

DEPARTMENT 120

CRAFTS EXHIBIT

GENERAL INFORMATION

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NEW: You may enter up to 2 entries per entrant. Only one entry in each class is allowed per person.

**There are changes for the 2023 Exhibition. It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to carefully read and comply with all General Rules & Regulations, as well as those for each division following.*

IMPORTANT DATES

Entry Form Due: Monday, September 4th, 2023
Entry Receiving: Saturday, September 16th, 2023 (12-4:00pm)
& Sunday, September 17th, 2023 (12-4:00pm)
Entry Pick Up: Tuesday, October 10th, 2023 (2-6:00pm)
Entry Fee: (online only) \$3.00 per exhibitor

REMINDER: REVIEW RULES UNDER DIVISION HEADINGS VERY CAREFULLY FOR DETAILS SINCE DIVISION RULES TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER GENERAL RULES!

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Please read carefully all 15 rules, also all instructions for each division you choose to enter since there are certain age and other requirements to be met. These rules apply to all Craft Departments.

- Entry forms must be received by the dates indicated.
LATE ENTRY FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
Therefore articles accompanied by entry forms will not be accepted on Receiving Days (Rule 14).
- No person who teaches, instructs or judges for financial consideration, or sells any item in the following classes, may enter the Amateur Division. No hobby collections may be exhibited.
- As each entry form is received, individual tags will be prepared for each article listed. Tags will be completed and then attached to each article when brought on Receiving Days (Rule 14).
- SPECIAL CLASS** notations must be printed in the uppermost right-hand corner of tag at Receiving Day to qualify for special judging.
 - JUNIOR CLASS- ALL DIVISIONS**
Junior Class: 16 years of age and under.
Specify "Junior Division" and age.
 - ADULT CLASS-** 17 years of age and over.
 - PROFESSIONAL CLASS-** Entries must be labeled as "Professional" in the uppermost right hand corner of the tag at Receiving Days. Entries not properly labeled or not accompanied by the proper fee will be disqualified. Professional Class is defined as anyone who accepts financial consideration for teaching their art or for selling their work. Entries must be accompanied by a \$5.00 entry fee payable on Receiving Days.
 - ORIGINAL DESIGN** must be labeled as such in the uppermost right-hand corner of tag at Receiving Days in order to qualify for special judging.
- ALL ARTICLES MUST HAVE BEEN COMPLETED WITHIN THE LAST 12 MONTHS AND MUST BE CLEAN.** Only **ONE** entry in each classification. (Example: One each EA1, EA2, etc.). **NO MORE THAN TWO ARTICLES PER ENTRANT**
- Articles may be exhibited only once in Coolidge Hall.
- Only articles listed on entry form will be accepted.
- If an exhibitor has a homeowner or tenant homeowners package policy, they may have coverage protecting items being exhibited. The exhibitor should contact their insurance agent or company to determine what coverage they have under their policy.
- Ribbon & premium awards only for Best of Show, 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention, will be awarded at the discretion of qualified judges. Fine quality in the work, artistic coloring, and design are points carefully considered in the judging. No exhibit will be entitled to an award unless it possesses points of superiority (regardless of competition). Judges reserve the right to create additional classes when necessary. More than one type of ribbon may be awarded in each category.
- All classes are available to both amateur and professionals.
- Additional entry forms available at the Topsfield Fair office or online.

12. All exhibits displayed at the discretion of the Building Committee.
13. **Articles MAY NOT be removed before pick-up day. See Rule 15.**
14. **RECEIVING DAYS:** COOLIDGE HALL WILL BE OPEN TO RECEIVE ARTICLES ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2023 FROM NOON TO 4:00 P.M., AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2023 FROM NOON TO 4:00 P. M. THE BUILDING IS THEN CLOSED TO ARRANGE FOR JUDGING.
15. **PICK-UP DAY:** All exhibits will be released on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10TH, 2023 from 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. Exhibitors must have a receipt to obtain their articles. NOT RESPONSIBLE for articles remaining after 6:00 P.M. Those articles will be moved to the Administration Building for pick-up. After 30 Days, crafts become the property of the Topsfield Fair.

THE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY ENTRY OR EXHIBIT IN ANY CLASS, WHICH FAILS TO CONFORM TO REGULATIONS. ENTRANTS WILL BE CONTACTED PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE FAIR TO RETRIEVE UNACCEPTED WORK.

