

FINE ARTS

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FINE ARTS MISSION STATEMENT: The mission of the Fine Arts Department is to allow Montana, and former Montana residents to express their creative abilities within the fine arts and to enhance people's awareness of the quality of art within the State of Montana.

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PREMIUMS: \$1,525

JUDGES: tba

2005 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*(All activities will take place in the
Fine Arts Building)*

Friday, July 15 5 pm	Entry forms due, Entry Office
Saturday, July 23 12-6 pm	Entries Accepted
Sunday, July 24 12-4 pm	Entries Accepted
Monday, July 25 12-6 pm	Entries Accepted
Tuesday, July 26 12-8 pm 8 pm	Entries Accepted NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED after 8 pm
Thursday, July 28 TBA 7-9 pm	Open Juried Competition Sneak Preview Reception (artists & families only) Non-professional Competition
Sunday, Aug 7 12-5 pm 5 pm	Entries Released NO ENTRIES RELEASED after 5 pm
Monday, Aug 8 12-4 pm	Entries Released

Every effort will be made to follow above schedule, but due to unforeseen circumstances schedule is subject to change

Premium checks will be available during the fair at the State Fair Bank. Please check with the department superintendent on dates of availability. Checks not collected will be mailed the week following the fair.

The Montana State Fair Advisory Board will purchase a piece of art selected from all divisions in the Fine Arts department for the State Fair collection.

A plaque will be awarded to the artist. Montana State Fair will pay \$500 for the work. All pieces of the State Fair collection are displayed year-round at the Montana ExpoPark administration office.

Exposure from being included in this collection has enhanced the prominence of many regional artists whose early work was selected.

GENERAL RULES:

- All parties participating at Montana State Fair are responsible for reading the General Information section of this handbook and complying with policies listed therein.
- AGREEMENT TO ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS HEREIN STATED IS UNDERSTOOD WHEN THE EXHIBITOR SUBMITS THE ENTRY FORM.
- Each exhibitor may purchase one exhibitor's ticket for \$15 which includes ten adult admissions and/or a vehicle. Youth 6-18 may purchase a \$10 exhibitor's ticket that includes ten admissions--no vehicle.
- Entry forms may be mailed, or delivered to the State Fair Administration Office, open weekdays 8 am - 5 pm. Fees may be paid when the entry form is submitted or at the time of entry delivery (see schedule for entry delivery).
- State Fair will accept exhibits not pre-entered, but exhibitors are warned that it will take longer for check-in.
- Mailed entry forms and/or entries should be sent to: Entry Office, Montana State Fair, 400 3rd St. NW, Great Falls, MT 59404. Entries to be returned by mail MUST have return postage included or they will be returned COLLECT.
- All possible care will be exercised by State Fair in handling exhibits, but no responsibility for loss or damage in transit or during any phase of the exhibit will be assumed by State Fair. In no case will SMG, Cascade County, Montana ExpoPark Advisory Board, the individual members thereof, the County Commissioners, as well as all agents, servants and employees thereof be held responsible for loss, damage, or breakage. Management will provide security and give every care to articles on exhibition.
- Entry Fees: See specific division. All entry fees collected are used to improve the Fine Arts Department.
- All entries must be made on regulation entry forms, properly filled out and completed. Entries not properly registered will be excluded. Forms are available at the State Fair office or will be mailed upon request. The forms are in three sections -- one form attached securely to the item entered, one form brought or mailed to the Fair office, and one form retained by the exhibitor.
- Competition is open to Montana residents and former residents.

- k. The superintendent is instructed to refuse any picture or drawing, or display deemed not worthy of a place in the show, as the purpose of the State Fair is primarily educational, and the management has concluded that exhibits in Fine Arts can be instructive only to the extent of their excellence.

EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS:

1. The name of the artist must be placed on the back of the article, and article must be entered by the artist or his specified agent.
2. Please do not enter copies of other artists. This is easily detected. The more original the design, conception and execution by the exhibitor, the more worthy it will be. Work must be exhibitor's own -- no commercial kits.
3. **ALL PAINTINGS must be appropriately framed and OTHER DRAWINGS framed or mounted. SCREW EYES AND WIRE OR HANGARS ARE TO BE ATTACHED to the back of the picture.** Drawings not framed are to be mounted on stiff cardboard with hangers. This rule is strictly adhered to. All flat artwork must have required entry blank securely attached to the back. Entry blanks pasted on tagboard are suggested for non-flat objects. Each item must bear required entry form.

SALES WILL BE ENCOURAGED THROUGHOUT FAIR WEEK IN ALL DIVISIONS and a 20% commission will be taken. This money will be used for improvement of the Fine Arts Facility.

