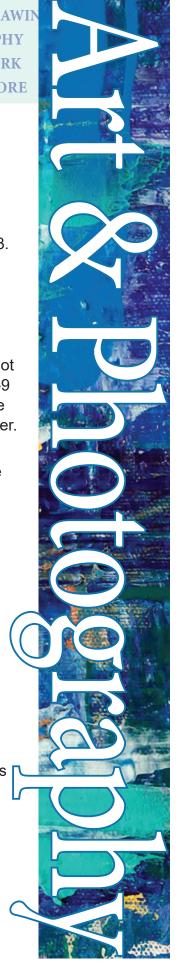
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- Exhibit Manager: Don Gowin
- Open to all residents of North Carolina.
- Entries not ready to hang may not be judged or accepted.
- Entries must be original works, no Al generated artwork permitted. No copies or prints of art can be entered as original art.
- Pre-registration is required. Registration deadline is Friday, September 15, 2023.
- Mailed entry forms to: NC State Fair Entry Dept.
 1010 Mail Service Center Raleigh NC 27699-1010
- Mailed exhibits must be received by Saturday, October 7.
- Social Security Numbers are required to receive prize money.
- NEW NC Substitute W-9 forms are required for prize money. Participants not
 wishing to provide their social security number or fill out a NC Substitute W-9
 form should enter with a paper entry form and write the word "decline" in the
 space for social security numbers. See information at the back of this chapter.
- If you want your entry to be returned to you after the fair, you must be include a
 prepaid postage return address label in your original package. Your work will be
 returned to you in the same manner and packaging material in which it was
 mailed to us.
- Hand deliver forms/artwork to: NC State Fair Entry Department 4285 Trinity Road, Raleigh NC 27607
- Artwork can be picked up on Monday, October 23, in the Kerr Scott Building between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. Shipped entries will be mailed by October 31.
 Unclaimed art will become the property of the NC State Fair if not picked up at the Entry Department by November 1, 2022.
- Judging will be based on the following criteria:
 - I. Impact effect on viewer, catches the eye and holds attention, mood and story telling techniques
 - II. Composition arrangement, completeness and balance of picture elements
 - III. Technical Quality sharpness, clarity, etc.
 - IV. Workmanship prepared, mounted neatly and securely to meet requirements
- The NC State Fair reserves the right to refuse to exhibit any work that it deems inappropriate.
- The NC State Fair is under no obligation to display every entry.
- Call 919 839 4513 for details concerning entries released from other fairs.
- Submit questions to: ncsfCompetitions@ncagr.gov
- General Rules and Regulations of the Fair can be found at the back of chapter.
- Exhibits will be released on Monday, October 23, 2023. Pick up exhibits at the Art Building. The Fair is not responsible for exhibits left after 6:00pm.



EXHIBITION CATEGORIES

There are four categories in which you may enter: Professional, Amateur, Youth and Schools (Public, Private, Home School). You may only enter in ONE category. All categories have a \$10 entry fee except Schools and Coloring Book Pages.

All entries in these categories must be framed and wired for hanging. Wrapped canvas with finished sides are acceptable (no staples visible, no exposed canvas panels,no clip frames). Metal Print and Acrylic Print do not have to be framed.

All entries must be original works (no kits or published patterns, no Al generated artwork) except Coloring Book page entries.

No entry will be accepted that is wet, perishable or deemed unstable in any way.

Only artist signatures can be visible on the front of the entry in the Professional class. Names and phone numbers must be on the back of entries.

