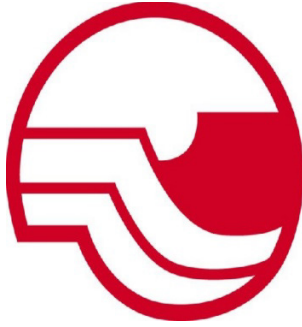




JULY 13-17, 2021

Open Class

GUIDEBOOK



**The Mesa County
Executive Fair Board
invites you to be a part of our
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Mesa County Fair 2021 Exhibitor's Guidebook

Mesa County Fair: July 13th - 17th, 2021

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Welcome Exhibitor's -

If you are coming back, or whether this is your first time we welcome you and hope you are looking forward to this 2021 Fair while exhibiting your talents, skills, or just plain old curiosities at this upcoming Fair. The volunteers and I certainly are! Thank you past volunteers for your selfless time and energy. Thank you Department Leads, the many volunteers from RSVP, the Ambassadors, and to those 4H parents & kids who work the evening hours so the public can use the evening hours to browse Bldg C where both our displays are housed during Fair. This community and I is forever in your debt.

Please call or email me if you would like to spend a couple or three hours volunteering in our Open Class Community Fair Exhibit Hall during Fair, our processing exhibits before fair, or become a department lead, as we still need those positions filled.

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Check out our  Open Class King/Queen of the Kitchen contest right here!

A FUN CONTEST IN OPEN CLASS: **KING/QUEEN CONTEST**: Winner of the King/Queen Contest Special Ribbon Award will be determined by the exhibitor who has the most points from ribbons awarded from total exhibits in the departments below. Exhibitors may have the maximum amount of entries according to the rules in each of the departments below. In case of a tie in points, the exhibitor with the most Fair Themes, Department Themes, Best of Show, Judges Choice or People's Choice Ribbons will be the King/Queen Kitchen Specialty Ribbon!

Fair Theme Award - 7 points
Best of Show - 5 points
Judges Choice - 4 points

Horticulture (Garden Crops)
Baked Goods

Food Preservation
Floriculture
Beer and or Wine

People's Choice - 3 points Blue: 2 points Red: 1 point White: 0 points

GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS FOR OPEN CLASS EXHIBITS

Please read all rules and regulations carefully, since important changes may have been made.

All Exhibits information and entry forms are available online at www.mesacountyfair.com.

Open Class Exhibit Winners and Contest Winners will be posted on our website.

The following Rules apply to all Entries:

1. Mesa County Fair Exhibits are open to all Mesa County residents and only to Mesa County residents.
2. This Guidebook is published each year and lists all the various departments, divisions, and classes that you can enter. After you select the appropriate departments and classes you wish to enter fill out the Entry Form. Entry Forms are found in the back of this Guidebook, at the Fairgrounds office or downloaded online at www.mesacountyfair.com.
3. All articles must be exhibitors own work and not previously shown at the Mesa County Fair.
4. Fill out your Entry Form completely. Make sure both the division number and class numbers are clearly listed on the form. **Do not** enter Exhibit Tag#, it will be issued upon entry delivery. Enter the class you feel best suits your entry. The judge or Open Class Coordinator may move an exhibit if they deem it is in the wrong class.
5. Exhibitors will be divided into certain sections for judging according to age, skill level or a professional who derives at least 25% of annual income using the exhibit of choice as follows:
 - (E) Elementary - Child 8 years old or younger.
 - (Y) Youth - 9-13 years old.
 - (AY) Adult Youth 14-18 years old.
 - (A) Adults 19 years old and older - Non Professional
 - (G) More than one exhibitor working on the same item. May be Adult and child.
 - (C) Any handicap that affect performance skills in that class.
 - (P) Adults who have income using exhibits entered. Must have at least 25% of yearly income with previous year using those exhibits entered. Exhibitor may file a business card at processing with the Open Class Coordinator.
5. Exhibits for Open Class are judged on their own merit and not against another exhibit (s) in the same class or division, using the Danish System. 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place ribbons are then awarded for each class as each article in each class deserves such merit. See Department's individual rules as those rules are part of the judge's scoring. Judges may use their own scorecard to award all ribbons. Judge's Choice and Best of Show ribbons are awarded at the discretion of each judge. All decisions from the judges are final. People's Choice ribbons are awarded and determined by the highest number of votes placed by the fairgoers for that item on the first day of Fair. Fair Theme ribbons are awarded by members of the Fair Board on the first day of Fair.

The Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".
6. All judging is closed to the public, and there is absolutely no talking to the judges from ANYONE while a judge is scoring ribbons. Exception is the Judge's volunteer scribe to confirm comments on back of exhibitor tags, or the Open Class Coordinator for answering questions or moving classes for the judge.
7. Greatest care will be taken in handling the exhibits, but no responsibility for loss or damage of any kind can be assumed by the Open Class Coordinator, the Open Class Department Leads to the Coordinator, Mesa County

Fairgrounds or the Mesa County Executive Fair Board. Exhibitors must carry their own insurance on sensitive or highly valued entries.

6. The Mesa County Executive Fair Board and or the Open Class Coordinator reserves the right to reject any exhibit entered if questionable in any way, if the exhibit requires an excessive amount of space without pre-registration or notice given to the Open Class Coordinator, or if Department capacity has been reached on Entry Received Day.

