Farm & Garden
Exhibitor’s Handbook

The Oregon State Fair

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Summer’s BIG FINISH

Creative Living at the 2022 Oregon State Fair
### Important Dates

**Online Registration and Entry Instructions**

**Online Entry Opens June 15, 2022**

Read the complete rules, division descriptions and entry information in this Handbook BEFORE going to online Registration.

1. Then go **http://oregon.fairwire.com**

2. Click **Register** or **Sign In** (for return visits).
   - Register using your First and Last Name and create a password (write password down).
   - Fill in requested information, including email address. Click **Continue**.
   - Select **Department** ex.: Farm and Garden
   - Select a **Division** ex.: Fruit, 1st Show Div. 213
   - Select a **Class** ex.: Class 2131, Apples
   - For “All Fair” Divisions select the **Division** and then the **Class** ex.: Div. 206 Scarecrow; Class 2061, Individual

When all your information is complete, click **Add Entry to Cart** and follow instructions to check out.

- (NOTE: If you think you may want to modify your entries, you may save your current session and check out at a later session.) Be sure to **Check Out** before the closing date listed for your classes; entries are not submitted to the Fair office until the check-out process is complete.

3. Fill in “yes” at the statement to agree to all the terms and conditions of entry as defined in this Handbook.

4. Click **Submit**.

5. Please print and bring a copy of your detailed online entry receipt **with your entries** when you bring them to the Fair.

### Contact Us with Any Questions

**Oregon State Fair Creative Living Office**

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### Online Registration and Entry Instructions

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**Entry and Release Schedule**

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**Deliver Entries - All Fair and First Show:**

**Wednesday, August 24, 2 pm to 7 pm**

**Second Show:**

**Wednesday, Aug. 31, 7:30 am to 8:30 am**

Enter through Green Gate on 17th Street and follow signs to Floral Building.

Bring a copy of your online registration receipt (see instructions this page).

**Pick up entries:**

**Tuesday, September 6, 2 pm to 7 pm**

**Wednesday, September 7, 10 am to 2 pm**

By submitting an entry into the Fair, exhibitors agree to abide by all rules, regulations and entry requirements of the Fair and of the department(s) to which they are submitting entries.

**It is important that exhibitors read and be familiar with the General Rules as well as the Competition Rules in this Handbook.**
1. Oregon State Fair (OSF) competitions are open to residents of Oregon only. Entries do not need to be entered or have won at a county fair to be eligible for any competition.

2. All articles must be the handiwork of the exhibitor and not been previously exhibited at the Oregon State Fair.

3. Online entries must be submitted by the date indicated within each Department Handbook. Paper applications will not be accepted. Information must be accurate and complete. Walk-in entries may be accepted during intake days on a limited basis.

4. Entries must be delivered and removed only during the scheduled times. Any exception shall be at the discretion of OSF staff.

5. Entries will receive a claim check upon delivery. Exhibitor must present claim check or valid Oregon ID when picking up entries.

6. Some competitions require an entry fee. See specific departments for fee and processing information.

7. OSF staff or a judge may disqualify or transfer any exhibit which is not a true representation of the class in which it is entered or if rules are not followed.

8. Judging is closed to the public unless otherwise noted. Every reasonable effort is made to secure highly qualified judges with expertise in their field.

9. Entries by OSF staff and judges are prohibited in the department in which they are working. They may enter other departments.

10. Volunteers submitting an entry in the department where they are working may not be present during judging.

11. Ribbons and/or prizes will be awarded as warranted. All judges’ results are final. Results cannot be provided over the phone but will be posted online when available. (www.oregonstatefair.org)

12. Protests may be submitted to the Creative Living office accompanied by a deposit of $25 which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Protests must plainly state the cause of the complaint or appeal and submitted within 24 hours of the action.

13. Ribbons and scorecards (as available) are provided with return of entries after Fair. See specific departments for return days.

14. OSF is authorized to use any and all photographs, video and or digital images related to the entry for promotional purposes.

15. Exhibitors shall indemnify OSF from and against all claims for damage to persons or property caused by them or their exhibits.

16. OSF will take reasonable precautions to ensure safety of exhibits while on the fairgrounds, but will not be responsible for loss, damage, theft or injury of any kind to exhibits or exhibitors, unless the loss or damage is due to the negligence of OSF staff and volunteers.