DIVISION 101 – ART PROFESSIONAL ARTIST Up to two entries

\$10 Entry Fee 1st: \$300 2nd: \$200 3rd: \$100 4th: \$75

Class 01 – PAINTINGS - OIL, ACRYLIC & WATERCOLOR

Class 02 – DRAWINGS, PASTELS, PRINT MAKING lithographs, etchings and other prints made by the artist's hand, and mixed media

Class 03 – PHOTOGRAPHY

- There is a \$10.00 entry fee for this division.
- A professional is considered someone who earns income from art, either selling or teaching art. It is also someone who has a great amount of experience.
- You may submit up to TWO (2) entries.
- Paintings/Drawings/Print Entry cannot exceed 36" X 40"*
- Entry must weigh less than 25 lbs
- Photography entry cannot exceed 25" X 25"*, length and width
- Entry must weigh less than 25 lbs

DIVISION 102 - ART AMATEUR ARTIST Only one entry

\$10 Entry Fee 1st: \$120 2nd: \$95 3rd: \$80 4th: \$55

Class 01 – PAINTINGS - OIL, ACRYLIC & WATERCOLOR

Class 02 – DRAWINGS, PASTELS, PRINT MAKING lithographs, etchings and other prints made by the artist's hand, and mixed media

Class 03 – PHOTOGRAPHY

- There is a \$10.00 entry fee for this division.
- An amateur is an artist who creates a very limited amount of art and does not earn an income from selling their work, or does not teach art.
- You may submit up to ONE (1) entry.
- Paintings/Drawings/Print Entry cannot exceed 25" X 25"* length and width.
- Entry must weigh under 25 lbs
- Photography Entry cannot exceed 25" X 25"* length and width.
- Entry must weigh under 25 lbs



DIVISION 103 – ART YOUTH ARTIST Only one entry, as an individual, not a school.

\$10 Entry Fee 1st: \$50 2nd: \$25 3rd: \$10

Class 01 - YOUTH ART, GRADES K - 2

Class 02 - YOUTH ART, GRADES 3 - 5

Class 03 - YOUTH ART, GRADES 6 - 8

Class 04 - YOUTH ART, GRADES 9 - 12

- The Youth Category is open to all artist under the age of 18.
- You may submit up to ONE (1) entry.
- No entry may exceed 25" x 25".
- Entry Must weigh under 10 lbs

*Frame size counts towards the overall dimensions of an entry.

There is an entry fee of \$10.00 per entry for each Class listed above. Entry fees are non-refundable and checks should be made out to the "North Carolina State Fair" and should be attached to the entry form. Online entries will be accepted with credit card payment.

DIVISION 104 - ART PUBLIC, PRIVATE, HOME SCHOOLS

SUBMISSIONS BY TEACHERS ONLY – Up to six (6) individual entries by six (6) different students. NO Entry Fee

1st \$650 2nd \$550 3rd \$450 4th \$350 5th \$250 6th \$150 7th \$100 8th \$50

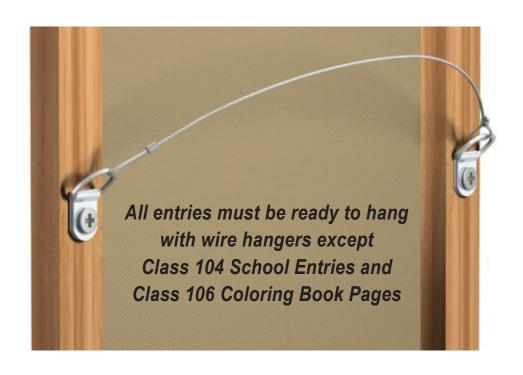
Class 01 – ELEMENTARY, GRADES K-5

Class 02 - MIDDLE SCHOOL, GRADES 6-8

Class 03 - HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES 9-12

- No entry may exceed 18" x 24".
- Entry Must weigh under 10 lbs
- The School Category is open to all K-12 schools in North Carolina, Public, Private and Home Schools. Entry in this category is made by the art teacher representing their North Carolina school.
- Each school in North Carolina is invited to submit up to six (6) individual entries by six (6) different
 individual students currently enrolled in the participating school. Entries should have been done as
 part of a school assignment within the last year.
- All entries must be mounted or matted, properly wired or hole punched. No glue or tape will be accepted.
- Each work should have the student's name, age and grade placed in the lower right front corner of the work.
- School entries must arrive together in a group at one time and should be boxed or wrapped for ease
 in handling and identification. Boxes and cases that are clearly marked with the school name may
 be left for storage and the art work will be returned to you in these containers and packaged ready
 for pickup.
- Any entry not in compliance will not be accepted and/or disqualified.





