

DEPARTMENT 15 FINE ARTS AND PHOTOGRAPHY

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AMATEURS ONLY - ALL CLASSES

1. **YOU ARE NOT AN AMATEUR** if you currently, or at any time previously have earned income as a professional with you art or photography, or if you have ever taught art or photography professionally.
2. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED.** Department Superintendent reserves the right to deny any entry that does not meet criteria.
3. Exhibits should be the **ORIGINAL WORK OF EXHIBITOR.** Socially controversial subject matter (nudes, drugs, etc.) will not be accepted.
4. Entries entered in the wrong class may be moved to the correct class by the superintendent or withdrawn from the competition entirely.
5. Entries **MUST** be checked in & in place the Saturday before fair between 12 pm & 5 pm. Entry tags must be attached to the **FRONT** of the entry. Closed Judging is Sunday @ 9:00am.
6. All entries must be removed Sunday after the fair between 8 am & 11 am.
7. The building will be locked during non-display hours. The Richland County Fair provides around the clock security personnel on the fairgrounds, and all reasonable precautions will be taken to protect your entries. However, the Richland County Agricultural Society and the department superintendents accept no responsibility for loss or damage.
8. Youth age as of January 1, 2026

RULES:

1. All entries must be capable of being hung securely.
2. Exhibitor name must not be visible on the entry.
3. **SIZE LIMIT 18" x 20"** Entries not meeting these requirements will be disqualified.
4. Limit 2 entries per class

SECTION 1 - ADULT (18 YEARS OR OLDER)

CLASSES:	PREMIUMS	\$5.00	\$4.00	\$3.00	BEST OF SHOW & \$5.00
	Oil, Acrylic, Watercolor				
1.	Painting-Portrait/people				
2.	Painting-Still Life				
3.	Painting-Animals				
4.	Painting-Nature/Landscape/Seascape				
5.	Drawings	Pencil, Colored Pencil, Ink, Charcoal, Pastels			
6.	Mixed Media	Any combination of media			
7.	Specialty Arts	Any project that does not fit into other categories			
8.	BEST OF SHOW				

SECTION 2 - CHILDREN (AGES 11 TO 17) RULES: SAME AS SECTION 1

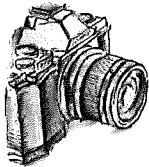
CLASSES:	PREMIUMS	\$4.00	\$3.00	\$2.00	BEST OF SHOW & \$4.00
1.	Paintings	Oil, Acrylic, Watercolor			
2.	Drawings	Pencil, Colored Pencil, Ink, Charcoal, Pastels			
3.	Mixed Media	Any combination of media			
4.	Specialty Arts	Any project that does not fit into other categories			
5.	BEST OF SHOW				

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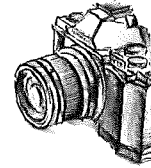
SECTION 3 - CHILDREN (AGES 10 & UNDER)
MOUNTED ON ANY STIFF BACKING. SIZE LIMIT: 18"X20"

CLASSES: PREMIUMS \$3.00 \$2.00 \$1.00 BEST OF SHOW & \$3.00

1. Paintings
2. Drawings
3. Mixed Media
4. Paper Bag Puppets
5. Specialty Arts (any project that does not fit in other categories)
6. **BEST OF SHOW**



PHOTOGRAPHY



RULES:

1. Entry is limited to **TWO PER CLASS**
2. **ALL** photography must be matted/mounted 8" x 10" and ready to hang (matting not to exceed 11" x 14")
3. **GLASS & FRAMES ARE PROHIBITED**
4. Each photograph entry must have its own entry tag. You must enter each photograph individually on the entry form.
5. Photograph may not be entered in more than one class
6. Classes 1-8 may not be composite images & may have minimal retouching only.

