

OPEN CLASS RULES AND REGULATIONS

Participation in the open class is available to any adult, eighteen years and older. Anyone entering an exhibit for judging must enter it in the name of the person who made or grew the exhibit. These exhibits should have been made in the last two years, unless otherwise stated. When entering, you must supply your full name, current address, and telephone number.

Entries will be accepted through July 8, 2011. Entries may be mailed or dropped off to the Extension Office. Cost: \$10 for 1 – 10 entries or \$20 for 11 – 20 entries. Entry fees must accompany the entry.

Exhibit entry will be Wednesday, July 20, 2011 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Photography, Visual Arts, Food, and Flowers/Vegetables exhibits will be entered at 4-H Hall (formerly Christy Hall). The Clothing and Woodworking exhibits will be entered at the Community Building. Entry tags will be available on entry night and must be attached to the exhibit.

Flowers & Vegetable judging will take place Wednesday night, July 20, 2011. Everything else will be judged on Thursday, July 21, 2011. Exhibits will be awarded a purple, blue, red, or white ribbon. 1st place winners will receive a purple rosette. Exhibits will be open for public viewing starting Saturday, July 23 at 9:00 am. Entries may be picked up Wednesday, July 27 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 pm.

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OPEN CLASSES

FOODS- Rules for entries

1. Only food processed after August 1, 2010 is acceptable.
2. Place prepared foods on a firm disposable plate or flat cardboard. Consider this recommendation rather than pans, plates, china, or baskets. Place in a re-closable plastic bag with entry card fastened outside the bag.
3. Include recipes with exhibits.
4. For Jams and Jellies, use half-pint jars with two piece canning lids. Jars that are sealed with wax or other type of covers will not be entered or judged.
5. Food Sale: All perishable food exhibits will be sold at the bake sale on judging day, Thursday, July 21. A small section of the food exhibit will be packaged with tags and ribbons for display. The larger portion will be sold. Proceeds from the sale will go into the Story County 4-H Fund to support Story County 4-H programs.
6. Review the 4-H Publication Numbered 3023, Titled Inappropriate Food Exhibits for Iowa 4-H Fairs. This publication is found on the Story County Fair website: www.storycountyfair.com
7. Products that require refrigeration (cream fillings, cream pies) are not acceptable entries for the fair. These items do not hold up well at room temperature and often pose a food safety hazard. Such items will not be accepted, judged, or displayed.
8. Jellies, Jams and Preserves are to be judged on Flavor, Appearance (color and clearness), Consistency and Texture, and Container (glass jar clean and suitable labeled, covered).
9. Pies are to be judged on flavor, texture, flakiness of crust, and appearance.
10. Cake Decorating is to be judged on cake form, levelness, frosting, decorations, design, color and spacing. Cake cannot be larger than 12 x 12 x 12.

Jellies, Jams and Preserves

Class 100 01 – Jellies, Jam and Preserves (no freezer jam)

Pies

Class 100 02 – Pies

Cake Decorating

Class 100 03 – Cake Decorating

CLOTHING – Rules for entries

1. Judge will consider color, style or design, material, workmanship, and appropriateness or fitness of entries.
2. All articles must have been completed within the last 3 years.

Quilted Items

Class 200 001 – Quilted Item

Constructed Items

Class 200 002 – Constructed Item

PHOTOGRAPHY – Rules for entries

1. Each photographer can enter up to **four (4)** photos.
2. Flush Mounted Photo – Minimum photo size of 5” x 7”, maximum size 8” x 10”. Each photo should be flush mounted with a maximum outside dimension of 8” x 10”.
3. Matted Photo – Minimum photo size of 5” x 7”, maximum size 8” x 10”. Each photo should be matted with a maximum outside dimension of 11” x 14”.
4. Computer Enhanced Photograph – Please provide an original photo before enhancements and a detailed description of what you did to enhance the photo.
5. Photographer’s name, photo title, and date of photo should be labeled on the back.
6. Exhibitor may wish to participate in the 4-H Leadership Team Photography Silent Auction Fundraiser. Please see the attached sheet and the end of this document.

Flush Mounted Single Photograph

Class 300 001 – Black and White or Color Photo

Matted Single Photograph

Class 300 002 – Black and White or Color Photo

Computer Enhanced Photograph

Class 300 003 – Computer Enhanced Photo

VISUAL ARTS – Rules for entries

1. Exhibit must be original. This means that the entrant has used his or her own ideas.
2. Original art may include the following media: Acrylic/Tempera, Drawing, Fiber, Glass, Jewelry, Oil Painting, Pastels, Pottery, Sculpture, and Watercolor.
3. Scrapbook entries will be judged on uniqueness and quality of the design, journaling, how effectively it tells the story behind the photos, and the quality of the photos pictured on the layout.
4. Scrapbook entry will consist of 1 or 2 pages. Layouts can consist of either one (1) or two (2) pages on 8.5” x 11” or 12” x 12” paper in page protectors.
5. Name, address, and phone number of participant must be written on the back of each scrapbook page.