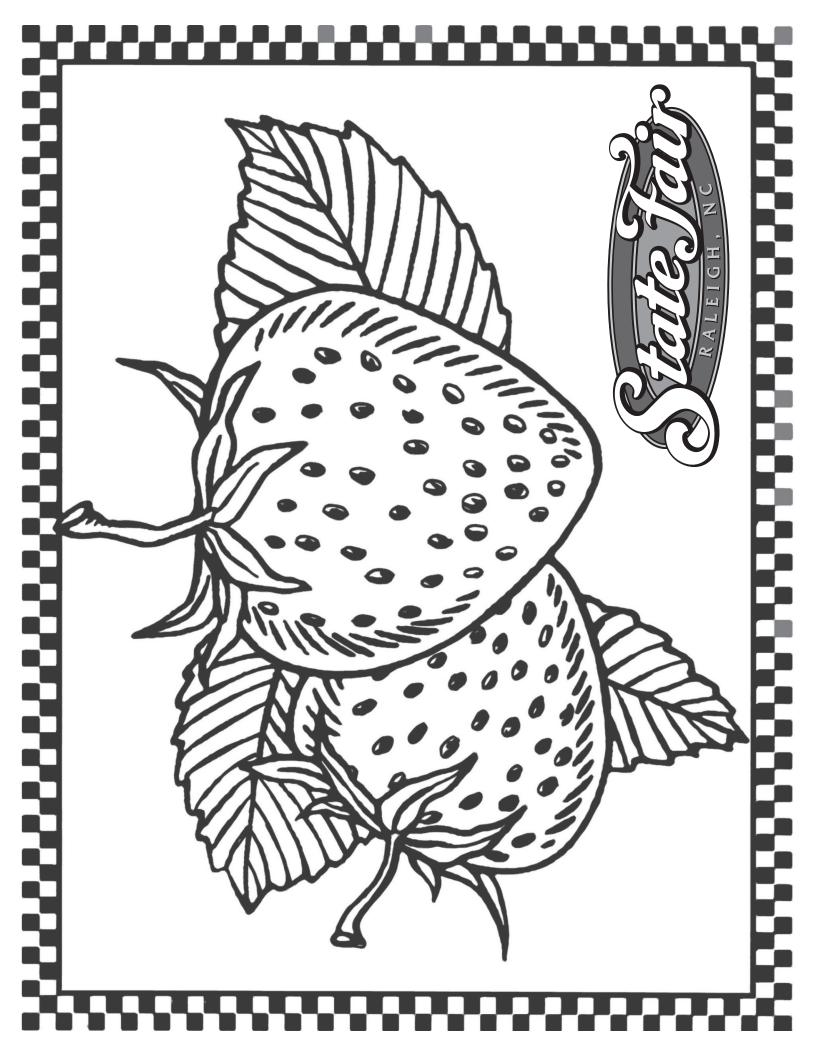
DIVISION 105 - ART COLORING BOOK PAGES

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Class 01 – CHILD A, AGES 5 -7	\$10	\$8	\$6
Class 02 - CHILD B, AGES 8 -10	\$10	\$8	\$6
Class 03 – YOUTH A, AGES 11 - 13	\$12	\$10	\$8
Class 04 – YOUTH B, AGES 14 - 18	\$12	\$10	\$8
Class 05 – ADULT, AGES 19 AND OVER	\$15	\$12	\$10
Class 06 – SPECIAL NEEDS, ANY AGE	\$10	\$8	\$6
Class 07 – GROUP HOME, ANY AGE	\$10	\$8	\$6

