



2021 ENTRY DATES

Hobbies, Crafts & Needle Arts Fine Art, Photography

Saturday, Jan. 9th, 9 am-4 pm
Sunday, Jan. 10th, 9am-4 pm

Culinary Arts & Food
Due to Covid 19 there will not be a Culinary Category this year.

*All entries will be received in the
Chaires Building.
Drive in Gate 3 on 17th St. W. in
Palmetto.*

2021 RELEASE DATES

Crafts, Fine Art, Photography Culinary Arts & Food

Monday, Jan. 25th, 3 pm-7 pm

*Ribbons may be picked up on these dates.
No food is returned.
Any entry not picked up on release date will
become property of the Manatee County
Fair and will be donated or discarded after
January 28th.*

ELIGIBILITY

Exhibiting is open to all residents of Manatee
County. Winter residents must live in
Manatee County for at least (3) months a year.

ENTRIES

Youth Pre-K-12 Pink Tags
Adult White Tags

NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Each exhibitor may enter up to ten (10)
items total for judging in the Arts & Crafts
Department. Check for the maximum number
that is allowed in each category.

Crafts - five (5)
Fine Arts - five (5)
Photography - three (3)

*Example: Five in Crafts, two in Fine Arts, and
three in Photography.*

Each exhibitor will receive their own exhibit
number when they bring in their entries.

CATEGORIES

Hobbies, Crafts & Needle Arts
Fine Art
Photography

Arts & Crafts Department 2021 OFFICIAL RULES

January 14th - 24th ManateeCountyFair.com

ENTRY FORMS

The 2021 example Entry Form will be available to download from the Fair's website by
November 30th, 2020. You can download the form if you wish, fill it in, and bring it
with you on receiving day-it will save time when you come to the Fairgrounds.

Entry Forms will also be available at the fair office after November 30th, and on
receiving day in the Chaires Building.

You will be asked if your work is original design, a kit or a pattern. This is to insure that
it is seen by the correct judge. **IMPORTANT: NO EARLY DROP OFF ACCEPTED.**
Be sure to read the **General Rules** section as well as the **Category Rules**.

JUDGING

- Each entry will be judged fairly on its own merit, using the **Danish Judging System**.
An explanation of the Danish Judging System can be found in the Arts & Crafts
section at ManateeCountyFair.com
- Judging is done by the most qualified judges available.
- The names of the exhibitors are concealed during judging so each entry will be
judged fairly on its own merit.
- The entry of only one item in a division does not necessarily guarantee the top award
for that entry.
- Only the top ribbon award will be displayed on each exhibit except for the "Marie Abel
Awards" and other special awards that will accompany rosettes.
- No one other than the committee members, volunteers and judges will be allowed to
remain in the building during judging.
- Please do not call to request results.

ADULT AWARDS

Best of Show

Six purple Best of Show rosettes and \$25.00
each will be awarded: Crafts (3), Culinary
Arts (1), Fine Arts (1), Photography (1).

Marie Abel Award

Blue Rosette, plaque and \$25.00 awarded to
five (5) top needlework artists.

YOUTH AWARDS

Best of Show

Six purple Best of Show rosettes
and \$25.00 each will be awarded:
Crafts (3), Culinary Arts (1),
Fine Arts (1) Photography (1).
Blue Rosette \$10.00
Red Rosette \$8.00
Blue Ribbon \$5.00

AWARD MONEY

May be picked up at the Finance
Building after 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday,
January 19th 2021. No money will be
available until this time. Award money
is awarded according to the judges'
records and not necessarily to attached
ribbons. If award money is not picked up
within 90 days of the end of the fair, it is
forfeited. All awards must be signed for
by the exhibitor or a family member.

Prize money will also be available on
Release Day - Monday, Jan 25th.

OTHER AWARDS

**Manatee-Sarasota Fish
& Game Association**
Will present an award and \$50.00
in the Photography category to the
exhibitor with the picture that best
depicts the natural beauty of Manatee
County.

Paul Bartley Award

The department will present an
award and \$50.00 in the Photography
category to the exhibitor with the
picture that best depicts people of
Manatee County.

Susan Keen Awards

Yellow Rosettes and \$25 will be
awarded to five unique and creative
entries in any division by the Arts &
Crafts Committee.

