

GENERAL ENTRY EXHIBITOR 2009 NEWS

Colorado State Fair
August 28 - September 7, 2009

We are pleased to bring you the 2009 General Entry Premium Book and the 2009 Special Contest Booklet! Once again we offer the General Entry exhibitor more than 1,600 classes in 12 departments to be entered and judged before and during fair. You will find in the following pages the competition & entry requirements and deadlines for participating in the 2009 Colorado State Fair. Please study the competition & entry requirements for each department. We expect every exhibitor to follow the competition & entry requirements and to know when the deadlines are.

*This year the Creative Arts Building will come alive with "BIRDS, BUGS & BARNYARD FRIENDS"! This year we are challenging all of you to expand your imaginations and join us in our **world of nature**. Look for the many "BIRDS, BUGS & BARNYARD FRIENDS" special contests and classes!*

*We will once again have **TWO (2) WEEKENDS** of receiving and judging:*

<i>Friday</i>	<i>August 14</i>	<i>Receive Dolls and Receive Arts & Crafts</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>August 15</i>	<i>Judge Dolls and Judge Arts & Crafts</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>August 19</i>	<i>Receive NeedleArts</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>August 20</i>	<i>Receive Quilts</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>August 21</i>	<i>Judge NeedleArts</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>August 22</i>	<i>Judge Quilts and Judge NeedleArts</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>August 22</i>	<i>Receive and Judge Porcelain Arts</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>August 24</i>	<i>Receive Pantry</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>August 25</i>	<i>Judge Pantry</i>

Also please note receiving and judging dates for each Department or Special Contest in the 2009 General Entry Premium Book or 2009 Special Contest Booklet.

PREMIUM CHECKS will be **MAILED** after Fair to exhibitors before **October 2, 2009**.

My dedicated staff works very hard to make your experience with us an enjoyable one. Please come by our office anytime and visit. We welcome your input and suggestions. We continue to strive to make us better.

***On behalf of the Colorado State Fair General Entry Exhibitors,
we would like to express our special gratitude to all of our Sponsors
for their generous support of the General Entry Department!***

2009 GENERAL ENTRY

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IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXHIBITOR TO BE FAMILIAR WITH ALL GENERAL ENTRY COMPETITION & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS!

The following competition & entry requirements are general in nature and apply to all General Entry Departments. Refer to specific Department and/or Special Contest for special requirements.

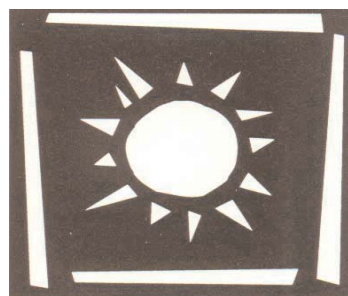
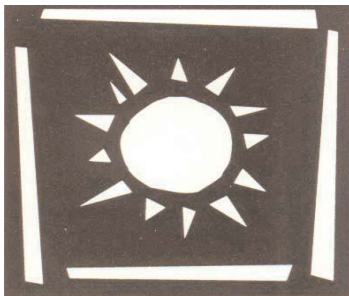
1. Competition is open to the world except where otherwise specified.
2. Entry forms may be photocopied.
3. Only (1) one entry per class unless otherwise specified. You cannot compete with yourself.
4. All entries must be made on regulation forms properly filled out and accompanied by all entry fees. Use Department specific entry form, i.e. Pantry, Needle Arts, Quilts, Special Contests.
5. Entry forms will be accepted from 8AM - 5PM weekdays beginning Monday, June 1, 2009 and will continue being accepted until all contests have been held.
6. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!**
7. Refer to individual Departments and or Special Contests for specific entry and exhibit information.

