

**DEPARTMENT FOURTEEN  
PHOTOGRAPHY  
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Entries must be made at the Secretary's Office beginning **Monday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, and ending at 4:00 p.m. on **Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026**.

Exhibits are to be brought in on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

Closed Judging for photography begins at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>

Exhibits may be picked up with a claim check between 6:00 p.m. And 8 p.m. on Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. Any photos not picked up on Sunday evening can be picked up at the Secretary's Office.

**NO EARLY REMOVALS.**

**2026 PHOTOGRAPHY RULES**

1. See rules and regulations regarding entries. All exhibits must be the personal work of the exhibitor and must have been completed *within two years of this year's fair*. Articles once having taken a premium at the Sandusky County Fair cannot compete again.

2. All exhibitors must purchase a weekly or membership pass at the cost of \$35.00 for adults, or \$30.00 for youth. A youth may show under their parents' weekly pass.

3. Each exhibitor may enter one (1) exhibit per lot, and may only enter one age classification.

- **CHILDREN UNDER 13** is limited to anyone under 13 years of age or younger.

- **YOUTH CLASS** is for ages 14-17.

- **The AMATEUR ADULT CLASS** is for those 18 and over who are new to photography and have not won more than three (3) first place ribbons or a Best of Show Award in any photography competition.

- **EXPERIENCED ADULT** is for those 18 and over who have exhibited at least 5 years and/or earned awards in any photography competition.

- **A PROFESSIONAL** is defined as a student enrolled in a photography school or someone who earns 50% or more of his/her annual income as a photographer.

4. Some lots are traditional, and some are creative. Exhibitors are not expected to enter every lot because some photographers are traditionalists, while others are creative.

5. All exhibits must be enlargements of 8 inches by 10 inches or larger. **Not to exceed 11 x 14 inches overall dimensions.**

6. All enlargements must be mounted on 1/8-inch-thick mount board or poster board. **ONLY BLACK OR WHITE**

**MATTED PRINTS ARE ALLOWED. NO FRAMED PRINTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** All exhibits must have tabs at the top and bottom of the exhibit to allow for hanging. All exhibits must have tags attached in the lower right-hand corner. Any exhibit that is not properly affixed, lacks tabs, or does not have tag attached in the lower right-hand corner will not be accepted. Director's Decision is Final.

7. The fair provides entertainment of a wholesome nature for the entire family; therefore, exhibits containing nudes or other questionable subject matter will not be accepted. Please call the department director or superintendent if you have any questions.

8. Classes may be withdrawn, combined, or divided if the number of entries warrants.

9. All photographs must be printed on traditional photograph paper. No Inkjet printed photos accepted. We do not guarantee the safety of exhibits, but precautions will be taken to protect exhibits.

*Best of Show Color – Class 289 Children*

*Best of Show Black/White – Class 289 Children*

*Best of Show Color – Class 290 Youth 14-17*

*Best of Show Black/White – Class 290 Youth 14-17*

*Best of Show Color – Class 291 Amateur Adult*

*Best of Show Black/White – Class 291 Amateur Adult*

*Best of Show Color – Class 292 Experienced Adult*

*Best of Show Black/White – Class 292 Experienced Adult*

*Best of Show Color – Class 293 Professional*

*Best of Show Black/White – Class 293 Professional*

**CLASS 289 CHILDREN 13 & UNDER**

**CLASS 290 YOUTH 14-17**

**CLASS 291 AMATEUR ADULT**

**CLASS 292 EXPERIENCED ADULT**

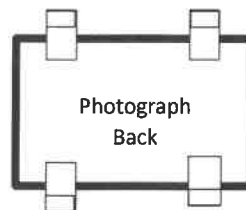
**CLASS 293 PROFESSIONAL**

**Premiums: 1st-\$5.50; 2nd-\$4.50; 3rd-\$2.00**

**Lot Description**

1. Botanicals - Color (Flowers, plants, trees, etc.)
2. People - Color
3. Animals (Wild or Domestic) - Color
4. Extreme Close Up - Color
5. Farm Life - Color
6. Food/Drink - Color
7. Make Me Laugh - Color
8. Nighttime - Color
9. Any Category or Description not listed - Color
10. Botanicals - B/W (Flowers, plants, trees, etc.)
11. People - B/W
12. Animals (Wild or Domestic) - B/W
13. Extreme Close Up - B/W
14. Farm Life - B/W
15. Food/Drink - B/W
16. Make Me Laugh - B/W
17. Nighttime - B/W
18. Any Category or Description not listed - B/W

Sample of Tabs needed to hang photographs on board



Use a fiber tape or heavier tape to make tabs by folding it over on backside, leaving the double tape about an inch over to allow for stapling.

