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New Mexico State Fair Welcomes School Arts Back for Live Exhibit in September
After 3-year hiatus due to pandemic, School Arts will be displayed for in-person viewing at this year's State Fair

Albuquerque, NM – Today, State Fair officials announced the return of a live School Arts exhibit during this year's event. This year's exhibit will be the first in-person display since the 2019 New Mexico State Fair. The School Arts Showcase was hosted on the Fair's website for the last two years due to the pandemic.

"School Arts is one of the Fair's most popular exhibits, and we couldn't be more excited to display the exceptional art of New Mexico's burgeoning artists," said State Fair general manager Dan Mourning. "Having their art displayed at the State Fair is a tremendous honor for these kids, and while we were able to showcase many works on our website over the last few years, there is just no substitute for experiencing first-hand, the depth of talent that goes into each piece in this exhibit. It's pretty amazing."

The Fair has a long history of exhibiting a dedicated School Art Showcase during the event. Hundreds of entries are submitted through a partnership with the state's Public Education Department. Those entries are displayed through the whole run of the Fair.

"Student artists all over New Mexico look forward to seeing their work exhibited at the State Fair, so it is great news that the in-person exhibit is back this year," said Marit Andrews, the Public Education Department's humanities specialist. "I've seen this year's entries, and I promise, fairgoers will be impressed with the incredible talent our children possess."

The School Arts exhibit will be on display inside the African American Pavilion located at the southeast corner of Main Street and Racetrack, near the entrance to the Midway. Fairgoers can view pieces created by K-12 students from all over the state during regular Fair hours.

The New Mexico State Fair runs from September 8 – 18, 2022. For more information on this year's event visit <https://statefair.exponm.com/>.

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