9. Grievances and protests - a grievance committee consisting of a member of the Mesa County Executive Fair Board, the superintendent or leader involved, and one disinterested party will make recommendations on all questions of rule, grievances or protests. Protests involving alleged major rule violations must be in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$25.00 cash or certified check which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Said protest must state plainly the cause of the complaint and must be delivered to a member of the Mesa County Executive Fair Board by the Open Class Coordinator within eight hours after the cause of the protest. The Grievance Committee's decision is final.

10. By signing the Open Class Exhibit Form exhibitors agree to all rules and regulations presented in the Open Class Guidebook pertaining to their participation. Please see Certification at the bottom of Registration form.

REMEMBER - REGISTRATION FORMS MAY BE DOWNLOADED AT WWW.MESACOUNTYFAIR.COM

Pre-registration ends July 6, 2021 at 5:00 PM.

Fair Dates: Tuesday July 13, 2021 through Saturday July 17, 2021.

Bldg C Hours during Fair: Wednesday - Saturday 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Entry Receiving Dates:

Non Perishable Exhibits: (Pages 3 - 13) and (Divisions 100 - 152)
Friday July 9, 2021: 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Saturday July 10, 2021: 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Perishable Exhibits: (Pages 14 - 26) and (Divisions 200 - 231)
Monday July 12, 2021: 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Doors Close Promptly at 2:00 PM for Closed Judging

Entry Release Date: Sunday July 18, 2021: 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

PLEASE PICK UP ALL EXHIBITS BY 2:00 PM ON SUNDAY JULY 18, 2021. All entries not picked up on Sunday become the property of the Mesa County Executive Fair Board for donations or auctions at their discretion. All ribbons will go back into inventory for the next year. A permission form signed by the Exhibitor to have another par follows the registration form

DEPARTMENT: FINE ARTS, FINE CRAFTS, SCULPTURE AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".

Exhibit must have been done between August 2020 and July 2021.

Exhibits Received Day: See Page 2.

Exhibits Released Day: See Page 2.

Art Work

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be on exhibit piece.
- o Exhibit must have been completed between August 2020 and July 2021.
- o All art exhibits must be framed and prepared for hanging with a picture frame wire only – no exceptions.
- o Longest side of item to be no longer than 36".
- o Oil and Acrylics must be framed, dry, and ready to hang with wire attached for secure display.
- o All watercolor, pastel, and pencil pieces must be matted or framed and ready to hang with wire attached for secure display.
- o All drawings must be original.
- o Amateur and professional entries will be judged separately in each category.
- o No coloring pages allowed. See Home Arts.

Judges will consider entries on the basis of:

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| o Balance of color, weight & space | o Presentation of subject/character |
| o Focal point & movement | o Technique |
| o Unity in color & design | o Expressiveness |
| o Perspective | o Framing & matting |
| o Values & value pattern | |

Divisions: 100 - 108

Division: 100-Acrylic

Division: 101-Oil

Division: 102:-Water Color

Division: 103:-Pastel

Division: 104:-Pencil (black or colored)

Division: 105-Pen & Ink

106-Charcoal Classes

Division: 107-Chalk Division

Division: 108-Mixed Media

Division: 109-Digital Painting - The artist uses painting techniques to create the **digital painting** directly on the computer.

Classes for Fine Arts Divisions 100-108

1. Abstract
2. Animals
3. Landscape or Seascape
4. Still Life (the exhibitor arranges at least 1 item - subject matter must be inanimate subject matter typically nature or man-made objects.)
5. Portrait (head & shoulders only)
6. Structures
7. County Fair or Judge as Fair Theme Award

Classes for Fine Arts Continued

8. Digital Art (All images created within and using the computer)
9. Any Other Fine Arts Exhibit, please identify

Ceramics

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be on exhibit piece.
- o Exhibit must have been done between August 2020 and July 2021.
- o All kits are acceptable and are required to be labeled as such.
- o Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Judges will consider entries on the basis of:

- o Originality of idea (absolutely no copying of any other piece)
- o Manner in which medium is used
- o Unity in color & design
- o Technique
- o Proper presentation of entry
- o Entry should always be example of your best work.

Divisions: 109 - 113

Division: 109- Ceramics

Division: 110- Sculpture

Division: 111-Paper Mache

Division: 112- Clay; Functional

Division: 113- Ceramic Jewelry

Classes for Ceramics in Fine Arts Divisions 109-113

1. Air Dry Clay - any clay which does not get fired or baked such as Crayola Model Magic.
No Play Doh or modeling clay.
2. Clay - Hand built pottery
3. Clay - Wheel Thrown
4. Ceramics - Glaze Application
5. Ceramics - Slipcast
6. Paper Mache
7. Ceramic Jewelry-A necklace and 1 set of earrings counts as one exhibit.
8. Any Other Ceramics item; please identify.

Fine Arts - Crafts & Jewelry

(Using Precious Metals, Stones, Gems, Crystals, etc.)

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to three (3) entries per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be on exhibit piece.
- o Exhibit must have been done between August 2020 and July 2021.
- o All kits are acceptable and are required to be labeled as such.
- o All kits are acceptable and are required to be labeled as such.
- o Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Judges will consider entries on the basis of:

- o Originality of idea (absolutely no copying of any other piece)
- o Manner in which medium is used
- o Unity in color & design
- o Technique
- o Proper presentation of entry
- o Entry should always be example of your best work.

