in an open area.
10. Duct Tape Handicraft
11. Gourd Art
12. Holiday Decoration
13. Masks
14. Metal Work: No larger than 18"x18"
15. Miniature: Not to scale, must be secured for display.
16. Miniature Room Setting: Not to scale having 3 or 4 walls.
17. Miniature Vignette: Not to scale, scene with partial or no surrounding walls.
18. Miscellaneous: Handcrafted item not listed above. Kits or models no larger than 18"x18" will be accepted.
19. Non-framed Wall Hanging: Any medium, must be wired to hang. (**Paintings, drawings, etc., not allowed**).
20. Non-framed Wall Hanging: Southwestern design, any medium and must be wired to hang.
21. Paper Craft: Handmade paper, paper mache, etc.
22. Religious Art
23. Scale Miniatures
24. Southwestern Decoration: No larger than 18"x18".
25. Table scaping: Card size table, 3' x 3'. **See rule #9 under Special Rules.**
26. Wood: Other than woodcarving, woodturning or woodworking.
27. Wreath: Any medium, must be wired to ready to hang.