**EXHIBITOR PASSES ARE AVAILABLE TO ALL
GENERAL ENTRY EXHIBITORS FOR A VERY LOW PRICE!!**
*Each Exhibitor may purchase: 11-day Exhibitor passes @ \$25.00 each
5-day Exhibitor passes @ \$15.00 each
South Lot Parking Passes @ \$45.00*

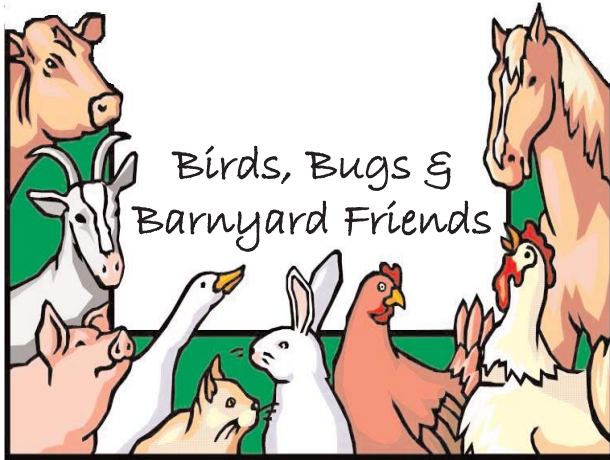
THINK BEFORE ENTERING OR PURCHASING EXHIBITOR PASSES!!

8. All entry fees and payments for passes must accompany entry forms.
ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE!!
9. Exhibitor passes purchased at time of entering will be issued to the exhibitor upon **RECEIVING** their entries.
EXHIBITOR PASSES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE!!
10. All returned or insufficient fund checks will be subject to a \$20.00 fee. No premium check will be released to exhibitor until account is paid in full.
11. Most all entry forms are due Friday, August 7, 2009. But there are exceptions! Exceptions to the August 7th deadline are Special Contests, Flower Arrangements, Cut Flowers, Dahlias, FFA Ag Mechanics, Horticulture, Field Crops and Hay.
12. Entry items are received on different dates at different times. **DO NOT MISS RECEIVING DEADLINES. REMEMBER!..... if you don't bring your entry item you don't get your Exhibitor Pass!**
13. **ALL IMPORTANT CATEGORY DATES & TIMES APPEAR ON THE 1ST PAGE OF EACH DEPARTMENT. PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THEM!**
14. Entry items that have been previously awarded premiums are not allowed for competition in a succeeding year, (plants excluded). Entry items must have been completed in the same year as entered except where noted.
15. All entry items entered for competition **MUST BE** entered in the name of the person that made the item. **INDIVIDUALS ONLY** must make all entries unless stated otherwise.

16. **ONLY AWARD WINNERS** will be displayed.
17. "For Sale" signs are not permitted.
18. Exhibits may not be removed prior to **RELEASE DAY**. Exhibitors may pick up their entry items **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2009, 10AM-6PM in the Creative Arts Building.** For the protection of the exhibitor **CLAIM CHECKS ARE REQUIRED FOR RELEASE OF ALL ITEMS.**
19. **Premium checks will not be issued RELEASE DAY. Premium checks will be mailed to exhibitors after Fair before Friday, October 2, 2009.**
20. The Colorado State Fair Management will use diligence to insure safety of exhibits after arrival and placement but in no case will the Colorado State Fair be responsible for any loss, damage, or injury of any character to any property while on the fairgrounds or at any time or place, nor be liable for or make any payment for the value thereof. Presentation of entry form by the exhibitor shall be deemed acceptance of all competition guidelines and the exhibitor thereby indemnifies the Colorado State Fair from any and all legal proceedings in regards thereto.
21. The Colorado State Fair Management assumes no responsibility for errors in entry. The Colorado State Fair Management shall reserve the right to cancel any Department or Class in which, in its judgment, the entries are insufficient to secure adequate competition.
22. The Colorado State Fair Management may remove any entry, which has been entered in violation of the competition and entry requirements..
23. The Colorado State Fair believes that open judging is essential to encourage individuals to improve their skills and the public is invited to attend judging sessions. Any disruptive behavior on the part of the audience will automatically disqualify the exhibit. Silence during judging is essential.
24. **THE DECISION OF JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL, WITH NO APPEAL CONSIDERED.**
25. Entry items entered for competition in the General Entry Department do not need to have been previously entered in a County Fair.
26. Entry items may be shipped to the Fairgrounds by Parcel Post, UPS or other means providing they arrive by 5PM on Friday, August 7, 2009. All entry items received must be PREPAID. All entry items will be returned via same transportation if return postage is included with the entry fees.
27. Entry items should be sent to: **Colorado State Fair/General Entry Office
1001 Beulah Avenue
Pueblo, CO 81004**
29. Exhibitors whose premiums total **\$200.00** or more or have entered other areas of the Fair will be required to fill out a W-9 before their premium check will be issued.
30. All premium checks must be cashed by December 31 of the year.
31. As a winner of a Special Contest you must be willing to be interviewed by phone or appear in TV spots.
32. All buildings affiliated with the General Entry Department, Creative Arts, Small Animal and the Fine Arts Pavilion will be open to the public 10AM - 10PM starting Friday, August 28 - Monday, September 7, 2009.



