

WILLIAMSON COUNTY FAIR OPENS COMPETITIVE EVENTS ONLINE ENTRIES, TICKET SALES

Web Entry Encouraged for Most Categories; Packages and Deals Available for Gate Admission

WILLIAMSON COUNTY -- Friday, August 3rd will mark the start of the 14th annual Williamson County Fair, and entries for competitive events are now being accepted online. More than 75 divisions are offered within Agriculture, Creative Arts, Culinary Arts, Cultural Arts, Livestock and 4-H and Youth categories, with online entry available for most.

“We continue to be amazed by the talent in Williamson County and have been able to award prize money to winners in most competitive events,” said Rogers Anderson, Williamson County Fair Chairman. “We received more than 6,800 entries last year, and our hope is that accepting entries online will encourage more people to enter, and to enter more than one category.”

Most competitive events are open to all residents of Williamson County and several may be entered by residents of adjoining counties. New divisions this year include Film and Songwriting in Cultural Arts and 4-H Poultry Skillathon and Mini Horse Pull in Livestock, while Fair favorites such as Farm Eggs, various Livestock shows, Quilt Block Challenge and the Loveless Cafe Biscuit Contest return, among others.

“The Williamson County Fair is an annual celebration of our county’s resources, which is reflected in the event’s ‘Country Pride, County Wide’ theme,” Anderson said. “We look forward to receiving entries from all ages and sparking a friendly competition among our community.”

Returning are the popular Sing Your Heart Out Vocal Competition and Pageants, though online entry is not available for those departments. Applications are due by mail by Friday, July 27 and Friday, August 3, respectively.

Anyone interested in entering a competitive event through the Fair should read the Premium Catalog for specific divisions’ rules and guidelines, available online at www.williamsoncountyfair.org. Physical copies are also available at the Williamson County Mayor’s office and Williamson County Library branches and community recreational centers.

Starting this week ticket packages are available online, offering deals on gate admission for individuals and groups of various sizes. Tickets can be printed at home and used in the “Fast Pass” lane, allowing Fairgoers to avoid waiting in lines at ticket booths. Midway tickets are sold separately and can be purchased from kiosks stationed throughout the grounds.

The Williamson County Fair has been recognized among the best anywhere by its peers at the state and international levels, with last year's event receiving a total of 16 awards from the Tennessee Association of Fairs and the International Association of Fairs and Expos.

Supported by over 2,200 volunteers, sponsors, county residents and surrounding communities, the Fair has grown each summer and continues to be a beacon for agricultural education in Williamson County. To learn more, visit www.williamsoncountyfair.org.

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