

# PHOTOGRAPHY - Department 26 / Open & Semi Pro Shows

**Amount Offered:** \$1,044.00  
**Entry Fee:** Open \$ .75/entry (2 entries per lot)  
Semi-Pro \$1.25/entry (2 entries per lot)  
**Judging Time:** Wednesday - August 5, 2009 - 11:30am  
**Superintendent:** Nancy Shepherd ..... 815/ 338-7406

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Home Arts General Rules apply.
2. Bring entries to Building "F" on **Monday**, August 3, between 12:00 noon and 7:00pm. (No entries after 7 pm)  
Exhibitor's tags must be paper-clipped to upper right-hand corner of mounting. (Exhibitor's names must NOT appear on exhibit)
3. All photographs must be entered by amateurs and entered under the name of the person who took them. Professional photographers are NOT eligible to enter. (For the purpose of this exhibit, professionals are defined as (1) those who maintain a public studio (2) **sell your work and advertise for business** or (3) derive more than 50% of their income from photography.) Semi-Pro is open to all photographers that are amateurs looking to compete at a different level or are in the transitions of turning professional. **\*\*Please review your status as a photographer. If you are starting to sell your work and advertising yourself as a photographer then please enter in Semi-Pro** (We will be expanding our Semi-Pro categories as budget permits) It is not our intention to exclude anyone from entering their work, but we want to make sure the competition is fair to all.
4. Photographs are NOT to be altered by computer or any art media unless otherwise specified. Accepted form: UV Filter, Polarized Filter, Soft Filter, (No other filters are accepted) Adding Contrast Color Corrections and Cropping
5. Finished prints MAYBE printed from a home computer, they may also be printed at any other 1 hr facility. I.e. Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, Costco. If printed at home please see rule #4. Matte finish is preferred over glossy (due to glare)
6. Photographs may be taken with any type of camera; Digital, 35 mm, point & shoot.
7. \* Please check carefully when putting prints in OTHER category. Prints entered in "Other" **Must Not** qualify for any other class listed, or they will be disqualified.
8. Each print may ONLY appear in one lot (Photo may not appear in any other Home Arts Building F Department) and must not have been previously entered in the McHenry County Fair. Superintendents reserve the right and will disqualify ANY "suspicious" prints without any exception or discussion. **\*Note:** Exhibitors that enter in Semi Pro categories may not enter in same categories in open or junior shows (Color only).
9. Superintendents reserve the right and will disqualify prints that do not qualify for a specific category and/or photographs in bad taste; (i.e. nudes or suggestive photographs)
10. **COLOR AND BLACK & WHITE PRINTS:**
  - a. Finished prints are to be 8"x10" ONLY (with no white edges) and are to be mounted, using double-sided tape, on a 10"x12" WHITE POSTER BOARD ONLY, NO MAT BOARD thus providing a 1" border allowance around print which will be used to staple for display. No other mounting materials or frames are allowed.
  - b. A matte finish is preferred over glossy (due to the glare)
  - c. Captions are optional—except when noted "Captions required"
  - d. Please remove dates if possible.
11. **JUDGING:**

This department has "open judging" Exhibitors may watch the process, however, exhibitors may NOT disturb the process or speak to the Judge(s) or the Superintendent(s) during this time. Any infraction of this rule will disqualify ALL photography exhibits entered by the exhibitor. Judges' decisions are final. In the event of indecision between Judges, the Superintendents reserve the rights to step in as an additional Judge for a final decision.

**Semi-Pro Judging:** Semi-pro photographs will be judged on the following:  
Composition, Lighting techniques, Subject matter, Difficulty of the shot, Overall feeling of your photograph as well as the lab quality of your print.

**Semi-Pro Digital Darkroom:** Photoshop—Use your imagination!!  
Photo's must be altered using any form of Photoshop or similar program. Please include brief description of how photo was created (Taped to back of mat board)
12. **BEST OF SHOW**

All first place prints of all classes in one class (Color Prints, Black & White Prints, Semi-Pro) will be judged together as a group, thus providing a Best of Show for each class.
13. Superintendents reserve the rights to disqualify any exhibits that do not abide by any of the Photography Rules and Regulations.
14. Exhibitors are encouraged to contact Superintendent(s) with any questions or to define categories if needed.

