

HANDWEAVING

Dept. HA

and
Spinning



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HANDWEAVING & SPINNING MISSION STATEMENT: To provide an opportunity of exhibition for fiber artists and to promote and encourage the continuation of historic fiber arts.

PREMIUMS: \$1200 plus
JUDGE: Millie Dover - Clancy, MT

2005 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(All activities will take place in the Harvest Building)

Friday, July 15

5 pm Entry forms due, Entry Office

Wednesday, July 27

9 am-4:30 pm Handweaving entries accepted

5:30 pm Judging (open to public)

Sunday, August 7

Noon-5 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.

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 gate admission--no vehicle.
- Entry forms are available in this premium book or additional copies can be picked up at the State Fair Administration Office.

- 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.
- Any article previously judged at this Fair is ineligible for competition. To avoid misunderstandings, do not enter an item that very closely resembles an item previously entered
- State Fair will accept exhibits not pre-entered, but exhibitors are warned that it will take longer for check-in.
- Exhibitors may enter 2 items per class provided they differ substantially from one another.
- In event of only one entry in a class, judges will place or not place the item based on the standard of excellence of the individual piece. All judge's decisions are final.



SPECIAL AWARDS



"BEST OF FAIR" WEAVING AWARD - \$25, awarded by Montana State Fair

"BEST OF FAIR" SPINNING AWARD - \$25, awarded by Montana State Fair

DOROTHY THORNBY MEMORIAL AWARD - \$15, awarded by the Great Falls Weavers and Spinners Guild for the "BEST GARMENT"

BEST WEAVING BY A BEGINNER - Issue of "HANDWOVEN" given by FIBERS AND REED. (To be eligible for this award, project submitted must be one of the first five completed by the weaver.)

BEST HANDSPINNING BY A BEGINNER - 2# Wool Roving by Maude Knudsen. (To be eligible, must be one of the first ten skeins spun by the spinner.)

BEST PROJECT USING A PAINTED WARP - \$25 award to a Guild member; sponsored by Great Falls Weavers and Spinners Guild

PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE— \$25 award to a Guild member who enters the best 4 skeins spun from the 1 lb. of processed wool received; sponsored by Great Falls Weavers and Spinners Guild

JUDGES POINTS OF CONSIDERATION - ALL ENTRIES

1. Quality of Weaving
 - a. No mistakes
 - b. Balance of warp to weft
2. General Appearance
 - a. Unity of design
 - b. Color
 - c. Finishing technique
 - d. Clean and properly pressed
3. Suitability to Purpose
 - a. Fiber content
 - b. Size
 - c. Pattern Selection



DIVISIONS:

1. YARDAGE
2. CLOTHING - WOVEN
3. HOME FURNISHINGS - WOVEN
4. BASKETS - WOVEN
5. FELTED AND WADMAL
6. HAND SPINNING
7. SPECIAL PEOPLE
8. JUNIOR EXHIBITOR

DIVISION 1 - 6: REGULATIONS:

ENTRY FEE: \$1 per article

- a. Competitive exhibition is open to all handweavers and spinners.
- b. All weaving or spinning shall be done by the exhibitor.
- c. All articles, other than clothing should be hand-finished. Machine stitching will be allowed only if it adds to the durability of the item. If finishing is done by someone else, it must be stated on the entry blank.
- d. Please write fiber content and intended use of item on entry form to aid judge (includes handspun yarn entries).
- e. If possible, please include a small sample swatch, which we can allow the public to touch and examine. This helps us protect your work.

DIVISION 1: YARDAGE

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$15; 2nd, \$10; 3rd \$5
 HA-1-1 Any item, any fiber (minimum 2 yards)

DIVISION 2: CLOTHING--WOVEN

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$15; 2nd, \$10; 3rd \$5
 HA-2-1 Garments

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd \$3
 HA-2 -2 Scarves and shawls
 HA-2- 3 Any other item

DIVISION 3: HOME FURNISHINGS

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd \$3
 HA-3-1 Pillows

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$15; 2nd, \$10; 3rd \$5
 HA-3-2 Table linens, any fiber, includes placemats, set of 4
 HA-3-3 Afghans, baby blankets
 HA-3-4 Rugs - wool
 HA-3-5 Rugs - any other fiber

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd \$3
 HA-3-6 Wall hangings

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$20; 2nd, \$10; 3rd \$5
 HA-3-7 Tapestries
 HA-3-8 Coverlets

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd \$3
 HA-3-9 Miscellaneous: towels, etc.

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$15; 2nd, \$10; 3rd \$5
 HA-3-10 Saddle blankets

DIVISION 4: BASKETS

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd \$3
 HA-4-1 Traditional Basket
 HA-4-2 Embellished Basket

DIVISION 5: FELTED & WADMAL

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd \$3
 HA-5-1 Felted Item
 HA-5-2 Wadmam Item

DIVISION 6 HAND SPINNING

All skeins of yarn must be 60 yards minimum.

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$10; 2nd, \$5; 3rd \$3
 HA-6-1 Handspun, woven yardage or clothing item (include piece of yarn)
 HA-6-2 Handspun, woven, any other item(include piece of yarn)
 HA-6-3 Handspun, knitted or crocheted item: Wearable scarves, hats, mittens
 HA-6-4 Handspun, knitted or crocheted item: Wearable socks, sweaters, vests, gloves, etc.
 HA-6-5 Handspun, knitted or crocheted item: Household and other items

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$8; 2nd, \$5; 3rd \$3
 HA-6-6 Yarn, handspun, 100% wool, plied
 HA-6-7 Yarn, handspun, 100% wool, single

PREMIUMS: 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd \$2
 HA-6-8 Yarn, handspun, animal fibers, and blends-plied
 HA-6-9 Yarn, handspun, animal fibers, and blends-single
 HA-6-10 Yarn, handspun, cotton, flax, silk, cellulosic, and manmade fibers - single or plied
 HA-6-11 Yarn, novelty, any fiber or blend
 HA-6-12 Yarn, spun on drop spindle or other devise (20 yds minimum for this lot only)

**DIVISIONS 7 - 8
REGULATIONS:**

- All general rules and Division 1 thru 6 rules apply to these divisions.
- NO ENTRY FEES FOR THESE DIVISIONS.**
- SPECIAL PEOPLE** are defined as individuals with physical or mental handicaps that would make competing in open divisions unfair for them.
- JUNIOR EXHIBITOR** is defined as individuals 18 years and younger.

DIVISION 7: SPECIAL PEOPLE**PREMIUMS:** 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2

HA-7-1 Any handwoven item

HA-7-2 Any spun item

DIVISION 8: JUNIOR EXHIBITOR**PREMIUMS:** 1st, \$5; 2nd, \$3; 3rd, \$2

HA-8-1 Any handwoven item (12 years and under)

HA-8-2 Any spun item (12 years and under)

HA-8-3 Any handwoven item (13-18 years)

HA-8-4 Any spun item (13-18 years)

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