



2010 Fort Bend County Fair & Rodeo
September 24 - October 2, 2010

Creative Arts Department

Department Chair: Debbie Zwahr
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Department Hours:
Sept. 24, Friday . . . 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sept. 27-30, Monday thru Thursday . . 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Sept. 25, Saturday . . 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 1, Friday 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Sept. 26, Sunday . . . 12 noon to 9 p.m. Oct. 2, Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Outstanding Rosette winners are requested to participate in a photo opportunity at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 25, 2010. Following judging, the Department will make every effort to contact the winners by phone for photographs.

General Rules

1. All exhibits/exhibitors are subject to the Creative Arts Department Rules and to the General Rules of the Fort Bend County Fair.
2. Exhibitors must be residents of Fort Bend County, non-professional ** (with the exception of Visual Arts, Photography, Sewing Machine, Fancy Work II and Floral) craftsman/artist, and no younger than 18 years of age.
3. Exhibits will be received Wednesday, September 22, 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.; and Thursday, September 23, 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Note: Culinary I items (baked) and fresh flower arrangements may be entered on Wednesday, 6:00 until 7:00 p.m., and on Thursday 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.
 - a. The Exhibit Hall is closed to the public after 12 noon, Thursday, September 23, for judging. Note: Cakes and pies must be picked up after judging between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. or forfeited. One serving only is exhibited.
 - b. The exhibit Hall is open for viewing Friday, September 24, through Saturday, October 2.
 - c. Exhibits must remain on display for the entire Fair. No early withdrawals unless approved in advance by the Creative Arts Department Advisory Board.
4. All exhibits must be picked up on Sunday, October 3, between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. Exhibits not picked up during listed pick-up hours will be left in the Fair Office the week following the Fair.
5. Exhibits must be clean, undamaged and adaptable to the space available.
6. All Exhibits must be entered by the maker with the exception of the following:
 - a. Section IV–Antiques,
 - b. Section VI–Collections,
 - c. Section IX–Floral, Class 1: Horticulture, which is entered by owner.

7. Sections may be added or deleted as exhibits warrant *.
8. No entry fees are charged. Premiums for ribbons are as follows:
 - a. Outstanding Rosettes -- \$25.00
 - b. Blue Ribbon -- \$1.00
 - c. Best of Section (Tri-Color Rosette) and Red or White Ribbon -- no cash value.
9. Vouchers are issued for cash prizes and will be issued during check-out on Sunday, October 3. Vouchers are to be redeemed with the Cashier at that time. All vouchers are forfeited after 7 days from closing day of the Fair.
10. Rosettes are awarded to Outstanding Exhibits in each section. The number of rosettes may vary as exhibits warrant. To be eligible for a rosette, a class must have no less than 3 exhibitors. One rosette winner in each section is selected to receive the Tri-color Rosette for Best of Section.
11. Exhibits cannot be entered 2 years consecutively.
12. Exhibits may receive a Rosette one time only. After 2 years, the Rosette winning exhibit is eligible for ribbon competition only.
13. Any false statement by exhibitor in regards to his/her exhibit, if proven, will result in exclusion from competition only.
14. Decisions of the judges are final.
15. Judges cannot be residents of Fort Bend County and cannot appraise the same Section, 2 years consecutively.
16. Exhibitors are required to sign a Release of Liability form to be filed with the Fort Bend County Fair Association, the County of Fort Bend and/or the Creative Arts Department for loss, damages or injury to any person or property while on the fairgrounds.
17. With a majority vote of the Advisory Council, the Creative Arts Department has the right to accept or refuse any exhibit:
 - * By Decision of the Advisory Council.
 - ** Professional Status:
 - a. Currently earning or formerly earned a majority of their income in that field.
 - b. Either employed, self-employed or promoted as a professional in that field.

Creative Arts Section Rules

SECTION I: CULINARY I

Section Rules

1. All exhibits must be entered in or on disposable containers.
2. Any item requiring refrigeration (i.e. cream cheese, whipped cream) will only be accepted on Thursday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

Class 1 – Breads
 Class 2 – Cakes
 Class 3 – Cookies

Class 4 – Cheesecakes
 Class 5 – Pies
 Class 6 – Candies
 Class 7 – Miscellaneous

SECTION I: CULINARY II

Section Rules

1. Canned Foods must be a regulation canning jar. Jars and lids must be clean and rust free.
2. Unsealed jars will be disqualified.
3. All exhibits are judged on appearance.