17. Exhibitors found in violation of rules, or to be in practices unethical or adverse to OSF, shall be penalized by forfeiture of awards and/or privileges, and removed from the exhibit.

18. Items not picked up by final return days of each department are forfeited by exhibitor.

The Oregon State Fair reserves the final and absolute right to interpret any and all terms, conditions, rules and regulations contained in any and all parts of Department Handbooks and to settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incidental to the Oregon State Fair. OSF further reserves the right to determine unforeseen matters not covered by General or Competition Rules, and to withdraw award offerings in all Competitions should any emergency exist and circumstances demand.
COMPETITION RULES

1. All General Rules Apply. Your submission indicates you have read and agree to abide by the General Rules and the Rules of this Department.

2. Entries must be grown by exhibitor in Oregon and should be mature but not overripe.

3. **Divisions 209, 219, and 229** are for **Youth only**, 17 years and younger. Youth may enter other divisions but will be competing against adults.

4. **Please note entry limitations listed in each Division.** Unless otherwise noted, all items are limited to two per class and one, two or three per division.

5. Entrants must adhere to entry limitations in each Division, but additional items may be accepted at the discretion of the Department Chair but such items will be for **Display Only**.

6. **Note the specific quantity required for each entry.** Amounts submitted other than indicated may result in disqualification.

7. **Community Garden entries (Division 204)** must be in place by 7 pm Wed., Aug. 24 and displayed in box, basket or other suitable container. Exhibits will be judged on quality and diversity of produce and visual aesthetics of the display. Produce determined to be unfit for display at any time during the Fair will be disposed of. **Displays can be refreshed on Wednesday, August 31, between 7:30 and 8:30 am.**

8. Unless otherwise noted, bring items in a disposable container.

9. Register online by dates indicated in the Entry and Release Schedule in this Handbook. Entries delivered to the Fair that are not pre-registered will be accepted at the discretion of the department.

10. To expedite the check-in process, please have your entries prepared for show before joining the line. Entries received after the close of check-in time cannot be accepted. Late entries will **not** be judged.

11. Judging will be based on quality and uniformity of size, shape and color rather than unusual size or oddity unless otherwise specified. Entries are judged on their own merit and not in competition with other entries.

12. Signs must not distract from the exhibits. If they are considered a distraction, they may be removed at the discretion of OSF staff.

13. Please include maintenance instructions for care of your exhibit, if applicable. Oregon State Fair volunteers will do their best to maintain exhibits. If products become unfit for display, they will be discarded.

14. All exhibits not recovered by the designated times **will be discarded.** See the Entry and Release Schedule for details.

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Due to time and budget constraints this year, the following divisions are not available: Nuts, Field Grains, Grass Seed, Container- Edible Garden, and Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) We hope to see their return in 2023!
# DIVISIONS

## ALL FAIR DIVISIONS
For online entry in All Fair Divisions, select the Division, then the Class. Items are on display for the entire Fair.

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### ALL FAIR DIVISIONS

#### 204 Community Garden (Limit 1 per Class)
Exhibit must include at least eight different types of vegetables and/or fruits grown in a community garden. Specify name of Community Garden when doing online entry. See Competition Rule # 7.

- Seasonal Bounty – 1 gardener | 2041
- Seasonal Bounty – 2 or more gardeners | 2042

#### 206 Scarecrow (Limit 1 per class)
Entries must be in place by 7:00 pm, Wednesday, August 24. Scarecrow should be the same height as an average person and fit into a 4’ x 4’ space.

- Scarecrow – Individual | 2061
- Scarecrow – Family or Group | 2062

#### 207 Biggest Pumpkin by Weight (Limit 1 per class) Approximate weight required.
- Pumpkin – largest, Jack-O’-Lantern Type | 2071
- Pumpkin - largest, Big Max Type | 2072

#### 208 Largest/Tallest Sunflower (Limit 1 per class)
- Sunflower – largest by diameter | 2081
- Sunflower – tallest | 2082

#### 209 Youth (17 and under) (Limit 1 per Class, 2 per Division)
- Container Garden | 2091
- Scarecrow | 2092
- Largest Pumpkin, by weight (approx. required) | 2093
- Sunflower – largest by diameter | 2094
- Sunflower - tallest | 2095
- Any Other (Specify) | 2099

#### 230 Oregon Award (Limit 1)
Enter any Farm and Garden item celebrating Oregon that will last all 11 days of the Fair, such as a scarecrow.

