

FINE ARTS

DEPARTMENT FA



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ENTERING: Friday, August 28.....11:00 am to 8:00 pm
Saturday, August 29.....11:00 am to 5:00 pm

RELEASED: Sunday, September 13.....10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Monday, September 14.....8:30 am to 7:00 pm



AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2026						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August 23 rd	24 th	25 th	26 th	27 th	28 th ENTERING: 11:00 am to 8:00 pm	29 th ENTERING: 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
30 th	31 st	September 1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th EISF BEGINS!	5 th EISF PARADE @ 10:00 am
6 th	7th LABOR DAY Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	8 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	9 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	10 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	11 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	12 th EISF ENDS! Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm
13 th Premium Payouts 10 am – 4 pm RELEASED: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm	14 th Premium Payouts 8:30 am – 7 pm <i>In the Photography Dept. Building</i>	15 th Premium Payouts 8:30 am – 4:30 pm <i>@ EISF Main Office</i>				

ENTRY INFORMATION: Entry Forms are available at www.funatthefair.com Select the **EXHIBITORS & COMPETITORS** button on the home page then scroll down to find your specific department. You may also contact the Eastern Idaho State Fair, 97 Park Street, PO Box 250, Blackfoot, ID 83221; email entries@funatthefair.com; or call EISF Office at 208-785-2480.

ENTRY DATES:

- Friday, August 28, 2026, from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm
- Saturday, August 29, 2026, from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm
 - *No exhibits will be received after these hours.*

ENTRY FEES:

- **Division A – PROFESSIONAL**
 - There is a limit of three (3) works per exhibitor, two of which may be 40” or larger on the longest dimension.
 - \$10.00 per item – Less than 40” at the longest point (including frame)

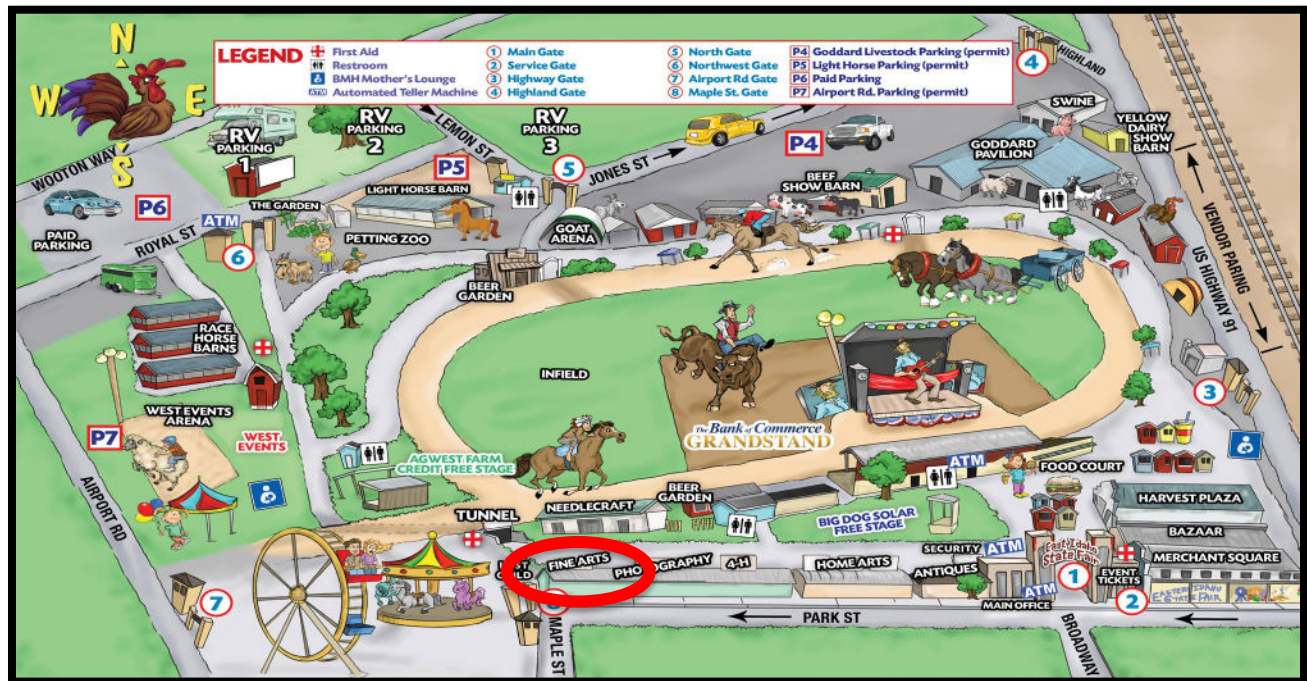
- \$25.00 per item – 40” or greater at the longest point (including frame)
- **Division B – AMATEUR**
 - There is a limit of three (3) works per exhibitor, one of which may be 40” or larger on longest dimension.
 - \$6.00 per item – Less than 40” at the longest point (including frame)
 - \$15.00 per item – 40” or greater at the longest point (including frame)
- **Division C – YOUTH**
 - There is a limit of two (2) works per exhibitor, which may be up to 40” or larger on longest dimension (including frame).
 - \$2.00 per item entered.
- **Division D – SPECIAL NEEDS**
 - There is a limit of two (2) works per exhibitor, which may be up to 40” or larger on longest dimension (including frame).
 - \$2.00 per item entered.

