

# DEPARTMENT 2120

## CRAFTS EXHIBIT

### GENERAL INFORMATION

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**You may enter up to 3 entries per entrant. Only one entry in each class is allowed per person.** (One each EA1, EA2, etc.).

*\*There are changes for the 2026 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 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
**Entry Receiving:** Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026 (12:00-4:00pm) & Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026 (12:00-4:00pm)  
**Entry Pick Up:** Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026 (2:00-6:00pm)  
**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 12 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.

1. 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 11).
2. 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.
  3. 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 13).
  4. 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.
  5. 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 THREE ARTICLES PER ENTRANT**
  6. Articles may be exhibited only once in Coolidge Hall.
  7. 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.
  8. Ribbon & premium awards only for Best of Show, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.
  9. All classes are available to both amateur and professionals.
  10. Additional entry forms available at the Topsfield Fair office or online.
  11. All exhibits displayed at the discretion of the Building Committee.
  12. **Articles MAY NOT be removed before pick-up day. See Rule 14.**
  13. **RECEIVING DAYS: COOLIDGE HALL WILL BE OPEN TO RECEIVE ARTICLES ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2026 FROM NOON TO 4:00 P.M., AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2026 FROM NOON TO 4:00 P.M. THE BUILDING IS THEN CLOSED TO ARRANGE FOR JUDGING.**
  14. **PICK-UP DAY:** All exhibits will be released on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2026 from 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. Exhibitors must have a receipt to obtain their

articles. Articles remaining after 6:00 P.M. will be moved to the Administration Building for pick-up after Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026. **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 (9/19/26 & 9/20/26).**

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### **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**

##### **LOT**

1. Hand Decorated Metal Article
2. Hand Decorated Wood Article
3. Hand Decorated Glass Article
4. Hand Decorated Textile Article
5. Hand Decorated Paper/Paper Mache Article

#### **DOLLS**

##### **CLASS AB**

##### **LOT**

1. Antique or Modern Reproductions
2. Ethnic Dolls
3. Cloth Dolls/ Animals
4. Holiday Dolls
5. Other Dolls

#### **WEAVING**

##### **CLASS AC**

##### **LOT**

1. Wall Hangings
2. Bed Coverings
3. Table Cloths/Placemats
4. Clothing
5. Other Weaving

#### **NATIVE AMERICAN**

##### **CLASS AD**

##### **LOT**

1. Clothes
2. Decorated Item
3. Other Native American

#### **JEWELRY- HANDWROUGHT**

##### **CLASS AE**

##### **LOT**

1. Ceramic
2. Enamel
3. Sterling Silver or Copper
4. Beaded
5. Clay (Fimo)
6. Other Jewelry-Handwrought

#### **LEATHERCRAFT**

##### **CLASS AF**

##### **LOT**

1. Belts or Wallets
2. Other Leathercraft

#### **MISCELLANEOUS – ARTWORK SCULPTURE**

(MAX FRAME SIZE NOT TO EXCEED 48 UNITED INCHES)

##### **CLASS AG**

##### **LOT**

1. Decoupage
2. Diamond Art
3. Shellwork
4. Wire
5. Clay (Fimo)- Other than Jewelry
6. Collage
7. Macramé
8. Other Artwork Sculpture

#### **STAINED GLASS**

##### **CLASS AH**

##### **LOT**

1. Large, 12” and Over
2. Small, Under 12”

#### **EGGS**

##### **CLASS AI**

##### **LOT**

1. Eggs

#### **DECORATED WREATHS**

##### **CLASS AJ**

##### **LOT**

1. Floral
2. Fruit
3. Holiday

4. Other Decorated Wreaths

QUILLING  
CLASS AK  
LOT

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

CANDLES  
CLASS AL  
LOT

1. Candles

SOAP  
CLASS AM  
LOT

1. Soap/Scrubs

BASKETRY  
CLASS AN  
LOT

1. Splint Woven- All Types
2. Pine Needle
3. Fabric
4. Nantucket Baskets
5. Other Basketry

CERAMICS  
CLASS AO  
LOT

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

WOODWORKING  
CLASS AP  
LOT

1. Contemporary Woodworking
2. Traditional Woodworking
3. Veneering/Marquetry
4. Wood Turning
5. Wood Carving
6. Other Woodworking

MODELING  
CLASS AR  
LOT

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

**DIVISION C – KNITTING & CROCHETING**

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

**Due to space limitations, oversized items (afghans & bedspreads) may not be displayed in full.**

**\*\*To enter homespun yarn, check out the Yarn Show in the Topsfield Fair Open Sheep Show Department Handbook.**

HAND KNIT HOME ACCESSORIES  
CLASS CA  
LOT

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

HAND KNIT ADULT CLOTHING  
CLASS CB  
LOT

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

HAND KNIT ADULT CLOTHING ACCESSORIES  
CLASS CC  
LOT

1. Vest
2. Shawl/Scarf
3. Socks/Slippers
4. Hat
5. Mittens
6. Other Hand Knit Adult Clothing Accessories

HAND KNIT BABY/CHILD CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES  
CLASS CD  
LOT