Celebrate Oregon! To be eligible, entries need to highlight an Oregon landmark or specialty.
211 Biggest Fruit or Vegetable
(Limit 1 per class, 2 per Division)
Largest by weight unless otherwise indicated.
2111 Bean - longest
2112 Beet
2113 Cabbage
2114 Corn - tallest stalk
2115 Ear of Corn - longest
2116 Garlic - head
2118 Onion
2119 Potato
2124 Tomato
2125 Watermelon
2126 Winter Squash
2127 Zucchini
2129 Any Other (Specify)

212 Nature's Oddities
(Limit 1 per class, 2 per Division)
Any natural produce showing an odd shape or any other quality that makes it an oddity.
2121 Curviest Vegetable
2122 Most Misshapen Fruit
2123 Oddest Fruit
2124 Oddest Vegetable
2129 Any Other (specify)

213 Fruit (note quantities required)
(Limit 1 per Class, 3 per Division)
2131 Apples (3)
2134 Blackberries (½ to 1 pint)
2135 Blueberries (½ to 1 pint)
2137 Figs (5)
2138 Grapes (1 pint)
2141 Melon, (Cantaloupe, etc.) (1)
2144 Melon, Watermelon (1)
2145 Peaches (3)
2146 Pears (3)
2148 Plums (5)
2153 Raspberries (1/2 to 1 pint)
2154 Strawberries, ever bearing (1 pint)
2159 Any Other (specify)

214 Cut Herb Display
(Limit 1 per Class, 2 per Division)
Vases will be provided by the Oregon State Fair. Personal vases are not allowed. Show in small market bunches (no less than ½” and no more than 1” at base). There must be 3 – 5 stems. Cut herbs are judged on quality, aesthetics, health and aroma. Points are deducted for foliage below the water level.
2141 Basil
2142 Chives
2143 Dill
2144 Hops (1 ft. vine, min. 8 flowers)
2145 Lavender
2146 Lemon Balm
2147 Mint
2148 Oregano/Marjoram
2149 Parsley
2150 Rosemary
2151 Sage
2152 Tarragon
2153 Thyme
2159 Any Other (specify)

215 Onions and Garlic
(Limit 1 per Class, 2 per Division)
Onions – 3 each; Garlic - 3 bulbs
2151 Elephant Garlic
2152 Garlic
2153 Green Onions
2154 White or Yellow Onions
2159 Any Other (specify)
216 Squash and Pumpkins- 1 each
   (Limit 1 per Class, 2 per Division)

Summer Varieties
   2161 White/Yellow scallop
   2162 Yellow crookneck or straight neck
   2163 Zucchini

Winter Varieties
   2165 Acorn type
   2166 Buttercup
   2167 Butternut
   2168 Pumpkin
   2171 Spaghetti squash
   2172 Sweetmeats squash
   2179 Any Other (specify)

Any zucchini over 12 inches is considered overripe and will automatically be put in competition for largest vegetable by weight.

217 Tomatoes
   (Limit 1 per Class, 2 per Division)

Small tomatoes – 5 each, Large – 3 each
   2171 Cherry tomatoes
   2173 Pear tomatoes
   2175 Slicing tomatoes, Heirloom
   2176 Slicing tomatoes, Other
   2177 Tomatillos
   2179 Tomatoes, Roma type
   2180 Any Other (specify)

218 Vegetables (note quantities required)
   (Limit 1 per Class, 3 per Division)

   2181 Beans, Bush or Pole (5 pods)
   2182 Beans, Shelling (5 pods)
   2183 Beets (3)
   2184 Broccoli (1 head)
   2185 Cabbage, (1 head)
   2187 Carrots (3)
   2189 Chard (3 stalks)
   2190 Corn (3 ears)
   2191 Cucumbers, Lemon (3)
   2192 Cucumbers, Pickling (5)
   2193 Cucumbers, Slicing (3)
   2194 Eggplant (1)
   2195 Lettuce (1 head)
   2196 Pepper, Bell (3)
   2197 Pepper, Other sweet (3)
   2198 Pepper, Hot, small (3)
   2199 Pepper, Hot, long (6)
   2200 Potatoes, Red (3)
   2201 Potatoes, White or Yellow (3)
   2202 Potatoes, Any other variety (3)
   2203 Rhubarb (3 stalks)
   2204 Rutabaga/Turnip (3)
   2205 Sweet Potato/Yam (3)
   2206 Spinach (1 specimen)
   2209 Any Other (specify)

219 Youth (17 and under)
   (Limit 1 per Class, 2 per Division)

Specific classes indicate quantity suggestions.

