

Fiber Arts, Sewing and Quilting Competition Handbook

Knitting, Crochet, Needlework, Handspun Yarn, Rug Hooking, Felting, Weaving, Basket Weaving, Surface Design, Sewing and Quilting

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IMPORTANT DATES

Online or Paper Entry Form deadline
Friday, April 23, 2021

Deliver items to Building 3 at the South Florida Fair (see Page 4)

Items exhibited
May 7 - 23, 2021

Entry pick up
Monday, May 24, 2021
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Competition Overview

Entry Fee: FREE

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Exhibitors are encouraged to read this handbook in its entirety.

Eligibility

The Youth Needle Arts and Fiber Crafts Divisions are open to Florida residents in grades 1 – 12.

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Entry Rules

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

- Due to space limitations, an overall total of three (3) items per person in each division will be accepted for judging.
For example: An exhibitor can enter up to three (3) items in Sewing and up to three (3) items in Basket Weaving, etc.
- No limit to the number of pieces in each class.
- **Teachers:** If submitting student's work, do not bring in any more than three (3) similar "look-alike" entries from a class project.

SPECIAL QUILTING RULES

- Quilts must be clean, pressed, and free from spots and stains.
- A quilt information sheet must accompany your quilt when you deliver the quilt to the South Florida Fair. A quilt Information form can be found on Page 8.

GENERAL ENTRY RULES

- Entries previously exhibited in the South Florida Fair may not be submitted for competition.
- Entries must have been prepared/made/processed by the exhibitor in whose name they are entered.
- In keeping with the South Florida Fair's family orientation, nudes or items of an offensive, controversial, or objectionable nature or subject matter will not be accepted.
- Exhibited work must be completed within the last two (2) years.

Judging and Awards

The Fair ensures the judges are knowledgeable in the division in which they are judging and will be impartial. Judges reserve the right to reassign entries to a more appropriate division or class. Judging will be done using a scorecard to assist in keeping decisions as objective as possible. *The decision of the judge(s) is final.*

If, at the judge's discretion, an entry does not merit a placing, the judge shall give no award under any circumstance. This rule applies whether there are one or more exhibits in the class.

Awards Information

First Place – South Florida Fair Ribbon

Second Place – South Florida Fair Ribbon

Third Place – South Florida Fair Ribbon

Best of Show – South Florida Fair Ribbon and Premium Payment

Best of Show awards will be chosen from the first-place winners in each division.

Judging Criteria

Composition/Design – 30 percent

Originality and Creativity – 30 percent

Execution Quality – 30 percent

Presentation – 10 percent

Degree of Difficulty – 25 percent

Fiber Arts - Divisions and Classes

Youth (age 6-10) Division 1

Youth (age 11-13) Division 2

Youth (age 14-17) Division 3

Class Description

- 1 Handmade Lace (any kind)
- 2 Embroidery (any kind)
- 3 Counted Thread Embroidery (cross stitch) (any kind)
- 4 Needlepoint (any kind)
- 5 Knitting (any kind)
- 6 Crochet (any kind)
- 7 Traditional Rug Hooking with Wool Fabric (any kind)
- 8 Felting (any kind)
- 9 Weaving (any kind)
- 10 Basket Weaving (any kind)

Handmade Lace – Class 1

- Tatting
- Bobbin Lace
- Needle Lace
- Battenberg Lace

Embroidery – Class 2

- Embroidered Article
- Hardanger
- Japanese Bunka, original
- Japanese Bunka, kit
- Machine Embroidered Article
- Original Design
- Picture Framed
- Smocking
- Swedish Weaving
- Crewel Embroidery

Counted Thread Embroidery – Class 3

- Cross Stitch on Clothing
- Cross Stitch on Household Article
- Cross Stitch (Original Design)
- Picture on Aida Cloth, 14 ct (framed)
- Picture on Aida Cloth, not 14 ct (framed)
- Picture on Evenweave Cloth (framed)
- Picture on Linen (framed)
- Multiple Stitch Types (framed)
- Aida Cloth Sampler (framed)
- Evenweave Sampler (framed)
- Linen Sampler (framed)

