

FINE ARTS DIVISION - PROFESSIONAL

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DEADLINE FOR RECEIVING ENTRY FORMS: September 2, 2011

RECEIVING DAYS AT COOLIDGE HALL: Saturday, September 10, 2011 12:00pm - 4:00pm & Sunday, September 11, 2011 12:00pm - 4:00pm

PICK-UP DAY AT COOLIDGE HALL: Tuesday, October 11, 2011 2:00pm - 6:00pm

After 30 days, artwork becomes property of Topsfield Fair..

Complete Entry Form: (see attached page)

Mail to: **Topsfield Fair, P.O. Box 134, Topsfield, MA 01983.**

Entry form & fees must be received by **September 2nd, 2011.**

No exceptions.

RULES & REGULATIONS

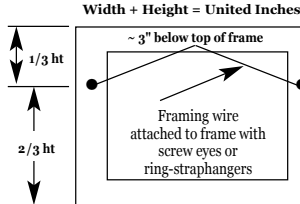
- PROFESSIONALISM:** Exhibitors in the Fine Art Professional Division includes those who benefit from financial gain for the sales of their artwork, art teachers, instructors, judges, curators, etc. Exhibitors are encouraged to provide an updated one-page biography/artist statement for the Topsfield Fair Gallery Book of Artists and business cards, which will be displayed in the Art Sales Room.
- JURIED EXHIBITION:** A professional panel of judges selects ribbon winners based on artistic merit, which includes: originality, composition, drawing, color and value, technique, emotional quality, and presentation. The Fine Art Department and judges reserve the right to reject any entry. Artists will be contacted prior to the opening of the Fair to retrieve unaccepted work.
- ORIGINALITY:** All work must be original and not previously exhibited at the Fair. Artwork derived from another artist's photograph, such as calendars, magazines, postcards, computer images, or any image of another artist's work, is not considered original. Copies, limited editions, giclee prints, wet paintings or reproductions are not acceptable for the juried exhibition.
- JURIED ENTRY IDENTIFICATION:** All juried competition entries must be clearly labeled **on the top back of art work** with the following information: (Example below)
 - Professional Division
 - Artist's Name
 - Telephone #
 - "Title"
 - Medium
 - Price
- JURIED ENTRIES:** Professional juried exhibition entries are limited to **2 entries. Overall Frame size should not exceed 48 united inches (Height + Width)**, includes frame. Due to the large number of entries, oversize work can not be accepted.
- FRAMING:** Artwork must be securely framed and wired. Will only accept the following: wood frames with screw eyes/d-rings & wire or metal frames with track for metal hangers and wire. **ATTENTION:(see diagram on #10) Unsafe or improperly framed artwork, including no glass or thin wire, will not be accepted. Artwork under glass must be matted too. No clip frames, easel back frames, front-loading "pop in" frame, spring clips or staple frames will be accepted.**
- SALES POLICY:** All juried artwork should be priced to sell. All professional artwork in the exhibition and Art Sales Room is for sale. Topsfield Fair Fine Art Department and volunteers are not responsible for art sold for less than intended price due to improper labeling or last minute changes. Essex Agricultural Society retains a twenty percent (20%) commission of all art work sold.

- FEES:** Each entry in the Professional juried competition requires a \$8.00 Non-Refundable entry fee. Art Sales Room requires a \$10.00 fee. The maximum entry fee for two (2) juried entries and multiple entries in the Art Sales Room is \$26.00 total due. **Entry fee must be submitted with official entry form. Payable by cash or check to: The Essex Agricultural Society.**
- ART SALES ROOM:** This is limited to accepted juried entrants. Please use **Art Sales Room Entry Form** on attached page.
 - The number of entries is limited and bins are shared. Art Sales Room entries are limited to:
 - Three (3) framed pieces for hanging, 11x14 or smaller
 - Fifteen (15) unframed pieces, up to or not to exceed 16x20 (must be either shrink-wrapped or in plastic sleeves)
 - Ten (10) note card packets, postcard sets, calendars (must be either shrink-wrapped or in plastic sleeves)
 (*Please, no individual note cards, saran wrap, zip-lock bags, or string. We can not accept stretchers or canvas for wall or bin.*)
 - Identification Requirements: Art Sales Room entries must be clearly and professionally labeled **ON THE FRONT** of each entry with:
 - Name
 - Artist Code (Initials), Piece #
 - "Title"
 - Category
 - Price
 For example:
 - Amanda Bucco
 - AMB-1
 - "Ferris Wheel"
 - 11-F
 - \$250

Topsfield Fair Fine Art Department volunteers are not responsible for art sold for less than intended price due to improperly labeled artwork.

- FRAMING:**

Do-It-Yourself Framers:
For secure frames that hang flat on wall, attach screw eyes or hangers to each side of the frame at one-third the height from the top of frame. Insert Framing Wire through the hangers and secure ends. Top of wire must be 2-3 inches below the top of frame.



Professional Artists are invited to volunteer for exhibit monitoring and demonstrations. Please indicate your volunteer interest on entry form. Volunteer Schedule will be posted at Receiving dates (9/10 & 9/11). Each volunteer will receive a parking and admission ticket to enter the fair grounds.