   2192 Beans – 5 pods
   2194 Biggest Fruit (1) specify
   2195 Biggest Vegetable (1) specify
   2196 Cucumbers – 3 specimens
   2197 Oddest Fruit (1)
   2198 Oddest Vegetable (1)
   2200 Pumpkin – any variety (1)
   2201 Summer Squash (1)
   2202 Tomatoes – Small (5)
   2203 Tomatoes – Large (3)
   2204 Winter Squash (1)
   2209 Any Other (Specify)

In this Department, ribbons may be awarded as merited for the following categories:

Best of Division
1st, 2nd, 3rd for each class

All judges' decisions are final.
SECOND SHOW DIVISIONS & CLASSES

221  Biggest Fruit or Vegetable
(Limit 1 per class, 2 per Division)
Largest by weight unless otherwise indicated.
2211  Bean - longest
2212  Beet
2213  Cabbage
2214  Corn - tallest stalk
2215  Ear of Corn - longest
2216  Garlic - head
2218  Onion
2219  Potato
2224  Tomato
2225  Watermelon
2226  Winter Squash
2227  Zucchini
2229  Any Other (Specify)

222  Nature’s Oddities
(Limit 1 per class, 2 per Division)
Any natural produce showing an odd shape or any other quality that makes it an oddity.
2221  Curviest Vegetable
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2223  Oddest Fruit
2224  Oddest Vegetable
2229  Any Other (specify)

223  Fruit (note quantities required)
(Limit 1 per Class, 3 per Division)
2231  Apples (3)
2234  Blackberries (½ to 1 pint)
2235  Blueberries (½ to 1 pint)
2237  Figs (5)
2238  Grapes, (1 pint)
2241  Melon (Cantaloupe etc.) (1)
2244  Melon, Watermelon (1)
2245  Peaches (3)
2246  Pears (3)
2248  Plums (5)
2253  Raspberries (1/2 to 1 pint)
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2259  Any Other (specify)

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2246  Lemon Balm
2247  Mint
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2249  Parsley
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2251  Sage
2252  Tarragon
2253  Thyme
2259  Any Other (specify)

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Onions – 3 each; Garlic - 3 bulbs
2251  Elephant Garlic
2252  Garlic
2253  Green Onions
2254  White or Yellow Onions
2259  Any Other (specify)

226  Squash and Pumpkins- 2 each
(Limit 1 per Class, 2 per Division)
Summer Varieties
2261  White/Yellow scallop
2262  Yellow crookneck or straight neck
2263  Zucchini
Winter Varieties
2265  Acorn type
2266  Buttercup
2267  Butternut
2268  Pumpkin
2271  Spaghetti squash
2272  Sweetmeats squash
2279  Any Other (specify)
227 Tomatoes
(Limit 1 per Class, 2 per Division)
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JUDGING CRITERIA

| SCARECROW |
| WORKMANSHIPOVERALL QUALITY (Staging, Craftsmanship) |
| ORIGINALITYCREATIVITY |
| THEME |

| FRUIT VEGETABLE |
| FORM |
| MARKETABLE SIZE |
| UNIFORMITY |
| COLOR |
| CONDITION |

| HERBS |
| QUALITY OF PRODUCE |
| DIVERSITY/variety of products |
| OVERALL QUALITY OF DISPLAY (Staging, Craftsmanship) |
| ORIGINALITYCREATIVITY |

FORM – Should be typical of the variety for the locality where grown.
SIZE – Should be of commercial size and conform to sizes given in connection with variety listed.
COLOR – The vegetable should have very high, clear, intense colors characteristic of the variety.
UNIFORMITY – Specimens should be uniform in color, size, form and maturity.
CONDITION – Specimens should be free from blemishes, including insect, disease & mechanical damage.