



# Exhibitor Handbook

Culinary Arts  
Department

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Jams, Jellies, Cakes  
and Pies

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September 20<sup>th</sup> - October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Closed Monday – Wednesday

1826 W McDowell Rd.  
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[www.azstatefair.com](http://www.azstatefair.com)

<b><u>Entry Fees:</u></b>	\$1 per entry
<b><u>Premiums:</u></b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Place: \$5, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: \$3, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: \$2
<b><u>Entry deadline:</u></b>	Friday August 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2024, at 10:59 pm <b><u>(ALL entries, including mailed in paper entries MUST be received in office by the deadline. NO LATE entries and NO ONSITE ENTRIES)</u></b>
<b><u>Receiving:</u></b>	<b><u>See Weekly Receiving Dates Below *</u></b>
<b><u>Location:</u></b>	West Ramp of the Coliseum
<b><u>Release:</u></b>	Friday November 1 <sup>st</sup> from 9:00am-6:00pm Saturday, November 2 <sup>nd</sup> from 9:00am-12:00pm
<b><u>Contact:</u></b>	For questions regarding entering your projects in the fair, please contact <a href="mailto:marysim@msn.com">marysim@msn.com</a> or by calling 602- 257-7130.



**\*RECEIVING:** To ensure quality and freshness, entries will only be received on the Receiving dates listed. No late items will be accepted.

**WEEK ONE – BREADS AND CANNED ITEMS & FAIR THEMED – Receive Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 3pm**  
Divisions 500-505, Divisions 546-585, AND Divisions 596-600

**WEEK TWO – COOKIES AND CANDIES – Receive Wednesday September 25<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 3pm**  
Divisions 506-510 and Divisions 541-545

**WEEK THREE – CAKES AND MISC. CAKE & PASTRY – Receive Wednesday October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9am to 3pm**  
Divisions 516-539

**WEEK FOUR – PIES – Receive Wednesday October 9<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 3pm**  
Divisions 531-535

**WEEK FIVE – MISCELLANEOUS AND SNACK TIME – Receive Wednesday October 9<sup>th</sup>, 9am to 3pm**  
Divisions 586-595

**WEEK SIX – DECORATED CAKES – Receive Wednesday October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 9am to 3pm**  
Divisions 536-540

## **CULINARY ARTS EXHIBITORS PLEASE NOTE:**

In this department we have Youth: age 5 – 12, Teen: age 13 – 18, Adult: age 19 +, Professional (Receives payment for culinary work) and Person(s) with Disabilities. **Be sure to indicate the correct division on your entry form.** If exhibitor is less than 18 years of age, include your age and your parent signature where indicated. Failure to comply with these rules may result in disqualification of the entry.

## **Special Rules and Regulations for Culinary Arts**

(See General Rules for further instruction)

1. Judging is closed to the public. Information on judging will not be available until after the Fair opens.
2. Only residents of Arizona (anyone living in AZ for 6 months or more per year) may exhibit in this department.
3. Exhibitors must derive less than 10% of their income from the sale of their products in order to enter in non-professional divisions.
4. All work must be the sole work of the exhibitor.
5. No entry will be accepted unless there is a Division and Class listed in the Exhibitor's Handbook. Exhibitors are solely responsible for deciding on the proper Division and Class for their entry. Entries improperly classified may not be changed or judged.
6. **Due to display limitations, the Arizona State Fair may only display exhibits which have placed 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> in each Division offered.**

7. Exhibitors should stay in their age groups. Please state age on entry form.
8. All canned goods, preserves, jams and jellies, conserves, pickles, and relishes must have been prepared between October of 2023 and September of 2024
9. Containers: All caps and seals must be without rust or scratches. Canned products, meat, fruit and vegetables must be exhibited in 16oz (pint jars) or 32 oz. (quart jars)
10. Jelly, Preserves and jams must be in standard jelly glass jars with lids (8 oz). Do not use wax. Conserves, pickles and relishes are to be entered in 16 oz (pint jars). Dill pickles will be accepted in 32 oz (quart jars)
11. For canned items, jam, jelly, marmalade, salsa, vegetables, olives, pickles, relish, mustard, honey and meat - please submit a sample ½ pint jar for judging AND one pint or quart jar for display. All entries will be taste tested.
12. All jars will be returned
13. All baked goods and candies must have identification tags attached to disposable plate by string.
14. Cakes and pies must be on disposable containers, such as paper or aluminum plates, cookies should be on paper plates and inserted in plastic bags. Cookies may be in plastic disposable containers. Fasten tag to plate/container.
15. No packaged mixes.
16. The Coordinator reserves the right to remove and dispose of foods showing signs of spoilage during the Fair.
17. **All non-perishable exhibits in the Culinary Arts Department must be picked up on the designated Release Day or they will be destroyed. Cookies, pies, cakes, bread, candies will be destroyed at the end of Fair.**

