

# BUILDING BLOCKS 2023 Exhibitor's Handbook



# **BUILDING BLOCKS**

## IMPORTANT DATES ENTRY AND RELEASE SCHEDULE

Building Blocks
Online Entry Deadline:
By 10 pm, Wednesday, August 16

**Deliver Competitive Entries:** 

Friday, August 18, 2 pm to 7 pm Saturday, August 19, 10 am to 2 pm

Enter through Red Gate on 17<sup>th</sup> Street and follow signs to Columbia Hall.

#### Pick up entries:

<u>Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2 pm to 7 pm</u> <u>Wednesday, Sept. 6, 10 am to 2 pm</u>

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 Department Rules in this Handbook.

## ONLINE REGISTRATION AND ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

**ONLINE ENTRY OPENS June 10, 2023** 

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

#### Go to <a href="http://oregon.fairwire.com">http://oregon.fairwire.com</a>

- 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. Fill in age only if under 18. Click Continue.
- Select **Department** ex.: Building Bocks
- Select a <u>Division</u> ex.: <u>Building Bocks 840</u>
- Select a Class ex.: Class 8401 K-Nex Kit
- Fill in all information for class(es), including a brief **Description** if needed.
- When all your information is complete, click
   <u>Add Entry to Cart</u> 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 <u>Check Out</u> <u>before the closing date</u> listed for your <u>Department</u>; entries are not submitted to the Fair office until the check-out process is complete.)
- Fill in "yes" at the statement to agree to all the terms and conditions of entry as defined in this Handbook.
- Click Submit.
- Please print and bring a copy of your detailed online entry receipt with your entries when you bring them to the Fair.

For questions, contact us, below:

**Oregon State Fair Creative Living Office** 

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## **GENERAL RULES**

- 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 in a prior year 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.
- 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, or 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.

## **DEPARTMENT RULES**

- 1. No entry fee is required for this competition.
- 2. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per class and a maximum of 4 entries per Department.
- 3. Exhibits must be in a condition suitable for display and entire entry must be on a single **building board**.
- 4. Exhibitor's name on the entry must be the person(s) who made the item. If the item is exhibited for another maker, the item will not be judged, but will be "for display only."
- 5. Entries in all **Building Block Divisions/Classes** must consist 100% of building blocks. For scenes or other mix of building blocks and other items, enter in Division 147 Miniatures & Models in the Handcrafts Competition.
- 6. **Size dimensions** are required on the entry form.
- 7. "Other (specify)" class is to be used **only** when item does not fit the description of any other class.
- 8. Entries may be disqualified by the judges if the rules are not followed.
- 9. Items may not be removed from the Fairgrounds until the scheduled pick-up date(s). Items not picked up by September 7<sup>th</sup> will become property of the Oregon State Fair.
- 10. All judges' decisions are final.

Building Blocks are LEGOS, K- Nex, Lincoln Logs, Tinkers Toys, etc.

If you have questions, please ask!

## **COMPETITIVE DIVISIONS**

#### 810 Youth (Ages 5 & under)

8101 Building Blocks (Kit)

8102 Building Blocks (Original Design)

8103 Club Build (Kit)

8104 Club Build (Original Design)

#### 820 Juniors (Ages 6 – 12)

8201 Building Blocks (Kit)

8202 Building Blocks (Original Design)

8203 Club Build (Kit)

8204 Club Build (Original Design)

#### 830 Teen (Ages 13-17)

8301 Building Blocks (Kit)

8302 Building Blocks (Original Design)

8303 Club Build (Kit)

8304 Club Build (Original Design)

#### 840 Building Blocks (Aged 18 & up)

8401 K-Nex (Kit)

8402 K-Nex (Original Design)

8403 Lego (Kit)

8404 Lego (Original Design)

8405 Original Design (mixed bldg systems)

8406 Other (Kit – Lincoln Logs, Tinker Toys, etc)

8407 OTHER (Original Design)

8408 Club Build (Kit)

8409 Club Build (Original Design)

#### 850 Super Build

8501 Super Hero Figures – aged 5 & under

8502 Super Hero Figures - aged 6 -12

8503 Super Hero Figures – aged 13-17

8504 Super Hero Figures – 18 and above

8505 Super Hero Club Build - all ages

#### 860 Family Build

#### 2 or more members in a family

8601 K-Nex (Kit)

8602 K-Nex (Original Design)

8603 Lego (Kit)

8604 Lego (Original Design)

8605 Original Design (mixed bldg systems)

8606 Other (Kit – Lincoln Logs, Tinker Toys, etc)

8607 Other (Original Design)

#### 880 Fair Theme: SOAK UP THE FUN!

20% can be from a kit, 80% Original design or 100% Original Design

8801 Building Blocks – Aged 5 and under

8802 Building Blocks - Aged 6-12

8803 Building Blocks - Aged 13 -17

8804 Building Blocks - Aged 18 +

8805 Club Build - All ages

### 890 Building Blocks

with robotics and/or lighting 8901 Building Blocks (kit) Aged 5 and under

8902 Building Blocks (kit) Aged 6-12

8903 Building Blocks (kit) Aged 13 -17

8904 Building Blocks (Original Design) All ages

8905 Club Build (Kit) All ages

8906 Club Build (Original Design) All ages