Divisions: 114 - 119

Division: 114- Glass Craft

Division: 115- Ceramics Craft

Division: 116-Metal Craft

Division: 117- Jewelry Craft- such as Wire Wrapping or Beading

Division: 118- Recyclable, Repurposed, or Reclaimed Craft or Jewelry

Classes for Fine Arts Crafts & Jewelry Divisions 114-119

1. Any fused or stained glass craft.
2. Any hand built or wheel thrown clay craft
3. Any metal craft.
4. Any precious rocks, gems, crystals, or beads used in an item. Any combination may be used also.
5. Any metal, rubber, fabric, or wood elements may be used in a recyclable, repurposed or reclaimed craft.
6. Any mixed media craft or jewelry, please identify.

Photography

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to two (2) entries per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be on exhibit piece.
- o Exhibit must have been done between August 2020 and July 2021.
- o All kits are acceptable and are required to be labeled as such.
- o Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7,2021.**

Judges will consider entries on the basis of:

- o Originality of idea (absolutely no copying of any other piece)
- o Placement
- o Technique
- o Proper presentation of entry
- o Entry should always be example of your best work.

Division for Photography - 120 (Color or Black & White)

Classes for Photography Division 120

1. Abstract
2. Animals
3. Landscape or Seascape
4. Still Life (the exhibitor arranges at least 3 items)
5. People or Children/Infants (singular or multiple)
6. Nature
7. Structures
8. County Fair or Judge as Fair Theme Award
9. Computer Generated Photography (All images created within the computer)
10. Any Other Photography Class Subject, please identify.

DEPARTMENT: HOME ARTS & POETRY

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".

Exhibit must have been completed between August 2020 and July 2021.

Exhibits Received Day: See Page 2.

Exhibits Release Day: See Page 2.

This Department is a candidate for the NEW KING/QUEEN OF THE KITCHEN CONTEST. See Page_

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to two (2) entries per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be on exhibit piece.
- o Exhibit must have been done between August 2020 and July 2021.
- o All kits are acceptable and are required to be labeled as such.
- o Exhibit may accompany a one page story with before and after 4 x 6 in. pictures **back to back in one (1) clear sheet protector.**
- o Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Home Arts

Judges will consider entries on the basis of:

- o Originality of idea (absolutely no copying of any other piece)
- o Creativity
- o Technique
- o Proper presentation of entry (no soiled, pet hair or dirty items please)
- o Entry should always be example of your best work.

Divisions for Home Arts

Division: 121 - Leather craft

Class:

1. Any size Leather craft item, tooled or untooled
2. Any other Leather craft item, please identify.

Division 122 - Wall Pictures

Class:

1. Any Crafted Wall Picture, hung or stand up easel
2. Any Other Crafted Wall Picture, please identify.

Division 123 - Dolls (non-cloth)

Class:

1. Under 11"
2. 11" to 18"
3. Any Other Doll, please identify.

Division 124 - Stone Art

1. Any Stone Art, please identify

Division 125 - Painted Fabric Craft

1. Wearing Apparel
2. Canvas Bag
3. Apron
4. Floor Cloth
5. Pillow
6. Table Runner
7. Wall Hanging
8. Tie Dye
9. Any other Painted Fabric Craft, please identify.

Division 126 - Decorative Painting

1. Animals
2. Birds
3. Decorative Painting on Furniture or other Objects (Ex. Wishing Wells, Grandfather Clocks)
4. Flowers
5. Folk Art
6. Landscape
7. People
8. Stroke Work
9. Gourds or any plant based exhibit
10. Any other Decorative Painting item, please identify.

Division 127 - Hobbies

1. Lego's
2. Knex
3. Steel Tee
4. Models
5. Dollhouses
6. Scrapbooking, not in an inappropriate subject
8. Any Calligraphy, not in an inappropriate subject.
9. Any Dough Art
10. Any Basket, may have stone or embellished inlay.
11. Any other Hobby, please identify.

Poetry

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to three (3) entries per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be on exhibit piece.
- o Exhibit must have been done between August 2020 and July 2021.
- o Poems must be the original work of the exhibitor.
- o Poems must be not in a questionable subject or content. See General Rule #6.
- o Poems must be no longer than one page. **Poems must be entered inside a clear sheet protector.**
- o Poems remain the property of the authors and all submissions will be returned on Release Day. **Pre-registration ends July 7 2021.**

Division 128 - Original Poetry

Classes

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| 1. Adventure | 4. Poems written for children |
| 2. Nature | 5. Jingles or Limericks. |
| 3. Love | 6. Any other Poem, please specify |

Quilting Department

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is highly recommended for Quilting. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**
Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is **"Country Nights, Carnival Lights"**.*
Exhibit must have been completed between August 2019 and July 2021. (2 years)

Exhibits Received Day: See Page 2.

Exhibits Release Day: Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to one (1) entries per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be shown on exhibit piece. Processing may cover name with blue "painter's" tape)
- o Do not include quilts on entry forms with other Open Class entries; list all quilt entries on a separate entry form.
- o Quilts consist of three layers held together by stitches.
- o Entry should be example of your best work. (The work must not have been shown in past Count Fairs)
- o Greatest care will be taken in handling the exhibits, but no responsibility for loss or damage of any kind can be assumed by the Open Class Coordinator, Mesa County Fairgrounds or the Mesa County Executive Fair Board. The exhibitor must carry their own insurance for sensitive and/or highly valued entries.
- o All work must be executed by one person including quilting stitches exception is the Group Division.
- o Open Class Vintage Quilts are for **Display Only**.

