

Department 53
Table Tailgate Contest
Saturday, September 28, 6:30 pm

Show off your tailgating talents and team spirit! Massachusetts is only second to New York for the most professional sports team championships, so we have plenty of opportunities to have tailgate gatherings all year. Come dressed to cheer on your favorite team, a menu of what you would serve at your tailgate gathering and make 1 of the recipes on your menu to be judged. Entries will be judged for their enthusiasm, team spirit, decorations, menu and the 1 food item they choose to bring in.

All exhibitors are required to read and comply with the GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS of the CREATIVE ARTS DIVISION.			
Entry Form Due	September 21	Enter online: https://TheBigE.fairwire.com/	Email Creativearts@TheBigE.com Fax 413-205-5104 Mail Eastern States Exposition Tailgate Creative Arts 1305 Memorial Avenue West Springfield MA 01089
Entry Limit	One (1) entry per exhibitor		
Classes	A. Adult		
Premiums	First \$100	Second \$50	Third \$25
Receiving	Saturday, September 28, 5:00 to 6:30 pm – Must be set up by 6:30 pm		New England Center
Judging	Saturday, September 28, 6:30 pm		
Release	Saturday, September 21. After all judging is completed (except First place winners)	<u>First Place Winner:</u> Monday, Sept. 30, 11am-7pm Tuesday, Oct. 1, 8am-1pm	New England Center
An exhibitor registration received by the due date (in chart above) and meeting all the rules of the contest may receive reimbursement for two (2) entry tickets and \$10 for parking per household upon receipt of entered items. Exhibitor must be present for reimbursement.			
After November 1, all unclaimed items become the property of Eastern States Exposition and will be disposed of as deemed necessary.			
For additional information, please contact Creative Arts at Creativearts@TheBigE.com or call 413-205-5015.			

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GUIDELINES

1. Each exhibitor will be provided with a 3'x2' table space.
2. Pre-packaged food may be included on your menu, and may be included as less than 50% of your total ingredients with the 1 item you bring in for judging.
3. Contestants must purchase a pass into the Fair as well as parking. An exhibitor registration received by the due date (in chart above) and meeting all the rules of the contest may receive reimbursement for two (2) entry tickets and \$10 for parking per household upon receipt of entered items. Exhibitor must be present for reimbursement.
4. **You must be present to compete.**
5. Recipe should be typed or neatly written to be included with the item. Submission must include the name of the recipe, a list of ingredients with standard U.S. measurements and complete, step-by-step cooking instructions. Please include your name, address, phone number and email on the back of your recipe. Your name should not be visible to the judges.
6. Recipes should be named, original, unpublished, and the sole property of entrant.
7. All entries must be covered with a clear cover or clear plastic wrap.
8. Each contestant is required to enter their item with serving portion for 4 or more people.
9. Entries are to be brought in fully baked or cooked, completely prepared and ready for display.
10. Due to high temperatures and food safety during Fair, all perishables must be kept in an insulated container such as an ice chest. The Fair does not have the facility to store your entry.
11. All contestants must use inexpensive, disposable storage containers for all entries.
12. Entries must have been prepared/made/processed by the exhibitor in whose name they are entered.
13. In keeping with Eastern States' family orientation, items of an offensive, controversial or objectionable nature or subject matter will not be accepted.
14. With entry submission, you accept all contest rules and agree to be bound by the judges' decisions. Judges decisions are FINAL.
15. The Big E has the right to limit entries.
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Judging

- 20% Team Spirit of exhibitor as demonstrated by attire, signage, etc.
- 20% Decorations of table and tableware
- 20% Menu demonstrates portability, variety and originality
- 40% For the 1 Food Item:
 - Taste
 - Appearance
 - Originality
 - Coordinates with Team Spirit or theme