Needlepoint – Class 4

- Bargello
- Original Design
- Petit Point, 18 ct canvas
- Picture, framed
- Plastic Canvas Article
- Quickpoint, 7 ct canvas

Knitting – Class 5

- Socks
- Mittens, Hat or Scarf
- Afghan
- Infant's and Child's Wear and Sets
- Sweater, Varied Knitted Stitches
- Sweater, Varied Yarn Colors
- Shawl, Poncho, Cape or Stole
- Machine Knitted Article
- Toy, Animal, Doll or Doll Clothes
- Household Items
- Original Design

Crochet – Class 6

- Socks
- Mittens, Hat or Scarf
- Table Linen
- Afghan, Single Yarn Colors
- Afghan, Varied Yarn Colors
- Infant's and Child's Wear and Sets
- Sweater
- Shawl, Poncho, Cape or Stole
- Toy, Animal, Doll or Doll Clothes
- Household Items
- Original Design

Traditional Rug Hooking – Class 7

- Primitive, Floral
- Primitive, Figural/Pictorial
- Primitive, Original
- Folk Art
- Tapestry, Floral
- Tapestry, Figural/Pictorial
- Tapestry, Original
- Geometric
- Oriental
- Seasonal
- Punch Hooked

Felting – Class 8

- Wet Felted, Wearable Item
- Wet Felted, Non-Wearable Item
- Needle Felted, Wearable Item
- Needle Felted, Non-Wearable Item

Weaving – Class 9

- Woven Household Item
- Wall Hanging
- Rug, Rag
- Rug, Other
- Apparel
- Fashion Accessory
- Hand Controlled Weaving
- Original Design

Basket Weaving – Class 10

- Flat Reed
- Traditional Splint
- Florida Naturals
- Wicker
- Coiling
- Ribbed
- Mold Woven (Nantucket, Shaker)
- Miniature (4 inches or less)
- Mixed Media
- Wire or Textile
- Kits and Patterns

Sewing – Divisions and Classes

Youth (age 6-10) – Division 4

Youth (age 11-13) – Division 5

Youth (age 14-17) – Division 6

Class Description

- 1 Apparel (any kind)
- 2 Home Décor (pillow, etc)
- 3 Apparel Accessory (Hat, scarf, etc)
- 4 Costumes (any kind)
- 5 Recycled Fashions (any kind)

Apparel (adults and children) – Class 1

- Dress (daytime)
- Blouse and Skirt
- Pants (Women or Men)
- Sportswear (Women or Men)
- Tailored Suit or Jacket (Women or Men)
- Sleeping Wear or Robe (Women or Men)
- Coat, Cape or Jacket (Women or Men)
- Baby's Apparel (up to 36 months)
- Child's Apparel (3-12 years)
- Child's Sleeping Garment or Robe
- Wedding Gown
- Bridal Wear (bridesmaids, flower girl, mother of bride or groom dress)
- Wedding Accessories, must be sewn (no flowers)
- Formal and Party Wear (Women, Men or Children)
- Evening Gowns or Prom Dress

Home Décor (pillow, etc) – Class 2

- Pillow
- Table Linen

Apparel Accessory (hat, scarf, etc) – Class 3

- Hat, Scarf, Tie and Bowtie
- Purse or Bag
- Apron
- Doll Clothes

Costumes (any kind) – Class 4

- Science Fiction Character
- Anime or Manga Character
- Fantasy Character
- Comic Book Character
- Movie Character
- Historical or Renaissance Character
- Steampunk
- Holiday or Seasonal Costume

Recycled Fashions (any kind) – Class 5

Recycled fashions must be made of at least 75 percent recycled or reused materials that otherwise would be thrown away or recycled.