Class 1 – Jams and Jellies

Class 2 – Preserves

Class 3 – Pickles

Class 4 – Fruits and Vegetables

Class 5 – Salsa / Picante

Class 6 – Herbed Vinegars

Class 7 - Miscellaneous

SECTION II: FANCY WORK I

Section Rules

1. Fancy Work I is entered by technique.
2. Limit of 10 items per Exhibitor; 5 items per class.

Class 1 – Embroidery

Class 2 – Needlepoint

Class 3 – Counted Cross Stitch

Class 4 – Lace

Class 5 – Smocking

Class 6 – Knitting

Class 7 - Crochet

Class 8 – Miscellaneous Handwork

SECTION II: FANCY WORK II

Section Rules

1. Items must be pieced and/or quilted by entrant.

Class 1 – Pieced, Hand Quilted

Class 2 – Pieced, Machine Quilted

Class 3 – Pieced, 2 Persons

Class 4 – Appliqué, Hand Quilted

Class 5 – Appliqué, Machine Quilted

Class 6 – Appliqué, 2 Persons

Class 7 – Wall Quilts, 45" or less

Class 8 – Group Quilts, 3 or more

Class 9 – Art & Mixed Media

Class 10 – Quilted Clothing

Class 11 – Professional

Class 12 - Miscellaneous

SECTION III: SEWING MACHINE ARTICLES

Section Rules

1. Limit of 3 exhibits per class.

Class 1 – Clothing

Class 2 – Monogram/Embroidery Work

Class 3 – Pillows

Class 4 – Toys

Class 5 – Miscellaneous

Class 6 – Professional (not eligible for Rosettes)

SECTION IV: ANTIQUES

Section Rules

1. Limit of 25 items per exhibitor.
2. Exhibit must be near original condition and 50 years or older.

Class 1 – Glass/Crystal

Class 2 – China

Class 3 – Ironstone/Pottery/Crockery

Class 4 – Photographs/Drawings/Paintings

Class 5 – Jewelry

Class 6 – Silver, Pewter, Misc. Metals

Class 7 – Children's Toys

Class 8 – Primitive Articles

Class 9 – Books/Paper Items

Class 10 – Furniture/Furnishings

Class 11 – Antique Collections (4 or more)

Class 12 - Clothing

Class 13 – Wooden items

Class 14 – Miscellaneous

SECTION V: ARTS & CRAFTS

Section Rules

1. Limit of 10 items per exhibitor.
2. Metal Work or Leaded Glass must be free standing or ready to hang.

Class 1 – Ceramics	Class 7 – Metal Work
Class 2 – Leather Work	Class 8 – Leaded Glass
Class 3 – Decorated / Painted Clothing	Class 9 – Wood Work
Class 4 – Decorated / Painted Articles	Class 10 – Dolls
Class 5 – Decoupage Articles	Class 11 -- Miscellaneous
Class 6 -- Weaving	

SECTION VI: COLLECTIONS

Section Rules

1. Collections must be properly mounted or displayed.
2. Limit of 3 different types of collections per exhibitor.

Class 1 – Collection of 4 to 10 items
Class 2 – Collection of more than 10 items

SECTION VII: VISUAL ARTS

Section Rules

1. Limit of 10 items per exhibitor.
2. Exhibits must be framed and ready to hang with wire strung from side to side at least 2" from the top of the frame.
3. Student/class/work shop/copy work will be judged for ribbons only.
4. Large or heavy paintings are accepted at the option of the Advisory Council.

Divisions: I - Student (class/work shop/copy work – not eligible for Rosettes)
II - Beginner (original work)
III - Advanced (original work)
IV - Professional (Not eligible for Rosettes)

Class 1 – Oils	Class 5 – China Painting
Class 2 – Water Color, Casein, Tempera	Class 6 – Sculpture (no woodcarving)
Class 3 – Pastels, Charcoal	Class 7 - Acrylic
Class 4 – Pencil, Crayon, Pen, Ink	Class 8 - Miscellaneous

SECTION VIII: PHOTOGRAPHY

Section Rules

1. Exhibit must be framed and ready to hang with screw eyes and wire. Metal frames must also be wired. No plastic frames accepted.
2. Photographs must be at least 8" x 10" and no larger than 20" x 20" or panorama no longer than 24'.
3. Exhibit must be original photograph by exhibitor only.
4. Limit of 6 photographs per exhibitor.

Class 1 - Black and White
Class 2 – Color
Class 3 - Professional

SECTION IX: FLORAL

Section Rules

1. Exhibitor must furnish name of his/her exhibit in horticulture.
2. Categories in horticulture must have been grown by exhibitor or be in his/her possession at least 6 weeks prior to the Fair.
3. Dish Gardens and Terrariums in Class 1, 2, 3, and 4 must be the work of the exhibitor. No time limit is imposed on the Dish Gardens and Terrariums. Please provide drainage trays for pots when needed.

Class 1 – Horticulture by Categories: *(Loose vegetables must be in a basket or container)*

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| A. Ferns | F. General Group |
| B. Flowering Plants | G. Cut Specimen |
| C. Foliage Plants | H. Vegetables |
| D. Succulents | I. Dish Gardens |
| E. Herbs | J. Terrariums |

Class 2 – Artificial and/or Dried Material Arrangements

Class 3 – Fresh Flower Arrangements

1. Flowers need not be grown by exhibitor and may be replaced as needed during Fair.
2. This class may include 1 accessory.
3. No artificial foliage or flower material may be used.

Class 4 – Professional.

SECTION X: HOLIDAY

Section Rules

1. Exhibit themes related to any Holiday. *Examples:* Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter, 4th of July, etc.

Class 1 – Valentine's Day

Class 2 – Easter

Class 3 – 4th of July

Class 4 - Halloween

Class 5 – Thanksgiving

Class 6 – Christmas

Class 7 – Miscellaneous