

# **DEADLINES FOR ADULTS**

**Please Keep This Information  
All Dates Are Important**

**Entry Forms: Are DUE by 3:00pm on Wednesday, January 30, 2019**

Either hand delivered or mailed to the Highlands County Fair Office between **9 am and 3 pm.**

**Highlands County Fair Office  
781 Magnolia Avenue  
Sebring, FL 33870  
(863) 382-2255**

## **ITEM DROP OFF**

Three **(3)** days before fair starts. **February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019** in the Harbor Community Bank building on the Fairgrounds from **9 am to 12 pm.**

**NO EXCEPTIONS!**

## **ITEM PICK UP**

**February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018** in the Harbor Community Bank building on the Fairgrounds from **11 am to 2 pm. NO EXCEPTIONS!**

**THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE TIMES AND DATES OF THESE DEADLINES.**

You must make your own arrangements to drop off and pick up your items. If you do not pick up your items your ribbons and items will become the property of the Fair.

**PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE RULE BOOK FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION.**

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the **Fair Office at 863-382-2255 Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4 pm.**

*Thank you for contributing to the Highlands County Fair and sharing your talents with the community!*

## **OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**PLEASE NOTE: THE RULES AND REGULATIONS HAVE CHANGED.**

**MANY CHANGES ARE DUE TO THE INPUT WE RECEIVED AND THIS IS STILL A WORK IN PROGRESS. IF YOU CAN CONTINUE TO GIVE FEEDBACK AND CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM IT WILL BE LISTENED TO AND TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR. THANK YOU!**

1. The Highlands County Fair community Arts and Crafts Show is open to all Amateur artists, hobbyists and crafters who reside within Highlands County (including winter residents with a local address). There is no fee to enter. All items will be judged on their own merit (with the exception of the Best of Show winners). Explanation of ribbons and prizes can be found within the Rules and Regulations portion of this booklet.
2. Originality, neatness and adherence to rules will be part of the judging criteria.
3. All entries will be accepted on **February 5, 2018 between 9 am and 12 pm** (noon) at the Harbor Community Bank building.
4. All entries must be picked up on **February 17, 2018 between 11 am and 2 pm** at the Harbor Community Bank building and **must have their receipts.**

**Any entries not picked up at this time will become the property of the Highlands County Fair and any premium money and ribbon will be forfeited.** No entries will be released at any other time.

5. All entry forms **MUST** have a **COMPLETE** description of the work (Example: color, subject, etc.). Be specific to your particular item in the description field. Your item needs to be distinguishable in descriptions so that the judges can identify it on their judging sheets. Please see example of proper form fill-in. You must have specific items in mind when registering.
6. If at all possible please **DO NOT** put your name on the item being entered. That way there is no bias while being judged. After judging the staff will put a name card beside your item/s so the public will know who entered each individual project.
7. You may enter a **total of 12 items** in the Community Arts and Crafts Booth with a **maximum of 2 per class and a maximum of 6 in any one section.**
8. All entries must be the work of the exhibitor and must have been completed within the last year (February 2018 to February 2019). **Items must be clean, in good condition, in good taste, finished and finishes must be dry.**
9. This department of the Fair is for exhibition and competition only. The sale of articles is not permitted.
10. All premium money will be paid on the basis of the judges records, not by the ribbon attached to the article.
11. All possible protection will be given to all exhibits. **The Highlands County Fair Association is not liable for damages or loss of property.**

12. If you would like to volunteer to sit in the booth and watch over the items please sign up and you will be given 2 passes for that day so that you may bring a friend with you.
  
13. Please remember that every person serving you is a **VOLUNTEER** who is **donating their time** in order that your artwork and/or craft may be showcased at the Highlands County Fair. Throughout the process of registration, judging, display and release, your entry is being cared for with the utmost respect by volunteers. Your patience, understanding and participation are greatly appreciated.
  
14. It is assumed that you have read and agreed to the Rules and Regulations that govern the Fair and the Community Arts and Crafts Show when you enter your items in the show.

## EXAMPLE OF ENTRY FORM FILL-IN

Please print if and when at all possible, clerical accuracy is important.

Find listing from this book.

Be as descriptive as possible to distinguish your item  
from others that may be similar.

Leave blank.

Dept.	Section	Class	Description of Item Entered	Office use only

**\*\*If you are unsure of your Department, Section or Class please refer to the rules section for helpful guidelines\*\***

# EXPLANATION OF RIBBONS

## Ribbons

- A. All items within a Department will be judged against one another. There is a point criterion to receiving the ribbons. They are based on the Judges decisions with all decisions being final.
- B. All items receiving ribbons in that Department will be eligible for the Best of Show.