Divisions for Quilts:

Division 129 - Traditional Quilts (well established or customary designs)

Division 130 - Art Quilts

Division 131 - Group Quilts (entry form must show the 2 or more persons who quilted the exhibit.)

Division 132 - Wall Hangings (no size limitation)

Division 133 - Innovative Quilts (Wools, Yoyo, Puff, Crazy, Cathedral Windows, Original Designs, etc.)

Division 134 - Kit Quilts (must be labeled as such on the Registration Form.)

Division 135 - Tied Comforters Quilts

Division 136 - Miniature quilts (a scaled down version of a full sized quilt with longest side no more than 20")

Classes for Division 129 - 136 (Techniques)

1. Any Applique, hand only
2. Any Applique, machine only
3. Any Embroidery, hand only
4. Any Embroidery, machine only
5. Any Panel, pre-printed
6. Any Paper Pierced
7. Any Photo
8. Any Pieced, hand only
9. Any Pieced, machine only
10. Any Quilt, hand only
11. Any Quilt, machine only
12. Any Whole Cloth
13. Any Fusible
14. Any Mixed Techniques

Quilting Continued

Division 137 Other Quilts (must be layered with batting & quilted)

1. Placemats/Table Runners
2. Other Quilted items not listed, please specify
3. Fair Theme:* Please **Print "Country Nights, Carnival Lights" on the quilting Entry Form.**

Clothing Textiles & Needlework Department

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".

Exhibit must have been completed between August 2020 and July 2021.

Exhibits Received Day: See Page 2.

Exhibits Release Day: See Page 2.

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to one (1) entry per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be shown on exhibit piece.
- o All kits are acceptable and are required to be labeled as such on Registration Form.
- o All work must be executed by one person except in Group Division.
- o Used, worn or soiled items will not be accepted.
- o At the direction of the Open Class Coordinator and/or Judge, classes may be combined.
- o The Open Class Coordinator has the right to reject the subject matter of a sensitive nature.
- o Knitted or crocheted collars, cuffs, doilies and baby sets must be mounted on foam board or cardboard. All wall hangings must be ready to hang - NO TAPE. See Photography Rules.

Division 138 - Clothing

Classes for Division 138

1. Any Apron
2. Any Child Outfit
3. Any Cape
4. Any Costume
5. Any Doll Clothes
6. Any Blanket
7. Any Other Clothing Item not listed, please identify

Division 139 - Textile Construction

Classes for Division 139

1. Any Doll - Cloth, Soft or Sculptured & Dressed
2. Any Fabric Bowl
3. Any Fabric Teddy Bear
4. Any Fabric Christmas Ornament(s) single or a set of 3
5. Any Hand Bag
6. Any Other Textile Item not listed, please identify

(Clothing, Textiles & Needlework continued)

Division 140 - Embroidery, Crewel & or Needle Point

Classes for Division 140

1. Any Picture
2. Any Pillow
3. Any Pillow Case
4. Any Wall Hanging
5. Any Christmas Item, please identify
6. Any Kitchen Item, please identify
7. Any Hardanger, please identify
8. Any Other Needle Point, please identify

Division 141 - Knitting

Classes for Division 141-142

1. Any Afghan
2. Any Baby Afghan or with one set of matching Baby Booties
3. Any Cape
4. Any Dish Cloth or Potholder, may be in sets of 3
5. Any Doily 15" & under
6. Any Doily over 15"
7. Any Doll with or without clothes
8. Any Hat
9. Any Pillow
10. Any Handbag or Purse
11. Any Wearable item (sweater, shawl, scarf)
12. Any Stuffed Toy
13. Any Other Knitted or Crocheted Item, please identify

Division 143 - Cross Stitch - Any Size

Classes for Division 143:

1. Counted
2. Preprinted

Division 144 - Weaving

Classes for Division 144:

1. Any Woven Article (commercial yarn), please identify
2. Any Harness Loomed (commercial yarn), please identify
3. Any Woven or Harness Kit

Woodworking Department

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".

Exhibit(s) must have been completed between **August 2020 and July 2021.**

Exhibits Received Day: See Page 2.

Exhibits Release Day: See Page 2.

Rules:

- o Each exhibitor is limited to three (3) entries per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be shown on exhibit piece.
- o All kits are acceptable and are required to be labeled as such on Registration Form.
- o All work must be executed by one person except in Group Division.
- o Any Exhibit that is to be hung must be ready to hang, framed with strong fasteners and wire securely attached - NO TAPE. Apply eye & screws if needed. Entries without proper hardware will not be accepted in this department. A "fix it" table will be available.
- o The Open Class Coordinator has the right to reject subject matter of a sensitive nature.
- o All kits are acceptable and must be labeled as such in the Woodworking Department & Entry Form.

Judges will consider entries on the basis of:

- o Originality of idea (absolutely no copying of any other piece)
- o Creativity
- o Technique (Judges are aware that some Class Techniques can overlap into others)
- o Proper presentation of entry (no soiled, glue or clamp marks, or uneven staining)
- o Entry should always be example of your best work.

