



## Fairy Garden

### Description:

Allows youth to learn life skills and grow in project knowledge while expressing creativity in a variety of mediums.

### Decatur County Expectations

Project manuals will need to be presented at the time of judging. Green books can be utilized to hold record sheets and project manuals. The office will provide you with the 4-H Craft Information Card that is referenced below. Include a digital picture with your craft card.

### Exhibit Guidelines

Youth may exhibit any art or craft that does not meet exhibit requirements in Fine Arts, Needle Craft, Model Craft or Construction and Architectural Replica.

Exhibitors should be considerate of space. Exhibits too large to safely move or requiring lots of space should be exhibited using photographs and a description of work in a notebook.

All arts and craft exhibits must include a 4-H Craft Information Card, 4-H 618A. This information card is to describe work completed so the judge can more accurately evaluate the exhibit. Craft information cards are for judging purposes only and will not be returned to the exhibitor.

If multiple pieces make up the exhibit, a photograph of the complete exhibit should be attached to the exhibit so the total exhibit can properly be displayed. For safety purposes any craft exhibit that resembles a sword, knife, or look-a-like weapon will be judged but will not be displayed.

Exhibits will be judged according to the arrangement and detail, presentation, and neatness of appearance. Fairies are not necessary; members may use any type of structure or figurines in their arrangement. Simple small toys may be included in the design. Flowers, indoor plants, herbs, and miniature plants may be used, however; the common name must be known of what is put in the container. Pieces may be used from year to year, but design and plant choice should change. Indoor gardens can be done as well.

Judges evaluating exhibits should recognize individual differences and creativity, therefore using information in this document as a guide rather than a requirement.

### Exhibit Class Guidelines:

### *Beginner (grades 3-5 suggested)*

Youth will exhibit one container/planter/display that measures no more than 18" X 18" and no taller than 18", with a weight limit of 15 pounds. Remember to create a theme and be careful not to crowd plants. Common names of plants need to be written down. Plants need to be healthy and free of pests and dead leaves. A picture needs to be attached to the craft card.

### *Intermediate (grades 6-8 suggested)*

Youth will exhibit one container/planter/display that measures no more than 24" X 24" and no taller than 24", with a weight limit of 20 pounds. Remember not to clutter, the garden should be attractive and interesting. Common names of plants need to be written down. Plants need to be healthy and free of pests and dead leaves. A picture needs to be attached to the craft card.

### *Advanced (grades 9-12 suggested)*

Youth will exhibit one container/planter/display that measures no more than 36" X 36" and no taller than 36", with a weight limit of 25 pounds. Size does not factor into score, concentrate on theme and design. Common names of plants need to be written down. Plants need to be healthy and free of pests and dead leaves. A picture needs to be attached to the craft card.