



PHOTOGRAPHY

Department 26—Open Show

Amount Offered: \$1,324.00

Entry Fee: \$1.00 per entry (2 entries per Class maximum)

Challenge: \$1.25 per entry (2 entries per Class maximum)

Judging Time: Wednesday, August 3 at 11:30 am

Location: Building E

Superintendent: Nancy Shepherd.....(815)338-7406

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Rules and Regulations

1. Entries must be filed with the fair office by 3:00 pm on July 10, 2022, or by midnight online. **LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU REGISTER ONLINE!**
2. All exhibitors are required to purchase a week long exhibitor pass.
3. Home Arts General Rules apply.
4. Bring entries to **Building E** on **Monday, August 1 between 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm**. Exhibitor's tags must be paper-clipped to the upper right-hand corner of mounting. Exhibitors name must NOT appear on exhibit. Exhibitor tags will be given out when you drop off your photographs.
5. Non-livestock/Home Art exhibits will be released on the **SUNDAY of fair week between 7 pm and 8 pm OR MONDAY AFTER FAIR (AUGUST 8th) from 10 am-1 pm, exhibits may not be removed before then**. Ribbons and exhibits will be available for pick up at these time slots only. Any exhibits that remain unclaimed after 4pm on the Friday following the Fair will be donated or discarded.
6. 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 this exhibit, if one of the following apply, you are considered professional: (1) Those who maintain a public studio, (2) Sells their work and/or advertises for business, (3) Derive more than 50% of their income from photography, (4) Have won two or more Best of Show (or similar) awards in a photography contest.
7. **Challenge Division:** there are 14 categories open to all levels of photographers. All entrants, please review your status as a photographer. If you are starting to sell your work and/or advertising yourself as a photographer or taking photographs (employed by and paid) for a photography studio, then please enter in our new Challenge Categories. It is not in our intention to exclude anyone from entering their work, but we want to make sure the competition is fair to all. *See special Instruction Challenge Division.
8. Photographs are NOT to be altered by computer or any art media unless otherwise specified. Accepted forms: UV filter, polarized filter, soft filter, adding contrast, color corrections, and cropping. No color saturation and no HD may be used. For the **Challenge Division** Photoshop or similar programs are allowed.
9. Finished prints MAY BE printed from a home computer or a 1-hour facility (i.e. Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, Costco). Matte finish is preferred over glossy due to glare.
10. Photographs may be taken with any type of camera; Digital, 35 mm, point and shoot.
11. Please check carefully when putting prints in OTHER categories. Prints entered in "other" MUST NOT qualify for any other Division listed, or they will be disqualified.
12. Each print may ONLY appear in one Class (**photo may not appear in Home Arts 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: this includes images which have been changed slightly, cropped differently or is similar in concept.
13. When choosing your photographs, please keep in mind this is a family orientated event and any photograph deemed not to be in keeping with that nature, may be disqualified and not displayed.
14. COLOR AND BLACK AND WHITE PRINTS:
 - a. Finished print size should be 8 x 10. Prints are to be mounted on a 10 x 12 WHITE POSTER BOARD (No mat Board is allowed). Creating a 1-inch border on all 4 sides. This will allow the print to be mounted properly using staples. NO double-sided tape. Scotch wrinkle free stick or liquid glue adhesive works well. No other mounting materials or frames are allowed.
 - b. No photo corners are allowed.
 - c. A matte finish is preferred over glossy due to the glare.

- d. ****NEW** Captions allowed.** Please provide TYPED short description of your photograph. and attach to lower left corner of Poster Board. **NO Captions allowed in Jr or Challenge.** Please call with any questions
- e. Please remove dates.
2. 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.
 3. Superintendents reserve the rights to disqualify any exhibits that do not abide by any of the Photography Rules and Regulations.
 4. Entries will be judged solely in competition and in comparison, with each other.

Open Color Print/Open Black and White Print Premiums First-\$5; Second-\$4; Third-\$3; Forth-ribbon

Challenge Premiums First-\$8; Second-\$5; Third-ribbon; Forth-ribbon

Best of Show: (One per Division. Each first place within a Division will compete for this award): Rosette