Crafters (aged 18 and older) are invited to volunteer for exhibit monitoring and demonstrations. Volunteer schedule will be posted at Receiving Days (9/16 & 9/17).

DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

Awards:

BEST OF SHOW \$12.00

FIRST \$10.00

SECOND \$8.00

THIRD \$6.00

FOURTH/HONORABLE MENTION \$4.00

DIVISION A – CRAFTS

HAND DECORATED ARTICLE CLASS AA

1. Hand Decorated Metal Article
2. Hand Decorated Wood Article
3. Hand Decorated Glass Article
4. Hand Decorated Textile Article

DOLLS CLASS AB

1. French or German Antique Reproductions

2. China or Parian
3. Modern Reproductions
4. Ethnic Dolls
5. Original Sculpture
6. Cloth Dolls/ Animals
7. Holiday Dolls

WEAVING – MAY NOT EXCEED 30” OVERALL CLASS AC

1. Wall Hangings
2. Bed Coverings
3. Table Cloths
4. Place Mats
5. Clothing
6. Pillows
7. Rugs
8. Miscellaneous

NATIVE AMERICAN CLASS AD

1. Native American

SPINNING - HAND (DROP SPINDLE) - MAY NOT EXCEED 30” OVERALL CLASS AE

1. Wall Hangings
2. Bed Coverings
3. Table Cloths/ Place Mats
4. Clothing
5. Miscellaneous

SPINNING- WHEEL CLASS AF

1. Wall Hangings
2. Bed Coverings
3. Table Cloths/ Place Mats
4. Clothing
5. Miscellaneous

METAL WORK CLASS AG

1. Metal Work

JEWELRY- HANDWROUGHT CLASS AH

1. Ceramic
2. Enamel
3. Sterling Silver or Copper

4. Beaded
5. Clay (Fimo)
6. Miscellaneous

LEATHERCRAFT
CLASS AI

1. Leathercraft

MISCELLANEOUS – ARTWORK SCULPTURE
CLASS AJ

1. Decoupage
2. Paper Mache Article
3. Shellwork
4. Stenciling
5. Clay (Fimo)- Other than Jewelry
6. Collage
7. Macramé
8. Other

STAINED GLASS
CLASS AK

1. Stained Glass- Large, 12” and Over
2. Stained Glass- Small, Under 12”

EGGS
CLASS AL

1. Eggs

DECORATED WREATHS
CLASS AM

1. Floral
2. Shell
3. Fruit
4. Holiday

QUILLING
CLASS AN

1. Small Picture Under 10”
2. Large Picture 10” and over

CANDLES
CLASS AO

1. Candles

SOAP
CLASS AP

1. Soap

BASKETRY
CLASS AR

1. Splint Woven- Ribbed
2. Splint Woven- Plaited
3. Round Reed
4. Coiled
5. Nantucket Baskets
6. Miscellaneous Baskets

CERAMICS
CLASS AS

1. Body Type (Porcelain, Stoneware, Earthenware)
2. Technique (Handbuilt, Slip Casting, Wheel Throw)
3. Surface Decoration (Decorated Greenware, Glaze, Stain)

WOODWORKING
CLASS AT

1. Contemporary Woodworking
2. Traditional Woodworking
3. Art Furniture
4. Made for Children
5. Clocks
6. Veneering/Marquetry
7. Wood Turning
8. Wood Carving

MODELING
CLASS AU

1. Aircraft
2. Boats/Ships
3. Cars/Land Vehicles
4. Dioramas
5. Structures
6. Other

DIVISION C – KNITTING & CROCHETING

Please read through the classes to enter the item in the appropriate category.

Afghans and bedspreads larger than 2’x3’ may not be displayed in full due to space limitations.