## Premiums for Adults


A. Blue Ribbon	\$ 20.00
B. Red Ribbon	\$ 15.00
C. White Ribbon	\$ 10.00
D. Green Ribbon	\$ 0.00
E. Best of Show	\$ 25.00


*Premium Checks will be mailed out within 2 weeks of the Fair's closing date.*


# FOOD PRESERVATION

## DEPARTMENT 1

 All jars must be clear glass (standard) canning jars of half-pint, pint or quart size. Jars must be clean with rings and lids free from rust. All jars must be sealed by water bath or pressure canner; paraffin will not be accepted.

 Exhibitor must submit 2 jars for each entered item: 1 for exhibiting and 1 for taste testing. The un-opened jar will be returned as is.

 Jars must be labeled with the name of the product and the date canned. Exhibitor name must be on bottom of jar.

 Entered items must be accompanied by the recipe on a 5" x 8" card and must be typed. The recipe must show the ingredients used and the method of preparation. The name of the Exhibitor must be on the reverse side of the recipe.

### SECTION A – Jams, Jellies, Preserves, Marmalades and Fruit Butters

Class 1 – Berry

Class 2 – Citrus

Class 3 – Honey

Class 4 – Other Not Listed

### SECTION B – Pickles and Relishes

Class 1 – Sweet

Class 2 – Dill

Class 3 – Bread & Butter

Class 4 – Vegetables

Class 5 – Other Not Listed

### SECTION C – Canned Fruits and Vegetables

Class 1 – Fruit

Class 2 – Vegetables

Class 3 – Other Not Listed

## NEEDLEWORK, YARN & CORD CRAFTS

### DEPARTMENT 2



All clothing items must be accompanied with a hanger for displaying the item.



All entries must be the original, personal work of the exhibitor, completed within the last year and never before exhibited in the Highlands County Fair Community Arts & Crafts.

#### SECTION A – KNITTING

Class 1 - AFGHANS

Class 2 - CLOTHING

Class 3 - MACHINE KNIT

Class 4 – ORIGINAL DESIGN

#### SECTION B – CROCHETING

Class 1 - AFGHANS

Class 2 - SPREADS

Class 3 - TABLECLOTHS & DOILIES

Class 4 - CLOTHING

Class 5 – DOLL CLOTHING

Class 6 – ORIGINAL DESIGN

#### SECTION C – HAND QUILTED

Class 1 - QUILT

Class 2 - MINI QUILT

Class 3 - WALL HANGING

Class 4 - ORIGINAL DESIGN

#### SECTION D – MACHINE QUILTED

Class 1 - QUILT


Class 2 - MINI QUILT

Class 3 - WALL HANGING

Class 4 - ORIGINAL DESIGN

## CRAFTS

### DEPARTMENT 3

 All entries must be the original, personal work of the exhibitor, completed within the last year and never before exhibited in the Highlands County Fair Community Arts & Crafts.

#### SECTION A – GENERAL CRAFTS

Class 1 - BASKETRY

Class 2 - WREATHS/FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

Class 3 - PAPER TOLE

Class 4 - MIXED MEDIA

Class 5 – MINIATURES

Class 6 – STUFFED ANIMALS

Class 7 – MACRAME

Class 8 – SCRAPBOOKING

Class 9 – MUSICAL ITEM

Class 10 – ORIGINAL DESIGN

Class 11- CERAMICS

Class 12- HOLIDAY ITEMS

## WOOD

### DEPARTMENT 4





All entries must be the original, personal work of the exhibitor, completed within the last year and never before entered into the Community Arts and Crafts at the Highlands County Fair.

### **SECTION A – WOOD WORKING**

Class 1 - WOOD TURNING

Class 2 - INTARSIA

Class 3 - FURNITURE

Class 4 - MINIATURES

Class 5 – DOLL HOUSES

Class 6 – ORIGINAL DESIGN

### **SECTION B – WOOD CARVING**

Class 1 - CARVINGS

Class 2 - BURNINGS

Class 3 - MINIATURES

Class 4 - RELIEF-CHIP-FLAT

Class 5 – ORIGINAL DESIGN

## **STONE, GLASS & METAL**

### **DEPARTMENT 5**



All entries must be the original, personal work of the exhibitor, completed within the last year and never before entered into the Community Arts & Crafts at the Highlands County Fair.

