Entries for Creative Activities will be accepted at the exhibit building
(except Baked Products and Canned and Preserved Foods)
Saturday, Aug. 13, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 14, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Monday, Aug. 15 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.
No entries will be accepted after 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 15
NOTE: Procedures for registration and delivery: see pages 8 and 9.

Delivery of Canned and Preserved Foods:
Saturday, Aug. 13, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 14, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Delivery of Baked Products: Saturday, Aug. 20, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.,
except for special contests. See individual contest rules for delivery date details.

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RETURN OF EXHIBITS
Wednesday, Sept. 7, 1-7 p.m. • Thursday, Sept. 8, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
NO articles will be returned before that time.

When picking up exhibits, please use Gate 0 (page 9 for details)
OR Gate 5 (main gate) off Snelling Ave., if open.

CONTACT INFORMATION

TELEPHONE NUMBERS
Before Aug. 13 and after Sept. 8 Competition Office (651) 288-4417
Aug. 13 to Sept. 8 Creative Activities Office (651) 642-2244
FAX NUMBER
EMAIL competition@mnstatefair.org
WEBSITE www.mnstatefair.org
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Charles Bauer Memorial Trophy
C & H Sugar Co.
Clay Squared to Infinity
Cindy’s Knitting Room
Crochet Twin Cities
Daisy Knits
Gedney Foods Company
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The Knit Shop at Rocking Horse Farm
Ladyslipper NeedleArts Society
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Lila and Claudine’s Yarn and Gifts
Machine Knitting Guild of Minnesota
Perry and Sheila McGowan
Midwest Machine Knitters’ Collaborative
Minnesota Basket Weaver’s Guild
Minnesota Chapter of American Needlepoint Guild
Minnesota Contemporary Quilters
Minnesota Knitters’ Guild
Minnesota Maple Syrup Producers Assoc.
Minnesota Porcelain Arts Guild
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New Life Quilters
Northern Lights Handspinners Guild
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StevenBe
Treadle Yard Goods
Twin City Postcard Club
Upper Midwest Bead Society
Weavers Guild of Minnesota
The Yarnery
SPECIAL RULES

1. ELIGIBILITY.
   A. Entries in this department are limited to bona fide living residents of Minnesota and must be the work of the exhibitor, completed within three years preceding the fair, except as otherwise provided.
   B. Articles which have won a first prize at a previous Minnesota State Fair are not eligible for entry. **Entries are open to anyone 14 years of age or older as of the first day of the fair (exception: some of the special contests have different age requirements; see individual special contest rules), whose exhibit represents a recreational hobby and is not used as a means of livelihood directly or indirectly; as determined by the State Fair staff. In the case of a protest, please refer to page 6, section 3.12.** Each case will be handled on an individual basis.
   C. Not more than one entry will be permitted in any class by one exhibitor. **No entry required for classes designated “Sweepstakes” or beginning with the letters “SP”**.
   D. We reserve the right to refuse entry to unusually large or heavy items that are difficult to handle and display. Pre-approval by superintendent required on large items.
   E. No tree skirts, plastic needlepoint canvas, pillow cases, tied quilts, plastic milk cartons, cans, aprons, dish towels, dish cloths, pot holders, napkins, wedding gowns or baptismal gowns, yard art, photography, drawings on paper, wreathe, doilies, or any type of taxidermy will be accepted in any category.
   F. “Not otherwise specified” (NOS) classes are only for such articles that have no regular classes listed. If there is an existing classes where an entry fits, it cannot be entered in NOS.

2. ENTRIES.
   A. Entries close at 7 p.m., Monday, Aug. 15. No entries will be accepted after 7 p.m. on closing date. **All canning, baking and special contest entries must be registered by 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 9.** Errors or omissions must be registered within 10 days after fair closes, Sept. 5. **No entry fee required.**
   B. **Online registration for individuals.** Available for all categories beginning **Monday, May 2 Online registration closes 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 9.** All baking, canning and special contests entries MUST be registered (see pages 34 and 45). Early registration for all other categories is optional. However, exhibitors taking advantage of this opportunity will speed up their entry process when bringing in their articles on the delivery dates. Follow the procedure below:
      1) Visit the Minnesota State Fair website at www.mnstatefair.org.
      2) Click on “Competition & Contests” choose “Enter a Competition” and select the link for “Creative Activities”. Begin online registration and follow the instructions to add the classes you intend to enter. After entering your contact information, click “submit” to continue the process.
      3) When the summary page appears, review your selected classes, and **be sure to click “confirm registration” to finalize your online registration.** The last page of registration process should indicate you have registered, indicate drop off/pick up times and remind you about email confirmation.
      4) You will receive an email confirmation of your entries. **Print a copy of your registration confirmation. If you do not receive confirmation within 24 hours, please call (651) 288-4417.**
      5) **Exhibitors must bring their registration confirmation with their entry.**
   C. **Mail-in registration.** Must be **in our hands** (not postmarked) **by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 9.** All baking, canning and special contests entries MUST be registered (see pages 35 and 45). Early registration for all other categories is optional. However, exhibitors taking advantage of this opportunity will speed up their entry process when they bring in their articles on the delivery dates. Follow the procedure below:
      1) List the class numbers and descriptions of the classes you intend to enter on an 8 1/2” x 11” sheet of paper. Also include your name, address and phone number.
      2) Mail to: Competition Department - c/o: Creative Activities, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN 55108.
      3) You will receive a paper confirmation of your entries via USPS mail.
      4) **Exhibitors must bring their registration confirmation with their entry.**