ENTRY FORM/TAGS:

- Entry Forms are available online, please print and bring in with you on day of entering along with your artwork. Entry Forms will also be available at time of entering.
- There will NOT be any entry tags given out prior to entry day.

ENTRY LOCATION: Eastern Idaho State Fair, Fine Art Department, 4-H Building (green building near Carnival Lot) 97 Park Street, Blackfoot, ID 83221.

2026 EASTERN IDAHO STATE FAIR MAP



***PLEASE PARK ON PARK STREET OR IN THE CARNIVAL LOT ON ENTRY DATES.**

RELEASE DATES: (NO EXCEPTIONS)

- Sunday, September 13, 2026, from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
- Monday, September 14, 2026, from 8:30 am – 7:00 pm
- The Fair will not be responsible for articles left after 7:00 pm on Monday, September 14, 2026. All artwork not picked up will be disposed of 60 days after completion of Fair.

CASH PREMIUMS: will be available at Park Street-Payout Window, west of Main Gate No. 1.

- Monday, September 7 through Saturday, September 12, 2026, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
- Sunday, September 13, 2026, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

- Monday, September 14, 2026, from 8:30 am to 7:00 pm at the Photography Dept. Bldg.
- After September 14, 2026, awards will be given out only during regular office hours and may be picked up at the EISF Main Office, hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm with lunch from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm EISF Main Office will also be closed on Friday, September 18, 2026, at 3:00 pm and will be closed on Monday, September 20, 2026, all day to observe the Labor Day Holiday for office employees. **Premiums not claimed by September 29, 2026, will be considered a donation, and will revert to the EISF General Fund.**

SPECIAL DEPARTMENT RULES:

- All articles shall be under the control of the Superintendents of this department. Every reasonable precaution will be taken to ensure the safety of the exhibits, but the artist assumes all responsibility in case of loss or theft and in no case will the Management of the Eastern Idaho State Fair or the Superintendent's be responsible for loss or damage. Exhibitors are requested to read the General Rules and Regulations of this fair.
- Submission of artwork in the Fine Arts Department signifies acceptance of such rules.
- Superintendent reserves the right to reject any objectionable or inappropriate artwork.
- Superintendent has the authority to divide or combine categories if needed.
- Exhibitor may put a business card with your name and contact information to be displayed with entry. **However, no prices may be listed.**
- NO PREMIUM WILL BE PAID IF NO COMPETITION EXISTS – A COMPETITION CONSISTS OF A MINIMUM OF THREE (3) OR MORE ENTRIES IN A SINGLE DEPARTMENT CLASS.**
- Superintendent has the right to move an entry into a different class if the original entered class will not have enough entries for a competition to exist.
- Superintendent will be the only person authorized to change class entries.
- Awards will be made according to the merits of the entry. If the judge decides an entry is not worthy of 1st place, the judge may disqualify the entry or the judge can choose to award 2nd place, 3rd place, or 4th place premiums, this is at the judge's discretion.
- If there is no competition for an entry, but the judge still deems that the entry would have been worthy of a blue ribbon it can still be considered for any Department Special Awards.
- No altered or modified photographs. Digital Art must be original creation of artist.
- Original art only, no prints or reproductions.
- Copies of other artists' work (Master Copies) must be attributed i.e. "after ABC by Picasso". These are discouraged and are not allowed in Division A – Professional.
- ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS: See "EASTERN IDAHO STATE FAIR 2026 GENERAL RULES"

FINE ART GUIDELINES:

- All Artwork in Division A and B will be professional in presentation, including a screwed-in wire hanger. No sawtooth hangers will be accepted.
- DIVISION A - PROFESSIONAL – Each entry must be the submitting artist's original work (concept and execution). NO previously entered artwork will be allowed.
- DIVISION B - AMATUER – All wishing to enter the exhibition are welcome in this class. Artwork done in classroom or workshop settings may be included. All artworks must have been created in the last three years and never entered before in the Eastern Idaho State Fair.
- DIVISION C - YOUTH – Artwork done on paper must be mounted on a board with hanger or construction paper. Matting or framing is encouraged. Velcro may be used, Velcro should be hook type (not loop) as the hanging device if the work is unframed and lightweight, otherwise a wire hanger must be used- anchored with screws. Please do not use tape as a hanging or framing device.
- DIVISION D – SPECIAL NEEDS – Artwork done on paper must be mounted on a board with hanger or construction paper. Matting or framing is encouraged.
- Superintendents will be available to provide hanging hardware during entry and install it at a charge of \$1 to \$4, depending on what is required. We will do our best to provide a method to hang your art.