Division	Class
COLOR PRINTS	
A McHenry County Fair Theme: Growing For You	1 Kids on the Farm 2 Family Farms 3 Farmers Market 4 Fall Festivities 5 Barns 6 Farm Scene 7 McHenry County Fair 8 Farm Animals 9 Tractors
B Everyday Living	01 Individual Child 0-3 Years 02 Individual Child 4 years and up 03 Children – 2 or more 04 Child and Adult 05 Portrait (Posed Subject) 06 Character Study 07 Kids and their pets 08 At Play 09 Humorous 10 Pandemic – Changes we Made 11 Frontline Workers 12 Volunteers/Pitching In 13 My Time Capsule (things you would put in a time capsule) 14 Things you find on the sidewalk 15 Empty Places 16 Home town Celebrations 17 Street Photography (Everyday life in Public Places)
C Scenic	01 Landscapes 02 Seascapes 03 Down by the Water 04 Winter Scenes 05 Fall 06 Sunrise/Sunsets (must include an Object in the photo) 07 Places to Escape 08 National Parks (captions required) 09 Covered Bridges 10 Waterfalls

Color Prints Continued

Division	Class	
D Nature	01 Trees 02 A Walk in the Woods 03 Weather 04 Floral-single Flower	05 Floral–2 or more Blooms 06 Floral–Wildflowers 07 Floral - Boutique 08 Gardens
E Animals/Birds/Insects	01 Butterflies 02 Domestic Dog(s) 03 Domestic Cat(s) 04 Horse(s) 05 Water Fowl 06 Marine Life	07 Wild Life 08 Zoo Animals 09 Baby Animals 10 Frogs 11 Insects 12 Backyard Birds
F Structures	01 Architecture 02 Bridges (Not Covered) 03 Windows, Doors, Doorways 04 Statue(s)	05 Lighthouses 06 Building-Long Forgotten 07 Churches
G The Art of Seeing	01 Reflections 02 Silhouette(s) 03 Leading Lines 04 Patterns	05 Textures 06 Still Life/Non-Living Objects 07 Shadows
H All Other Categories	01 Planes, Trains & Autos 02 Signs 03 Water Drops	04 Food 05 Other (does not qualify for any other class)

BLACK AND WHITE PRINTS

M Black and White Prints	1 Individual Child 2 Kids at Play 3 Family Time 4 Relationships 5 Frontline Workers 6 Character Study 7 Birds 8 McHenry County Fair 9 Vintage 10 Street Photography (Everyday Life in a Public Place) 11 Landscape 12 Light 13 Weather 14 A Walk in the Woods	15 Animals 16 Dogs 17 Horses 18 Architecture 19 Barns 20 Windows/Doors 21 Empty Places 22 Cemetery/Headstones 23 Flowers 24 Reflections 25 Shadows 26 Other (does not qualify for any other class)
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CHALLENGE

N Challenge Division - Open to all level of Photographers.

Photoshop/similar programs are allowed. 8"X10" unless specified, black and white or color allowed.

1 Post Card Worthy (any image you would put on a post card)

2 Photo of the Day (any subject – No Rules)

3 Black and White (Any Subject)

4 Travel

5 People

6 Macro

7 Backlight

8 Spring

9 Full Frame – One subject matter filling the frame

10 Nine Elements – Must show ALL of the following: Light, Textures, Pattern, Shadow, Color, Line, Size, Shape, Depth.

11 Animals

12 Golden Hour

13 Re-creating a Photograph

(5x7 copy of the original photograph must be taped to back of Poster Board to use as comparison)

14 Drone Images – Any Subject (no photos where drones are prohibited)

*Challenge Division – Photography may not have won in any previous contests. (Best of show, 1st, 2nd, 3rd place or similar).



Trophies and Awards for all Occasions

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Photography Open Show Entry Form

Use a separate form for each show.

- Register online at www.mchenrycountyfair.com or in the office at 11900 Country Club Road, Woodstock, IL 60098 on Monday – Friday from 8 am – 2 pm. Weekend Registration open Saturday, July 9th 8 am-12 pm and Sunday, July 10th 10 am-3 pm ONLY.
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- Entries will NOT be taken by phone, fax, or email. NO REFUNDS!
- One entry per line. Note changes in Division and Class numbers!

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

	Dept. Number	Division Letter	Class Number	Description of Entry
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I have read and understand, and in consideration for being permitted to exhibit at the 2022 McHenry County Fair, agree and consent to abide by the rules of the competition. This includes the McHenry County Rules and Regulations and the Home Arts Department Rules as stated in the Rule section in the McHenry County Fair Book and on the Website: mchenrycountyfair.com

Exhibitor (Owner/Exhibitor) Date

Guardian/Parent of Exhibitor (if under 18 years of age) Date

#	Fee	Total
	\$1.00 per Open entry	
	\$1.00 per Junior Open entry	
	\$1.25 for Photo Challenge	
	\$15 Exhibitor Pass (one required per Exhibitor)	
	Total	\$