### Judging Guidelines

Entries are judged in an objective manner. Judges are instructed not to award premiums unless entries are deemed worthy of merit.

**Bread:** Appearance of crust, crumb, flavor and texture.

**Cakes:** Judged as to appearance, texture, crumb and taste, each counts 25%.

**Fruits:** Uniformity of pack and ripeness is very important. The ripeness determines the color and texture of the fruit. The syrup or liquid should be clear-not cloudy-and should cover the contents.

**Vegetables:** Here again the liquid is very important. It must be clear, and it must cover the vegetables.

**Pickles and relishes:** All cucumber and mixed pickles must be firm and crisp. Sweet pickles should be firm, yet tender. Don't over-cook. Again, natural color of product used, clearness of liquid and uniformity of pack is important.

**Jams:** Do not sieve or strain. True jams resemble crushed fruit with no separation of fruit and juice. Natural fruit flavor should be preserved, neither too much nor too little sugar. Jams should not be rubbery.

**Jellies:** Jelly should be transparent and have good texture (quiver), color and clearness. Maintain the natural fruit flavor. Watch for too much sugar; no crystals allowed.

**Pie:** Pie judged on appearance, flavor, texture of crust, texture of filling.

**Preserves:** The color and flavor must be natural to the fruit. Syrup must be clear and thick. The pieces of fruit should be firm and whole.

**Marmalades and Conserves:** Have the color as natural to the fruit as possible. Small, thin pieces of fruit in clear, thick syrup is desirable. Conserves should be a mixture of several fruits, cooked to jam-like consistency with sugar, addition of nuts optional.

**Division 500: Bread – Youth**

**Division 501: Bread – Teen**

**Division 502: Bread – Adult**

**Division 503: Bread – Professional**

**Division 505: Bread – Person(s) with Disabilities**

Only whole loaves will be accepted. No mini loaves.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Baking powder biscuits (6)	114	Pumpkin
101	Banana w/nuts	115	Raisin
102	Banana w/o nuts	116	Rye
103	Citrus	117	Scotch scones
104	Coffee cake, yeast	118	Self-ground flour
105	Coffee cake, not yeast	119	Sourdough
106	Cranberry	120	Sweet rolls (6)
107	Ethnic bread (describe)	121	White
108	Flour tortillas	122	Whole wheat 100%
109	Machine made bread – white	123	Wheat & white
110	Machine made bread – wheat	124	Yeast rolls (6)
111	Machine made bread – any other	125	Zucchini
112	Muffins	126	Other than classified, yeast
113	Nut bread (no fruit)	127	Other than classified, not yeast

**Division 506: Cookies – Youth**

**Division 507: Cookies – Teen**

**Division 508: Cookies – Adult**

**Division 509: Cookies – Professional**

**Division 510: Cookies – Person(s) with Disabilities**

*Entry to include six (6) each*

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Butterscotch Cookies	116	Mexican Wedding Cookies
101	Chocolate brownies	117	Microwave cookies
102	Chocolate chip w/nuts	118	Molasses cookies
103	Chocolate chip w/o nuts	119	Novelty, cut out cookies
104	Citrus Bar	120	Oatmeal w/nuts
105	Citrus cookies	121	Oatmeal w/o nuts
106	Cookies made with candy	122	Peanut butter cookies
107	Date Bar	123	Pinwheel cookies
108	Decorated Cookies	124	Refrigerator cookies
109	Ethnic Cookies- Described	125	San dabs - Mexican wedding Cookies
110	Filled cookies, any kind	126	Shortbread cookies
111	Fruit Cookies	127	Snickerdoodles
112	Ginger snap cookies	128	Sugar Cookies
113	Hermits or rocks cookies	129	Other than classified, Bars
114	Macaroon cookies	130	Other than classified, Cookies
115	Meringue cookies		

