



CREATIVE EXHIBITS - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who can enter exhibits to the Lane County Fair?

- Anyone who lives in Lane County.

What is the cost to enter exhibits into the Lane County Fair?

- There are no entry fees for creative exhibits.

Why should I enter exhibits into the Lane County Fair?

- Entering exhibits into the Lane County Fair is a fun and easy way to showcase your skills and display your creations for all to see during the Fair. You can also win ribbons, rosettes, premiums (cash awards), donor awards and other prizes!

How do I enter my exhibits into the Lane County Fair?

- Beginning in April the Fair Book will become available and exhibitors can view the divisions and classes offered as well as all of the contests.
- Beginning in May you can submit your entries online or you can submit a paper entry form and drop it off at the Fair Business Office. *Online entries preferred when possible.
- July 6 is the deadline for all online entries. Paper entries are accepted at the Fair Business Office until July 6. Exhibitors may also enter on-site during the department's drop off period.
- Drop off your exhibits during the department's drop-off period. The drop off schedule is posted online and in the Fair Book.
- Visit the Lane County Fair to see your exhibits displayed in each department. Exhibits are displayed all five days of the Fair. Admission to the Fair is not included with creative entries.
- Monday following the Fair all entries will be released for pick-up from 11am-6pm. Exhibitors who won ribbons and donor awards will pick these items up during entry pick-up. Exhibitors will pick up their entries from the same location where they dropped them off.
- Monday and Tuesday following the Fair exhibitors can claim any cash premiums that they won. Premium payouts are only distributed during these two days. Any premiums not picked-up by 4pm on July 28 will be forfeited. Times and locations can be found in the Fair Book.

What is the difference between Open Show and Youth Fair?

- Open Show is for adults 18 and over and the Youth Fair is for exhibitors under the age of 18. Exhibitor entry age is as of September 1 the year prior.

What is a division and a class?

- A division is a category within a department. A class is a specific category within a division. For example, the Baking & Candy department has a division for pies. Within the division you can select the class you would like such as apple, custard, lemon meringue.

What is a premium?

- Premiums are cash awards that exhibitors may win when they receive a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place ribbon or a special award. Special contests have unique awards that do not follow the rest of the department premiums schedule. Payment of premiums is contingent upon the availability of funds for distribution at the 2026 Lane County Fair.

Can I enter in all departments?

- Yes, exhibitors can enter in all seven departments and will be eligible to win the Grand Champion of the Fair.

Is there a limit to how much I can enter or win?

- Each department has their own entry limits listed in the Fair Book. There is no limit on the amount of prizes or cash premiums that exhibitors can win.

Who monitors my entry during the Fair?

- Department Coordinators and staff monitor the creative exhibits during the Fair. The Lane County Fair will have security officers on the grounds and will use every reasonable precaution for the preservation of the property but will not be responsible for loss or damage by theft, fire, water damage or assume any liability for accidents to property.

What should I do if I cannot pick-up my entry on the Monday or Tuesday after the Fair?

- Forms are available at the Fair Business Office if you need to make arrangements for someone else to pick-up your entry and awards.

Who judges my entry?

- Judges are selected by Department Coordinators and the judges are experts in the area that they are judging. The decision of the judges (as submitted to the Fair Business Office) are final and no appeal will be considered except in case of protest to Fair Management.

Will photos of my entry be used for Fair marketing materials?

- Exhibitors agree to allow the Lane County Fair to use their name and pictures in Fair related materials including photos of entries and the publishing of results. Contact the Exhibits Coordinator if you have a specific concern.

I looked through this document and am still confused about entering creative exhibits. Who do I contact?

- Contact the Exhibits Coordinator, Vicki Van Patten, at vicki@laneeventscenter.org or 541-682-4292.