Sponsor Awards

Fair sponsors are invited to recognize
an entry in the department that they
find exceptional. A ribbon will be
awarded.

Volunteering or Demonstrations

If you, or your hobby, arts or
crafts group would be interested in
volunteering or demonstrating in
Arts & Crafts, please contact the Fair
Office and let us know.

Due to Covid 19, there will be no Culinary Arts Competition at the 2021 Manatee County Fair

However, You are invited to submit an original recipe to be included in
the 2022 Arts and Crafts Department cookbook. This is a one-time
opportunity to highlight your favorite recipe. It doesn't have to be your
recipe. How about your grandmother's banana nut bread or your sister's
fabulous potato salad. The one recipe that you don't want to live
without.

Get a recipe form off the Fair website, Fair office or use the one below.
Fill it in with your special recipe and email it to,
artsandcraftsmcf@gmail.com. It must be submitted by March 31st 2021.
The recipes will be screened. Some recipes may not be used if it is not
well written or has other problems.

Manatee County Fair Arts and Crafts Department Recipe Entry Form for the 2022 Cookbook

Submitted By _____
Phone _____

Is this your original recipe? _____

Who is the person who developed this recipe _____

Your relationship _____

Name of recipe _____

Ingredients _____

MANATEE COUNTY FAIR

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Information 941-722-8951 • Fair Office 941-722-1639 (Office is on 13th Ave.)





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Please read the General rules AND the Category rules and regulations that govern Arts & Crafts before entering your items.

GENERAL RULES

Arts & Crafts Department is for competition, education, exhibition and demonstration purposes. Sale of entries is not permitted.

Each exhibitor may enter up to ten (10) items **total**, for judging in Arts & Crafts Department. **Check for the maximum that is allowed in each category.**

Crafts - five (5)
Fine Arts - five (5)
Photography - three (3)

Example: 5 in Crafts, 2 in Fine Arts, and 3 in Photography

Entries must be the work of the exhibitor and must have been completed in the 12 months prior to the 2021 fair. Entries must not have been entered previously in the Manatee County Fair.

Entries exhibited previously under the same name or another name will be disqualified.

The Manatee County Fair will exercise all reasonable security, but cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to entries.

The Arts & Crafts Committee will screen all entries and may disqualify entries considered offensive, too fragile, soiled, spoiled, in poor taste or those entries in which the General and Category rules have not been followed.

Items to be judged must be submitted by the submitting exhibitor or a family member.

If any exhibitor is found to have made a fraudulent statement about any entry, all awards to that entry shall be forfeited and the entry disqualified.

To claim entries, the entry form copy from Entry Day must be presented.

No entry in any category shall be removed before January 25th, 2021.

HOBBIES, CRAFTS, NEEDLE ARTS CATEGORY

Original designs should be noted on the entry form for proper judging. Some items could be entered under crafts or fine arts. You may have to make a choice based on where your entry will be best judged.

K'nex and Legos are to be mounted securely on a sturdy base. Make base to fit exhibit but not to exceed 2' x 2' x 2'. The exhibit cannot be larger than the base.

Exhibitors must provide dowels, hangers, extension cords, stands, etc. for items needing these things. Please label these items with your name. All framed items that need to be hung (such as counted cross stitch) need to have hanging wire securely attached with screw eyes.

Division 30 horticultural exhibits must be of reasonable weight and size, as very large horticultural entries cannot be handled by department volunteers and space is limited.

If your exhibit is heavy, bring additional help with you on Receiving and Release days. If you have a horticultural entry you may need to visit during the fair to see to it's care.

DIVISIONS

Division 10 • Basket Weaving
Division 11 • Ceramics
Division 12 • Crochet
Division 13 • Cross Stitch
Division 14 • Dolls
Division 15 • Embroidery
Division 16 • Machine Embroidery
Division 17 • Jewelry
Division 18 • Knitting
Division 19 • Legos & K'nex
Division 20 • Miscellaneous
Division 21 • Needlepoint
Division 22 • Quilting - all kinds
Division 23 • Scrapbooking, Cards, Paper crafts
Division 24 • Sewing
Division 25 • Sportsman
Division 26 • Woodwork and Carving
Division 27 • Spinning & Weaving
Division 29 • Textile Art
Division 30 • Horticultural Crafts - Fairy Gardens, Terrariums, Wreaths, etc. *
Division 31 • Group Project
Division 32 • Recycled Craft **
Division 34 • Gourds
Division 36 • Holiday Decorations

* Must have roots.

