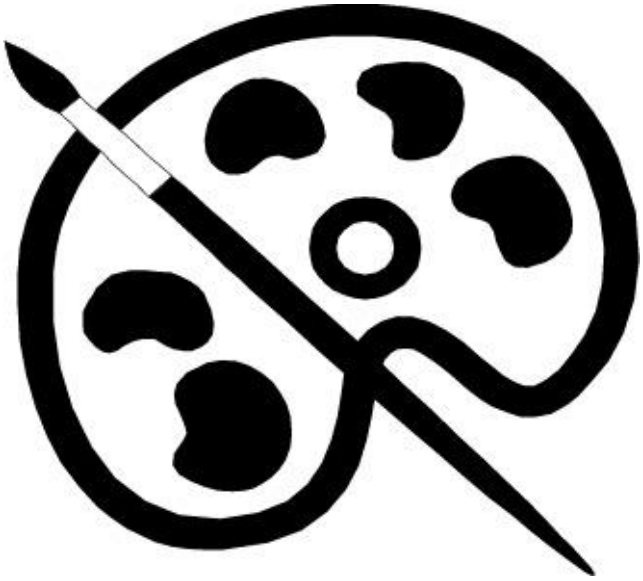
DEPARTMENT 40

FINE ARTS & MORE

(Fine Arts, Plein Air Painting)



ALL ENTRIES MUST BE DONE ONLINE
NO PAPER ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED

Erie County Fair Dates: August 8-19, 2018

FINE ARTS EXHIBIT - Section FA

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ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JULY 20, 2018

Entry Fee: $20.00 allows entries throughout the Creative Arts Department
Entry Arrival: Wednesday, August 1st between 12:00 Noon and 8:00 PM OR Thursday, August 2nd between 12:00 Noon and 8:00 PM
Entry Removal: Tuesday, August 21st between 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
Prize Checks: Tuesday, August 14th – Sunday, August 19th between 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM

General Fine Arts Exhibit Rules

1. Please read and abide by all The Erie County Fair and Creative Arts Department rules and regulations.
2. All entries must be pre-registered by Friday, July 20, 2018. Entries not pre-registered will not be accepted. For more information see the Important Entry Information page.
3. An exhibitor can participate in one division only, novice, amateur, or professional, and cannot be in 2 different **divisions.**
4. Exhibitors are **limited to a total of 2 entries in Fine Arts (section FA).**
5. All paintings must be well framed & wired for hanging. Drawings, pastels and watercolors must have mats and be protected with glass. **Oil and Acrylic paintings should not be matted or be behind glass.** A well framed picture must be wired with flexible picture hanging wire, fastened to D-Rings/screw eyes. The same applies for metal frames with sliding hangers, which must be attached, approximately 4 inches from the top. Plastic frames, saw tooth bars, unframed wooden panels, hook holders embedded in cardboard backing, cardboard loops, screws, thumbtacks and string will be DISQUALIFIED; they are unsafe in our show conditions.(Quality of framing is at the discretion of the Superintendent and will be rejected if unsatisfactory). Refer to "Framing and Wiring" tutorial on the www.ecfair.org webpage under competitions tab.
6. No frame needed if you use gallery canvases with oil or acrylic painting only. See "Selecting your Canvas" tutorial on the www.ecfair.org webpage under competitions tab.
7. **PAINTING SIZE MAXIMUM OF 24" (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MATTE OR FRAME).**
8. All artwork will be inspected upon arrival to make sure artwork adheres to all rules (size, framing, etc.). If artwork does not meet the requirements it will not be accepted. Please go the website (www.ecfair.org) to see tutorials on requirements.
9. "Miscellaneous" includes printing, collage, airbrush, silk-screening – at the discretion of the Superintendent.
10. Works shown in former years should not be entered.
11. The judge may withhold or give additional prize awards.
12. To note, the Fair accepts artwork from all individuals, regardless of ability. The category of 'Exceptional Artist' no longer exists. The Fair is an integrated and all-inclusive event, and the art exhibit exemplifies this.

