2021 Photography Department

SUPERINTENDENT: Christine Fish

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: June 25, 2021
On-line entry is available through our website www.ozarkempirefair.com.
Registration forms to mail in are available at www.ozarkempirefair.com or at the Ozark Empire Fair Office.
Exhibitor tags will be mailed in July to the name and address on online registration or the registration form.
Receive one (1) FREE admission ticket if you enter 10 or more items (all departments combined).

**ADULTS: $2.00 per entry**

(Maximum fee for any adult exhibitor = $50 IF you mail or walk-in a PAPER Registration Form.
Total number of entries for mail or walk-in entries shall be limited to a total of 75.
If you register online, EVERY entry will be charged $2.00 with no upper limit.)

CHECK-IN: Saturday, July 24, 2021
Exhibits will be checked in on Saturday, July 25, 2021 between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Check-in procedure will be sent with exhibitor tags in July. Exhibitor tags must be securely attached to exhibits before arriving at the Fairgrounds.

CHECK-OUT: Sunday, August 8, 2021
Exhibits will be checked out after the Fair on Sunday, August 8, 2021 between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. No exhibit will be released at any other time. A claim check (bottom of exhibitor tag), is required to check out each exhibit.
Any exhibit not claimed by August 13 will be considered abandoned and will become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair to be disposed of as necessary.

REGULATIONS:
1. All entries are governed by the Life & Arts Rules and Regulations and the rules for this department.
2. Adult exhibitors only (19 years and over). Youth photographers: see Youth Department.
3. **NUMBER OF EXHIBITS:** Exhibitor is limited to a TOTAL OF 15 (FIFTEEN) PHOTOGRAPHS in this department (Special Contests, Color, Monochrome, and Creative Photography divisions combined) with a limit of one (1) photograph per class. If more than 15 photographs are listed on the Registration, only the first 15 will be accepted. No refund will be given for extra entries.
4. **SIZE:** Photographs MUST be **8"x10" matted to 11"x14". NO FRAME.** (With the exception of Division 1304, Class 7)
5. **MAT:**
   a. Use regular photo mat (single or double matted). Other types of mat board tend to fall from display rack. **DO NOT USE FOAM BOARD.**
   b. Double matted photos (one bottom mat – behind photo AND one top mat – in front of photo) may have a slight overlap (3/16”) of top mat but minimum size of **visible** photograph will be 7½”x9½”. Photos will be measured before judging.
c. Any color mat will be accepted.

d. No decoration allowed on mat.

6. Exhibits must be the original work of the exhibitor, taken within the past two years and not previously shown at the Ozark Empire Fair.

7. **Exhibitor tags should be securely attached** (with string fastened to back of mat) so tag hangs over UPPER left corner of mat.

8. Exhibit building will not be open to the public during judging.

9. The exhibitor and the public are prohibited from touching or handling exhibits in any manner or from helping remove exhibits on release day.

10. Every precaution will be taken to prevent damage to entries, but the Fair will assume no responsibility in case of loss or damage.

11. All photos will be displayed if possible, based on number of entries and display space limitations.

12. Prize money will be paid to the number of places indicated for each class, if quality merits. Judges may occasionally award additional places but no prize money will be paid for these additional ribbons.

13. Champion ribbons will only be awarded to divisions of three or more classes in which the average entry per class is three exhibitors with at least one entry per class.

14. In order to have this exhibit of as high quality as possible, the right is reserved to reject all unsuitable exhibits, to determine that all rules and regulations have been followed and that no identification of the exhibitor in any form is displayed during judging.

15. **Judging Guidelines: see Judging Guidelines link.**

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**GRAND CHAMPION Ribbon**

**SPECIAL AWARDS**

**PAT AYRES MEMORIAL** will award $5 to Sponsor’s Choice in both Color and Monochrome

**DIVISION 1301 - SPECIAL CONTESTS**

**CLASS 1 – THEME – SUMMER’S BIGGEST PARTY – SHOW ME MISSOURI**

**Prize money: $5 - $4 - $3**

The Ozark Empire Fair has prided itself on award-winning innovation for our fair patrons for 85 years. This year’s theme focuses on celebrating our 85th anniversary and our state’s 200th birthday. Show us a picture of something that represents Missouri or the Ozark Empire Fair. Please indicate the event and the location where the photo was taken on the entry tag. Also, no digital manipulation, please.