**Division 516: Layer Cake – Youth**

**Division 517: Layer Cake – Teen**

**Division 518: Layer Cake – Adult**

**Division 519: Layer Cake – Professional**

**Division 520: Layer Cake – Person(s) with Disabilities**

Cake must be on disposable container such as cardboard or cake round. Only whole cakes will be accepted. No whipped cream frostings or frosting with uncooked egg products. Must have at least 2 – 8” layers.

**Class   Description**

100	Carrot
101	Chocolate-cake and icing
102	Chocolate-any other icing
103	Coconut
104	German chocolate

**Class   Description**

105	White - cake and icing
106	White - any other icing
107	Yellow
108	Other than classified

**Division 521: Loaf or Bundt Cake – Youth**

**Division 522: Loaf or Bundt Cake – Teen**

**Division 523: Loaf or Bundt Cake – Adult**

**Division 524: Loaf or Bundt Cake – Professional**

**Division 525: Loaf or Bundt Cake – Person(s) with Disabilities**

Cake must be on disposable container such as cardboard or cake round. Only whole cakes will be accepted.

**Class   Description**

100	Angel food
101	Applesauce or apple
102	Banana nut
103	Carrot
104	Chocolate
105	Fruit cake

**Class   Description**

106	Marble
107	Pound
108	Pumpkin
109	Sour cream
110	Spice
111	Other than classified

**Division 526: Miscellaneous Cake/Pastry – Youth**

**Division 527: Miscellaneous Cake/Pastry – Teen**

**Division 528: Miscellaneous Cake/Pastry – Adult**

**Division 529: Miscellaneous Cake/Pastry – Professional**

**Division 530: Miscellaneous Cake/Pastry – Person(s) with Disabilities**

Cake must be on disposable container such as cardboard or cake round.

**Class   Description**

100	Baklava
101	Cannoli
102	Cheesecake – topped – baked
103	Cheesecake – untopped – baked
104	Cheesecake – unbaked
105	Cupcakes (4)
106	Cut fruit tarts
107	Doughnuts (5)

**Class   Description**

108	Fried pies
109	Gingerbread House
110	Miniature pies
111	Molded chocolate
112	Petit fours (5)
113	Red Velvet
114	Tea party cookies (6) – small decorated
115	Other than classified

**Division 531: Pies – Youth**

**Division 532: Pies – Teen**

**Division 533: Pies – Adult**

**Division 534: Pies – Professional**

**Division 535: Pies – Person(s) with Disabilities**

Pie must be on disposable container such as paper or aluminum plate.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Apple	105	Peach
101	Blueberry	106	Pecan
102	Cherry	107	Pumpkin
103	Cream	108	Other than classified
104	Lemon		

**Special Rules for Decorated Cakes Divisions 536-540**

1. Decorations and cake must be entirely edible, except where noted.
2. Anyone who sells cakes from a home kitchen is considered a professional.
3. Teachers of cake decorating, who are now teaching or have taught in the past, are not eligible to enter the Non-Professional divisions. This rule also applies to Bakery and Restaurant decorators.
4. Decorated cakes of questionable subject or theme as determined by the judges will not be judged or displayed.
5. Cake separators are not considered part of the decoration on the cake.
6. No whipped cream frostings or frosting with uncooked egg products.
7. Decorated cakes must be movable and completely finished before bringing to Culinary Arts Department. Sheet cakes not to exceed 12" x 18." Tiered cakes are not to exceed 27" in height, including decorations.

