

# HOW TO ENTER AN ITEM IN CREATIVE ARTS AT THE OHIO STATE FAIR

Forms and Division descriptions go online each March/April.

**The deadline to enter competitions is June 20.**  
**The entry registration must be postmarked no later than June 20.\***

1. **Decide on the areas you are interested/eligible to enter.**
  - a. **NEW IN 2010 the minimum age to enter Creative Arts is 11 years of age.**
  - b. Divisions such as Culinary Arts, Icing the Competition, Youth Arts and New Competitions have classes that offer competitions for younger Ohioans. Check individual Divisions for more information.
  
2. **A document titled All That is Creative Arts, also on the website, lists in alphabetical order the classes and divisions offered.**
  - a. **NEW IN 2010 - You may enter up to two items per class** unless otherwise noted in the Department Notes.
  
3. **Read the General Guidelines and Information document. Go to the Division** for the competition details.
  - a. Please make note of the competition date, delivery date and ALL forms required at delivery.
  - b. Entries are accepted ONLY ON DATES LISTED. If you will be unavailable on the delivery date(s), perhaps check with a family member, friend or neighbor for their assistance. We do accept entries through the mail. The entry must be received during the week of July 12.
  - c. Entries are picked up ONLY ON DATES LISTED. If you will be unavailable on the pickup dates, perhaps check with a family member, friend or neighbor for their assistance. We do return entries through the mail if the postage is prepaid and the box, packing materials and mailing label are included at delivery.
  
4. **To enter and pay online – You must have a credit card or bank card**
  - a. Follow the procedures of the Online Entry process.
  - b. Print the confirmation sheet as your receipt.
  - c. It's easy, it's fast, and you know it's done.
  
5. **To enter by mail:**
  - a. Complete the Entry Form online (or if printing and then completing by hand, please PRINT CLEARLY).
  - b. Print the Entry Form.
  - c. Include a check or money order for \$10 exhibitor fee plus \$1 per item you are entering.
  - d. Sign the Entry form and make a copy for your records
  - e. Mail the Entry form and check or money order to Ohio State Fair/Entry Department, 717 East 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Columbus, OH 43211-2698

**6. What happens after entry/registration?**

- a. You will receive an entry tag prior to July 15<sup>th</sup> for each exhibit that you entered.
- b. You will also receive a Unload/Load parking permit if delivery dates are during the Fair.
- c. If you do not receive an entry tag before July 15, call the Entry Office at 614-644-4052.

**7. Where do I deliver my exhibit?**

- a. If delivering prior to the beginning of the Fair, you do not need a parking pass or ticket.
- b. If delivering during the Fair:
  - ✓ Come to the DiSalle Creative Arts Center's north side double doors during the designated hours for your division competition. (From I-71, exit 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, proceed west to Velma Avenue turn right, turn left into the gate just north of the DiSalle Center.)
  - ✓ You will need an admission ticket to enter, and an unload/load pass that will be sent to you with your entry tag (unless you purchase a parking pass).
  - ✓ Make sure your Unload/Load parking permit is visible at all times. You will have 15 minutes to unload your exhibit and move your vehicle to the general parking areas unless you have purchased a Gate 2 parking pass previously. (Exit I-71 at 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, proceed west through the parking pavilion staying in the left lane. Turn left on Velma Avenue and proceed to Gate 2. Turn right into the gate.)

**8. When do I pickup my exhibit?**

- a. You will pickup your items in the DiSalle Creative Arts Center. The pickup dates are August 9<sup>th</sup> from 10am-8pm and August 10<sup>th</sup> from 12pm-8pm. Please watch our website at [www.ohiostatefair.com](http://www.ohiostatefair.com) for updates (then click on Competitions, and Creative Arts).

If you have more questions, please contact  
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**Please plan to enter (and **pay online**) any time after  
April 1, 2010.**

\*There is a late registration period from June 21-June 30.  
The entry fee is \$50.00 for items plus the \$1 per class fee entered during this period.