

2026 Buffalo County Fair

DIVISION 52: FINE ARTS & PHOTOGRAPHY

Superintendent: Neva Richter

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- **New departments and classes, updated premiums and a first-time exhibitor have been added. Due to the number of changes, department and class numbers may have changed.**
- All entries must be registered online by Midnight on Monday July 20, 2026. **No entries will be accepted after this time.**
Online Registration: <https://buffaloas.fairwire.com/>
**If you need assistance with registration, please call 308-236-1201 or stop in the fair office prior to July 20th.*
- Exhibitor Cards are \$3 and must be purchased in advance in the fair office. Exhibitor Cards will include 1 parking pass.
- Entry drop off will be from 1-7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21st in the Exhibit Building –*All entries must be in the hands of the superintendent by 7pm.*
- All artwork must be mounted for support and hanging (posterboard, construction paper or any other like material).
- All paintings and drawings must be mounted or framed.
- All classes will be in four divisions by age: 12 years and younger; 13-18 years, adult, and senior citizens.
- **One person is limited to 25 articles. Please count your entries prior to drop off- no more than 25 will be accepted.**
- Premiums paid only on articles listed in this category or approved by the superintendent.
- Special awards are listed at the conclusion of Division 52.
- All articles must be picked up on Monday, July 27th from 9-3 p.m.

Premiums for Classes 1-134: Blue \$4, Red \$3, White \$2

1. PAINTINGS

OIL

Classes

1. Landscape
2. Portrait
3. Marine
4. Animal
5. Still Life
6. Abstract
7. Miscellaneous
8. Made by child 12 years old and younger
9. Made by a person age 13-18
10. Made by a Senior Citizen

2. ACRYLIC

Classes

11. Landscape
12. Portrait
13. Marine
14. Animal
15. Still Life
16. Abstract
17. Pour Painting
18. Miscellaneous

3. WATER COLOR TEMPERA

Classes

19. Landscape
20. Portrait
21. Marine
22. Animal
23. Abstract
24. Sandpaper Painting
25. Still Life
26. Miscellaneous
27. Miscellaneous- Exhibitor 12 years old and younger

4. DRAWING

Best in Each Technique

Classes

28. Charcoal- any subject
29. Pen and Ink
30. Pencil
31. Chalk
32. Abstract
33. Pastel
34. Etching and Block Prints
35. Computer Graphics
36. Miscellaneous

5. APPLIED DESIGN

Classes

37. Crayonex
38. Model Airplane (Cloth or Wood)
39. Weaving (Purse, Rugs, Beads)
40. Leather Billfolds
41. Leather- Any Other
42. Woodcraft
43. Toy Making
44. Collection of Airplanes
45. Painted China
46. Homemade Lamp
47. Miscellaneous

6. PHOTOGRAPHY

Photographs must be mounted on a poster board to support them. They should NOT be matted or framed. Do not print borders around photo, use borders to cover photo or put plastic over the picture. Captions, titles, and themes are optional. Photos must have been taken by the person entering it. Note age and approximate date taken. Photo must be acceptable for display in a public building. All photography exhibits will be awarded a blue, red, or white sticker.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Classes

48. Black and White- Still Life
49. Color- Still Life
50. Black and White- Action
51. Color- Action
52. Black and White- People
53. Color- People
54. Black and White- Animals
55. Color- Animals
- Display of Five or More
56. Picture Display of People
57. Picture Display of Animals
58. Picture Display Telling a Story
59. Miscellaneous

7. HOBBIES

Label. Give complete information.

60. Weaving
61. Model Airplanes
62. Wood Carving
63. Metal
64. Batik
65. Decoupage
66. Colorful Collection
67. Most Unusual Collection
68. Collection Not Otherwise Specified
69. Useful Collection
70. Scrap Books
71. Puppets or Dolls
72. Mobiles
73. Centerpieces
74. Jewelry
75. Shadow Box
76. Collection of Candles
77. Plaques (Any Material)
78. Egg Cartons or Plastic Meat Trays
79. String Pictures
80. Glazes
81. Freehand Decorated (Glazed)
82. Most Useful Ceramic
83. Children's Ceramic (Made by Child)
84. Ceramics
85. Decorated- Any Other
86. Air Brush
87. Porcelain
88. Model Cars
89. Stains
90. Something from Nothing
91. Paper Mache
92. Furniture Refinish
93. Rubber Stamping (Limit 6)
94. Lego Bricks
95. Kits
96. Leather
97. Made by child younger than 12
98. Made by person age 12-18
99. Made by Senior Citizen
100. Miscellaneous

8. POTTERY AND SCULPTURING

All pottery should be original; handmade, wheel thrown or any combination of pottery techniques

Classes

101. Stoneware
102. Wood Working- any form
103. Vermiculite- wire or any form
104. Miscellaneous

9. ROCKS

Classes

105. Collection of Polished and Labeled Rocks
106. Unpolished Rock Collection
107. Jewelry Made of Rocks (matched)

108. Miscellaneous

10. GLASS

Classes

- 109. Remodeled
- 110. Hand Decorated (bottles)
- 111. Hand Blown
- 112. Glass Etching
- 113. Miscellaneous

11. MOSAICS

Classes

- 114. Mosaics (Any material)
- 115. Stained Glass Product
- 116. Any of Glass Tile
- 117. Miscellaneous

12. TOLE AND DECORATIVE PAINTING

Method painting of design on any object to decorate or make a picture. A regular orderly definite procedure or way of teaching. Many forms of arts include folk arts from Europe such as Pennsylvania Dutch, Rosemaling, Early American art and Country Painting.

Classes

- 118. Tole on Tin
- 119. Fruits and Vegetables
- 120. Flowers and Plants
- 121. People
- 122. Miniatures
- 123. Animals and Birds
- 124. Still Life
- 125. Folk Art
- 126. Pennsylvania Dutch
- 127. Rosemaling
- 128. Large Canvas
- 129. Dimensional Tile
- 130. Rub Outs
- 131. Pen Ink
- 132. Wood Carving
- 133. Wood Burning
- 134. Miscellaneous

13. FIRST-TIME EXHIBITOR

Youth under 5 –Each exhibitor will receive a participation ribbon and \$2 premium

Classes

- 135. Marshmallow Art
- 136. Macaroni Art
- 137. Painting – any
- 138. Coloring
- 139. Any other not listed

14. SPECIAL AWARD

Blue \$8, Red \$5, White \$3

Ribbons will also be awarded

Class

- 140. Champion awards will be given to the top three individual exhibits, as selected by the judge

