

HOBBIES & CRAFTS

DEPARTMENT HC



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ENTERING: Friday, August 28.....11:00 am to 8:00 pm
 Saturday, August 29.....11:00 am to 6:00 pm

RELEASED: Sunday, September 13.....10:00 am to 4:00 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 6:00 pm
30 th	31 st	September 1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4th EISF BEGINS!	5th EISF PARADE @ 10:00 am
6th	7th LABOR DAY Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	8th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	9th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	10th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	11th Premium Payouts 10 am – 6 pm	12th 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>				

***EXHIBIT ITEMS MUST BE MADE BETWEEN
 SEPTEMBER 2025 TO AUGUST 2026***

ENTRY FORMS & INFORMATION: Available online at www.funatthefair.com and 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.

- 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 *in the Photography Dept. Bldg.*
- After September 15, 2026, premiums 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 21, 2026, all day to observe the Labor Day Holiday for office employees. ***Premiums not claimed by September 30, 2026, will be considered a donation, and will revert back to the EISF General Fund.***

SPECIAL DEPARTMENT RULES:

- A. USE A PENCIL TO FILL IN YOUR EXHIBITOR FORM, NO INK PENS, PLEASE.
- B. No item can be entered for competitions that was made before September 2025. Items must be made between September 2025 and August 2026. Any item that does not meet this qualification will not be judged.
- C. No entry will be accepted unless a category exists and is listed in the online exhibitor hand book.
- D. Exhibitors may not enter more than 1 (one) item per Class.
- E. No items with any kind of food or candy will be accepted.
- F. All items must be ready to display i.e.: Framed *or* ready to hang or mounted securely on a piece of foam-core. No cardboard *or* cardstock allowed.
- G. Judging is done according to the merits of the entry. Only one of each 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons is awarded per class. Honorable Mentions as per the Judge.
- H. The Superintendent reserves 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.
- I. The Eastern Idaho State Fair will NOT be responsible in any way for the security of entries. BUT precautions will be taken to protect against breakage, theft, or damage of any kind.
- J. Two exhibits entered by the same person OR household does not constitute a competition in the same category and/or division and WILL NOT be judged.
- K. 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.
- L. 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, or 3rd place premiums, this is at the judge’s discretion.
- M. 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.
- N. Only one of each placing in any one class will be awarded, unless otherwise specified in Department Special Rules.
- O. The Superintendent reserves the right to limit the number of entries entered by an exhibitor.
- P. **ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS: See “EASTERN IDAHO STATE FAIR 2026 GENERAL RULES”.**

ADULT DIVISION

DIVISION A – HOBBIES

LEATHERWORK

Premium Classes 1 – 3: 1st - \$10.00; 2nd - \$8.00; 3rd - \$6.00; and Honorable Mention

REQUIREMENT: *Items must not have been previously used or worn.*

1. Carrying Case – *Example:* Purse or Bag
2. Equestrian Equipment
3. Wearing Apparel

WOOD WORKING – LARGE ITEM

Premium Classes 4 - 5: 1st - \$30.00; 2nd - \$20.00; 3rd - \$10.00

REQUIREMENT: *Items must be full standard size, not miniature.*

4. Furniture – *Example:* Bed, Chair, Bench, Bookcase, Dresser, Doll House, etc.
5. Chain Saw Sculpture

WOOD WORKING

Premium Classes 6 – 16: 1st - \$15.00; 2nd - \$10.00; 3rd - \$8.00

REQUIREMENT: *Hanging items must be ready to hang with wire. No sawtooth hangers will be accepted.*

6. Musical Instrument
7. Toy – No Furniture
8. Wood Burning
9. Wood Burning with Color
10. Clock
11. Scroll Saw
12. Intarsia/Segmentation
13. Holiday
14. Wood Turning
15. Collections – Maximum of 3
16. Other – Any Item Not Already Listed in the Above Classes

WOOD CARVING, ORIGINAL

Premium Classes 17 – 23: 1st - \$10.00; 2nd - \$8.00; 3rd - \$6.00

REQUIREMENTS:

- *Hand-carved items only, items may be any of these styles: chip carving, style carving, relief carving, carving in the round, whittling.*
- *No more than 3 items in a grouping*

17. Land Animals
18. Sea Animals or Fish
19. Figure or Bust
20. Holiday/Seasonal
21. Dremel – Animal
22. Dremel – Useful Item
23. Other – Any Item Not Already Listed in the Above Classes



HANDCRAFTED

Premium Classes 24 – 50: 1st - \$10.00; 2nd - \$8.00; 3rd - \$6.00

REQUIREMENTS:

- ***Items must be framed or on foam core ready for display or to hang.***
- ***No card stock accepted.***
- ***No sawtooth hangers will be accepted.***

