



CRAFTS AND NEEDLEWORK

Department 124—Junior Open Show

Amount Offered: \$693.00

Entry Fee: \$1.00 per entry (1 entry per class)

Late Entry Fee – Approval Required: \$25.00 per entry

Judging Time: Tuesday, August 4th, 2026, at 9:00 am

Location: Building F

Superintendent: Linda Bachar.....(847) 650-6061

Rules and Regulations

NEW THIS YEAR: Curfew Enforced – Quiet time and curfew is 12:00am midnight – 5:00am.

All exhibits are closed. This includes grandstands, midway, barns and campgrounds. Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult during these times.

1. Entries must be filed with the fair office by 2:00 pm on July 19th, 2026, **online entries are due at midnight. 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 F** on **Monday, August 3rd** between **12:00 pm and 6:00 pm.**
5. Home and Creative Arts /Home Art exhibits will be released on the **SUNDAY of fair week between 6 pm and 7 pm OR MONDAY AFTER FAIR (AUGUST 10th) from 8 am-10 am, 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 entries **MUST** be the sole creation, design and executed by the entrant.
7. Superintendent reserves the right to disqualify any item that does not qualify for a specific category. Exhibitors are encouraged to contact the Superintendent to define categories, if necessary.
8. The decision of the judge is final.
9. All Framed articles **MUST** use screw eyes and picture wire for hanging. Saw-tooth picture hangers or any other type of hangers are **Not Allowed.**
10. Pottery, sculpture, clay originals, etc. must be entered in ART Department-125.
11. Item entered must be made within the last 12 months from submitting entry form.
12. **Descriptive 3 x 5 index cards encouraged for all entries.**
13. The McHenry County Fair Association, for the safety of those attending the Fair (including the rider), prohibits the use of bicycles, scooters, skateboards, hoverboards, and similar wheeled riding items of the Fairgrounds, during the Annual Fair, including set-up and take-down.

Premiums First-\$4; Second-\$3; Third-\$2; Fourth, Fifth and Sixth ribbons only

Best of Show: Rosette-Crafts Ages 8-13
 Rosette-Crafts Ages 14-18
 Rosette-Needlework

CRAFTS - Ages 8-13		
Division	Class	
A Woodworking	1 Bird House	4 Turned
	2 Box Chest (Small)	5 Wood Carving
	3 Furniture (bench, cabinet, shelf, etc.)	6 Other item constructed from wood
B Pinewood Derby Cars No membership in Scouts required to participate.	1 Most Colorful	6 Most Futuristic
	2 Most Authentic	7 Most Unusual Shape
	3 Best Animal Looking	8 Most Bling
	4 Best Sports Theme	9 Most Patriotic
	5 Most Fanciful	10 Best Cartoon Theme

Division	Class	
C Other Crafts	1 Tie Dye (shirt, hat, etc.) 2 Recycle, Upcycle Craft (using cans, plastic bottles, etc.) 3 Diamond Painting	4 Jewelry 5 Any Other Craft Item (no needlework) 6 Collections, (12" x 12" maximum in a container or box)
D Lego – Ages 8-13 (12x12" maximum) and must be mounted on a foam or similar board	1 Original Vehicle, no kits 2 Original animal, no kits 3 Original room in a house, no kits 4 Original outside scene, no kits	5 Original motorized object, no kits 6 Any other original creation, no kits
E Paper Craft	1 Card Making 2 Scrapbook Page 3 Quilling	4 Origami 5 Other Paper Craft
F Decorative Painting (1 per class)	1 Wooden Item 2 Glass Item	3 Any other Item
CRAFTS - Ages 14-21		
Division	Class	
G Woodworking	1 Bird House 2 Box Chest (Small or Large) 3 Furniture	4 Turned 5 Any other item constructed from wood
H Pinewood Derby Cars No membership in Scouts required to participate.	1 Most Colorful 2 Most Authentic 3 Best Animal Looking 4 Best Sports Theme 5 Most Fanciful	6 Most Futuristic 7 Most Unusual Shape 8 Most Bling 9 Most Patriotic 10 Best Cartoon Theme
I LEGOS™ (ages 14-18, 1 per class, 12x12" maximum). No kits and must be mounted on a foam or similar board.	1 Original Vehicle, no kits 2 Original animal, no kits 3 Original room in a house, no kits 4 Original outside scene, no kits	5 Original motorized object, no kits 6 Any other original creation, no kits
J Other Crafts	1 Tie Dye (shirt, hat, etc.) 2 Recycle, Upcycle Craft (using cans, plastic bottles, etc.) 3 Diamond Painting	4 Jewelry, any item 5 Any Other Craft Item (no needlework) 6 Collections, (12" x 12" maximum) in a container or box
K Decorative Painting (1 per class)	1 Wooden Item 2 Glass Item	3 Any other Item
L Paper Craft	1 Card Making 2 Scrapbook page 3 Quilling	4 Origami 5 Other Paper Craft
NEEDLEWORK		
M Knitting	1 Ages 8-13	2 Ages 14-21
N Crochet	1 Ages 8-13	2 Ages 14-21
O Any Other Needlework	1 Ages 8-13	2 Ages 14-21

Crafts and Needlework Junior Entry Form

- Register online at www.mchenrycountyfair.com or in the office at 11900 Country Club Road, Woodstock, IL 60098 on Monday – Tuesday from 9 am – 2 pm. In person registration dates: Tuesday June 2nd, Tuesday July 7th 2-7pm and July 19th 10 am-3pm 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 2026 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 Junior Open entry	
	\$25.00 Late Entry Fee per entry	
	\$15 Exhibitor Pass (one required per Exhibitor)	
	Total	\$