Division 145 - Wood Art/Wood Craft

Classes:

1. Any Wall Hanging
2. Any Wall Pictures; may be painted or embellished with other metals, beads, rocks, etc
3. Any Wooden Beading any size for jewelry, items submitted as a set will be entered as one (1) exhibit
4. Any Wood Sculpture using Stylized Carving or other means
5. Any Mixed Media of Woods using other elements such as metal, precious metals, accents or inlay

Division 146 - Wood Carving

Classes:

1. Any Caricature Carving
2. Any Stylized Carving for this class other than Wood Art (above)
3. Any Relief Carving
4. Any Chip Carving
5. Any Gourd or Bark Carving
6. Any Realistic Carving
7. Mixed Media using inlay of precious stone or metal

Division 147 - Wood Furniture

Classes:

1. Tables
2. Chairs
3. Hutches

(Woodworking Department Continued)

4. Hope Chests
5. Potato Bins
6. Book Shelves
7. Grandfather Clocks
8. Kitchen Islands

Division 148 - Wood with a Purpose (any wooden device that will perform a function but uses no metal, plastic, or other non-wooden components - i.e. vices, clamps, gear works, etc.) does not have inlay.

Classes:

1. Cutting Board
2. Back Scratcher
3. Trivets

Division 149 - Wood Turning/Lathe Work

Classes:

1. Bowls
2. Vases
3. Baseball Bats
4. Candle Sticks
5. Christmas Tree Ornaments

Division 150 - Wood Burning (any wooden item design using a wood burning tool)

Classes:

1. Plaques
2. Wall Hangings
3. Boxes
4. Mixed Media

Division 151 - Wood Craft (may use inlay)

1. Toys
2. Puzzles
3. Clocks
4. Boxes with Lids
5. Birdhouses
6. Planter Box
7. Recipe Box
8. Any Wood Craft using a kit
9. Mixed Media

Division 152 - "From The Woodpile"

Class:

1. Any work with projects developed from the log to finished product without the use of any power tools or fasteners. Can use joinery such as dowels, mortise and tenon, dove tail, spine joint, etc.

FOOD PRESERVATION

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".

Exhibit must have been completed between August 2020 and June 2021.

Exhibits Received Day: See Page 2.

Exhibits Release Day: See Page 2.

Contest Note: This Department is a candidate for the NEW KING/QUEEN OF THE KITCHEN CONTEST. See Page 2.

PANTRY - GENERAL JUDGING RULES FOR FOOD PRESERVATION

Rules: **Safety is of the utmost importance.** *Contact CSU/Ann Duncan/970 244-1839 with questions regarding canning classes in Grand Junction, high altitude checking, or CSU Extension requirements using recipes from resources which use USDA recommendations for processing.*

Website information available at <http://tra.extension.colostate.edu/> or email:

ann.duncan@colostate.edu

Any entry not in compliance with judging guidelines or exhibiting spoilage will be disqualified. *Quality criteria based on visual judging. Judges may refrain from tasting preserved food.*

- Exhibit(s) must have been completed between August 2020 and June 2021.
- Each exhibitor is limited to five (5) entries per class. (For the NEW King/Queen of the Kitchen Contest. See Page 2)
- Exhibitor's name is not to be shown on exhibit piece.
- Entry submissions must have been canned by the person in whose name they have entered except in Group Division.
- On Exhibits Received Day jars should be clean from dust/dirt and stickiness & in very good condition utilizing a two-piece canning lid with band in very good condition with a new flat lid of same standard brand name. ONLY Ball and Kerr jars and bands/seals permitted. No decorative or off brands acceptable.* No padded lids.
- **Products canned using reusable lids will not be accepted.**
- All canned foods must be preserved using recipes from resources which use USDA recommendations for processing from canning information from 1994 or later. Acceptable resources include, but are not limited to:
 - The **USDA**
 - University Extension Publications
 - Pectin Package Inserts
- Processes that are unacceptable and unsafe include: open kettle processing, inversion sealing, steam canning, paraffin sealed jellies & jams,; as well as pickles, jams & jellies not processed in a boiling water bath canner, or water bath canning of low acid products (vegetables require pressure cooking).
- No fresh/refrigerated items accepted, all items must be shelf stable.

FILLED JAR RULES

- Headspace must correspond to instructions on the reference guides listed. The top of the finished recipe or liquid covering produce must provide adequate headspace as stated in approved guidelines.
- Air Bubbles must be kept to a minimum. (Gas bubbles denote spoilage and can be identified by movement of bubbles to the surface of the product while the jar is stationary. Products indicating presence of gas bubbles will be disqualified.)
- Bands should remain on the jars while in transit to the fair event. Remove bands carefully to determine if the headspace is correct. Replace bands for product display. The new canning science suggests storing canning jars without rings.

- ONLY Ball and Kerr jars and bands/seals permitted. No decorative or off brands acceptable. No padded lids. Canned products with special cuts or design lids will not be accepted (example lids by Bernardin* or similar brand)

HEAT PROCESS RULES

- Methods used to heat process food must comply with current preserving guidelines as stated in the approved reference guides. The boiling water process for high-acid food and pressure process for low-acid food are the only recommended methods to preserve food in jars for shelf storage.
- Time for correctly heat processing food varies depending on each specific recipe or food type. Processing time must be in agreement with approved reference guides.

• RULES CONCERNING PRODUCT APPEARANCE

- Produce should be free from blemishes, disease, and spoilage. Recipes prepared with stems, pits and peels intact are acceptable if the recipe is in keeping with approved guidelines.
- Liquid must be clear & free from cloudiness and small particles unless the inherent characteristics of ingredients affect product clarity.
- Color of the finished product should be as close as possible to its natural characteristics or that for cooked product.
- Texture is affected by heat processing; however, the finished product should not easily break down or appear over-cooked.
- Ingredients should retain their shape and size based on the type and preparation method. Ingredients should be cut in uniform pieces and packed evenly in the jar, allowing adequate room for liquid to circulate throughout the jar during processing.