24. Yarn Item – Animal or Doll
25. Yarn Item - Other
26. Diamond Art and Pixel Picture – Small (size up to 16"x20" with frame)
 - a. Animals
 - b. People
 - c. Holiday
 - d. Scene or Other
27. Diamond Art and Pixel Picture – Large (size up to 18"x22 with frame")
 - a. Animals
 - b. People
 - c. Holiday
 - d. Scene or Other
28. Floral – Wreath
29. Floral – Arrangement
30. Legos – on a Base (10" to 22" wide x 8" to 14" deep x 6" to 12" tall)
31. Metal Art (max. size 16" x 20")
32. Model – Original or Kit – Small
33. Model – Original or Kit – Large
34. Plastic Canvas Item
35. Recycled Item
36. Rock Art (max. weight 8 lbs.)
37. Rock Art Collection – Maximum of 8 Rocks
38. Shadow Box
39. Stained Glass
40. 3D Printed Item
41. Origami
42. Card Making – Any Occasion*
 - * **Paper requirements for Class 42:** Grouping of up to 3 cards, any occasion, mounted on foam core, no envelopes
43. Scrapbook – Any Occasion*
 - * **Paper requirements for Class 43:** Scrapbook single page 12" x 12"
44. Ceramic/Pottery
45. Animal – Cloth
46. Dolls – Under 24"
47. Refurbished Item/Furniture
48. Antler Art
49. Horseshoe Art
50. Other – Any Item Not Already Listed in the Above Classes



DIVISION B – CRAFTS

SPINNING and WEAVING

Premium Classes 51 - 56: 1st - \$8.00; 2nd - \$6.00; 3rd - \$4.00

51. Dyed Yarn/Fiber
52. Felted Item
53. Handspun
54. Weaving
55. Spinning – Clothing Item
56. Woven – Blanket or Rug

BEADING

Premium Classes 57 - 59: 1st - \$8.00; 2nd - \$6.00; 3rd - \$4.00

REQUIREMENTS:

- ***Items won't be accepted if **NOT** mounted on a sturdy jewelry display, no card stock accepted.***
- ***No sawtooth hangers will be accepted.***

57. Jewelry – Earrings, Bracelet, or Necklace (choice of one item)
58. Jewelry – Combination or Set (limit of 3 items)
59. Ornament

JEWELRY

Premium Classes 60 - 64: 1st - \$8.00; 2nd - \$6.00; 3rd - \$4.00

REQUIREMENTS:

- ***Items will not be accepted if **NOT** mounted on a sturdy jewelry display, no card stock accepted.***

60. Bracelet, Earrings, Necklace, Watchband, or Ring (one item of your choice)
61. Gemstone (must be displayed in a clear bag)
62. Jewelry Combination or Set (limit of 3 items)
63. Wire Wrapped
64. Other – Any Item Not Already Listed in the Above Classes



DIVISION C – SPECIALIZED

Premiums Classes 65 - 82: 1st - \$8.00; 2nd - \$6.00; 3rd - \$4.00; & Honorable Mention

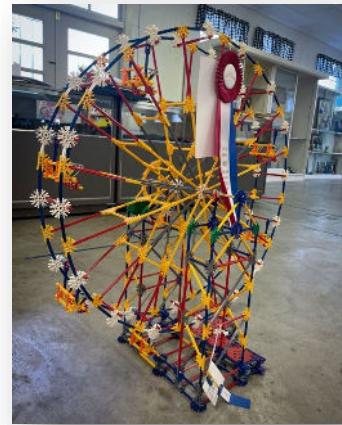
PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

REQUIREMENTS:

- ***** Classes 69 through 72 ready to hang either framed or on Foam Core***
- ***No card stock accepted.***
- ***No sawtooth hangers will be accepted.***

65. Model
66. Sewing
67. Crocheted Item
68. Puzzle (must be mounted on foam core ready for display)
69. Picture – Pencil Sketch or Colored Pencils **
70. Picture – Watercolors or Paint **
71. Picture – Crayons or Markers **
72. Picture – Other **

- 73. Jewelry (needs to be in a clear zip lock bag)
- 74. Pony Beads Item (needs to be in a clear zip lock bag)
- 75. Ceramics –Animal
- 76. Ceramics – Figure
- 77. Ceramics - Seasonal/Holiday
- 78. Fuse Beads (one item)
- 79. Recycled Item
- 80. Diamond Art – Holiday/Seasonal
- 81. Diamond Art – Landscape or Other
- 82. Legos or Knex



2026 SPECIAL AWARDS

Class 150. **BEST OF SHOW – Adult Division**

Rosette and \$20.00

Class 151. **SUPERINTENDENT AWARD – Adult Division**

Rosette and \$20.00

Selection will be at the Superintendent’s discretion.

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

THE SPIRIT OF EASTERN IDAHO 2026

The Beauty of Flowers Native to Eastern Idaho

Inspire your artwork with blooms such as Syringa, Columbine, Bitterroot, Blanket Flower, Evening Primrose, Blue Flax, Yarrow, Arrowleaf Balsamroot, Camas Lily, Elkhorn Clarkia — or any native flower you love!



