

DEPT. 0 - HOBBIES



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DEPARTMENT RULES

- ONLY PREREGISTERED ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON REGISTRATION DAY.** Exhibitors are encouraged to register all items they are thinking of bringing to the fair. Please remember that you are not obligated to enter what you have preregistered. Items can be deleted, but will not be allowed to be added on entry day. Use Open Non-Livestock entry form from www.scff.org, OR entry blank can be found in the front of the Exhibitor's Guide and can be dropped off or mailed to Steele County Free Fair office - 1525 S Cedar Ave PO Box 650, Owatonna, MN 55060.
- Exhibitors will be grouped as Junior (12 and under), Teen (13-17), Adult (18-64), and Senior (over 65). Each age category is judged separately. Please label all juniors and teens entry sheet with their age.
- Entries must be the work of the exhibitor and be a completely finished project. No collections are accepted.
- Entries will be judged equally on 1) Craftsmanship; 2) Originality and Design; 3) Difficulty of Project; and 4) Presentation.
- The Department Superintendents reserve the right to screen entries for quality, cleanliness and to fit available facilities. Entries must fit through a doorway 80" high, 28" wide, and the base of the exhibit should be no larger than 15 sq. ft. and no larger than 5' deep. Soiled items will not be judged.
- No item which has been judged in the Hobbies Department of the Steele County Free Fair previously is eligible for entry.
- The Fair Management will use diligence to help insure the safety of articles in the exhibit, but in no case will they be responsible for loss or damage which may occur.
- Only two (2) entries in a lot will be accepted per each exhibitor (unless otherwise noted); however an exhibitor may enter in as many lots as you choose.
- Woven and braided rugs, pillows, most garments and linens, knitting and crochet (except dolls and framed items), purses and tote bags should be entered in the Textiles Department.
- All entries meant to be hanging must be framed and ready for display, wire hangers or chain preferred for hanging. Binder clips work well for foam core board hanging
- Prize winners will be selected from each class where judge feels an outstanding item exists. Premiums for each lot are \$3.00 for 1st, \$2.00 for 2nd, and \$1.00 for 3rd. These items will compete for additional \$4.00 Reserve Champion, \$6.00 Champion Prizes, one \$8.00 Reserve Grand Champion and one \$10.00 Grand Champion Prize. Superintendents may award a \$5.00 Special Award to an entry for its uniqueness and/or time involved.

CLASS 1A

FABRIC & BEAD CREATIVE CHALLENGE

Beads are donated by The "Tiny" Shop @ Glass Garden Beads, Faribault, MN.

Use your imagination to create any hand-crafted item incorporating the required fabric and beads, which may be picked up at the Fair Office for \$4 per packet. You may use any technique and may add other craft mediums. The item will be judged on creativity and workmanship.

Special Rules:

- Purchase a packet with a (18"x22") of selected fabric and beads from the Fair Office for \$4 (can use more than one if you desire).
- The fabric and beads must be recognizable, but you don't have to use the entire packet.
- The item must be entirely hand crafted by the exhibitor.
- The item must be under 36" in length, width and height.
- The item may be made using any technique, using any medium. It does not need to be sewn but could be quilts, jewelry, woodcraft, basketry, etc.

Lot

- All items

Quick Reference - Hobbies

Pre-registered entries only - Use Open Non-Livestock entry form on www.scff.org or in the Exhibitor's Guide. Due online or to the fair office by Monday, August 7. Bring your entries on Friday, August 11 from 5-7 or Saturday, August 12 from 9-Noon to the Hobbies Department. (Under the grandstand) No early or late entries are accepted.

If you feel that it is helpful, include a 3x5 card explaining your process.

It will only be used for judging, not for display.

Project Pickup - Monday, the day after the fair closing from 10:30-12:30.

CLASS 1 - NEEDLEWORK

(Such as wall hangings, pictures, etc.)

Lot

- Counted cross-stitch framed
- Counted cross-stitch-completed project intended to be unframed
- Embroidery, crewel and stamped cross-stitch
- Canvas work (Needlepoint)
- Latch hook
- Plastic Canvas
- Combination of stitches
- Needle punch
- Other

CLASS 2 - FIBER CRAFTS

(Enter wearables, purses and tote bags in Textile Dept.)