**Division 536: Decorated Cakes – Youth**

**Division 537: Decorated Cakes – Teen**

**Division 538: Decorated Cakes – Adult**

**Division 539: Decorated Cakes – Professional**

**Division 540: Decorated Cakes – Person(s) with Disabilities**

Edible Decorated Cakes

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Birthday or Shower
101	Doll
102	Holiday of your choice
103	Wedding & Anniversary – top must be edible
104	Ugly Cakes – Entirely Edible
105	Other than classified

Non-edible Decorated Cakes. Decorations May Be Non-Edible (Styrofoam can be used)

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
106	Arizona theme	109	Most outlandish
107	Birthday	110	Wedding & Anniversary
108	Holiday of your choice	111	Other than classified

**Division 541: Homemade Candies – Youth**

**Division 542: Homemade Candies – Teen**

**Division 543: Homemade Candies – Adult**

**Division 544: Homemade Candies – Professional**

**Division 545: Homemade Candies – Person(s) with Disabilities**

*Not less than 7 pieces*

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Arizona theme Candy	109	Chocolate Fudge; cooked	118	Pecan Brittle
101	Bon Bon Candy	110	Coconut squares Candy	119	Pecan pralines Candy
102	Cactus Candy	111	Date roll Candy	120	Penuche Candy
103	Candied fruit Candy	112	French creams Candy	121	Sugar free – please describe
104	Caramels Candy	113	Microwave candy	122	Taffy divinity Candy
105	Chocolate creams Candy	114	Mints Candy	123	Turtles or Truffles Candy
106	Chocolate Fudge	115	Molded hard candy	124	Other than classified, Brittle
107	Chocolate Fudge w/nuts	116	Peanut Brittle	125	Other than classified, Candies
108	Choc Fudge w/ marshmallows	117	Peanut butter Fudge	126	Other than classified, Fudge

**Division 546: Canned Fruits – Youth**

**Division 547: Canned Fruits – Teen**

**Division 548: Canned Fruits – Adult**

**Division 549: Canned Fruits – Professional**

**Division 550: Canned Fruits – Person(s) with Disabilities**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Apples	107	Figs
101	Applesauce	108	Fruit Cocktail
102	Apricots	109	Peaches
103	Blackberries	110	Pears
104	Blueberries	111	Plums
105	Cherries	112	Other than classified
106	Grape		

**Division 551: Canned Meat – Youth**

**Division 552: Canned Meat – Teen**

**Division 553: Canned Meat – Adult**

**Division 554: Canned Meat – Professional**

**Division 555: Canned Meat – Person(s) with Disabilities**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Beef	104	Turkey
101	Chicken	105	Venison
102	Fish, indicate name	106	Other than classified, indicate name
103	Pork		

**Division 556: Canned Vegetables – Youth**

**Division 557: Canned Vegetables – Teen**

**Division 558: Canned Vegetables – Adult**

**Division 559: Canned Vegetables – Professional**

**Division 560: Canned Vegetables – Person(s) with Disabilities**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Asparagus	107	Okra
101	Beets	108	Onions
102	Carrots	109	Peas
103	Cauliflower	110	Peppers, red or green
104	Corn	111	Tomatoes
105	Green beans	112	Other than classified
106	Mixed vegetables		

**Division 561: Jams – Youth**

**Division 562: Jams – Teen**

**Division 563: Jams – Adult**

**Division 564: Jams – Professional**

**Division 565: Jams – Person(s) with Disabilities**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Apple butter	110	Pear
101	Apricot	111	Pineapple combinations
102	Apricot-pineapple	112	Plum
103	Blackberry	113	Raspberry
104	Blueberry	114	Rhubarb
105	Butter, indicate name	115	Rhubarb combinations
106	Cherry	116	Strawberry
107	Fig	117	Strawberry combinations
108	Grape	118	Sugar free, indicate name
109	Peach	119	Other than classified, indicate name

**Division 566: Jelly – Youth**

**Division 567: Jelly – Teen**

**Division 568: Jelly – Adult**

**Division 569: Jelly – Professional**

**Division 570: Jelly – Person(s) with Disabilities**

Must be in standard jelly glasses with lids or 1 pint jars. No wax.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Apple	110	Orange
101	Apricot-pineapple	111	Peach
102	Blackberry	112	Pepper
103	Blueberry	113	Plum
104	Cranberry	114	Pomegranate
105	Elderberry	115	Prickly pear
106	Grape	116	Raspberry
107	Grapefruit	117	Strawberry
108	Lime	118	Sugar free, indicate name
109	Mint	119	Other than classified, indicate name