HAND KNIT HOME ACCESSORIES CLASS CA

1. Afghan
2. Bedspread
3. Pillow/Bed Accessories
4. Doily/Placemat
5. Rug
6. Holiday (Christmas stockings, Decorations, etc.)
7. Other

HAND KNIT ADULT CLOTHING CLASS CB

1. Cardigan
2. Pullover
3. Intarsia
4. Fair Isle
5. Dress/Skirt
6. Poncho/Cape/Jacket
7. Other

HAND KNIT ADULT CLOTHING ACCESSORIES CLASS CC

1. Vest
2. Shawl/Scarf
3. Socks/Slippers
4. Hat
5. Mittens
6. Other

HAND KNIT BABY/CHILD CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES CLASS CD

1. Cardigan
2. Pullover
3. Snuggies/Layettes/Onesies
4. Booties/Socks
5. Hat/Bonnet
6. Blanket
7. 2 Piece (or more) set
8. Other

MACHINE OR LOOM KNITTING CLASS CE

1. Adult Clothing
2. Baby/Child Clothing
3. Accessories
4. Other

FELTED ITEMS CLASS CF

1. Clothing
2. Accessories

KNIT MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS CLASS CG

1. Handbags/Wallet/Eyeglass case
2. Amigurumi/Toys/Dolls
3. Other

CROCHED HOME ACCESSORIES CLASS CH

1. Afghan
2. Bedspread
3. Pillow/Bed Accessory
4. Doily/Placemat
5. Rug
6. Holiday
7. Other

AFGHAN STITCH/TUNISIAN CROCHET CLASS CI

1. Blanket/Bedspreads/Throws
2. Clothing
3. Accessories
4. Other

CROCHETED ADULT CLOTHING CLASS CJ

1. Sweater
2. Poncho/Jacket
3. Shawl/Scarf
4. Other

CROCHETED BABY/CHILD CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES CLASS CK

1. Sweaters
2. Booties/Socks

3. Dress/Outfit
4. Baby Blanket
5. Other

CROCHETED MISC. ITEM

CLASS CL

1. Handbags/Wallet/Eyeglass Case
2. Amigurumi/Toys/Dolls
3. Other

TATTING

CLASS CM

1. Doilies
2. Decorative Items
3. Finishing (Edging/Collars/etc.)
4. Other

DIVISION D – NEEDLEWORK

Please read rules for Coolidge Building. Overall appearance is important but items entered in the needlework division are judged on their embroidery. MAXIMUM frame size cannot exceed 34”.

ADAPTED STITCHERY: recommended stitches changed to suit needlework.

ADAPTED DESIGN: a design or picture taken from a picture, photograph or pre-existing design and adapted to needlework.

ORIGINAL: a drawing or design created by the needleworker.

WALL HANGING LARGE 12” TO 30”, NOT INCLUDING FRAME

CLASS DA

(Must be prepared to be hung on wall display)

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads
5. Beaded
6. Silk Ribbon
7. Stamped Cross Stitch
8. Mixed Media (3 or More Types of Embroidery)
9. Original Design
10. Other

WALL HANGING SMALL 12” OR UNDER, NOT INCLUDING FRAME

CLASS DB

(Must be prepared to be hung on wall display)

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads
5. Beaded
6. Silk Ribbon
7. Stamped Cross Stitch
8. Mixed Media (3 or more types of embroidery)
9. Original Design
10. Other

MINIATURE NEEDLEWORK 5” OR UNDER, NOT INCLUDING FRAME

CLASS DC

(Must be prepared to be hung on wall display)

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads
5. Beaded
6. Silk Ribbon
7. Stamped Cross Stitch
8. Mixed Media (3 or more types of embroidery)
9. Original Design
10. Other

HOLIDAY ITEMS (ORNAMENTS, STOCKINGS, TREE SKIRTS, ETC.)

CLASS DD

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads
5. Beaded
6. Silk Ribbon
7. Stamped Cross Stitch
8. Mixed Media (3 or more types of embroidery)
9. Original Design
10. Other

CLOTHING (VESTS, APRONS, SWEATSHIRTS, ETC.)

CLASS DE

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads

5. Beaded
6. Silk Ribbon
7. Stamped Cross Stitch
8. Mixed Media (3 or more types of embroidery)
9. Original Design
10. Other

ACCESSORIES

CLASS DF

1. Eyeglass Cases
2. Pocketbooks
3. Bags
4. Barrettes
5. Other

**PILLOWCASES – SCARFS, TOWELS, PLACEMATS,
SMALL TABLE COVER (UNDER 36")**

CLASS DG

1. Cotton Embroidered
2. Counted Cross Stitch
3. Stamped Cross Stitch
4. Candlewicking
5. Liquid Embroidery
6. Other

TABLE COVER (OVER 36")

CLASS DH

1. Cotton Embroidered
2. Counted Cross Stitch
3. Stamped Cross Stitch
4. Candlewicking
5. Other

BED COVERING

CLASS DI

1. Cotton Embroidered
2. Counted Cross Stitch
3. Stamped Cross Stitch
4. Candlewicking
5. Other

All Counted Cross Stitch: Please include Picture or Graph in an envelope attached to back of piece also gauge of fabric.