Lot

- Primitive wool rug hooking
- Boiled wool felting
- Wool applique with embroidery (i.e. penny rug)
- Machine embroidery (enter wall hangings in Class 3)
- Tree skirt
- Holiday stocking
- Pin cushions
- Yarn spinning
- Other (If counted cross-stitch - enter in CLASS 1)

CLASS 3 - FABRIC QUILTED WALL HANGINGS

All need to be ready to hang on the wall with sleeve, rings, or tabs. Exhibitor must also bring a dowel rod or curtain rod to hang it on.
(Larger than 24" square.)

Champion and Reserve Champion will receive Gift Certificates from Calico Hutch Quilt Shop - Hayward, MN.
All entrants will receive a discount coupon.

- Appliquéd - Constructed by entrant and quilted on household sewing machine by the entrant.
- Pieced - Constructed by entrant and quilted on household sewing machine by the entrant.
- Paper Pieced - Constructed by entrant and quilted on household sewing machine by the entrant.
- Combination of techniques - Constructed by entrant and quilted on household sewing machine by the entrant (Please include a 3x5 card with note of which techniques used).
- Appliquéd - Constructed by entrant and quilted on a long arm machine.
- Pieced - Constructed by entrant and quilted on a long arm machine.
- Paper Pieced - Constructed by entrant and quilted on a long arm machine.
- Combination of techniques - Constructed by entrant and quilted on a long arm machine. (Please include a 3x5 card with note of which techniques used).
- Machine Embroidery - All "In the Hoop" Wall Hangings
- Group wall hanging (pieced, appliqué or mixed, hand or machine quilted - must be made by at least 5 people.
- Other

CLASS 4 - FABRIC MINATURE QUILTED WALL HANGINGS

All need to be ready to hang on the wall with sleeve, rings, or tabs. Exhibitor must also bring a dowel rod or way to hang it.

Champion and Reserve Champion will receive Gift Certificates from Calico Hutch Quilt Shop - Hayward, MN. All entrants will receive a discount coupon.
(Equal to or smaller than 24" on each side)

Lot

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| 1. Appliquéd | 5. Machine Embroidery |
| 2. Pieced | 6. Other |
| 3. Paper Pieced | |
| 4. Combination of techniques - (Please include a 3x5 card with note of which techniques used). | |

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CLASS 5 - QUILTED ON A STICK

Free corn dog on a stick coupon for all entrants from Troy Temple - Temple Concessions

Special Rules: Entry must be made out of fabric no larger than 8" wide and 9" tall using any quilt construction method and must be hand or machine quilted by the exhibitor. Quilt backing must include a centered vertical sleeve which has an inserted paint stick.

- Lot**
1. Satisfaction Guaranteed fair theme
 2. Other

CLASS 6 - DOLLS & TOYS

- Lot**
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| 1 Doll clothes made of fabric | 4 Doll Accessories |
| 2 Doll clothes made of yarn | 5 Knit or Crochet Stuffed Animals/Dolls |
| 3 Fabric Stuffed Animals/Dolls | 6 Other |

CLASS 7 - WOODCRAFT

(Label all items made from kits) For information during judging, please summarize the steps used to complete your project on a 3x5 card. This will not be displayed. Note Department Rule #5 for size restrictions

- Lot**
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| 1 Toy, game, or whirlygig | 6 Carved - not painted |
| 2 Birdhouse or feeder | 7 Home furnishings |
| 3 Coping, fret, scroll or jigsaw work | (such as clocks, shelves, etc.) |
| 4 Furniture | 8 Turned items |
| 5 Refinished article | 9 Other |

CLASS 8 - PAINTED CRAFTS

Framed or original artwork should be entered in the Fine Arts or Youth Art Department

- Lot**
- 1 Rosemaling or tole painting
 - 2 Wood cutouts (painted)
 - 3 Painting on clothing or fabric
 - 4 Carved & painted
 - 5 Barn quilts - no larger than 4'x4'
 - 6 Other

CLASS 9 - ETHNIC/HISTORICAL CRAFTS

Examples are American Indian or pioneer theme such as beadwork, leatherwork, peace pipe, dream catcher, etc.

- Lot** 1 All Entries

CLASS 10 - BASKET WEAVING

Weave fiber over and under each other to create a shape. Champion & Reserve Champion will receive a special award from Friends of Basket Weaving.

- Lot**
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| 1 Plaited (flat material) | 6 Double wall |
| 2 Round reed | 7 Naturals |
| 3 Woven on mold | 8 Twill |
| 4 Combination | 9 Other |
| 5 Rib | |

CLASS 11 - MODELS

No "Legos" or snap together construction toys accepted.