Division 200 - Fruits or Juice

Classes:

1. Apples
2. Applesauce
3. Mixed Fruit, please specify

Division 201 - Vegetables or Vegetable Juice

Classes:

1. Asparagus
2. Beans, please specify
3. Tomatoes, please specify

Division 202 - Jam

Division 203 - Jelly

Classes:

1. Apple
2. Apricot
3. Cherry, please specify
4. Grape
5. Peach
6. Plum
7. Raspberry
8. Strawberry
9. Combinations, please specify

Division 204 - Syrups

Classes:

1. Apricot
2. Cherry
3. Any other Fruit Syrup, please specify

Food Preservation (Pantry Store) Department continued

Division 205 - Pickled

Classes:

1. Asparagus
2. Beet Pickles
3. Bread & Butter Pickles
4. Dill Pickles
5. Peppers, please specify

Division 206 - Relishes, Sauces, Vinegars

Classes:

1. Any relish, please specify
2. Any Barbeque Sauce, please specify
3. An Salsa, please specify

Division 207 - Dried Foods

Classes

1. Any Fruit, please specify

Division 208- Honey

Classes:

1. Any single or combination, please specify

Division 209- Preserves, Conserves, Marmalades, Butters

1. Any single or combination Preserves, please specify
2. Any single or combination Conserves, please specify
3. Orange Marmalade
4. Any other Marmalade, please specify
5. Apple Butter
6. Almond Butter
7. Peanut Butter

BAKED GOODS DEPARTMENT

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Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".

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BAKED GOODS - GENERAL JUDGING RULES

Rules: **Safety is of the utmost importance.** *Contact CSU/ Ann Duncan/970 244-1839 with questions regarding canning classes in Grand Junction, high altitude checking, or CSU Extension requirements using recipes from resources which use USDA recommendations for processing.*

Website information available at <http://tra.extension.colostate.edu/> or email:

ann.duncan@colostate.edu

Any entry not in compliance with judging guidelines or exhibiting spoilage will be disqualified. *Quality criteria based on visual judging. Judges may refrain from tasting preserved food.*

Baked Goods - General Judging Rules Continued

- Exhibit(s) must have been completed between August 2020 and June 2021.
- Each exhibitor is limited to 2 (two) entries per class. (For the NEW King/Queen of the Kitchen Contest. See Page 2)
- Exhibitor's name is not to be shown on exhibit piece. Entry submissions must have been baked by the person in whose name they have entered except in Group Division.
- At the direction of the Open Class Coordinator and/or judge, classes may be combined or divided.
- Recipes are required for all baked good products. The recipe must be affixed to the container and must include approved source of recipe (resource's name, year published and page number or date accessed online and website link), ingredients, preparation instructions, method, time and temperature on a 3 x 5 recipe or index card. All artificial coloring used in baked products must be specified in recipe.
- All baked products must be labeled properly. Label must include the following information:
 - Name of Product
 - Method of preparation
 - Recipe and nutritional commentary
- All divisions in Baked Goods must be home prepared. NO MIXES.
- All baked entries must be on or in a disposable container. Delivery of baked entries on anything besides disposable container(s) will be turned away from submission.
- NO CREME PIES OR CHEESECAKES.
- QUANTITY: Breads, cakes or pies limited to one (1) per entry.

Division 211 - Yeast Bread

Classes:

1. 1 Loaf of White Bread
2. 1 Loaf of 100% whole wheat
3. 1 Loaf of Sourdough
4. 1 Loaf of French
5. 1 Loaf of Machine Baked Bread
6. 1 Loaf of any other variety, please specify

Division 212 - Quick Bread

Classes:

1. 1 Loaf of Banana Bread
2. Biscotti (4)
3. Crackers (6)
4. Cornbread or Corn Muffins (4)
5. Corn Tortillas (4)
6. Coffee cake, Tea breads, no yeast (1)
7. Doughnuts, no yeast (6)
8. Four Tortillas (4)
9. Foreign Bread, no yeast (1)
10. Gluten Free Quick Bread, any type (1)
11. Grain Bread, any grain, no yeast (1)
12. Muffins, no paper cups (4)
13. Zucchini Bread Loaf (1)
14. Any other Quick Bread not listed above (1)

Division 213 - Cakes **(Exhibits will not have any frostings, glazes, or powdered sugar, except the Decorated Baked Good Division)**

Classes:

1. Cake, white (1)
2. Cake, yellow (1)
3. Cake, chocolate (1)
4. Cake, carrot (1)

Baked Goods Continued

5. Cake, spice (1)
6. Cake, chiffon (1)
7. Cake, angel food (1)

Baked Goods Continued

Division 214 - Cookies

Classes:

1. Bars (6)
2. Brownies (6)
3. Drop (6)
4. Gluten Free (6)
5. Pressed (6)
6. Molded or Rolled (6)
7. No Bake (6)
8. Refrigerator (6)
9. Any Other Cookie Variety, please specify (6)

Division 215 - Candies & Confections Classes:

1. Brittle
2. Butterscotch & Toffee
3. Caramels
4. Dipped Chocolates
5. Divinity /Nougat
6. Fudge, dark
7. Fudge, white
8. Fudge, any other variety, please specify
9. Hard Candy
10. Jellied Candy
11. Mints
12. No Cook
13. Penuche
14. Taffy
15. Candy, any other variety, please specify

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Division 216 - Decorated Cakes (forms allowed)

Decorated cakes can have frosting. Cakes should be placed on a very firm, disposable surface, cut parallel to the shape of the cake and no more than 1 1/2" larger in each direction than the dimensions of the cake. The surface should be covered with a food safe covering. Projects in this class will not be cut or tasted. Judging will be based solely upon frosting applied evenly and neatly, and the decorations and design suitable for the shape of the baked good entry.