THEMED CAKE DECORATING CONTEST



YOU ASKED
FOR IT
SO HERE IT IS!!!!

COMPETITION & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

1. **THEMED CAKES** must be decorated at home and brought to the Creative Arts Kitchen on contest date.
2. Each contestant may enter only once.
3. Entry must follow the theme:
“ Birds, Bugs, and Barnyard Friends.”
 Themed cakes must feature birds, bugs, barnyard friends and/ or any multiple number of each in various combinations.
4. Presentation of themed cake is at the discretion of the contestants. Please be sure that the themed cake will not fall/break during transport.
5. Themed cake **MUST** be decorated solely by the contestant.
6. Cakes will be judged on appearance only, not on flavor of the cake.
7. **The contest is intended for amateur decorators only.**
 This contest is intended only for the amateur cook and baker. In this spirit we ask anyone who works in the food industry, in any capacity, or operates a catering business, uses a food related business card, or wears an apron professionally to adhere to the spirit of this competition and not enter the contest.
8. By submitting your themed cake, you accept all competition & entry requirements and agree to be bound by the judges' decision, which will be final.
9. Taxes are the responsibility of the winner.
10. The 2008 first place winner is not eligible to enter or win the 2009 Contest.

ENTRY DEADLINE: Saturday
September 5, 2009

ENTRY FEE: \$5.00

CONTEST DATE: Monday
September 7, 2009

TIME: Receive: 12-1pm
Judge: 1pm

PLACE: Creative Arts Kitchen

!!PRIZES!!

1st Place	\$50
2nd Place	\$30
3rd Place	\$20

Colorado State Fair Ribbons will be awarded to contest winners.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGES:	
Appearance	50%
<small>Make sure your icing is smooth, wording is spelled correctly, lines are unbroken and without lumps. Entry should be centered on its board unless it is purposely off center because of design.</small>	
Design	20%
<small>Does the entry match the theme? Is the design consistent throughout the cake? Do all the elements combine to present a pleasing whole?</small>	
Degree of Difficulty	15%
<small>Judges will take into consideration how difficult the entry was to make. However, a well made simple element is more pleasing than a poorly executed difficult element.</small>	
Creativity	15%
<small>Is the design an original idea? Is it a new approach to an old idea or an unusual combination of materials and space?</small>	

**DIVISION 155
SPECIAL CONTEST ENTRY
ABBREVIATION:
SPCK**





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Special Contest Entry Form

Office will provide
Exhibitor # _____

NAME: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ COUNTY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ WK PHONE: _____

The Colorado State Fair Management will use all care possible to insure the safety of the entries. However, under NO circumstances will they be responsible for loss, injury or damage done to, occasioned by or arising from any article on exhibition or when left after release time or when returned by mail or any other means. Please consult your insurance agent for personal coverage.

I have read and will comply with all the competition & entry requirements of the department:

Signature: _____

Special Contest Entry Abbreviation	Division #	Adult/Youth Amateur/Master Age Category	Other Specific Contest Information



of Items _____ @ \$ _____ \$ _____

11 Day Passes @ \$25.00 each \$ _____

5 Day Passes @ \$15.00 each \$ _____

Parking Pass @ \$45.00 each \$ _____

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

For Office Use Only:

Receipt # _____ Check # _____ Cash _____

11 Day Pass # _____ Parking Pass# _____

5 Day Pass # _____

Clerk _____