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**CLASS 2 – CLOSE UP**

**Prize money: $5 - $4 - $3**

Zoom in! Squeeze the frame! Pull the focus to the miniscule elements of your subject. Capture an extreme close-up of your favorite subject whether it be beetle eyes, fuzzy flora, or raindrop reflections. No digital manipulation, please.
CLASS 3 – PUTTING IT IN PERSPECTIVE
Prize money: $5 - $4 - $3

Some people acknowledge that hindsight is 20/20. Take a picture using an alternate or forced perspective to perplex the viewer. Whether you are holding the Ferris wheel in your hand or looking down a disappearing road, share your unique perspective with the Ozark Empire Fair. Also, no digital manipulation, please.

DIVISION 1302 - COLOR PHOTOS
Champion: Ribbon
Prize money: $5 - $4 - $2

Additional information:

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b. Includes photos taken with film AND with digital camera without major alterations. Major alterations such as changing background color or removing the ex-friend MUST be entered in Division 1304 - Creative Photography.

c. Animal photos: live animals only - no teddy bears, dinosaurs, etc.

**Class**

1. Cats and Dogs
2. Domestic and Farm animals (not cats or dogs)
3. Wild animals
4. Wild birds
5. Insects, bugs, spiders
6. Architecture: building or close up of part of building
7. City: name city on exhibitor tag. Capture the flavor of a city. Photo must be recognizable as taken in a city. Examples: skyline, rush-hour traffic, sidewalk crowd, cityscape, etc.
8. Country: identify location on exhibitor tag. Capture the flavor of a country setting. Examples: rural town, farm, field of hay bales, dusty country road, landscape, etc.
9. Nature (not flowers, animals, water, or sky)
10. Flowers
11. Water
12. Sky
13. People, candid
14. People, portrait
15. Still Life: **non-living objects ONLY**; fruits, vegetables, cut flowers permitted; people, animals NOT permitted as subject of photo
16. Transportation: past or present (train, boat, car, hot air balloon, etc.; animal permitted ONLY if actually in use for transportation such as horse pulling buggy)
DIVISION 1303 - MONOCHROME

**Champion: Ribbon**

Prize money: $5 - $4 - $2

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c. **Animal photos:** live animals only - no teddy bears, dinosaurs, etc.

d. **Monochrome images** include those shot with black and white film, with the color sensor on a digital camera set to black and white or sepia, or color digital images that have been desaturated of ALL color. Monochrome also includes **sepia** images and toned prints.

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DIVISION 1304 - CREATIVE PHOTOGRAPHY
Champion: Ribbon
Prize money: $5 - $4 - $2

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b. All images in this division must begin as a photo capture. Then photos have been altered with:
   1. Computer programs such as Photoshop, Picture This, Microsoft Photo Editor, etc.
   2. Camera settings (but see “c” below)
   3. Darkroom techniques

c. Common clean-up alterations such as fixing red-eye or cropping should be entered in Divisions 1302-1303. Major alterations such as changing background color or removing the ex-friend MUST be entered in Division 1304 - Creative Photography.

Class

1. Color alterations*: any subject
   * Note: If photo has been desaturated of ALL color, see Division 1505 Monochrome.
2. Content alterations: move a tree, delete or add a person or object, “stitch” two photos together, etc (attach a small copy of the original to the exhibitor tag OR write a brief note on back of exhibitor tag listing alterations)
3. Photo with text: any subject
4. Photo collage: 3 or more DIFFERENT images digitally arranged and printed as ONE print, with or without text: any subject
5. Photo kaleidoscope: the SAME image used multiple times on ONE print
6. Panorama: 2 or more photos of the same location stitched together to form one print.
7. Alternative print size/shape/mount – any subject utilizing parameters or mounting method outside of the standard 8 X 10 format matted to 11 X 14. Size should not exceed 11 X 11, matted. May be wrap around canvas or other method.
8. Any other creative photography (solarization, multiple imaging, hand coloring, etc.)