** Must be at least 50% recycled materials.

FINE ART CATEGORY

All flat fine art entries must be mounted, matted or framed. Overall dimensions of exhibit, including mat and/or frame, shall not exceed 24" x 36" (NEW)

All FRAMES must have a hanging wire properly attached or the entry may be disqualified. Entries mounted on foam core or mats (1/4" maximum thickness) may be hung using clips, velcro or an adhesive hanger. The rules are to ensure the safety of the exhibit for Fair patrons as well as the quality and overall appearance of the show.

The Chaires building is very damp and has no heat or air conditioning. The Arts and Crafts Committee suggests that using foam core is best for matting or mounting your work. **If your work comes apart due to environmental reasons, it will have to be removed from the display.**

Please present your work well. Presentation may either enhance or detract from your work and influence a judges decision.

No pre-sketched work such as paint by numbers or kits will be accepted in Fine Arts. These items are accepted in Hobbies, Crafts and Needle Arts.

DIVISIONS

Division 60 • Decorative Arts
China painting, tole painting, etc.
Division 61 • Graphics
Computer drawn art, charcoal, pen & ink, pencil & crayon, illustrated manuscripts, etc.
Division 62 • Miscellaneous Arts
Sculpture, glass, stained and fused glass, jewelry, porcelain, recycled materials (more than 50% recycled materials)
Division 63 • Painting
All Media, acrylics, oil, water color, etc.

PHOTOGRAPHY CATEGORY

All photography entries must be mounted, matted or framed. Photos must be at least 8" x 8".

Overall dimensions of the exhibit, including mat and/or frame shall not exceed 20" x 24".

All FRAMES Wires on the back of photography exhibits are no longer required. However having a wire on the back is acceptable. If the exhibit is hung on a wall and has no wire, one will be added by department volunteers.

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If you processed your own film, or digitally enhanced or altered the photo, please note the method on your exhibitor tag and entry sheet. Removing "red-eye", adjusting brightness or cropping is not considered altered or enhanced – but changing the sky to green is!

DIVISIONS

Division 64 • All digital photography
Division 65 • All film photography

CHECKLIST Please Read Carefully!

- ☐ Was your entry completed or done in the 12 months before the 2021 Fair?
- ☐ Have you double checked the entry dates and times?
- ☐ Have you read both the general and category rules for your entry?
- ☐ Does your entry meet the size requirements?
- ☐ Does your frame have a proper hanging wire if needed?
- ☐ Is your entry in good taste?
- ☐ Check how many entries you can have.
- ☐ **The Arts & Crafts Committee really dislikes to disqualify an exhibit, so please, make all our volunteers happy and follow the rules!**

ANNUAL COOKBOOK

Cookbooks featuring 2020 Fair entries, and more, will be on sale in the Chaires Building during the Fair for \$8.00.

Earlier cookbooks will be available for \$5.00.

FAIR PASSES

If you are an exhibitor in Arts & Crafts, you can purchase one (1) 2021 Gate Pass for \$30.00. This will get you in the gate all eleven days of the fair. Passes may be purchased on entry days in the Chaires building or take your exhibitor receipt to the Fair Office. This pass is not good for midway rides or parking and is not transferable.

The Arts and Crafts Building will close at 9:00 pm, January 14 - 23

2021 FAIR HOURS

Date	Gate Hours	Building Hours	Midway Hours
Jan. 14, Thurs.	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Jan. 15, Fri.	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 12:00 am
Jan. 16, Sat.	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	12:00 pm – 12:00 am
Jan. 17, Sun.	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	1:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Jan. 18, Mon.	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Jan. 19, Tues.	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Jan. 20, Wed.	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	3:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Jan. 21, Thurs.	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Jan. 22, Fri.	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 10:00 pm	5:00 pm – 12:00 am
Jan. 23, Sat.	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	12:00 pm – 10:00 pm	12:00 pm – 12:00 am
Jan. 24, Sun	12:00 pm – 7:00 pm	12:00 pm – 7:00 pm	1:00 pm – 7:00 pm

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