3. DELIVERY OF ARTICLES
   A. The Creative Activities Building will be open to receive articles beginning Saturday, Aug. 13 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Articles entered must be delivered to the Creative Activities Building by 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 15, in Needlecraft, Garment Making, Work of Senior Citizens, Handcrafts, and Collections (Exception: quilts and rugs entered in County Sweepstakes Contests will be received up to Friday, Aug. 19).
   B. **PLEASE NOTE - DAY AND TIMES!** Entries in the Baked Goods category will be received **Saturday, Aug. 20, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.** See page 34 for additional information.
C. Exhibitors unable to bring exhibits to the Creative Activities Building on entry days may bring them beforehand to the Competition Department, 1312 Cosgrove Ave. on the fairgrounds between 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. A list of the exhibits with class numbers and descriptions MUST be attached. The name and address and telephone number of the exhibitor should head the list. Please note the delivery procedures on the next page will take effect Aug. 8, 2016.

D. Exhibitors who send articles by mail or express should do so at least three weeks before the opening day of the fair. Articles sent by mail or express should be addressed to the Superintendent of Creative Activities, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, Minnesota 55108. The sender’s name and address must be plainly written upon the outside of the package and also placed upon a card inside. A LIST OF THE ARTICLES BEING SENT SHOULD BE ENCLOSED. If article is made by a person over the age of 65, special note should be made of that fact. Department clerks will classify exhibits, prepare entry tags and attach them to each article sent. All express and parcel post charges must be prepaid by the sender. NO P.O. Box addresses will be accepted. Directions for return shipment should be given, and money or checks (made out to Minnesota State Fair) must be enclosed to cover cost of returning exhibits to exhibitor. DO NOT send stamps.

4. JUDGING

A. Judging of all articles except baking will be conducted Wednesday-Saturday, Aug. 17-20. Should any article be entered in the wrong class and the error be discovered before the judging, the superintendent may make proper correction in the entry.

B. Competent judges will score each exhibit. A duplicate of the judge’s scorecard will be returned to the exhibitor for each entry in order that the reasons for decisions may be apparent. The sweepstakes winner is chosen from the first place winners within a category.

C. Judges are instructed not to award premiums unless articles are deemed worthy of merit. If no competition exists and an article is not worthy of a first premium, the judge may award a second or a third premium, according to his or her judgment. In large classes all entries are evaluated, but only the top 25 will be scored.

D. Only finished or mounted work will be accepted. Wall hangings and pictures must have a means of hanging them. Any article having exhibitor’s name displayed must have the name securely covered by stitched cloth or heavy tape.

E. Soiled articles and articles not made within the last three years will not be judged.

F. Every effort will be made to display entries in an attractive arrangement and according to display space available. The State Fair reserves the right to reject any exhibit offered if it is objectionable in any way, if it requires an excessive amount of space, or if the capacity of the department has been reached. First place prize winners will be posted near the door of the office in the Creative Activities building during the fair and on the Minnesota State Fair website at www.mnstatefair.org. No information on prizes will be given over the phone prior to the start of the fair. Due to the enormous number of entries, all entries may not be displayed or judged.

5. RETURN OF EXHIBITS

A. No articles can be returned before 1 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 7. Please access the fairgrounds using Gate 0 (see page 13) or the main gate (Gate 5) off of Snelling Avenue. Articles should be picked up at the Creative Activities Building from 1-7 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 7, and from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 8. When dropping off your articles you will receive a yellow confirmation sheet. Please be sure to bring the yellow confirmation sheet back with you when picking up your items. If you are unable to pick up your exhibits on these days you must make arrangements with the Competition Department at (651) 288-4417 for pickup; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. NOTE: All entries must be picked up by December 31, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. AFTER such date, the Fair reserves the right to destroy or dispose of non-claimed items at its discretion. Each person who enters an item at the fair does so on the condition and with the understanding that he or she forfeits any and all legal rights and claims to his or her entered items that is not picked up by the deadlines described in this section.

B. Premium checks will be distributed at the same time articles on exhibit are available for return to exhibitors. Premium checks not picked up during those dates will be mailed to exhibitors at the address listed on their entry form. You may also donate any premiums won to the Minnesota State Fair Foundation 501(c)(3) to support their mission of preserving and improving the historic Minnesota State Fairgrounds and buildings, and supporting State Fair agricultural, scientific and educational programs. Should you choose to donate your premiums, you may sign over your check when you pick up your article(s).
DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS, AND FOR YOUR SAFETY, vehicles coming to the fair will be subject to inspection. In addition, we ask exhibitors to work with us to maintain a safe and secure environment for all our guests. Please follow the below instructions for the delivery of entries to the Creative Activities Building. Please note this only pertains to the delivery of entries prior to the start of the fair. After the fair is over, the main gate off Snelling Avenue (Gate 5) will re-open for the return of entries. SEE MAP and INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.

