

43rd Annual Colorado County Fair Western and Fine Arts Exhibition “Country Pride County Wide”

The Fair Board encourages you to visit the 43rd Annual Fair and enjoy exhibits contributed by local talent of all ages from Colorado County.

The Western Art Exhibit will feature all manner of western lore, from cowboys and cowgirls, horses, rodeo, and circus scenes, to landscapes, sunsets and other western “Country Pride County Wide” themed pieces. Entries will be hung in the Founders Hall and will put a smile on your face. The rules and guidelines for the Western Art Division is modeled after the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo art program, this division is open to students who reside in Colorado County.

Each Western art entry is awarded a ribbon. Finalist rosettes will be awarded in each of the three divisions, Elementary (pre-K through 5th grade), Junior (6th through 8th grades) and Senior (9th through 12th grades). “Best of Show” and “Reserve Best of Show” winners will be awarded. There is no entry fee for Western art.

The Fine Arts Exhibit is open to all ages and the artwork may portray any subject matter. A variety of categories will be highlight. This is the county’s opportunity to show off all our local talent. Ribbons and awards will given based upon divisions.

All art entries will be accepted in Founders Hall at the Colorado County fairgrounds on Tuesday, Sept. 7 from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. No late entries will be eligible for judging but will be displayed.

Art will be displayed for public viewing beginning Thursday afternoon. The art will remain on display throughout the Fair, with photographs taken of “Best of Show” and “Reserve Best of Show” winners beginning at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 8.

The Art Exhibitions became a part of the Colorado County Fair in 1979 to highlight the talent across our community. The Colorado County Fair includes many areas of diversity and allows people to actively participate in events besides agriculture or livestock events. The Colorado County Fair Board encourages involvement from all community residents.

The Fine Arts and Special Events catalog is available for entry requirements and division specifications electronically on the Fair’s website at coloradocountyfair.org under the Activities tab; go to Fine Arts & Special Events and then click on the 2021 Fair Fine Arts and Special Events catalog.

If you have questions or would like more information, please call Darilyn Henderson (Western Art) at (979) 232-0600 or Deborah Petrosky (Fine Arts) at (979) 733-2802.