

Needlework & Clothing Exhibitor's Handbook



Creative Living *at the* 2023
Oregon State Fair

Needlework and Clothing

IMPORTANT DATES

ENTRY AND RELEASE SCHEDULE

Needlework and Clothing

Online Entry Deadline:

10 pm, Wednesday, August 16

Deliver Entries:

Friday, August 18, 2 pm to 7 pm

Saturday, August 19, 10 am to 2 pm

Enter through Red Gate on 17th Street and follow signs to Columbia Hall.

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

Pick up entries:

Tuesday, September 5, 2 pm to 7 pm

Wednesday, September 6, 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.

ONLINE REGISTRATION AND ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

ONLINE ENTRY OPENS JUNE 1, 2023

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

1. Then go to <https://oregon.fairwire.com>
2. Click **Register** or **Sign In** (for return visits).
 - Register using your First and Last Name and create a password (write your password down).
 - Fill in requested information, including email address. Add age only if under 18. Click **Continue**.
 - Select **Department** ex.: Needlework/Clothing
 - Select a **Division** ex.: Crochet, Division 413
 - Select a **Class** ex.: Class 4138 Bag or Purse
 - Fill in all information for class(es) you are entering, including a brief **Description** if needed.
3. 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 Department; entries are not submitted to the Fair office until the check-out process is complete.**)
4. Fill in "yes" at the statement to agree to all the terms and conditions of entry as defined in this Handbook.
5. Click **Submit**.
6. Please print and bring a copy of your detailed online entry receipt **with your entries** when you bring them to the Fair.

Please contact us with any questions.

Oregon State Fair Creative Living Office

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GENERAL RULES

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 (or representative) 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, if rules are not followed, or is considered offensive.
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 who submit entries in a department in which 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.

DEPARTMENT RULES

1. All General Rules apply. Your submission indicates you have read and agree to abide by the General Rules and the specific rules of this competition.
2. Please note Levels. **Division 400 is for Juniors only** but Juniors may enter any other Division with the understanding they will be competing against more experienced adults. All others indicate your experience level when entering online.
3. No entry fee is required for this competition.
4. Each exhibitor (except Juniors) is limited to one entry per class and a **maximum of 20 entries**. No limit for Juniors, but no duplication of items (ex: cannot enter 2 crocheted scarves).
5. The "Other (specify)" class is to be used **only** when an item does not fit the description of any other class. For online entry, use the "Description" text box where "specify" is indicated for an entry.
6. All entries must be the handiwork of the exhibitor and completed within the last two years.
7. Entries previously entered at the Oregon State Fair are ineligible. No item can be exhibited for a second year.
8. No soiled or used items will be accepted or judged.
9. Please attach a 3 x 5 file card to your entry if there is something special you would like the judges to know about the making of your entry.
10. Entries may be disqualified by the judge if rules are not followed. The exhibitor must follow additional rules/instructions described for specific classes.
11. Entries will be displayed based on space available and at the discretion of OSF Staff. Every effort will be made to show each item to the best advantage. OSF Staff reserves the right to determine the method of display according to space constraints and division themes.
12. Items may not be removed from the Fairgrounds until the scheduled pick-up date(s). Items not picked up will become the property of the Oregon State Fair.



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.

Needlework and Clothing items will be judged on the following criteria:

Overall Appearance ✕ Craftsmanship and Technique

Originality ✕ Finishing ✕ Suitability of Materials

See score card sample on last page

DIVISIONS & CLASSES

LEVELS

Juniors age 12 and under enter Division 400 – No limit but no duplication of items.

For all others, indicate your experience level according to the following:

Teen or Beginner:	Less than one year experience
Experienced:	More than one year experience
Professional:	Judges, instructors, teachers (including in-home classes), advisors, owners, operators, and those who sell their items for more than cost.

DIVISIONS

400 JUNIORS	423 HANDMADE LACE	427 SEWING CHILDREN'S CLOTHING
403 COUNTED CROSS-STITCH	413 CROCHET	429 SEWING ADULT CLOTHING
405 HAND-EMBROIDERY	417 HAND-KNITTING	436 MISC SEWING/NEEDLEWORK
409 STITCHERY	421 MACHINE KNITTING	438 RUGS
411 NEEDLEPOINT/PETIT POINT		440 OREGON AWARD

400 JUNIORS (Limit 2 per class but no duplicating items)

- 4001 Counted Cross Stitch
- 4002 Crochet
- 4003 Hand-Embroidery
- 4005 Hand-Knitting
- 4006 Knit/Weave Loom
- 4008 Stitchery
- 4010 Sewing Children's Clothing
- 4011 Sewing Adult Clothing
- 4019 Other not already listed (specify)

403 COUNTED CROSS-STITCH

All pictures must be mounted and ready to hang.
Maximum width 36", including frame and/or sets.

- 4031 Chart
- 4032 Kit
- 4033 Original Design
- 4039 Other not already listed (specify)

405 HAND-EMBROIDERY

Does not include liquid embroidery or fabric paint.