- This category has been moved from Handicrafts and Hobbies.
- Anyone of any skill level can participate in the NC State Fair themed coloring book pages
 contest. Simply print the following two pages or click the link on the Art & Photography page
 on the NC State Fair website. You can also email us at: ncsfcompetitions@ncagr.gov and
 we will send you the files as an attachment.
- Pages cannot exceed 8½ X 11 inches.
- This competition is limited to only the pages provided by the state fair.
- You can enter as many pages as you wish but you can only win once.
- There is no entry fee for DIVISION 105.
- Entries in this category do not need to be framed. We will insert them into protective sleeves for display.
- Display space is limited. There is no guarantee that every entry will be displayed.





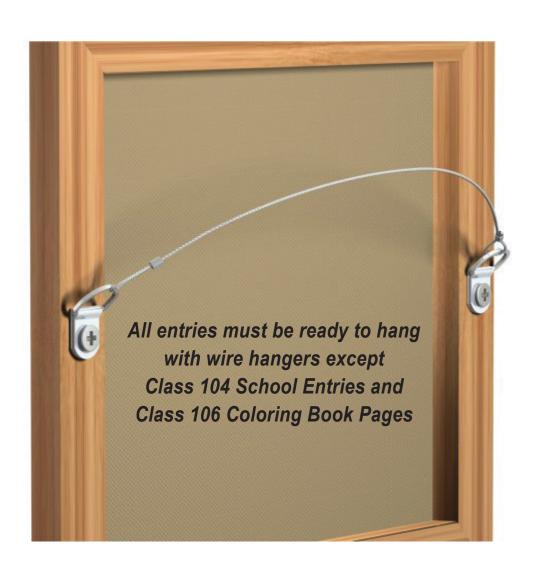


DIVISION 100 - ART SPECIAL AWARDS

Open to Class 101, 102, 103, 104 only

- Best of Show \$500 and ribbon of
- Agriculture Commissioner Award \$200 02
- Best North Carolina Scene* \$250 and ribbon ₀₃
 - **Entries must have the location of the image written on the back of the entry to be considered for this award
- Best NC State Fair Scene* \$250 and ribbon 04
- Best NC Agricultural Scene/Still Life* \$250 and ribbon of
 - * Note If your artwork qualifies and you wish to submit it for consideration for the Best North Carolina Scene, Best NC State Fair Scene or Best NC Agriculture Scene/Still Life awards, you need to note which category on the back of your piece along with a brief description.
- JERRY'S ARTARAMA OUTSTANDING YOUNG ARTIST AWARD
 \$25.00 Gift Certificate

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REGISTRATION TIPS

READ THE RULES before you fill out any entry registration form.

There are Department Rules in the front of each chapter & General Rules for Exhibitors at the back.

The deadline to register your entries in a fair competition is **SEPTEMBER 15th**.

NEW- Paper entry forms are limited to 20 ENTRIES TOTAL. You can enter in multiple departments using different forms but the paper form overall total is limited to 20 entries.

ONLINE ENTRY IS UNLIMITED.

NEW-SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS are required if you enter online (they used to be optional).

If you don't want to give your social security number write DECLINE in the space for social security numbers on the paper entry or write 999-99-9999 if you are registering online.

NEW-NC SUBSTITUTE W-9 FORMS are required if you want to receive prize money. This is in addition to your SSN.

You must give your social security number and submit your NC Substitute W-9 form WHEN YOU REGISTER.

If you don't want to fill out a NC Substitute W-9 form, you should enter by paper entry form and mail it in by the deadline. You can still enter any fair competition, but you won't receive prize money. (Ribbons = Yes!)

Fillable Form Steps: Click the NC Substitute W-9 link; DOWNLOAD the file to your system; NAME IT your full name and save it; CLOSE the linked page; OPEN your saved file; FILL IT OUT, finally UPLOAD IT to Showorks when prompted. The fillable form will ask you for a digital signature. If you want to bypass this, print the form, fill it out manually, sign it, scan it, upload it or mail it in.

