

2023
Department 65
Recycled or Repurposed Crafts
Thursday, September 21, 2023

As we continue to plan for The Big E fair to be held September 15 through October 1 of 2023 our **exhibitor handbooks and schedules are subject to change** and we suggest you request to be added to the email lists of the departments you are entering, follow the department Facebook page, or check our website frequently for updates.

Email CreativeArts@TheBigE.com to request to be added to be added to our email list.

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| All exhibitors are required to read and comply with the GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS of the Creative Arts Department and to acknowledge with entry submission that they have obtained copyright permission when appropriate. | | | | |
| Entry Form Due | September 12 | Enter online: https://TheBigE.fairwire.com/ | Email Creativearts@TheBigE.com Fax (413) 205-5104 Mail Eastern States Exposition Creative Arts –Recycled 1305 Memorial Avenue West Springfield MA 01089 | |
| Entry Limit | 3 entries | | | |
| Classes | A: Adult Professional | B: Adult Non-Professional | C: Youth 13-18 (1/1/2023) | D: Youth 5-12 (1/1/2023) |
| Premiums | Best of Department: \$20 | Blue: \$20 | Red: \$17 | White: \$14 |
| Receiving | Thursday, September 21 8:30 am to 12:00 pm | New England Center | | |
| Judging | Thursday, September 21 1:00 pm | Awards | Thursday, September 21 3:00 pm | |
| Release | Thursday, September 21, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm (except Best of Department) | <u>Best of Department Only:</u> Monday, Oct. 2, 12 pm-7pm Tuesday, Oct. 3, 8am-1pm | New England Center | |
| An exhibitor registration received by the due date (in chart above) and meeting all the rules of the contest may receive reimbursement for two (2) entry tickets and \$10 for parking per household upon receipt of entered items. Exhibitor must be present for reimbursement. | | | | |
| After November 1, all unclaimed items become the property of Eastern States Exposition and will be disposed of as deemed necessary. | | | | |
| For additional information, please contact Creative Arts at Creativearts@TheBigE.com or call (413) 205-5015. | | | | |

Division 6501 Recycled or Repurposed Craft

Create a usable item from materials that have been repurposed or recycled.

RULES

1. The item must be altered to serve a purpose other than its original use.
2. The piece must be constructed from at least 90% recycled materials.
3. Paint and components used to fasten or adhere parts (such as glue or screws) are not required to be recycled.
4. You must include a card with your submission that lists the materials you used and what components are recycled.
5. Items should measure no more than 18 inches high, 18 inches wide, and 18 inches deep and must weigh no more than 10 lbs.
6. Entered items will be accepted at the New England Center from 8:30 am until 12:00 noon on the day of the contest and must remain on display until 6:00 pm, unless selected for Best of Department.
7. Entered items must be set up for judging by 12:30 pm.
8. Entered items may be mailed in advance to be received a minimum of 7 days prior to the contest. Insurance is recommended. Please include our shipping form with your mailed in entry. Mail to:

New England Center Recycled Contest
 Eastern States Exposition
 1305 Memorial Ave
 West Springfield, MA 01089
9. Eastern States Exposition, contest promoters and/or donors are not responsible for late, incomplete, or misdirected entries.
10. Entries may be photographed and used by show donors for promotional purposes; the photos become the property of The Big E.
11. The New England Center is a non-profit building where Agriculture and Education take precedence over sales. No sales are allowed within the building.
12. Entered items delivered by hand may be picked up from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm the day of the contest, except Best of Department items will remain on display for the remainder of the fair and may be picked up on October 2 from 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm or October 3 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Entered items that were mailed in may be returned in the same manner with prepaid postage and insurance provided by the exhibitor.
 - a. Entries that are not awarded Best of Department are not guaranteed to be displayed due to space constraints.
13. All entered items submitted must have been completed within the last 3 (three) years and not have been exhibited at The Big E in prior years.
14. An exhibitor may submit a total of up to three (3) entries. All entries must be included on one exhibitor entry form.
15. Entries must be submitted with exhibitor's name, address, and phone number.
16. An instructor/professional is an individual who grosses more than \$2,000 per year from their craft, whether in sales or teaching. Youth are 5-18 years of age as of January 1, 2023.
17. With entry submission, you accept all contest rules and agree to be bound by the judges' decisions, which will be final.
18. Taxes are the responsibility of the winner.



*Recycled Craft by
Gail Armata*



*Recycled Birdfeeder
by Emily More (Youth)*

Judging criteria:

- Contains 90% recycled materials
- Workmanship
- Durability
- Aesthetics
- Usefulness



*Recycled Bookshelf by
Ethan More (Youth)*