AWARDS SOCIAL
Thursday, SEPTEMBER 3, 2026, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm
Light refreshments will be served.
Each artist may bring one guest to the Awards Social.
(Division C – Youth – two guests are allowed per artist)

The EISF Board of Directors will be choosing a
“Directors Choice Best of Show”
Winners will be awarded a Rosette and a \$20.00 premium
Awards will be placed by Sunday, September 6, 2026

SPECTATOR’S CHOICE
Each day of the Fair, visitors may vote for their favorite artwork.
At the end of each day the entry receiving the
most votes will receive a Rosette and \$10.00 premium.
(An entry can win only once during the Fair.)

DIVISION A – PROFESSIONAL

Division A - Professional Premiums:

(10) Top Ten Rosette - \$80.00

(15) Honorable Mention Ribbon - \$40.00

- Class 1 - Oil Based
- Class 2 - Water Color
- Class 3 - Drawing Based
- Class 4 - 3-D Based
- Class 5 - Acrylic
- Class 6 - Digital Art



- ❖ All Professional Classes 1 – 6 will be judged against each other.
- ❖ A maximum of three (3) entries per exhibitor will be allowed.
- ❖ All Class 4 – 3-D Based entries must be made of one type of element only.

Special cards will be provided so spectators can leave their contact information for artists they are interested in reaching out to. The cards will be given to the respective artist during release of exhibitor's art.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Division A - Professional – "BEST OF SHOW" – Rosette and \$600.00

Division A - Professional – "SUPERINTENDENT'S AWARD" – Rosette and \$50.00

DIVISION B – AMATEUR

Division B - Amateur Premiums:

(10) Top Ten Rosette - \$30.00

(15) Honorable Mention Ribbon - \$20.00

- Class 7 - Oil Based
- Class 8 - Water Color
- Class 9 - Drawing Based
- Class 10 - 3-D Based
- Class 11 - Acrylic
- Class 12 - Digital Art

- ❖ All Amateur Classes 7 – 12 will be judged against each other.
- ❖ A maximum of three (3) entries per exhibitor will be allowed.
- ❖ All Class 10 – 3-D Based entries must be made of one type of element only.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Division B – Amateur – “BEST OF SHOW” – Rosette and \$100.00
Division B – Amateur – “SUPERINTENDENT’S AWARD” – Rosette and \$30.00

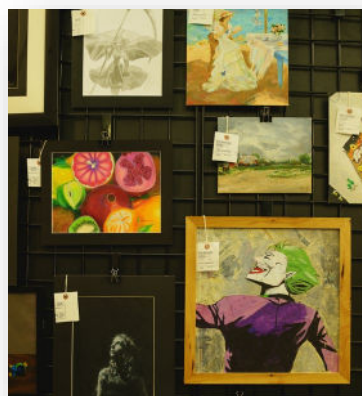
DIVISION C – YOUTH

Premium Classes 13 - 20:

1st place - \$20.00; 2nd place - \$15.00; 3rd place - \$10.00; and Honorable Mention - Prize

AGE AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

- Class 13 - Ages 1-4
- Class 14 - Ages 5-6
- Class 15 - Ages 7-8
- Class 16 - Ages 9-10
- Class 17 - Ages 11-12
- Class 18 - Ages 13-14
- Class 19 - Ages 15-16
- Class 20 - Ages 17-18



SPECIAL AWARDS

Division C – Youth – “BEST OF SHOW” – Rosette and \$40.00
Division C – Youth – “SUPERINTENDENT’S AWARD” (2) – Rosette & \$15.00

DIVISION D – SPECIAL NEEDS

Premium Classes 21 - 22:

1st place - \$20.00; 2nd place - \$15.00; 3rd place - \$10.00; and Honorable Mention - Prize

AGE AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

- Class 21 - Ages 1-18
- Class 22 - Over 18

SPECIAL AWARDS

Division D – SPECIAL NEEDS – “BEST OF SHOW” – Rosette and \$40.00
Division D – SPECIAL NEEDS – “SUPERINTENDENT’S AWARD” (1) – Rosette & \$15.00