If you can't mail your form by September 15, bring it with you when you deliver your entries.

Use these tips when you fill out your NC Substitute W-9 form.

Understand that you cannot smudge or scratch out or otherwise correct mistakes on the form. If you need to, start over with a clean document.

The required fields are *1, *2, *4, *6, *8, *9, *12,*13, and section 2 at the bottom.

Most people will be entering as **INDIVIDUALS** and will use their Social Security Number as their tax ID.

You need to register with your full legal name - the way it is written on your SSN Card. If you don't have your card, write your name the way it is written on your Driver's License or any other government document. You cannot use someone else's name, social security number or address. If your name, address or social security number has changed recently, you will need to fill out page 2 of the NC Substitute W-9 form.

Some will be entering as a **FARM or BUSINESS** and will use an EIN Number. If you are using an EIN you must register using the name of the business. You must use the address on record for that business.

You cannot mix and match names and addresses between personal & business. If the information for the business has changed, you will need to fill out page 2 of the NC Substitute W-9 form and provide the old and the new information.

Some will be entering as an Association, Group or School.
You will need to use an EIN Number or Social Security Number (if that is how your home school is set up) and the address on record. You cannot mix and match names, addresses and EIN Numbers. If the name, address or tax ID number has changed recently you will need to fill out page 2 of the NC Substitute W-9 form.

If you are using a shared tax ID (where more than one group or address shares the same tax ID) like a 4-H Chapter or a school that is part of a public school association, you will need to include your information in the Remittance Address section (Number 7) on the right hand side of the form. You cannot have the prize money sent to your home address or a different school. Most county public school associations have pre-filled out and signed NC Substitute W-9 forms available from their headquarters. You will need to add your school's name and address to the document so that the prize check comes to you and not the county headquarters. Add it in the Remittance Address section (Number 7) on the right hand side, middle of the page.

NC STATE FAIR ENTRY FORM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

Exhibitor's Legal Name:		
First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name -	as it appears on your social security card, driv	er's license or any government document
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Exhibitor Signature:		

PAPER ENTRY FORMS ARE LIMITED TO 20 ENTRIES

By signing this form you are agreeing to the terms and conditions concerning social security numbers and all state fair rules and regulations.

MAIL FORM TO: NC State Fair Entry Office 1010 Mail Service Center Raleigh NC 27699-1010

Unlimited Online Entry at www.ncstatefair.org or http://ncsfge.fairwire.com

ENTRY DEADLINE IS

SEPTEMBER 15 Exhibitor Name:

Paper Entry forms are limited to 20 entries. Unlimited Online entry at: www.ncstatefair.org or http://ncsfge.fairwire.com

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NC Office of the State Controller *Denotes a Required Field This form is to be

completed by the vendor.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA SUBSTITUTE W-9 FORM Modification to Existing Vendor Records



* Date:

This form is to be completed by the vendor if one or more of the following have changed:

- 1. Change of remittance address.
- 2. Change of Social Security Number (SSN), or Employer Identification Number (EIN), or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN).
- 3. Change of Vendor Name.

Please complete the applicable sections below.

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GENERAL FAIR RULES FOR EXHIBITORS

