

ARTS & CRAFTS

Levels:

<u>Beginner</u>	Grades 3 – 5
<u>Intermediate</u>	Grades 6 – 8
<u>Advanced</u>	Grades 9 – 12

Project Guidelines:

Any boy or girl may enroll in any of the four (4) specific crafts areas: Fine Arts, Needlecraft, Basic Craft and Models with a **maximum of two exhibits per area**. (Example: A child may exhibit as many as **two** projects from the Needlecraft area but they cannot have more than one crochet or one counted cross-stitch or embroidery, etc.) **They may exhibit only one craft in each medium.** Llama Craft is under Llama project – see animal project requirements.

There will be a **Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced** Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion selected in each of the following categories: Needlecraft, Fine Arts, Model Craft and Basic Crafts. A new craft area may be considered for Champion if there are three of the same project. These will be under the already existing categories. (Example: baskets – under basic crafts) Only the exhibits selected in the above categories will proceed to the State Fair (selected according to State Fair requirements). Use information card and label provided by leader. There are no division requirements. The member's projects should be appropriate for his or her age and ability level. **The project should have been completed since last year's Fair.** **It is recommended that your name or initials be found somewhere on the bottom of your craft for identification purposes.** Must have 3 entries in a section or class for a Champion to be selected unless the judge warrants a Champion.

Exhibit Requirements:

- All appropriate projects should be ready to hang.
- Craft cards: 4-H members enrolled in the crafts project must complete and attach a craft card to their exhibit (a craft card is needed for each exhibit). Cards are available in the Extension Office or through your club leader
- No unfinished arts and crafts project will be exhibited.
- All exhibits must be ready for use.
- Records must be complete for project to be judged!
- No item will be accepted after judging occurs

FINE ARTS – (2 entries chosen for State Fair) – specific crafts are pictures on suitable paper or canvas using oils, water color, charcoal, ink, finger paint, pencil, chalk, pastels, acrylics, crayons, etc. Prepare the picture for hanging, including matting, glass, framing, and hanging fixtures. Pictures do not have to be professionally matted and framed. **(Must use screw eye and wire or strap hanger and wire; hangers must be screwed into the frame.)** No cardboard frames or easel-back frames accepted. Exhibit one picture signed and ready for hanging. Acrylics and oils **MUST** have a frame but no mat or glass. "Paint by Number" and "Poster Paints" are not considered Fine Arts and will be judged as a Basic Craft. **Scratch Art will exhibit in Basic Crafts.** May exhibit only one craft in each media, two (2) per area.

NEEDLECRAFT - (2 entries chosen for State Fair) – Specific crafts are crochet, knitting, embroidery, crewel, bargello, tatting, cross-stitch, candlewicking, needlepoint, **hand** quilting, huck or Swedish weaving or any other miscellaneous needlecraft made by hand – not machine. Each article exhibited must be finished and ready for use, i.e. hems in pillowcases. Any picture should be ready for hanging and completed for placement. Must have proper hanger: **(Must use screw eye and wire or strap hanger and wire; hangers must be screwed into the frame.)** No cardboard or easel-back frames; may not use picture stand. May exhibit only one craft in each media, two (2) per area.

BASIC CRAFTS – (6 entries chosen for State Fair) – specific crafts are latchhook, leather, macramé, reed craft, textile painting, batik, plaster items, plaques, decoupage, stained glass, yarn and fabric flowers, stuffed animals, hand-made dolls, toys, dough art, jewelry, seed art, nature art, machine quilting, painting, hand-build and precast ceramics. **Purchased bisque (prefired and ready to paint) will be put in separate class under miscellaneous.** Metal craft, wood craft, string or wire art, tube and textile painting, machine knitting, tole painting, plastic canvas, or any other miscellaneous craft combining 2 specific crafts or any other miscellaneous craft. All items that are to be hung must have hangers. No easels. **(Must use screw eye and wire or strap hanger and wire; hangers must be screwed into the frame.)** May exhibit only one craft in each media, two (2) per area.

MODELS – (2 entries chosen for State Fair) – Exhibits being cars, trucks, planes, boats, military, space, units and miscellaneous models. Units consisting of two or more models. If the model is to be exhibited

on a board, the board must not extend more than 1" beyond the model. Do not seal or tape display case shut. Do not wire, tape or glue model to boards or cases. Snap to models will be put under Models – however judge will not consider them for honors or Champions. **DIE CAST MODELS WILL BE JUDGED AS A MODEL BUT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR STATE FAIR.** May exhibit only one craft in each media, two (2) per area.