Class 120

This entry provides a showcase for Crafters and Hobbyist to create an item that represents the Spirit of Eastern Idaho



Medium

- Painting • Drawing • Photography • Stained Glass
- Woodworking • Leatherwork • Jewelry • Beading
- Weaving • Ceramics • Pottery
- Cross Stitch/Embroidery



Requirements

- Maximum size 8"x10" • Any entry on paper must be framed and be ready to hang, absolutely no sawtooth hangers accepted



Premiums

1st Place --- \$35.00

2nd Place --- \$25.00

3rd Place --- \$15.00



JUNIOR DIVISION

DIVISION D – JUNIORS

JR. JUNIORS

Premiums Classes 200 - 204: 1st - \$5.00; 2nd - \$3.00; 3rd - \$2.00; & Honorable Mention

- Age is as of August 1, 2026: Jr. Junior – 3 to 5 years of age

REQUIREMENTS:

- *Picture maximum size 12 x 12, ready to display must be framed or mounted on foam core, NO cardstock accepted.*
- *No items with any kind of food or candy will be accepted.*

- 200. Picture – Crayons, Markers, Colored Pencils
- 201. Picture – Watercolor, Finger Paint
- 202. Picture – Collage made with miscellaneous items
- 203. Woodcraft – Age-appropriate kit OR item
- 204. Collections – **Max of 6 small items of their interest displayed securely on foam core or in a box.**

JUNIORS

Premiums Classes 205 – 228: 1st - \$6.00; 2nd - \$4.00; 3rd - \$3.00; & Honorable Mention

- Age categories listed below for Classes 205-226 (age is as of August 1, 2026):
 - A. Child – 6 to 8 years of age
 - B. Youth – 9 to 11 years of age
 - C. Pre-Teen – 12 to 14 years of age
 - D. Teen – 15 to 17 years of age

REQUIREMENTS:

- *Maximum of 12 items (entries) per exhibitor allowed.*
- *Picture must be framed or mounted on foam core ready for display, no sawtooth hangers will be accepted.*
- *No card stock accepted.*
- *No items with any kind of food or candy will be accepted.*
- *Legos must be attached to a solid base or secured in a size appropriate sturdy container.*

- 205. Digital Art (up to 11" x 17")
- 206. Model – Original or Kit
- 207. Wood Crafted Item
- 208. Handcrafted Items – Crochet, Knitted, or Paracord
- 209. Picture – Crayons
- 210. Picture – Markers
- 211. Picture – Pencil (sketch/shading)
- 212. Picture – Watercolor
- 213. Picture – Colored Pencils



- 214. Picture – Paint
- 215. Picture – Chalk
- 216. Rock Art (max. weight 6 lbs.)
- 217. Ceramic/Pottery
- 218. Jewelry (ready for display)
- 219. Diamond Art (max. size 16" x 20")
- 220. Fuse Beads Item (need to be in a clear zip lock bag – 5 items or less)
- 221. Lego's – Kit (must be secured to a base for moving, no loose pieces)
- 222. Lego's – Original Design (must be secured to a base for moving, no loose pieces)
- 223. Recycled Item
- 224. Paper Craft – Origami, Paper Mache', etc.
- 225. String Art (max. size 12" x 12" ready for display)
- 226. 3-D Printed Art (max. size 15" x 15") - **Age Classes C & D only** (Ages 12 to 17 years old)
- 227. Collections – **Max of 6 small items of their interest displayed securely on foam core or in a box.**
- 228. Other – Any Item Not Already Listed in the Above Classes

229. Rock Villages for Ages 6-17

Use your imagination to create a rock village or town with little painted rocks.

- Must resemble a little town or village that is securely displayed on a 17" x 22" board.
- A minimum of 10 hand painted rock buildings
offices, an/or houses with a maximum of 15.
- Can include other landscaping decorations
(lights, stop signs, sand, grass, road base, people figurines, trees, bushes, etc.)
- Use your imagination for the theme of your town. (Old West, Fantasy, Space Port, Cartoon, etc.) the sky is the limit.



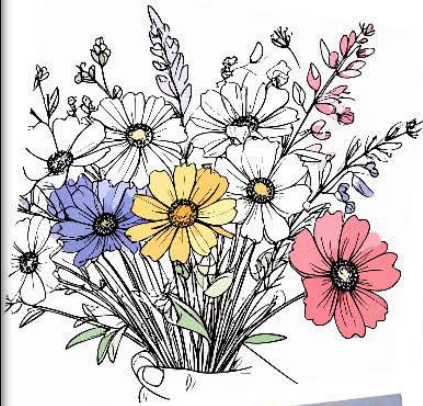
2026 SPECIAL AWARDS

Class 250. **BEST OF SHOW – Junior Division**
Rosette and \$10.00

Class 251. **SUPERINTENDENT AWARD – Junior Division**
Rosette and \$10.00

Selection will be at the Superintendent's discretion.

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Class 237

This category is open to ages 10–17 and is an opportunity to showcase your very best artistic talent by creating an original piece featuring flowers native to Eastern Idaho.



Medium

- Painting • Drawing • Photography • Stained Glass
- Woodworking • Leatherwork • Jewelry • Beading
- Weaving • Ceramics • Pottery
- Cross Stitch/Embroidery



Requirements

- Maximum size 8"x10" • Any entry on paper must be framed and be ready to hang, absolutely no sawtooth hangers accepted • Must be 10-17 years old to enter



Premiums

1st Place --- \$20.00

2nd Place --- \$15.00

3rd Place --- \$10.00