- Beginning **Aug. 8**, vehicles will be required to enter the grounds at Gate 0 (access off Larpenteur Ave. or via Hoyt Ave. off of Snelling Ave.). Individual vehicle inspections may occur at this location.
- Follow Dan Elmer Way to Randall Ave. and turn left. Take the first right on Underwood St. Follow Underwood St. to Dan Patch Ave. and turn left at Visitor’s Plaza. Go two blocks and the Creative Activities Building is on the corner of Cosgrove and Dan Patch (just inside the main gate).
- After dropping off entries, take Cosgrove to Randall Ave., and turn left. Remain on Randall for three blocks. Turn right on Dan Elmer Way, and exit the fairgrounds onto Larpenteur Ave. or Snelling Ave.
- **Public vehicle traffic is not allowed on the grounds during the fair.** Exhibitors choosing to participate in Special Contests held during the fair will need to bring their entries to the Creative Activities Building on foot. The purchase of a gate admission ticket is required to deliver item.
GARMENT MAKING
SCORING FOR GARMENTS

General Appearance ................................................. 40
Character or Style; Design, Color and Texture
Trimming Condition of Garment
Materials used ..................................................... 10
Fabric and Findings, Cleaning Qualities
Workmanship ....................................................... 50
Cut, Stitching, Seams, Hems, Finishes, Etc.

100

GARMENTS No crocheted garments, wedding gowns, wedding attire, First Communion, full length dresses, or costumes.
Only street length dresses accepted. Garments must be new and clean. This pertains to adult, junior, and children’s garments.

ADULT GARMENTS
423 Purses .................................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
424 Other bags ................................................................ $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
425 Hats .......................................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
426 Blouse (needlecraft not eligible) ............................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
427 Coat, lined ............................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
428 Dress, knit fabric ................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
429 Dress, not knit ....................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
430 Ensemble (dress and jacket/coat or skirt and jacket/coat) ................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
431 Sleepwear ............................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
432 Ethnic or native attire ............................................. $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
433 Shirt, man’s sport .................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
434 Skirt .......................................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
435 Slacks ........................................................................ $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
436 Sleeveless shift or jumper ....................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
437 Sportswear ............................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
438 Sport, outerwear jacket .......................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
439 Blazer, lined or unlined .......................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
440 Jacket, unlined.................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
441 Jacket, lined ........................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
442 Suit, woman’s, tailored, wool................................. $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
443 Suit, women’s tailored, other fabric ......................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
444 Vest ........................................................................ $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
445 Historic reproduction clothing, documentation of historic pattern must be included $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
446 Sweepstakes, adult garments (do not enter) ................... $10 and Ribbon

JUNIOR GROUP Sewn by Juniors 14 to 18 years.
447 Blouse .................................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
448 Coat .......................................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
449 Dress ........................................................................ $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
450 Skirt or slacks .......................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
451 Sleeveless shift or jumper ....................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
452 Suit, two or three piece ........................................ $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
453 Sportswear ............................................................... $8  $6  $4  Ribbon
454 Sweepstakes, junior group (do not enter) ...................... $10 and Ribbon

The Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter of the American Sewing Guild will award a rosette and a 1 (one) year membership ($50 value) sweepstakes award to the self-constructed, wearable garment demonstrating quality construction and application of sewing techniques and which has been embellished by hand or machine stitching. The embellishment may include (but is not limited to) applique, fabric manipulation, beading or use of trims. Judging criteria will include construction technique. **SP455**: One award to the junior group classes 447-453 (combined); **SP456**: One award to the adult group, classes 426-444 (combined).
**CHILDREN’S GARMENTS** Sizes 3 to 12 (2-12 years).

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<td>Dress with pinafore</td>
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<td>Pajamas, nightgown or robe</td>
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<td>Sportswear, summer</td>
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<td>Two piece jogging suit</td>
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<td>Knit T-shirt or T-shirt dress</td>
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<td>Blouse, girl’s</td>
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<td>Winter sportswear, outerwear and jackets</td>
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**Sweepstakes, children’s garments (do not enter)** $10 and Ribbon

**Treadle Yard Goods**, St. Paul, Minn., will award a rosette and a $50 gift certificate to **SP476**: Sweepstakes, adult garment winner.

**SP477**: Sweepstakes, junior group winner. **SP478**: Sweepstakes, children’s garment winner.

**INFANT and TODDLER GARMENTS** Sizes 0-2. No baptismal, wedding or formal gowns. Garments must be new and clean. Garments to be judged on smocking should be entered under embroidery.

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**499 Non-Traditional Materials Contest**: Create a woman’s or man’s outfit to be worn on “A day at the MN State Fair”, using recycled non-traditional materials. Exclusions from the Garment Categories apply (no wedding dress, floor length, etc). May be entered assembled on a mannequin, or as garment only. $8 $6 $4 Ribbon