1. Cardigan
2. Pullover
3. Snuggies/Layettes/Onesies
4. Booties/Socks
5. Hat/Bonnet
6. Blanket

7. 2 Piece (or more) set
8. Other Hand Knit Child Clothing and Accessories

**MACHINE OR LOOM KNITTING**

**CLASS CE**

**LOT**

1. Adult Clothing
2. Baby/Child Clothing
3. Accessories
4. Other Machine or Loom Knitting

**FELTED ITEMS**

**CLASS CF**

**LOT**

1. Clothing
2. Accessories

**KNIT MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

**CLASS CG**

**LOT**

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

**CROCHETED HOME ACCESSORIES**

**CLASS CH**

**LOT**

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

**AFGHAN STITCH/TUNISIAN CROCHET**

**CLASS CI**

**LOT**

1. Blanket/Bedspreads/Throws
2. Clothing
3. Accessories
4. Other Afghan Stitch/Tunisian Crochet

**CROCHETED ADULT CLOTHING**

**CLASS CJ**

**LOT**

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

**CROCHETED BABY/CHILD CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES**

**CLASS CK**

**LOT**

1. Sweaters
2. Booties/Socks
3. Dress/Outfit
4. Baby Blanket
5. Other Crocheted Baby/Child Clothing and Accessories

**CROCHETED MISCELLANEOUS ITEM**

**CLASS CL**

**LOT**

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

**TATTING**

**CLASS CM**

**LOT**

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

**DIVISION D – NEEDLEWORK**

**Must be prepared to be hung on the wall display and should be securely framed and wired. Overall frame size should not exceed 48 united inches (height + width) \*Example 11” x 14” frame is 25” united inches, this includes frame. Due to the number of entries, oversize work can not be accepted.**

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

NEEDLEWORK WALL HANGING LARGE 12” TO 30” (MAX FRAME SIZE NOT TO EXCEED 48 UNITED INCHES)

**(Must be prepared to be hung on wall display)**

**CLASS DA**

**LOT**

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads
5. Beaded
6. Stamped Cross Stitch
7. Other Wall Hanging Large 12” to 30”

NEEDLEWORK WALL HANGING SMALL 12" OR UNDER

**(Must be prepared to be hung on wall display)**

**CLASS DB**

**LOT**

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads
5. Beaded
6. Stamped Cross Stitch
7. Other Wall Hanging Small 12" or Under

NEEDLEWORK MINIATURE 5" OR UNDER

**(Must be prepared to be hung on wall display)**

**CLASS DC**

**LOT**

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads
5. Beaded
6. Stamped Cross Stitch
7. Other Needlework Miniature 5" or Under

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

**CLASS DD**

**LOT**

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Crewel
3. Needlepoint
4. Silk & Metal Threads
5. Beaded
6. Stamped Cross Stitch
7. Other Holiday Item

NEEDLEWORK CLOTHING (VESTS, APRONS, SWEATSHIRTS, ETC.)

**CLASS DE**

**LOT**

1. Cotton Floss Embroidered
2. Beaded
3. Mixed Media (3 or more types of embroidery)
4. Other Clothing

NEEDLEWORK ACCESSORIES

**CLASS DF**

**LOT**

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

NEEDLEWORK HOME ITEMS (PILLOWCASES – SCARFS, TOWELS, PLACEMATS, SMALL TABLE COVER - UNDER 36")

**CLASS DG**

**LOT**

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

NEEDLEWORK TABLE COVER (OVER 36")

**CLASS DH**

**LOT**

1. Cotton Embroidered
2. Counted Cross Stitch
3. Stamped Cross Stitch
4. Other Table Cover

NEEDLEWORK BED COVERING

**CLASS DI**

**LOT**

1. Cotton Embroidered
2. Counted Cross Stitch
3. Stamped Cross Stitch
4. Other Bed Covering

COUNTED CROSS STITCH LARGE 12" TO 30" (MAX FRAME SIZE NOT TO EXCEED 48 UNITED INCHES)

**CLASS DJ**

**LOT**

1. Floral
2. Scenery
3. Animal
4. Sampler
5. Holiday
6. Structures (Houses, Buildings, etc.)
7. Adapted Design
8. Figures
9. Other Counted Cross Stitch Large 12" to 30"

COUNTED CROSS STITCH SMALL 12" OR UNDER

**CLASS DK**

**LOT**

1. Floral
2. Scenery
3. Animal
4. Sampler
5. Holiday
6. Structures (Houses, Buildings, etc.)
7. Adapted Design
8. Figures
9. Other Counted Cross Stitch Small 12" or Under

JAPANESE BUNKA EMBROIDERY – NUMBERED  
(MAX FRAME SIZE NOT TO EXCEED 48 UNITED  
INCHES)

