

# Douglas County Fair Fine Arts Entrants:

## FRAMING GUIDELINES - PREPARING FOR COMPETITION

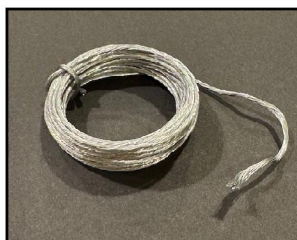
Your participation in the Douglas County Fair Creative Arts is welcomed and very much appreciated. We do our best to ensure that your entries are handled with care, and stress that proper framing is the key to displaying your artwork in a safe and stable manner. The following guidelines will assist you with your submissions.



*Pegboard hook on pegboard*



*Top: D-rings with screw  
Bottom: Screw-eye*



*Flexible picture hanging wire*

We use pegboard hooks on pegboards and metal grids to hang framed artwork. This method requires either two (2) D-rings and flexible picture hanging wire, or two (2) screw-eyes and flexible picture hanging wire, on the back frame of your piece to allow it to hang securely. Attaching

the screw-eyes or D-rings about 1/3 of the way down the frame is optimal placement.



*STEP 1 - Insert D-rings or screw-eyes into frame*



*STEP 2  
Attach only flexible hanging wire between D-rings or screw-eyes.  
No string, no thread, no lace, etc.*



*STEP 3 - Secure wire and test for tautness and hangability*

Framing this way is required of all Amateur and Professional entries. If **Junior competitors** wish to frame their work, they must follow the same rules. If items are not hangable, they will not be accepted for submission. We do not provide any hanging hardware or framing materials.

\* Please note - due to space limitations in our display area, artwork must be no larger than 1,296 square inches framed. This is the length x the width of the outside frame measurement. Example: 36" x 36" = 1,296 square inches.

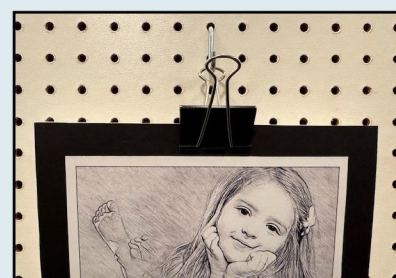
### UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

Any artwork using clip mounts, string, tape, sawtooth hangers, hook holders embedded in cardboard or wood backing, paper clips, cardboard loops, adhesive or velcro hooks, having missing wires, or any other unstable hanging hardware or framing materials.

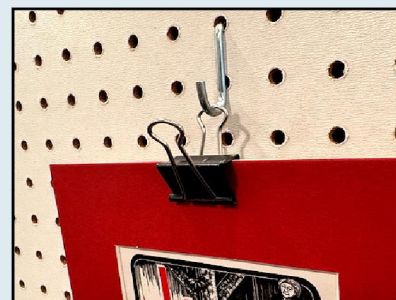
## JUNIOR ENTRANTS

Junior entrants have 3 options for submitting their hanging artwork:

- #1 - Mount it directly onto mat board or heavy backing board;
- #2 - Mat their piece & securely attach it to a heavy backing board;  
(No hanger is required for either of these methods, as we will provide binder clips to hang the artwork - see photos below)
- #3 - Frame their artwork following the Amateur and Professional guidelines shown here.



*Binder clip holding Junior artwork mounted on mat board*



*Binder clip holding matted Junior artwork with backing board*

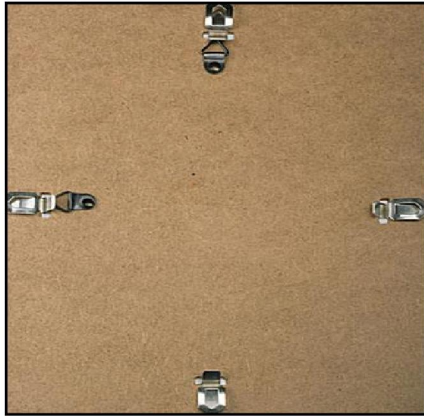
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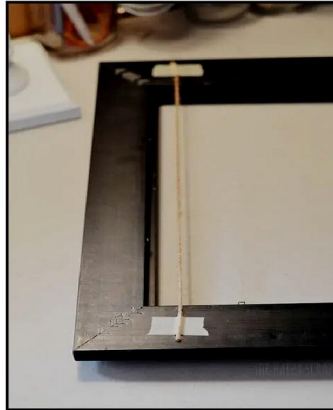
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## Unacceptable materials to use when framing artwork

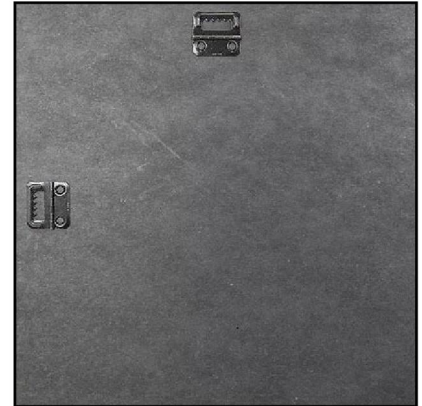
They do not work with our pegboard and hook hanger system for display purposes



**CLIP MOUNTS**



**STRING & TAPE**



**HOOK HOLDERS  
IN CARDBOARD**



**CARDBOARD LOOP**



**SAWTOOTH HANGER**



**PAPER CLIP**



**ADHESIVE OR VELCRO-TYPE HANGING HOOKS**