

WHEN CAN I PICK UP MY ENTRIES?

Exhibit Release:

All entries will be released and ready for pick up available on Sunday, Aug. 2 between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. only in the Events Center. No early pick ups will be allowed. Go to each department to pick up your items. Remember to bring the stub(s) from your exhibit tag(s) or have your ID available.

HOW DO I COLLECT RIBBONS AND/OR WINNINGS?

A table will be set up near the Creative Arts pick up area. Take your printout to the line and collect any ribbons and/or winnings due.

WHAT IF I CAN'T PICK UP MY ITEMS AT THE SPECIFIED TIME?

Any unclaimed items are held at the Fairgrounds Office, 500 Fairgrounds Road, Castle Rock, for two weeks after Fair has ended. Any unclaimed exhibits will be disposed of and any unclaimed premium money will be forfeited and returned to the General Fund of the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo.

CAN I HAVE SOMEONE ELSE PICK UP MY ENTRIES?

Yes, they just need to bring in the entry tag stub(s). Another person may bring in your items on Entry day as well. You do not have to be present to enter.

CREATIVE ARTS ENTRANTS

we appreciate
your participation!



START PLANNING YOUR ENTRIES
NOW

FOR NEXT YEAR'S FAIR

Douglas County Fair & Rodeo
July 25 - August 1, 2027

Be sure to visit
this year's
AGRICULTURE
and FLORICULTURE
Exhibits
in the
Marketplace



For more information and entry categories, or if you want to volunteer, check out our website:
DOUGLASCOUNTYFAIRANDRODEO.COM

COMING SOON!

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DOUGLAS COUNTY

Fair & Rodeo CREATIVE ARTS OPEN CLASS CONTESTS

* **FREE to Enter** *
OPEN TO ALL AGES

BRING YOUR ENTRIES
SUNDAY
JULY 26
2026
FROM 10 AM - 4 PM
James R. Sullivan Events Center
AT THE DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

EARN RIBBONS AND WIN CASH!

IT'S FREE, FUN, & FOR EVERYONE!

You are invited to enter your Arts, Crafts, and Culinary items in the Douglas County Fair & Rodeo Creative Arts Open Division contests! Do you make quilts, take great photographs, paint, make jewelry, work on crafts, crochet, knit, put up canned goods, or bake a treasured family recipe?

JOIN US AND PARTICIPATE DURING THE FAIR!

Who can enter?

These contests are open to exhibitors of all ages, living in any area. Age categories are as of August 1st of the current year: Youth - Grades K-12 and up to 18 years old; Adults -19 years of age and older; and Senior Citizens - 55 years and older. Classes are open to both amateurs and professionals.

What are the Categories?

Creative Arts Departments include: Fine Arts, Crafts, Photography, Ceramics, Canning and Baking, Home Arts (needlework, sewing and embroidery); Quilts; and Senior Citizen. See specific categories at Douglascountyfairandrodeo.com.

HOW DO I ENTER AN ITEM?

Competition Rules:

Read through the official Competition Rules (CR) that apply to your entry. Find online at Douglascountyfairandrodeo.com, by using the QR code found on the back of this brochure, by calling the Fairgrounds office at 720-733-6900, and on Entry Day at the James R. Sullivan Events Center.



EXHIBIT ENTRY DATE AND TIME:

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2026
between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
at the James R. Sullivan Events Center

Prior to Entry Day, Entry Forms are available:

- online at Douglascountyfairandrodeo.com - download, print out, and fill in, or;
- pick up in person at the Fairgrounds office

Manila Exhibitor Tags can also be picked up ahead of time at the fairgrounds office or on Entry Day, but are not available online.

CHECK-IN PROCEDURE:

1 Each person entering exhibit(s) in Creative Arts must use one entry form for all exhibits in any of the Departments. Fill out the entry form using one of the above methods or complete onsite during Entry Day. Each person (including Youth) entering exhibit(s) must have their own entry form completed and legible for data input. Each Exhibitor must have an email address. If you do not have one, we can help you on Entry Day.

2 Give each item with its manila tag and the ENTRY form to the Superintendent at each DEPARTMENT for check-in. The Superintendent will return the stub portion of each exhibitor tag and your entry form. When you have entered all exhibits, hand your entry form to the Team Member at the exit door of the lobby. Your entry form data will be entered into the software system.

3 Hold onto the exhibitor stubs and bring with you when you pick up your exhibit(s) on Release Day - Sunday, August 2, 2026 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

WHEN ARE ENTRIES JUDGED?

Creative Arts entries will be judged on Monday, July 27, 2026.

CAN I WATCH THE JUDGING?

Quilt judging is open to the public in the Marketplace starting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 27, 2026 & will conclude when all quilts have been judged.

All other Creative Arts Departments are closed to the public during judging.

WHEN AND WHERE CAN I SEE MY ITEM ON DISPLAY, & IS THERE A FEE TO SEE IT?

All of the Open Division Creative Arts Department entries will be housed in the Marketplace. To view exhibits, a general admission ticket is required Thursday through Sunday. Creative Arts entrants will receive one wristband for free Fair entry to view the Creative Arts exhibits during Marketplace open hours.

Viewing Times:

Creative Arts Open Class Department entries/exhibits are displayed at the Marketplace during the following days and times:

- Thursday, July 30** 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
~ Grounds admission required
- Friday, July 31** 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
~ Grounds admission required
- Saturday, August 1** 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
~ Grounds Admission required
- Sunday, August 2** 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
~ Free day - no admission fee