SECTION 4

ADULTS 18 & OLDER

CLASSES:

1. **People** - The person or persons must be the item of main interest - Posed or Candid
2. **Scenic** - Landscapes, Seascapes, Sunrise, Sunset
3. **Household Pets** - Dogs, cats, hamsters, guinea pigs, reptiles, ferrets, etc.
4. **Farm Animal/Equine** - Any livestock will be the main interest
5. **Wildlife** - Any wild animal, including birds & reptiles, will be the main interest
(excludes animals listed in class 3 & class 4)
6. **Plant Life** - Live flowers, fungus, trees, plants, vegetables
7. **Macro** - A closeup of any animal, insect, object or plant
8. **Ohio Weather** - A photo documenting all types of weather in Ohio, including rainbows
9. **Fair Photos** - Past Richland County Fair events/scenes will be the main interest
10. **On Wheels** - Cars, trucks, trains, buggies, tractors, motorcycles, bicycles, etc.
11. **Monochrome** - Black & white images. Subject matter is photographer's choice
12. **Creative Class** - Photographers choice Let your imagination go wild!
No limit in digital enhancements for this class only. Composites are permitted in this class only.
All composite pieces must be the original work of the photographer
(no stock images)

13. **Shoot the Stars** - (take pictures of night stars, paper stars, anything star, anything Star shapes, etc.)

1. **BEST OF SHOW ADULT**
2. **BEST OF SHOW YOUTH**

ENTRY FORM FOR DEPARTMENTS 12-13-14-15-16-17-18

ENTRY TAGS MUST BE OBTAINED FROM THE FAIR OFFICE SATURDAY BEFORE FROM 12 PM. THRU 5 PM. BEFORE ADMITTANCE TO DEPARTMENTS.

OPEN CLASS

DEPARTMENTS 12 THRU 18

DEADLINE IS JULY 31st

ENTRIES MUST BE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT & LEGIBLE

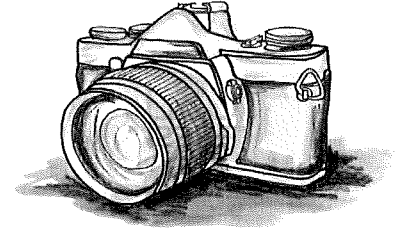
RICHLAND COUNTY FAIR
750 North Home Rd., Mansfield
44906
Phone 419-747-3717
MAIL-IN ENTRIES WILL BE SEASON
PASSES ONLY

EXHIBTOR NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE - OHIO ZIPCODE _____

PHONE # _____ AGE: _____ If under 19



	DEPT.	SECT.	CLASS		DEPT.	SECT.	CLASS
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**All entries must either purchase a season pass
or
membership pass.**

For office use only

Membership Fee \$ _____ # _____ X \$40.00
(Richland County residents only-gives voting rights/7passes-must be 18 or older)

Season Pass \$ _____ # _____ X \$40.00
(All entries must purchase either a season or membership pass/7passes)

Total Fees \$ _____ Check # _____ (Payable to RCAS) CASH _____ CREDIT _____

RECEIPT # _____ DATE _____ 2026

The Richland County Fair Board will take every precaution in its power for the preservation of livestock, livestock articles and still projects on exhibition, after their arrival and arrangement on the grounds, but is hereby agreed and understood by the undersigned owner/exhibitor that all livestock, livestock articles and still projects are brought onto the fairgrounds at the owner's/exhibitors risk. The Richland County Agriculture Society, its employees, officers, director's and agents will not be held liable nor responsible for any damage to livestock, livestock articles, still projects by fire, water, disease, windstorm and act of God, or any other cause, whatever its nature. Nor will the Society be held liable for any loss by thefts or accidents to person or property, nor for any errors or omissions in the Premium Book. Further, I agree not to have any contact with judges. I acknowledge that any other behavior and/or actions that is deemed inappropriate by the Richland County Board of Directors may result in disqualification, loss of premiums, expulsion from the fairgrounds, and/or being barred from future open class shows. I have read and understand this and I agree to abide by this waiver of responsibility and the Constitutions and By-Laws of the Richland County Agriculture Society and rules of the Department(s) I wish to enter, as printed in the premium book.

EXHIBITOR'S SIGNATURE _____ **2026**

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE _____ **2026**