FAA-NOVICE DIVISION – ANY MEDIUM (PAINTING SIZE MAXIMUM OF 24" (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MATTE OR FRAME)

***Novice:* for those with very little training in art and those who have never won an award.**

Premiums for Section FAA Blue-$8.00 Red-$4.00

1. Abstract – nonrepresentational, 2 dimensional
2. Animal Portraits- 1 animal
3. Animal Story- 2 or more
4. City Scenes & Architecture
5. Drawing – on paper using pencil, ink, charcoal, etc.
6. Figure – one or more figures, partial and/or full body view
7. Flowers
8. Landscape - suburbs and rural scenes- farm
9. Miscellaneous – prints, dry point, silkscreen, mixed media (2-diementional), does not fit into an existing class
10. Portrait Person- close up view
11. Seascape
12. Still Life
13. Tell us your Fair-y tale (Fair Theme)

FAB-AMATEUR DIVISION – ANY MEDIUM (PAINTING SIZE MAXIMUM OF 24" (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MATTE OR FRAME)

***Amateur:* for those who paint but do not sell their work, or exhibit nor teach.**

Premiums for Section FAB Blue-$15.00 Red-$7.00

1. Abstract – nonrepresentational, 2 dimensional
2. Animal Portraits- 1 animal
3. Animal Story- 2 or more
4. City Scenes & Architecture
5. Drawing – on paper using pencil, ink, charcoal, etc.
6. Figure – one or more figures, partial and/or full body view
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FAC-PROFESSIONAL DIVISION – ANY MEDIUM (PAINTING SIZE MAXIMUM OF 24" (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MATTE OR FRAME)

Professional: ***for the artist who teaches, wins awards or sells his or her work***

Premiums for Section FAC Blue-$20.00 Red-$15.00

1. Abstract-non representation, 2 dimensional
2. Animal Portraits- 1 animal
3. Animal Story- 2 or more
4. City Scenes & Architecture
5. Drawing – on paper using pencil, ink, charcoal, etc.
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Preferred Framing Service Provider for EC Fair

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PLEIN AIR PAINTING CONTEST AT THE FAIR- Section PAP

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Saturday, August 11, 2018

Exhibitors must pre-register by Friday, July 20th.

Who: Open to everyone 13 years of age and older. Pre-registration is required.

Limit: One entry per exhibitor.

Where: Check-in at the Creative Arts Exhibit Area (lower grandstand), between 10:00am and Noon. The artist's canvas, paper, board, etc. must be stamped by the art exhibit staff prior to beginning work. Up to two surfaces may be stamped at check-in. At the time of check-in please let staff know where on the Fairgrounds you will be painting. Only 1 submission will be judged.

What: Bring your own art supplies; be ready to paint on location, within the Fairgrounds. Size restrictions for **adults** are no larger than 36" x 36" and no smaller than 11" x14" (excluding mat). Size restrictions for **juniors** are no larger than 16" x 20". Artwork must be affixed to a firm support board for display. Matting or framing of acrylic is optional. Matting is suggested for all other mediums (with a white 2"x 3" mat) **NO OIL PAINTS** are allowed. D-rings/screw eyes in wood and wiring must be on canvas frames, we will hang any watercolor paintings at our discretion (if you have a preferred hanging style please prepare your watercolor for hanging). You are encouraged to visit the Fair prior to contest day to scout out your subject area, however, no photos or sketches of your subject will be allowed on contest day.
**Artist please ask building superintendents/concessionaires where to setup to avoid blocking aisle/lines.

Judging: Artwork to be completed and returned to the Creative Arts Exhibit Area (lower grandstand) by 4:00pm for judging. You may **not** touch your painting after 4:00pm, it must be in its final form to be submitted. Awards presentation at 5:00pm. Art work will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair and will be released from the grounds on Tuesday, August 21st between 1:00pm and 7:00pm.

Questions? 716-649-3900 ext. 6407 or www.ecfair.org

ADULT

Classes

1. Amateur - Premiums 1st Place- $100, 2nd Place- $75, 3rd Place- $50
2. Professional – Premiums 1st Place- $200, 2nd Place- $150, 3rd Place- $75

JUNIOR (AGES 13-17 ONLY)

Class

3. Junior Plein Air – Premiums 1st Place- $50, 2nd Place-$35, 3rd Place- $25