**Division 571: Marmalades and Conserves – Youth**

**Division 572: Marmalades and Conserves – Teen**

**Division 573: Marmalades and Conserves – Adult**

**Division 574: Marmalades and Conserves – Professional**

**Division 575: Marmalades and Conserves – Person(s) with Disabilities**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Conserves, apricot	106	Conserves, sugar free, indicate name
101	Conserves, fig	107	Conserves, other than classified, Indicate
102	Conserves, grape	108	Marmalade, orange
103	Conserves, pear	109	Marmalade, grapefruit
104	Conserves, peach	110	Marmalade, combination of fruits
105	Conserves, strawberry	111	Marmalade, other than classified, indicate

**Division 576: Preserves – Youth**

**Division 577: Preserves – Teen**

**Division 578: Preserves – Adult**

**Division 579: Preserves – Professional**

**Division 580: Preserves – Person(s) with Disabilities**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Apricot	108	Pear
101	Apple	109	Quince
102	Blackberry	110	Raspberry
103	Blueberry	111	Strawberry
104	Cherry	112	Sugar free, give name
105	Fig	113	Tomato
106	Grape		
107	Peach	114	Other than classified

**Division 581: Pickles, Relishes, and Spiced Fruit – Youth**

**Division 582: Pickles, Relishes, and Spiced Fruit – Teen**

**Division 583: Pickles, Relishes, and Spiced Fruit – Adult**

**Division 584: Pickles, Relishes, and Spiced Fruit – Professional**

**Division 585: Pickles, Relishes, and Spiced Fruit – Person(s) with Disabilities**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Barbecue sauce	113	Onions, pickled
101	Beets, pickled	114	Peppers, pickled
102	Bread and butter pickles	115	Peaches, spiced fruit
103	Chili sauce	116	Piccalilli
104	Chutney	117	Tomato catsup
105	Cucumber pickles, sweet	118	Salsa
106	Cucumber relish	119	Sweet Relish
107	Dill pickles	120	Watermelon, spiced fruit
108	Dill relish	121	Zucchini Relish
109	Figs, spiced fruit	122	Other than classified, Pickles
110	Green string beans, pickled	123	Other than classified, Relish
111	Mixed pickles	124	Other than classified, Spiced Fruit
112	Mustard pickles		

**Division 586: Miscellaneous – Youth**

**Division 587: Miscellaneous – Teen**

**Division 588: Miscellaneous – Adult**

**Division 589: Miscellaneous – Professional**

**Division 590: Miscellaneous – Person(s) with Disabilities**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Juice, fruit or vegetable, indicate name	103	Vinegar, herb/non-sweet, indicate name
101	Syrup, any kind, indicate name	104	Other than classified
102	Vinegar, fruit/sweet, indicate name		

**Division 591: Snack Time – Youth**

**Division 592: Snack Time – Teen**

**Division 593: Snack Time – Adult**

**Division 594: Snack Time – Professional**

**Division 595: Snack Time – Person(s) with Disabilities**

Entry must be in sealed container

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Dried fruits
101	Dried meat / jerky
102	Trail mix, indicate ingredients
103	Snack mix, indicate ingredients
104	Fruit leathers / rollups
105	Granola bars
106	Chips, indicate flavor
107	Popcorn, indicate flavor
108	Other than classified

**Division 596: FAIR THEMED – HAPPY 140<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY – ARIZONA STATE FAIR – Youth**

**Division 597: FAIR THEMED – HAPPY 140<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY – ARIZONA STATE FAIR – Teen**

**Division 598: FAIR THEMED – HAPPY 140<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY – ARIZONA STATE FAIR – Adult**

**Division 599: FAIR THEMED – HAPPY 140<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY – ARIZONA STATE FAIR – Professional**

**Division 600: FAIR THEMED – HAPPY 140<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY – ARIZONA STATE FAIR – Person with Disabilities**

Kick off our 140<sup>th</sup> birthday with your special created treat! Theme it out!

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>
100	Cupcakes
101	Candy
102	Fudge
103	Cookies
104	Pie
105	Layer Cake
106	Marshmallow Cereal Treats
107	Truffles
108	Any other sweet treat