**CLASS DL**

**LOT**

1. Floral
2. Scenery
3. Animal
4. Other Japanese Bunka Embroidery – Numbered

JAPANESE BUNKA EMBROIDERY – UNNUMBERED  
(MAX FRAME SIZE NOT TO EXCEED 48 UNITED  
INCHES)

**CLASS DM**

**LOT**

1. Floral
2. Scenery
3. Animal
4. Other Japanese Bunka Embroidery – Unnumbered

PLASTIC CANVAS (MAX FRAME SIZE NOT TO  
EXCEED 48 UNITED INCHES)

**CLASS DN**

**LOT**

1. Flat
2. Free Standing
3. Three Dimensional

APPLIQUE AND SCULPTURAL FELT

**CLASS DO**

**LOT**

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**

**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.** 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. 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, design and workmanship.**

BED QUILTS

**CLASS EA**

**LOT**

1. Bed Quilts

WALL HANGINGS

**CLASS EB**

**LOT**

1. Wall Hangings

MINATURE QUILT

**CLASS EC**

**LOT**

1. Miniature Quilt

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

**CLASS ED**

**LOT**

1. Group Quilt

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

**CLASS EE**

**LOT**

1. Junior Division

OTHER QUILTED ITEM

**CLASS EF**

**LOT**

1. Other Quilted Item

**DIVISION F – RUGS**

BRAIDED – SPIRAL OR BUTTED

**CLASS FA**

**LOT**

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. Hall or Stair Runner
4. Odd Shape or Oval

**HOOKED YARN (LATCH AND PUNCH HOOK TYPE)**

**CLASS FB**

**LOT**

1. Wall Hangings
2. Original Designs

**HOOKED WOOL STRIPS**

**CLASS FC**

**LOT**

1. Primitives
2. Wall Hanging
3. Original Design
4. Hall or Stair Runner

**NURSERY PATTERNS**

**CLASS FD**

**LOT**

1. Small Rugs and Hangings
2. Floral

**SHEARED PUNCH NEEDLES**

**CLASS FE**

**LOT**

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 Sheared Punch Needles

**DIVISION G – SEWING**

**Items must be clean, without stains.**

**NOVELTY PILLOWS**

**CLASS GA**

**LOT**

1. Appliquéd
2. Embroidered
3. Patchwork
4. Other Novelty Pillows

**HANDBAGS/BACKPACKS/TOTES**

**CLASS GB**

**LOT**

1. Appliquéd
2. Embroidered
3. Patchwork
4. Other Handbags/Backpacks/Totes

**MEN'S CLOTHING**

**CLASS GC**

**LOT**

1. Jacket
2. Slacks

3. Shirts

4. Other Men's Clothing

**WOMEN'S CLOTHING**

**CLASS GD**

**LOT**

1. Coats/Jackets
2. Dresses
3. Skirts
4. Tops/Blouse
5. Slacks
6. Other Women's Clothing

**CHILDREN'S CLOTHING**

**CLASS GE**

**LOT**

1. Coats/Jackets
2. Dresses or Skirts
3. Shirts
4. Pants or Overalls
5. Formal Wear, Girls or Boys
6. Bibs
7. Christening Outfits
8. Layette Sets
9. Bonnets
10. Other Children's Clothing

**TOYS**

**CLASS GF**

**LOT**

1. Doll/Doll Clothes
2. Stuffed Animals
3. Mobiles
4. Puppets
5. Books
6. Other Toys

**TEDDY BEARS**

**CLASS GG**

**LOT**

1. All Original
2. Real Fur
3. Plush
4. Mohair
5. Fabric
6. Commercial Pattern
7. Miniatures
8. Bent Leg
9. Other Teddy Bears

CHRISTMAS

**CLASS GH**

**LOT**

1. Stocking
2. Tree Skirt
3. Ornament
4. Table Decoration
5. Other Christmas

**OFFICIAL RULES**

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HOME DECOR

**CLASS GI**

**LOT**

1. Wall Hanging/Picture
2. Tabletop Item/Linen
3. Other Home Decor

**DIVISION G – SMOCKING**

**Items must be clean, without stains.**

INFANT'S CLOTHING (NEWBORN TO 24 MONTHS)

**CLASS GJ**

**LOT**

1. Dress
2. Overalls/Romper/Sunsuit
3. Christening Outfit
4. Coat
5. Other Infant's Clothing

GIRL'S CLOTHING

**CLASS GK**

**LOT**

1. Yoke Dress or Blouse
2. Pinafore
3. Skirt or Jumper
4. Dropped-Waist/Smocked Waist Dress
5. Coat
6. Other Girl's Clothing

BOY'S CLOTHING

**CLASS GL**

**LOT**

1. Overall/Sunsuit
2. Playclothes
3. Other Boy's Clothing

WOMEN'S CLOTHING

**CLASS GM**

**LOT**

1. Dress/Jumper
2. Skirt
3. Blouse
4. Other Women's Clothing