### **SECTION A – GLASS, STONE & METAL**

Class 1 - STAINED GLASS


Class 2 - JEWELRY

Class 3 - SCULPTURES (ALL MEDIAS)

Class 4 - ORIGINAL DESIGN




# RECYCLE, REPURPOSE & REUSE

## DEPARTMENT 6

-  All entries must be the original, personal work of the exhibitor, completed within the last year and never before entered into the Community Arts & Crafts at the Highlands County Fair. Item(s) used that are recycle, repurposed or reused must be listed on an index card and turned in with the entry. Item must not weigh over 40lbs. The item must be either reusable as something else or recycled to look like something else, not just an abstract pile of garbage.

# FINE ARTS

## DEPARTMENT 7

-  Paints, prints and drawings must be framed, ready to hang and can be securely mounted.
-  Items of an offensive, controversial or objectionable subject matter will not be accepted.
-  All entries must be the original, personal work of the exhibitor, completed within the last year and never before exhibited in the Highlands County Fair Community Arts & Crafts.

Class 1 - PEOPLE

Class 2 - PLACES

Class 3 - THINGS

Class 4 - ANIMALS

Class 5 - 3D

Class 6 - ORIGINAL DESIGN

## **SECTION B – WATERCOLOR**

Class 1 - PEOPLE

Class 2 - PLACES

Class 3 - THINGS

Class 4 - ANIMALS

Class 5 - 3D

Class 6 - ORIGINAL DESIGN

## **SECTION C – DRAWING**

Class 1 - PENCIL

Class 2 - PEN & INK


Class 3 - CHARCOAL


Class 4 - PASTELS


Class 5 - MIXED MEDIA


# **PHOTOGRAPHY**

## **DEPARTMENT 8**

 Items of an offensive, controversial or objectionable subject matter will not be accepted.

 All entries must list what type of camera was used (ie: Canon, Nikon, Sony, etc.). Points will be deducted for all pictures taken with camera phones, i-pads, etc. and the photo must have been taken in the last year.

 All entries must be framed, securely mounted and ready to hang. No foam or core mounts, no Masonite mounts, no cardboard or scotch taped items will be allowed to compete. Any entered item not complying with these specifications will be disqualified by the judges and not displayed.

 Print sizes shall be no smaller than 8" x 10" and no larger than 11" x 14". Any print that does not fit within this size limitation will be disqualified.

## **SECTION A – DIGITAL**

Class 1 - PEOPLE

Class 2 - PLACES

Class 3 - THINGS

Class 4 - DOMESTIC ANIMALS

Class 5 - WILDLIFE

Class 6 - FLOWERS

## **SECTION B – MANIPULATED/ PHOTOSHOPPED**

Class 1 - PEOPLE

Class 2 - PLACES

Class 3 - THINGS

Class 4 - DOMESTIC ANIMALS

Class 5 - WILDLIFE

Class 6 – FLOWERS

Class 7- PICTURES OF THE PAST

## **SECTION C – BLACK & WHITE**

Class 1 - PEOPLE

Class 2 - PLACES

Class 3 - THINGS


Class 4 - DOMESTIC ANIMALS


Class 5 - WILDLIFE


Class 6 - FLOWERS


## HORTICULTURE

### DEPARTMENT 9

 Plants may be store bought and assembled for mixed plants but must be under your care for 6 months or longer. The fair reserves the right to reject any plant that is substandard, either in quality or maturity. Maximum size of plant cannot be any larger than 48 inches in diameter and must weigh less than 40 pounds.

 Plants and flowers must be clean, trimmed and free from insects or disease. They must be submitted in proper clean containers. No double pots or stands may be used. Absolutely no cans will be accepted. Hanging plants must have a rigid hook and no chains.

 Water plants well before bringing to the Fairgrounds. Plants will be watered regularly during the Fair. If special watering is needed it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to notify the Fair Office in writing when turning in the plant.

 Please include an index card stating how you started the plant, ie: bulb, seed, cutting or store bought and the date that you started or bought it.

### SECTION A – HOMEGROWN/ SEEDS/ CUTTINGS/ BULBS

Class 1 - FLOWERING

Class 2 - NON-FLOWERING

Class 3 - ROSES

Class 4 - ORCHIDS

Class 5 - LILLIES

Class 6 - MIXED PLANTS

Class 7 - OTHER NOT LISTED

**SECTION B - HOMEGROWN/ SEEDS/ CUTTINGS/ BULBS**

Class 1 - FERNS

Class 2 - VINES

Class 3 - BROMELIADS/AIRPLANTS

Class 4 - CACTUS

Class 5 - FRUITS

Class 6 - VEGETABLES

Class 7 - MIXED PLANTS

Class 8 - OTHER NOT LISTED