- 4051 Apron, bib, tablecloth, placemat, towel
- 4054 Centerpiece, doily, dresser scarf
- 4056 Dress or other wearable item
- 4060 Picture
- 4069 Other not already listed (specify)

409 STITCHERY

- 4094 Crewel Picture, matted (maximum width 36in., including frame and/or sets)
- 4096 Smocking
- 4097 Brazilian Embroidery
- 4099 Other not already listed (specify)

411 NEEDLEPOINT & PETIT POINT

All pictures must be mounted and ready to hang.
Maximum width 36", including frame and/or sets.

- 4112 Kit or Chart
- 4114 Original design
- 4119 Other not already listed (specify)

413 CROCHET

***Please indicate right side of work with safety pin.**

- 4131 Accessory (gloves/mittens or socks)
- 4132 Accessory (collar or hat)
- 4133 Afghan or Bedspread/Blanket
- 4134 Blanket or Afghan for infant or child
- 4135 Booties/Cap or Sweater for infant/child
- 4136 Centerpiece, Place Mats or Tablecloth
- 4137 Doily (unmounted under 15")
- 4138 Purse or Bag
- 4139 Scarf or Shawl
- 4140 Shoulderette/Shrug/Stole
- 4150 Sweater/Cardigan/Jacket for Adult
- 4151 Toy, stuffed
- 4155 Other Accessory not already listed (specify)
- 4156 Other Clothing not already listed (specify)
- 4157 Other Home Décor not already listed (specify)
- 4158 Original item designed by Exhibitor (specify)

421 MACHINE-KNITTING

- 4211 Accessory (hat, gloves, scarf, socks, etc.)
- 4212 Household Item (afghan, tablecloth, etc.)
- 4213 Infant Set (blanket, booties, sweater, etc.)
- 4214 Sweater, Jacket, Cardigan, Vest
- 4219 Other not already listed (specify)

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Knitters Guild for donating \$25 to the
Best of Division winner in the
Machine Knitting Division
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417 HAND-KNITTING

***Please indicate right side of work with safety pin.**

- 4171 Accessory (gloves or mittens)
- 4172 Accessory (collar or hat)
- 4173 Afghan or Bedspread/Blanket
- 4174 Blanket or Afghan for infant or child
- 4175 Booties/Cap or Sweater for infant/child
- 4176 Centerpiece, Place Mats or Tablecloth
- 4177 Doily (unmounted under 15")
- 4178 Purse or Bag
- 4179 Scarf
- 4180 Shoulderette/Shawl/Shrug/Stole
- 4181 Socks
- 4191 Sweater/Cardigan/Jacket for Adult
- 4192 Toy, stuffed
- 4193 Other Accessory not already listed (specify)
- 4194 Other Clothing not already listed (specify)
- 4195 Other Home Décor, not already listed (specify)
- 4196 Original item designed by exhibitor (specify)

423 HANDMADE LACE (Open work)

Do not frame under glass.

- 4231 Bobbin Lace, small item under 10"
- 4232 Bobbin Lace, large item over 10"
- 4240 Tatting, small item under 15"
- 4241 Tatting, large item over 15"
- 4243 Item, under 10" (specify type of lace)
- 4244 Item, over 10" (specify type of lace)
- 4249 Other not already listed
(specify item and type of lace)

427 SEWING CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

- 4271 Child's Christening Gown or Party Dress
- 4272 Child's Coat, Jacket or Shirt
- 4275 Child's Costume, Play Clothes or Sleepwear
- 4279 Other not already listed (specify)

429 SEWING ADULT CLOTHING

- 4291 Blouse, shirt
- 4292 Coat, Jacket, etc. lined
- 4293 Coat, Jacket, etc. unlined
- 4295 Dress, Skirt
- 4296 Formal/Special Occasion Dress/Costume
- 4298 Lingerie
- 4301 Slacks, Sportswear
- 4304 Swimwear
- 4309 Other not already listed (specify)

436 MISCELLANEOUS SEWING & NEEDLEWORK

- 4361 Animal/Toy, stuffed
- 4364 Bag/Purse
- 4365 Christmas Decoration or Tree Skirt
- 4366 Knit/Weave Loom
- 4368 Pillow
- 4379 Other not already listed (specify)

438 RUGS

- 4381 Braided
- 4382 Latch
- 4383 Traditional Hooked
- 4384 Traditional Hooked, Primitive or Wide Cut
- 4385 Traditional Hooked Picture / Wall hanging
- 4389 Other not already listed (specify)

440 OREGON AWARD

(1 entry per exhibitor)

Any Needlework and Clothing item that celebrates Oregon. During registration provide a brief description as to why your entry qualifies.



Celebrate Oregon!

To be eligible, entries need to be Oregon-centric and clearly highlight a recognizable Oregon landmark or specialty.

SCORECARD SAMPLE

CRITERIA		Score
OVERALL APPEARANCE	20	
ORIGINALITY	20	
CRAFTSMANSHIP/TECHNIQUE	20	
SUITABILITY OF MATERIALS AND/OR STITCHES	20	
FINISHING	20	
TOTAL	100	