- Exhibitors are encouraged to make all entries early. The right is reserved to reject any entry.
- In most divisions, competition is limited to residents of North Carolina.
- All entries must be made in the name of the owner, breeder, manufacturer, grower, producer or one
 whose skill the exhibit represents. A firm, to be entitled to exhibit as such, must have been organized
 not less than 30 days prior to the closing date for entries and such firm must have been organized as
 a bona fide firm for the purpose of producing or buying and selling the articles or animals it proposes
 to exhibit in the name of such firm. A firm will be regarded as one exhibitor.
- Official printed forms or copies of forms must be used in making applications for entry. Be sure to fill out the application form completely, accurately and legibly.
- No article or animals will be entitled to exhibition space until proper entry has been made.
- Entry fees are required in some departments.
- Unclaimed exhibits from competitive departments will be considered abandoned if not called for within
 one week after the official closing of the Fair and may be disposed of as the Manager of the Fair sees fit.
- All exhibits must be officially entered in the Fair on official entry forms provided for that purpose, before
 the closing date for entries in the department. No article or animal will be entitled to space or considered
 in the judging until proper entry has been made. Removal of exhibits before the date and time specified
 will be cause for forfeit of all premiums won, all fees paid and the right to further participation in the Fair.
- All exhibits will be numbered and recorded in the books of the proper department and class and exhibit tag with corresponding numbers will be issued. This tag must be securely attached to the exhibit and must remain on the exhibit throughout the Fair.
- The State Fair assumes no responsibility for the incorrect tagging of exhibits.
- Entries may be shipped via UPS or Fed Ex (signature required) to:
 NC State Fair Attn Entry Department 4285 Trinity Road Raleigh NC 27607
- The management will not be responsible for delayed shipments which arrive at the Fair too late to be considered in the judging. All reasonable care will be given to all exhibits; however, exhibits are entered at the exhibitor's risk. The Fair and staff are not responsible for damage or loss at any time.
- Division Directors and Department Superintendents will have full authority over allocation of space.
- If the claim check is lost, such loss should be reported promptly and it will be necessary for the exhibitor
 to furnish the Department Superintendent or Competitive Exhibits Coordinator proof of ownership of the
 article on exhibit.
- Exhibits entered in competitions which are not claimed within one week after the close of the Fair will be considered to have been abandoned by the exhibitor and will be disposed of as the Manager of the Fair sees fit.
- The Fair management reserves the right to reject any exhibit which does not reflect merit and which would not be a credit to both the exhibitor and the Fair.
- Division Directors, Department Superintendents, and/or Judges must report disqualification of entries to the Manager of the State Fair immediately after such action is taken. Under no circumstances will judging be considered official and premiums paid in a class where disqualification is recommended until approval of the disqualification(s) is obtained from the fair manager.

- Decision of the judges will be final and no appeal will be considered except in cases of protest in writing, with strong evidence of fraud or violation of the rules of the Fair. Protests must be in writing and filed with the State Fair Manager within twenty four hours of the day following the award and must be accompanied by a protest fee of \$5.00 which will be retained by the Fair if the protest is not sustained. The State Fair Manager will appoint a committee to consider the protest and all interested parties will be notified of the time of the hearing and will be given an opportunity to be heard. The rules of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions governing appeals will be those of the North Carolina State Fair.
- Entries made in wrong classes risk not being judged, and may be moved to the proper class by the Department Supervisor or Competitive Exhibits Coordinator with the permission of the exhibitor.
- Judges will not award premiums or ribbons to any article or animal that does not qualify for one of the classes in the State Fair Premium List.
- The NC State Fair is under no obligation to display every item entered.
- Premium checks will be mailed to all exhibitors no later than 60 days after the fair. Errors in premium statements will be corrected until January 31, 2024 after which time the books of the 2023 Fair are closed.
- Photographs of exhibits and winners will be taken by official photographers of the NC State Fair.
 Exhibitors hereby grant the NC State Fair permission to utilize photographs, images, or likenesses in whole or in part for use in official NC State Fair publications and promotions.
- The following colors of ribbons will be used to designate awards:

Grand Champion	Purple
Reserve Champion	Lavender
First Place	Blue
Second Place	Red
Third Place	White
Fourth Place	Pink
Fifth Place	Yellow
Sixth Place	Dark Green
Seventh Place	Light Green
Eighth Place	Tan
Ninth Place	Gray
Tenth Place and above	Light Blue