- Dress – Daytime (Women)
- Dress – Daytime (Children)
- Formal and Party Wear (Women)
- Formal and Party Wear (Men)
- Formal and Party Wear (Children)
- Gowns – Wedding or Evening (Women)
- Gowns – Wedding or Evening (Children)
- Coat, Cape or Jacket (Women or Men)
- Hats and Headpieces
- Shoes

Quilts and Quilted Items – Divisions and Classes

A quilt information sheet must accompany your quilt when you deliver the quilt to the South Florida Fair.

Single Person: when your quilt is pieced, sewn and quilted by one person.

Appliqued: a quilt that at least 50 percent of quilt is appliqued

Art Quilt: a type of quilt that uses embellishments of any kind to enhance the quilt; this could include felting, painting, stenciling, thread art, etc.; at least 50 percent of quilt is quilted.

Embroidered: uses hand or machine embroidery stitches to decorate pieces; at least 50 percent of quilt is embroidered.

Quilted Household Items: include, table runners, Christmas tree skirts placemats, pillows, etc.

Youth (age 6-10) - Division 7

Youth (age 11-13) - Division 8

Youth (age 14-17) - Division 9

Class Description

1 Hand Quilted (any kind)

2 Hand Quilted Item (any kind)

3 Machine Quilted (any kind)

4 Machine Quilted Item (any kind)

2021 South Florida Fair Quilt Information Form

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND BRING IT WITH EACH ENTRY.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Exhibitor # _____

Entry# _____

Exhibitors Name (First, Last)

Name of Longarmer (First, Last)

Name of Book or Pattern

Date Quilt was made

Additional Information:

In the space below please provide any additional information that the judge(s) may find helpful to know when judging your quilt.

Signature of exhibitor

Date

How to Enter Online

Exhibitors are encouraged to enter online at www.southfloridafair.com/TheCreationStation.

- Review this Competition Handbook to see which division and class your entry is eligible to compete in. Follow the easy steps listed below to enter.
- To enter online, go to www.southfloridafair.com/TheCreationStation and complete the form. Click the submit button and make sure you are brought to the thank you for registering page.
- Everyone must register as a new exhibitor each year.
- When registering, please verify all information is correct. Please pay special attention to capitalization, full names of cities/counties and use proper spelling (no abbreviations).

Mailing Paper Entry Forms

Entry Forms must be postmarked by Friday, April 23, 2021.

Failure to complete any portion of entry form may result in disqualification.

Mail Entry Form to:

The Creation Station, Crafts & Specialty Arts – Youth Fiber Arts, Sewing and Quilting
South Florida Fair
P.O. Box 210367
West Palm Beach, FL 33421-0367

Delivery Entries

All entries must be delivered to the South Florida Fair on either:

Monday, April 26 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Tuesday, April 27 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Wednesday, April 28 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Thursday, April 29 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Friday, April 30 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Saturday, May 1 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
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Deliver entries to:

South Florida Fair
Building 3
Attn: Lorie Stinson

Enter Gate 10 off Fairgrounds Road.

Entries arriving at the Fairgrounds after delivery deadline may be disqualified.

Retrieving Entries

- See the calendar for pick up dates, times, and locations (Page 1)
- Entries not picked up on designated dates can be arranged for special pick up appointment by emailing lorie@southfloridafair.com
- All entries not claimed by May 24 of the same year will be recycled, disposed, or donated.

General Rules

Disclaimer

All competitive exhibits are entered at the exhibitor's risk. The South Florida Fair does not insure and is not responsible for any loss, damage, or theft of entries, even if the loss, damage, or theft occurs as the result of the handling of the exhibit by staff, volunteers, contractors and/or visitors. If the exhibitor desires insurance coverage, this coverage should be secured from a personal insurance agent prior to entry and the policy written to cover the period of exhibition and transportation. Reasonable care will be taken to prevent loss or damage to exhibits. Unauthorized persons are not permitted in the building after closing hours.

Division/Class Cancellation

The South Florida Fair reserves the right to return entries and cancel any division or class in which, in its judgment, the entries are insufficient to secure adequate competition.