Classes:

1. Decorated Cakes
2. Decorated Cupcakes (6)
3. Decorated Cookies (6)

Division 217 - Pies

Classes:

1. Single Crust
2. Double Crust
3. Crumb Crust
4. Lattice Crust
5. Pie, Any Other Variety not listed in other divisions

Division 218 - Good For Your Health

(Recipe and nutritional commentary is required on all entries)

This division is for modified or substituted ingredients in a recipe that reduces fat, sugar or calories. All general rules apply.

Classes:

1. Cake
2. Cookies (6)
3. Gluten Free (modified for health)
4. Muffins (6)
5. Quick Breads
6. Any other variety of baked goods for health

AGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE- GARDEN

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".

Exhibit must have been completed between August 2020 and June 2021.

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AGRICULTURE & HORTICULTURE - GENERAL JUDGING RULES

- Exhibit(s) must have been completed between August 2020 and June 2021.
- Each exhibitor is limited to five (5) entries per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be shown on exhibit piece.
- Select Agriculture and Vegetable/Fruit exhibits for uniformity in size, color, and free from insect, disease, or mechanical injury.
- All exhibits should be clean.
- Agriculture exhibits will be judged for market use.
- Vegetables/Fruits will be judged for table use.
- Exhibit the number of specimens in parentheses.

Division 219- Agriculture

Classes for Agronomy (twelve (12) stems **tied together** constitutes a bundle)

1. Corn (6 stalks with roots removed)
2. Barley (12 stems - 1 bundle)
3. Oats (12 stems - 1 bundle)
4. Wheat, (12 stems - 1 bundle)
5. Alfalfa (12 stems - 1 bundle)
6. Hay (12 stems - 1 bundle)
7. Clover - (12 stems - 1 bundle)
8. Grass - (12 stems - 1 bundle)
9. Sorghums - (12 stems - 1 bundle)

Division 220 - Horticulture - Garden Vegetables/Fruits Crops

Classes:

1. Green Beans (with 12 stems attached)
2. Yellow Beans (with 12 stems attached)
3. Bean any other variety (with 12 stems attached)
4. Broccoli (1 head)
5. Cabbage (1 head)
6. Carrots (4 with 2" top and root attached)
7. Cauliflower (1 head)
8. Cucumbers, pickles (3)
9. Cucumbers, slicers (3)
10. Cucumbers, burpless (3)

Horticulture Garden Vegetables & Crops Continued

11. Cucumbers, any other variety (3) please specify
12. Fruits, apples (6)
13. Fruits, peaches (6)
14. Fruits, strawberries {6}
15. Fruits, raspberries {12}
16. Fruits, any other variety (12)
16. Garlic (1 bulb with 2" top)3. Bean any other variety (with 12 stems attached)
17. Kale (1 head)
18. Lettuce (1 head)
19. Lettuce, bibb (1 head)
20. Lettuce, green leaf (1 head)
21. Lettuce, romaine (1 head)
22. Onions, white (3 with 1/2" tops)
23. Onions, yellow (3 with 1/2" tops)
24. Onions, red (3 with 1/2 "tops)
25. Onions, green (3 with 3" tops with roots)
26. Peas, pod (12 with stems)
27. Peas, sugar snap (12 with stems)
28. Peppers, Anaheim (3)
29. Peppers, bell (3)
30. Peppers, jalapeno (3)
31. Potatoes, red (4 - unwashed and excess dirt removed)
32. Potatoes, russet (4 - unwashed and excess dirt removed)
32. Potatoes, Yukon Gold (4 - unwashed and excess dirt removed)
32. Potatoes, any other variety (4 - unwashed and excess dirt removed)
33. Squash, summer (3)
34. Squash, zucchini (3)
35. Squash, any other variety (6)
36. Tomatoes, cherry (6)
37. Tomatoes, red (4)
38. Tomatoes, green (4)
39. Tomatoes, any other variety (4)
40. Turnips (4 - with 1" tops)
41. Vegetables - any other variety (4)

Division 221 - Herbs

Classes: (3 sprigs with leaves in uniform condition)

1. Dill
2. Lavender
3. Mint
4. Parsley
5. Oregano
6. Thyme
7. Herb, any other variety

Division 222 - Eggs (5 total consistent in size & shape)

Classes:

1. Same Color
2. Multiple Colors

FLORICULTURE & FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com **Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".**

The Floral Department Theme for 2021 Flower Exhibits/Container Gardens is "Busy as Bees".

Exhibit must have been completed between August 2020 and June 2021.

Exhibits Received Day: See Page 2.

Exhibits Release Day: See Page 2.