DIVISIONS:

- 1 DISPLAY ONLY
- 2 RESIDENT PROFESSIONAL ARTIST
- 3 OPEN JURIED COMPETITION
- 4 NON-PROFESSIONAL COMPETITION
- 5 YOUTH EXHIBITION
- 6 SPECIAL NEEDS PEOPLE

DIVISION 1: DISPLAY

Open to professionals and amateurs who wish to display or sell their work.

REGULATIONS:

- a. LIMIT OF 3 ENTRIES

ENTRY FEE: \$3 per Article

PREMIUMS: None

FA-1-1 Display Only

**DIVISION 2:
RESIDENT PROFESSIONAL
ARTIST**



This division refers to those whose work is produced primarily for the purpose of selling or that teach in their visual medium.

REGULATIONS:

- a. **NO LIMIT on number of entries.** Any art medium is eligible.
- b. Premiums for this division are awarded by PEOPLE'S CHOICE. A ballot box is set up in the Fine Arts Department. Fairgoers vote for their favorite 3 works. All votes tallied at end of Fair week and premiums paid to the top 3 vote-getters.

ENTRY FEE: \$4 Per Article
PREMIUMS: 1st, \$250; 2nd, \$100; 3rd, \$50

FA-2-1 Professional Art – People's Choice

DIVISION 3: OPEN JURIED COMPETITION

REGULATIONS:

- a. **NO LIMIT on number of entries.** Exhibitor may be an amateur or a professional artist.
- b. A competent and qualified juror is selected by the Fine Arts Department and charged with the responsibility of selecting pieces he or she feels will contribute to a well-rounded quality show.
- c. The juror will select cash award winners from the pieces selected for the show. At the juror's discretion, cash awards may be withheld in some classes. As in all local and national juried competitions, the decisions will reflect the taste and educational background of juror.
- d. Any work not selected by the juror will not be displayed in the show and will be stored in the Fine Arts Building for pickup during Fair week.
- e. No article entered in former exhibits at the Fair may be entered again.

ENTRY FEE: \$3 per article; non-refundable

PREMIUMS: \$100 PER CLASS; At juror's discretion, cash awards may be withheld from a class or transferred to another class.

- FA-3-1 Oil or acrylic painting
- FA-3-2 Prints and drawings
- FA-3-3 Pottery
- FA-3-4 Sculpture-no kits
- FA-3-5 Crafts-no kits
- FA-3-6 Bronzes
- FA-3-7 Water colors
- FA-3-8 Pastels
- FA-3-9 Mixed Media



DIVISION 4: NON-PROFESSIONAL COMPETITION

REGULATIONS:

- a. NO LIMIT on number of entries.

ENTRY FEE: \$2 per article

PREMIUMS: \$25 PER CLASS

At judge's discretion, cash awards may be withheld from a class or transferred to another class.

- FA-4-1 Oil or acrylic painting
- FA-4-2 Prints and drawings
- FA-4-3 Pottery
- FA-4-4 Sculpture-no kits
- FA-4-5 Crafts-no kits
- FA-4-6 Bronzes
- FA-4-7 Water colors
- FA-4-8 Pastels
- FA-4-9 Mixed Media

DIVISION 5: YOUTH EXHIBITOR

REGULATIONS:

- a. Exhibitors must be under 18 years of age. STATE AGE ON ENTRY FORM.
- b. **NO LIMIT on number of entries.**
- c. All art mediums will be accepted.
- d. **ALL PAINTINGS must be appropriately framed and OTHER DRAWINGS framed or mounted. SCREW EYES AND WIRE OR HANGARS ARE TO BE ATTACHED to the back of the picture.** Drawings not framed are to be mounted on stiff cardboard with hangers. This rule is strictly adhered to. All flat artwork must have required entry blank securely attached to the back. Entry blanks pasted on tage are suggested for non-flat objects. Each item must bear required entry form.
- e. Ribbons for this division are awarded by PEOPLE'S CHOICE. A ballot box is set up in the Fine Arts Department. Fairgoers vote for their favorite 3 works. All votes tallied at end of Fair week and ribbons are awarded to the top 3 vote-getters.

ENTRY FEE: \$1 per article

PREMIUMS: Ribbons for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places

All exhibitors will receive a ribbon of participation

- FA-5-1 Youth, 9 years old and under
- FA-5-2 Youth, 10-17 years old

DIVISION 6: SPECIAL NEEDS PEOPLE

REGULATIONS:

- a. **NO LIMIT on number of entries.**
- b. All art mediums will be accepted.
- c. Ribbons for this division are awarded by PEOPLE'S CHOICE. A ballot box is set up in the Fine Arts Department. Fairgoers vote for their favorite 3 works. All votes tallied at end of Fair week and ribbons are awarded to the top 3 vote-getters.

ENTRY FEE: None

PREMIUMS: Ribbons for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd places