Original Art

Class 400 001 – Original Art

Scrapbook Page(s)

Class 400 002 – Scrapbook Page(s)

WOODWORKING – Rules for entries

1. Maximum of two entries per class.
2. Basis for Judging Woodworking: quality of workmanship, difficulty of construction or technique, suitable finish, general characteristics, and originality of design.

Woodworking

Class 500 001 – Furniture – Table

Class 500 002 – Furniture – (other than table; larger than 18”)

Class 500 003 – Household Item – Decorative

Class 500 004 – Household Item – Utility

Class 500 005 – Scroll Saw Projects

Class 500 006 – Scroll Saw – Intarsia or Inlay

Class 500 007 – Woodturned Item – Bowl or open vessel

Class 500 008 – Woodturned Item – Closed vessel, hollow form, or other turning

Class 500 009 – Clocks

Class 500 010 – Wooden Toy or Model

Class 500 011 – Musical Instruments

FLOWER ARRANGEMENT/VEGETABLES – Rules for entries

1. All flowers used in the design must be grown by the exhibitor. Greenery may come from trees, shrubs, and garden plants but may not be purchased.
2. No artificial flowers or foliage are permitted.
3. All containers, etc., should be well marked underneath.
4. Design arrangement exhibits will be judged on design, color, distinction, originality, and condition.
5. WEEDS MAY NOT BE USED IN YOUR ARRANGEMENTS. An exhibit using any of the plant material listed below will be disqualified.
IOWA WEED LAW, CHAPTER 317, CODE OF IOWA, 1997
Artichoke, Horsenettle, Russian Knapweed, Buckhorn, Leafy Spurge, Shattercane, Buckhorn Plantain, Multiflora Rose, Sheep Sorrel, Bull Thistle, Musk Thistle, Smooth Dock **, Butterprint, Perennial Pepper-grass, Sour Dock, Canada Thistle, Perennial Sowthistle, Tall Thistle, Cocklebur **, Poison Hemlock, Teasel **, Curly Dock **, Puncturevine Velvetleaf, Field Bindweed, Quackgrass, Wild Carrot (Queen Anne Lace) **, Hoary Cress, Red Sorrel, Wild Mustard, Wild Sunflower.
** Most likely to show up in dried arrangements
6. All vegetable entries must have been grown by the exhibitor.
7. All vegetable entries must be the product of the current calendar year.
8. Vegetable entries are to be placed on the appropriate size white disposable plate furnished by the exhibitor. (For example: a large cucumber should be displayed on a 10 inch plate, dill size on a smaller plate).
9. Exhibitors may exhibit a maximum of 6 different varieties of vegetables.
10. Vegetable entries will be judged on the quality of produce exhibited. The judge will consider variety, size, condition, insect damage, disease injury, uniformity, and proper preparation.

Flower Arrangement

Class 600 001 – Flower Arrangement

Vegetable

Class 600 002 – Vegetable

4-H Leadership Team Photography Silent Auction Fundraiser

Intermediate and senior 4-H'ers may choose one or more of their exhibited photos for the silent auction. If an auction photo is selected for an alternate state fair or state fair ribbon, then the exhibitor will be contacted for permission to still sell the photo. Auction winners will pick these photos up after the state fair. All other photos will be available to auction winners after the county fair.

There will be a minimum \$10 bid. 50% of dollars raised per photo sold will go back to the exhibitor and 50% will be collected by the Leadership Team. These dollars will be designated for future county photography related activities (workshops, making display racks, etc).

Friday, July 9 photos are evaluated and displayed at the North Grand Mall. The photo exhibitors have a check-in and a check-out process. In this check-out process, exhibitors will designate any photos they would like to sell. A dollar sign and the number assigned to the photo will be written on the front of the exhibitor tag. A dollar sign will also be written on the exhibitor form next to the designated photo.

Bidding will begin at 9 am on Saturday, July 23 and end on Tuesday, July 26 at 9 pm. At the county fair, the photos will be on display in the community building on the fairgrounds in Nevada. A binder will be at the hosting table so you may submit your bid on the form corresponding to the numbered photo. Bidders will need to provide name and phone number with each bid.

Wednesday of fair, auction winners will be contacted. Buyers will be able to pick up their photos at the Extension office on Thursday or Friday after fair 8am -5 pm. Photos not sold will be checked out to exhibitors at check out time Wednesday evening of fair.

Open class exhibitors may also participate in this fundraiser. They will designate any photos they would like to sell on their entry day Wednesday July 20.

Information for auction bidders

Photos available for sale will have a white or yellow tag with a "\$" and a number next to it. This is the number you will want to know.

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Wednesday of fair, winning buyers will be contacted. Buyers will be able to pick up their photos at the Extension office on Thursday or Friday after fair 8am -5 pm.