- Lot**
- 1 Kits
 - 2 Original designs
 - 3 Plans-No kits

CLASS 12 - PAPER CRAFT

Special Prizes awarded by Nikki's Scrapbook Nook, Blooming Prairie, MN
See Class 14 for full size scrapbook pages. Cards can be securely mounted on foam core board no larger than 18" x 24", but do not need to be if it shows the design better to not be on a board. Choose the best Lot, but do not duplicate lots with the same designs. You can include a 3x5 card explaining your process for judging if you'd like. It will not be displayed.

- Lot**
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| 1 Origami | 5 Handmade mini books |
| 2 Books | 6 Gift Tags |
| 3 3-D Cards | 7 Other |
| 4 Shadow Boxes | |

CLASS 13 - CARD MAKING

Special Prizes awarded by Nikki's Scrapbook Nook, Blooming Prairie, MN
Please include 3-6 items. If project is flat, securely mount on foam core board no larger than 18" x 24" and should be ready to hang on the wall for display.

(Binder clips work well for hanging). Choose the best Lot, but do not duplicate lots with same designs. You can include a 3x5 card explaining your process for judging if you'd like. It will not be displayed.

- Lot**
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| 1 Backgrounds | 4 3-D |
| 2 Special Folds | 5 Most Creative |
| 3 Coloring | 6 Other |

CLASS 14 - SCRAPBOOKING

Special Prizes awarded by Nikki's Scrapbook Nook, Blooming Prairie, MN

- 1 Display to be 2 pages (any size) mounted on foam core or heavy cardboard no larger than 18" x 24" and have binder clips to be ready to hang on the wall.
- 2 Pages must stay within the board boundaries
- 3 For protection of the pages, please use plastic sleeves and securely mount to the foam core or cardboard.

- Lot**
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| 1 Children | 5 Special Events and Other |
| 2 Nature | 6 Shadow Box with photo |
| 3 Vacation Trips or Holidays | 7 Mini-scrapbook with photo |
| 4 Wedding or Baptism | |

CLASS 15 - BEADED JEWELRY

Enter pony beads, plastics and rubber-band creating in Class 20.

- Lot**
- 1 Necklace stitched
 - 2 Necklace strung
 - 3 Bracelet stitched
 - 4 Bracelet strung
 - 5 Earrings - set of 6 pair
 - 6 Wirework
 - 7 Lapidary
 - 8 Jewelry with beads made by exhibitor (i.e. lampwork, femo, fused, etc.)
 - 9 Art beadweaving (i.e. loom, flatwork, etc.)
 - 10 Other

CLASS 16 - UPSCALED RECYCLE

Take that item from the trash and invent a new life for it. Use the lot that relates to what item you are starting with.

- Lot**
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| 1 Beads & Buttons | 5 Fabrics |
| 2 Wood | 6 Furniture |
| 3 Metal | 7 Other |
| 4 Glass or Ceramic | |

CLASS 17 - POTTERY

- Lot**
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| 1 Wheel thrown | 3 Other |
| 2 Hand formed | |

CLASS 18 - STAINED GLASS

- Lot**
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| 1 Foiled | 3 Other |
| 2 Leaded | |

CLASS 19 - HAND MADE FISHING TACKLE

- Lot**
- 1 Rods
 - 2 Flies
 - 3 Lures

CLASS 20 - MISCELLANEOUS

No collections, Lego or snap together projects, artificial and dried flower arrangement will be accepted. Framed art should be in Fine Arts or Youth Art.

- Lot**
- 1 Decorative Bird House
 - 2 Synthetic Clay
 - 3 Fiber Weaving (Rugs should be in Textiles)
 - 4 Rubber band loom
 - 5 Natural - wheat, corn husk, pinecones, herbs or grapevines
 - 6 Gourds
 - 7 Jewelry (using pony beads or other plastic beads)
 - 8 Ornament Set (all handmade ornaments should be in this lot). Minimum of 3 ornaments mounted or displayed. Can be made of fabric, wood, metal, etc.
 - 9 Wreath
 - 10 Duct Tape
 - 11 Wood Burning
 - 12 Nail & String Art
 - 13 Macrame
 - 14 Diamond Art
 - 15 Other

CLASS 21 - NURSING HOME, GROUP HOME OR OTHER SPECIAL CITIZEN

Quality items will be judged with same criteria as listed in department rules. Two entries per exhibitor accepted.

- Lot**
1. All Entries