You are welcome to cut and use the labels below:

Professional Division

Name:

Phone:

Title:

Medium:

Price:

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PROFESSIONAL ENTRY FORM

Artist Code _____

ENTRY DEADLINE: September 2nd, 2011

RULES: Mail completed entry form & fees and a biography (if you would like) to:

Topsfield Fair
P.O. Box 134
Topsfield, MA 01983

FEES: Reminder: Juried entries are \$8.00 per entry and \$10.00 for Art Sales Room entries. The maximum entry fee for two (2) juried entries and multiple entries in the Art Sales Room is \$26.00 total due. **Entry fees must be submitted with the Official Entry Form in advance, payable by cash or check to: The Essex Agricultural Society. Fees are Non-Refundable.**

ART SALES ROOM ENTRIES: Only juried exhibit show entrants may enter work in the Art Sales Room. Please complete the Art Sales Room Entry Form on the page attached.

Topsfield Fair Fine Art Department and volunteers are not responsible for art sold for less than the artist intended due to improperly labeled artwork.

VOLUNTEERS:

Professional artists are encouraged to volunteer. Please check an interest listed below or commit to a specific date and time on the Volunteer Schedule posted at the Receiving Dates.

RECEIVING: Saturday 9/10 12:00-4:00pm
 Sunday 9/11 12:00-4:00pm

DURING FAIR: Please list date(s) you would like to assist to either monitor or demonstrate. Also, please circle a time preference that you are available.

Date: _____
 10-2pm 2-6pm 6-10pm
 Monitor Demonstrate

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Office Use Only
Fee paid \$ _____
Identification On Top Back <input type="checkbox"/>
Frame Correctly <input type="checkbox"/>
Wired Correctly <input type="checkbox"/>
Receiver Initials _____
Check-Out Initials _____

Please Print

Name _____ Exhibitor # (if known) _____
 Street _____
 Town, State, Zip _____
 Telephone _____ Email _____

I HAVE READ AND ACCEPTED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO THE TOPSFIELD FAIR ART EXHIBIT.

PLEASE SIGN & DATE: _____

A- PAINTING CATEGORIES

- 1 Oils
 Acrylics
- B-2 Watercolor
- C-3 Pastel (Oil Pastels & Soft Pastels)
- D-4 Mixed Media/Collage

F- PHOTOGRAPHY CATEGORIES

- 8 Black & White
- 9 Color

E- GRAPHICS CATEGORIES

- 5 Drawing (Charcoal, Crayons, Markers, Pencils, Pen & Ink)
- 6 Etching & other Hand Pull Prints
 (Linoleum, Monoprint, Silkscreen, Wood Block)
- 7 Computer Graphics

Juried Entries Information: (ONLY 2 Entries)

For Office Use Only

CK IN	CATEGORY EX: (F-8)	TITLE	OVERALL FRAME SIZE (H X W)	PRICE	SELL DATE	RECEIPT #	CK OUT

(Office Only) MA Tax \$ _____ EAS Comm. \$ _____ Artist Due \$ _____



Everyone is invited to Come See Us on Opening Day- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH. All exhibits will need to be in place on Thursday, September 29th, EXCEPT POULTRY. Please refer all questions regarding this change to the Department Chairperson or the Fair's Administration Office.

GENERAL RULES & INFORMATION

**** *Topsfield Fair and Essex Agricultural Society are not responsible for changes to or omissions from any contest rules, regulations, and/or guidelines.***

Exhibitors must adhere to all rules as they apply to individual departments as well as the following regulations:

1. The Essex Agricultural Society is a member of the Massachusetts Agricultural Fairs Association. The rules and regulations of this organization will apply where applicable.
2. Drinking of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on fairgrounds.
3. No smoking allowed in buildings.
4. No exhibit shall be removed before the close of the fair, without the express consent of the department head and fair management. Please refer to individual department for specific pickup times.
5. Departments designated 4-H and youth are restricted to boys and girls 9 through 19 years of age as of January 1, 2011, unless otherwise stated in department rules.
6. All reasonable precautions will be taken by the Society for the safe keeping of animals and articles entrusted to its care, but all exhibits are received upon express condition that **THE SOCIETY SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE** that may occur to animals or articles on exhibit for any reason. Exhibitors, contestants, and/or participants agree to be solely responsible for any loss, injury to, damage done, occasioned by or arising from any exhibit, equipment, animal or person and to defend and indemnify the Society and the management thereof against all claims and liability in regard thereto. In view of this understanding, exhibitors, contestants, and/or participants may deem it advisable to obtain appropriate liability insurance.
7. No person will be awarded premium checks with providing the Fair office with his/her social security number.

GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES & INFORMATION

1. All animals must be checked by the State Veterinarian and/or the department head or his designee, upon arrival at the fairgrounds.
2. Please review and comply with all health regulations as they pertain to individual departments. Massachusetts Department of Agriculture rules regarding animal health must be adhered to.
3. All out-of-state livestock must be accompanied by a current Certificate of Health.
4. **EXHIBITOR PARKING WILL BE EXTREMELY LIMITED. PLEASE CHECK WITH DEPARTMENT HEAD IF PARKING PROBLEMS ARISE.**