COUNTED CROSS STITCH LARGE 12" TO 30", NOT INCLUDING FRAME

CLASS DJ

1. Floral

2. Scenery
3. Juvenile
4. Animal
5. Sampler
6. Verse
7. Holiday
8. Religious
9. Structures (Houses, Buildings, etc.)
10. Special Occasion
11. Adapted Design
12. Figures
13. Other

COUNTED CROSS STITCH SMALL 12" OR UNDER, NOT INCLUDING FRAME

CLASS DK

1. Floral
2. Scenery
3. Juvenile
4. Animal
5. Sampler
6. Verse
7. Holiday
8. Religious
9. Structures (Houses, Buildings, etc.)
10. Special Occasion
11. Adapted Design
12. Figures
13. Other

All Bunka: Please include Kit Picture on back in an envelope. Maximum frame size cannot exceed 34".

**JAPANESE BUNKA EMBROIDERY – NUMBERED
LARGE, NOT INCLUDING FRAME**

CLASS DL

(anything over 24" will be displayed but may not be hung).

1. Floral
2. Scenery
3. Juvenile
4. Figures
5. Animal
6. Holiday
7. Fluffy
8. Religious
9. Adapted Stitchery
10. Adapted Design
11. Original Design
12. Other

JAPANESE BUNKA EMBROIDERY – UNNUMBERED,
NOT INCLUDING FRAME

CLASS DM

(anything over 24” will be displayed but may not be hung).

1. Floral
2. Scenery
3. Juvenile
4. Figures
5. Animal
6. Holiday
7. Fluffy
8. Religious
9. Adapted Stitchery
10. Adapted Design
11. Original Design
12. Other

PLASTIC CANVAS SMALL

CLASS DN

(maximum frame cannot exceed 30”).

1. Flat
2. Free Standing
3. Three Dimensional

APPLIQUE AND SCULPTURAL FELT

DO

1. Applique Felting- Attaching wool yarn, wool felt, or wool roving to a flat piece of fabric.
2. Sculptural Felting Birds- Creating a three dimensional bird of felt from wool roving.
3. Sculptural Felting Animals- Creating a three dimensional animal of felt from wool roving.
4. Sculptural Felting Other- Creating a three dimensional piece of felt from wool roving.

DIVISION E – QUILTING

An acceptable quilt consists of top, batting, and back with top and back made of fabric only. Pieced or appliqued, machine or hand quilted, or tied. All quilts must have a 5” casing on the top edge of the back of the quilt, in order to insert a rod. Quilts without rod pockets will not be accepted. Quilts must be free of pet hair, mold and smoke odors. Quilts longer than 88” will be folded and pinned. Please provide the length and width of the quilt you are entering at Receiving Day.

Please indicate if quilt has been professionally quilted on entry form.

Judging is based on individual merits on the following critique of overall appearance, color and design and workmanship.

BED QUILTS

CLASS EA

1. Bed Quilts

WALL HANGINGS

CLASS EB

1. Wall Hangings

MINATURE QUILT

CLASS EC

1. Miniature Quilt

GROUP QUILT – (ANY ENTRY MADE BY 3 OR MORE INDIVIDUALS)

CLASS ED

1. Group Quilt

JUNIOR QUILT – (ANY ENTRY MADE BY AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 16)

CLASS EE

1. Junior Division

OTHER QUILTED ITEM

CLASS EF

1. Other Quilted Item

DIVISION F – RUGS

BRAIDED – SPIRAL OR BUTTED

CLASS FA

1. Area Rug, 2’ x 4’ to 3’ x 5’ (Or to 4’ Round)
2. Area Rug, 3’ x 5’ to 6’ x 9’ (Or to 6’ Round)
3. Large Oval Under 6’
4. Small Oval Under 3’
5. Odd Shape

HOOKEED YARN (LATCH AND PUNCH HOOK TYPE)