### PREMIUM for Open Color Print & Open Black & White Print classes are:

First-\$5; Second-\$4; Third-\$3; Fourth, Fifth & Sixth -- ribbons only

### PREMIUM for Semi-pro classes are:

First-\$10; Second-\$5; Third & Fourth -- ribbons only

**CLASS A - Color Prints:**

|            |   |   |
|------------|---|---|
| <b>LOT</b> | 1 Babies (0-12 months)                          | 28 Floral / single bloom                              |
|            | 2 Individual Child (1-3 years)                  | 29 Floral / 2 or more blooms                          |
|            | 3 Individual Child (4 yrs & up)                 | 30 Fall Foliage                                       |
|            | 4 Children (2 or more)                          | 31 Butterflies / Insects                              |
|            | 5 Child and Adult                               | 32 Domestic Dog(s)                                    |
|            | 6 Families <b>*New</b>                          | 33 Domestic Cat(s)                                    |
|            | 7 Humorous                                      | 34 Horse(s)   |
|            | 8 Emotions <b>*New</b>                          | 35 Bird(s)  |
|            | 9 Places to Escape <b>*New</b>                  | 36 Reptile(s) / Amphibian(s)                          |
|            | 10 Portrait (Posed Subject)                     | 37 Wild Life  |
|            | 11 At Play                                      | 38 Zoo Animals  |
|            | 12 Character Study                              | 39 Architecture                                       |
|            | 13 McHenry County Fair                          | 40 Bridge(s)  |
|            | 14 Hometown Pride                               | 41 Window(s)  |
|            | 15 National Parks -Captions Required            | 42 Door(s) & Doorway(s)                               |
|            | 16 Chicago <b>*New</b>                          | 43 Statue(s)  |
|            | 17 The color orange <b>*New</b>                 | 44 Still Life / non-living object                     |
|            | 18 City Scapes                                  | 45 Sports   |
|            | 19 Landscapes / General <b>*New</b>             | 46 Action   |
|            | 20 Landscapes / Mountains <b>*New</b>           | 47 Reflections  |
|            | 21 Trees  | 48 Silhouette(s)                                      |
|            | 22 Waterfalls                                   | 49 Patterns   |
|            | 23 Marine Scenes / Marine Life <b>*New</b>      | 50 Textures   |
|            | 24 Winter Scenes                                | 51 Planes, Trains, Automobiles                        |
|            | 25 Farm Scenes                                  | 52 Digital Darkroom -Only 1 print allowed <b>*New</b> |
|            | 26 Sunrise / Sunsets                            | 53 Other (does not qualify for any other lot)         |
|            | 27 Weather / Storm Clouds, Rainbows <b>*New</b> |   |

**CLASS B: Black & White Prints**

|            |                              |   |
|------------|------------------------------|---|
| <b>LOT</b> | 1 Babies (under 12 months)   | 15 Cat(s)                                     |
|            | 2 Individual Child           | 16 Horse(s)                                   |
|            | 3 Children (more than 2)     | 17 Animal(s)                                  |
|            | 4 Child & Adult              | 18 Bridge(s)                                  |
|            | 5 Portrait (posed subject)   | 19 Cemetery / Headstones <b>*New</b>          |
|            | 6 Character Study            | 20 Still Life                                 |
|            | 7 Emotions <b>*New</b>       | 21 Textures                                   |
|            | 8 McHenry County Fair        | 22 Patterns                                   |
|            | 9 Chicago <b>*New</b>        | 23 Architecture                               |
|            | 10 Landscapes                | 24 Other (does not qualify for any other lot) |
|            | 11 Waterfalls                |   |
|            | 12 Historical McHenry County |   |
|            | 13 Farm Scenes               |   |
|            | 14 Dog(s)                    |   |

**CLASS C: Semi-Pro/Color Prints**

|            |                |                        |
|------------|----------------|------------------------|
| <b>LOT</b> | 1 Architecture | 5 Children <b>*New</b> |
|            | 2 Landscape    | 6 Animals <b>*New</b>  |
|            | 3 Floral       | 7 Birds                |
|            | 4 Portrait     | 8 Digital Darkroom     |