Entry Errors

South Florida Fair is not responsible for finding errors in entries. Exhibitors are responsible for all errors which were submitted online or on entry and summary forms. No exhibitor shall be entitled to an award which has been disallowed as the result of his own error. The South Florida Fair shall withhold the payment of awards for exhibits that are ineligible and may recover awards that have been paid for ineligible entries that are disclosed during post audits of Fair records. However, exhibitors with cause are entitled to question the validity of any disallowance. Such exhibitors should inform the South Florida Fair immediately, in writing, giving their name, address, complete description of the entry and the reason for requesting reconsideration. Requests will not be considered later than 90 days after receiving notice of disallowance.

Premium Payments

Premium awards will be paid to the Best of Show. Best of Show awards will be chosen from the first-place winners in each Division. Amounts vary depending on Division.

Substitution

Substitutions may be made in still exhibits only in the same division of the original entry class of the original exhibitor and may be made only if completed by the entry delivery date. Substitutions must be made at time of delivery check in. The South Florida Fair or the judge may disqualify or transfer to the correct class any entry which is not a true representative of the division or class in which it is entered.

Previously Entered Entry

Any entry that has been exhibited at a previous South Florida Fair is not eligible for entry in this year's South Florida Fair, excluding Horticulture and Creative Aquarium entries.

Verification

Exhibitors wishing to verify that the South Florida Fair has received submitted entry forms must include a self-addressed/stamped envelope when submitting entry forms. Online submissions will receive a confirmation email.

Responsibility

The South Florida Fair shall not be responsible for exhibits remaining on the fairgrounds after designated release times. All still exhibits or display elements remaining on the Fairgrounds after the designated release time will be treated as abandoned property and will be disposed of on or before March 1 of the current year.

Removal of Entries

Exhibitors may not remove their entry from the South Florida Fair once it has been accepted. Entries must be on exhibit at the official opening of the Fair or at any other time specified in the Competition Handbook and shall not be removed from the Fairgrounds prior to the release date printed in the handbook, except (at the discretion of the South Florida Fair) in cases of evidence of sickness, accident and/or death, or other circumstances that are in the best interests of the Fair.

Design

The South Florida Fair assumes total design control over the presentation of the exhibits. Entries designed for hanging and not so equipped will be hung in a manner deemed appropriate by the Fair. No exhibit changes will be made once the entries have been displayed. Once an entry has been received by the South Florida Fair, no further handling of entry by exhibitor shall be permitted. Relocation and final placement shall be accomplished by South Florida Fair personnel. Entries requiring assembly/disassembly must include detailed instructions and sketches for assembly/disassembly. Instructions should indicate lifting points, unsecured parts and any other information required for such handling. Where necessary, bank pins will be utilized to attach exhibits for display.

Youth Fiber Arts, Sewing and Quilting Competition Entry Form

OFFICE USE ONLY

Exhibitor # _____

Entry Forms must be postmarked by Friday, April 23, 2021.

Failure to complete any portion of entry form may result in disqualification.

Please print legibly

Exhibitors Name (First, Last)		If Youth wins prize money, who should the check be made payable to?
Mailing Address		County
City	State	Zip Code
Phone	Email	

Exhibitors may enter up to three (3) entries per division for judging.

	DIVISION#	CLASS#	ITEM DESCRIPTION
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I hereby certify that I have read the South Florida Fair General Rules for The Creation Station, Crafts & Specialty Arts Program (Page 8) and the above item(s) is/are entered for exhibition strictly in accordance with these rules, by which I agree to be governed. I also agree that the South Florida Fair may use my name, likeness, or photograph (including, but not limited to photographs of my entry), in any manner relating to my participation in The Creation Station, Crafts & Specialty Arts Program, free of charge and without further notice or consultation.

Signature of exhibitor

Date

Signature of parent/guardian

Date

Mail Entry Form to:

The Creation Station, Crafts & Specialty Arts – Youth Fiber Arts, Sewing and Quilting
South Florida Fair
P.O. Box 210367
West Palm Beach, FL 33421-0367