CLASS FB

1. Wall Hangings
2. Original Designs

HOOKE WOL STRIPS – 6’ OR OVER
CLASS FC

1. Primitives
2. Other

HOOKE WOL STRIPS – UNDER 6’
CLASS FD

1. Primitives
2. Wall Hanging
3. Original Design

NURSERY PATTERNS
CLASS FE

1. Small Rugs and Hangings
2. Floral
3. Oriental

SHEARED PUNCH NEEDLES
CLASS FF

1. Flat Surface Pillows, Hangings, Small Rugs to 2’ x 4’
2. Flat Surface Rugs, 2’ x 4’ to 3’ x 5’
3. Sculptured Rugs, 2’ x 4’ to 3’ x 5’
4. Other

HALL OR STAIR RUNNER
CLASS FG

1. Braided
2. Hooked

BRAIDED WITH HOOKED CENTER
CLASS FH

1. Under 6’
2. Over 6’
3. Other

DIVISION G – SEWING

Items must be clean, without stains.

NOVELTY PILLOWS
CLASS GA

1. Appliquéd
2. Embroidered
3. Patchwork
4. Smocking
5. Miscellaneous

HANDBAGS/BACKPACKS/TOTES
CLASS GB

1. Appliquéd
2. Patchwork
3. Smocking
4. Miscellaneous

MEN’S CLOTHING
CLASS GC

1. Sports Jacket
2. Slacks
3. Vests
4. Shirts
5. Shorts
6. Miscellaneous

WOMEN’S CLOTHING
CLASS GD

1. Coats
2. Suits (2-Piece)
3. Suits (3-Piece)
4. Jackets
5. Dresses
6. Skirts
7. Shirts
8. Slacks
9. Gowns
10. Miscellaneous

CHILDREN’S CLOTHING
CLASS GE

1. Coats
2. Suits (2-Piece)
3. Suits (3-Piece)
4. Jackets
5. Dresses
6. Skirts
7. Shirts
8. Pants, Overalls
9. Formal Wear, Girls
10. Formal Wear, Boys
11. Miscellaneous

INFANT’S CLOTHING (NEWBORN – SIZE 2)
CLASS GF

1. Coats
2. 1-Piece Suit
3. 2-Piece Suit
4. 3-Piece Suit

5. Jackets
6. Dresses
7. Skirts
8. Shirts
9. Pants, Shorts, Overalls
10. Bibs
11. Christening Outfits
12. Layette Sets
13. Bonnets
14. Miscellaneous

TOYS

CLASS GG

1. Dolls
2. Stuffed Animals
3. Mobiles
4. Puppets
5. Doll Clothes
6. Books
7. Miscellaneous

TEDDY BEARS

CLASS GH

1. All Original
2. Real Fur- Jointed
3. Real Fur- Unjointed
4. Plush- Jointed
5. Plush- Unjointed
6. Mohair- Jointed
7. Mohair- Unjointed
8. Fabric- Jointed
9. Fabric- Unjointed
10. Commercial Pattern
11. Miniatures
12. Bent Leg
13. Reproduction Antique- Stieff

CHRISTMAS

CLASS GI

1. Stocking
2. Tree Skirt
3. Ornament
4. Table Decoration

MISCELLANEOUS (AT THE DISCRETION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS)

CLASS GJ

1. Wedding Gowns/Apparel
2. Costumes
3. Miscellaneous

DIVISION G – SMOCKING

Items must be clean, without stains.

INFANT’S CLOTHING (NEWBORN TO 24 MONTHS)

CLASS GK

1. Yoke Dress
2. Daygown/Nightwear
3. Overalls/Romper/Sunsuit
4. Button-On Suit
5. Christening Outfit
6. Coat
7. Miscellaneous

GIRL’S CLOTHING

CLASS GL

1. Yoke Dress or Blouse
2. Full Smocked Bodice
3. Pinafore
4. Sundress/Jumper/Culotte Jumper
5. Skirt
6. Dropped-Waist/Smocked Waist Dress
7. Coat
8. Two Piece Outfit
9. Nightwear
10. Miscellaneous

BOY’S CLOTHING

CLASS GM

1. Overall/Sunsuit
2. Playclothes
3. Miscellaneous

WOMEN’S CLOTHING

CLASS GN

1. Dress/Jumper
2. Skirt
3. Blouse
4. Ensemble
5. Nightwear Apparel
6. Miscellaneous

OFFICIAL RULES

Topsfield Fair General Rules & Information