



## Arts and Crafts: Fine Arts, Needle Craft & Any Other Craft

### Description:

Allows youth to learn life skills and grow in project knowledge while expressing creativity in a variety of mediums; painting, drawing and needle craft.

Crafts will be divided by the member's current grade in school. For judging, a 4-H'ers grade is determined by the grade during the current school year. (September-August)

The three levels for Crafts are:

- Beginner – (Grades 3-5)
- Intermediate – (Grades 6-8)
- Advanced – (Grades 9-12)

### State Fair Entries:

9 entries per county as determined by the county 4-H educator and fair officials.

### Exhibit Guidelines:

Youth may exhibit any art or craft that does not meet exhibit requirements in Fine Arts, Needle Craft, or Any Other Craft.

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.

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)***

Create and exhibit one age/grade appropriate artwork.

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

Create and exhibit one age/grade appropriate artwork.

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

Create and exhibit one age/grade appropriate artwork.

### **EXHIBIT:**

1. **Unless an obvious matching identical pair, example-candlesticks, book ends etc. Jewelry making; a set consists of for example: earrings and bracelet, earrings and necklace.**
2. Complete a Crafts record sheet for each Crafts exhibit and present at project check-in.

3. Attach to each exhibit 4-H-618A-W “4-H Craft Information Card” for description of work completed on the project.
- A. **FINE ARTS** – Should be your own creation and placed on canvas, canvas board or paper, framed as a picture and **PREPARED FOR HANGING**, canvas art on a wooden frame is considered prepared for hanging provided that frame has a hanger. Example: oil, charcoal, pastels, pencil, ink, acrylic, or watercolor. **NOTE:** All projects must be labeled with project name, division, name and club. The judges would appreciate an attached note with a description of what work the 4-H'er did to complete their exhibit including cost, hours, and intended use.

- Drawing
- Miscellaneous Fine Arts
- Painting

- B. **NEEDLEWORK (Handwork)** – If the article is to be hung, it must come prepared for hanging. **NOTE:** All projects must be labeled with project name, division, name and club. The judges would appreciate an attached note with a description of what work the 4-H'er did to complete their exhibit including cost, hours, and intended use.

Examples of Needlework:

- Crochet
- Cross Stitch
- Embroidery
- Knitting
- Needlepoint
- Hand Quilting
- Crewel
- Tatting
- Candle Wicking
- Huck Embroidery
- Chicken Scratching
- Hemstitching
- Pulled, Drawn, and Counted threadwork and punch needlework

Does not include latch hook, plastic canvas, machine knitting, machine quilting or arm knitting or crocheting.

C. **ANY OTHER CRAFT**

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Examples of Any other craft:

- Candle making
- Pottery
- Ceramics
- Reed Craft
- Metal Craft
- Latch Hook
- Miscellaneous Crafts

-Jewelry making for a set could consist of for example: earrings and bracelets, earrings and necklace. 4-H members must provide their own jewelry easels to display their projects. They are available for purchase at the Extension Office on a first come, first serve basis.

**CRAFTS- Check-in and judging**

**Check-in: Tuesday, June 10, 5-7 p.m. OR Wednesday, June 11, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.**  
(bring craft information card)

**Judging: Open judging**

After check-in of **all** projects, put current year's record sheets in Green Record Book and turn in at designated boxes in the Community Building.

You have until May 15 to add or drop this project from your current year's enrollment.

The Best of Show and Runner-Up Best of Show winners will be recognized Sunday of the fair.