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FLORICULTURE & FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS - GENERAL JUDGING RULES FOR FLORICULTURE AND ARRANGEMENTS

- Each exhibitor is limited to five (5) entries per class. (For the NEW King/Queen of the Kitchen Contest. See Page __.)
- Exhibitor's name is not to be shown on exhibit piece.
- Exhibit(s) must have been completed between August 2020 and June 2021.
- All cut flowers must have been grown by the exhibitor.
- Any exhibitor is allowed to replace wilted flowers after the day of judging, please check with the Open Class Coordinator first.

Remember the Department Theme: "Busy As Bees"

Division 223 - Flowers

Classes:

1. Aster (3)
2. Bachelor Button (3)
3. Columbine (3)
4. Coneflower (3)
5. Chrysanthemum (3)
6. Cosmos (3)
7. Dahlia - over 8" (1)
8. Dahlia - under 8" (2)
9. Daisy (3)
10. Delphinium
11. Gladioli (1)
12. Gaillardia, blanket flower (3)
13. Lily and Day Lilies (2)
14. Marigold (3)
15. Marigold Miniatures (5) 3/4" - 1 3/4"
16. Nasturtiums (3)
17. Pansies (3)
18. Petunia - single (3)
19. Petunia - double (3)

Floriculture & Arrangements Continued

20. Phlox (3)
21. Rose
22. Rose Miniature (1 cluster)

Floriculture Continued

23. Sweet Pea (3)
24. Snapdragon (2)
25. Sunflower (2)
26. Zinnia (3)
27. Flower, or Any Other Pollinating Attracting Flower please specify (3)

Division 224 - Flower Arrangements

Classes For Division 224

1. Dried Flower Arrangements
2. Fresh Flower Arrangements

Division 225 - Potted Plants

Classes For Division 225

1. Flowering
2. Foliage
3. Fairy Garden
4. Hanging Basket - Flowering
5. Hanging Basket - Foliage
6. Cacti and/or succulent
7. Terrarium
8. Themes - 2020 Flower Department Theme: "Busy As Bees"
2020 Fair Theme: "Country Nights, Carnival Lights"
9. Unusual Container (with plants being exhibited inside container)
10. Potted Plants, any other, please specify

Beer & Wine Department

Entry Forms: Pre-registration is always encouraged. **Pre-registration ends July 7, 2021.**

Entry Forms found at www.mesacountyfair.com Fair Theme for 2021 is "Country Nights, Carnival Lights".

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BEER & WINE - GENERAL JUDGING RULES FOR BEER & WINE

- Exhibitors must be 21 years old or older.
- Exhibit(s) must have been completed between August 2020 and June 2021.
- Each exhibitor is limited to three (3) entries per class. Exhibitor's name is not to be shown on exhibit piece.
- QUANTITY: 1 (one) 750 ml or equivalent bottle.
- Label with variety type, no commercial labels allowed.
- Divisions For Beer Continued

DIVISIONS FOR BEER

Division 226 - Ale

Classes For Division 226

1. Pale
2. Brown

Division 227 - Lager

Classes For Division 227

1. Light
2. Dark
3. Steam

Division 228 - Specialty

Classes For Division 228

1. Belgian, please specify
2. Fruit, please specify
3. Honey

DIVISIONS FOR WINE

Division 229 - Grape

Classes For Division 229

Classes For Division 229 - Grape

1. Chardonnay
2. Sauvignon Blanc
3. Rose & Blanc de Nair Wines
4. Cabernet Sauvignon
5. Zinfandel

Division 230 - Non Grape

Classes For Division 230 - Non Grape

1. Barley
2. Meade

Division 231 - Organic

Classes For Division 231 - Organic

1. Organic Red
2. Organic White

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Open Class Exhibit Form

Exhibitor Name(s) _____

(When group effort is involved please see chart section) _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ (this info only on the Exhibitor Tag please)

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

(Open Class Coordinator Use Only) (Can OCC text you on this number?_)

(Exhibit- Tag Number is issued when entries are submitted for entry)

	Exhibit Tag	Division Number	Class Number	Description of Entry, Name, Variety, Etc.
1.				
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NOTE: All exhibits not fitting into or mentioned in any of the Department Guidelines will be placed in the Class #9999, to include a brief description of the item including the media, technique or material the item is made of.

Example: Department: Home Arts Division 115: Recycled/Reclaimed Class 9999 Description Copper Pipe Key Holder

Entrant's Section (please see chart --+--)

+ - {Enter corresponding group designation from Chart Section listing

Chart Section:

- (E) Elementary - Child 8 years old or younger
- (Y) Youth - 14-18 years old
- (A) Adult - 19 years old and older - Nonprofessional
- (G) More than one exhibitor working on same item. May be Adult and Child
- (C) Any handicap that affected performance skills in that class
- (P) Adults who have income using exhibits entered. Must have at least 25% of yearly income with previous year using those exhibits entered. Exhibitor may file a business card at processing with the Open Class Coordinator.

Exhibitor's Signature: _____

Exhibitor's Signature: _____

Exhibitor's signature on this form indicates agreement to all rules of the Mesa County Fair Competitive Exhibits.

Mesa County Fair Open class Exhibit Entry Forms can be copied and additional forms downloaded at www.mesacountyfair.com

Keep your claim ticket(s) and make note to pick up exhibits Sunday July 18th between 8:00am-2:00pm. Any Unclaimed items become property of the Mesa County Fair for disposal or donation at their discretion. Please call or text the Open Class Coordinator at 970-201-8128 if questions & oversized exhibits.

Questions: Mesa County Fairgrounds 2785 Hwy SO, Grand Junction, CO 81503 970-255-7107

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