

Photography Department

“Pigs, Pies, and Patriotism!”

Superintendent:

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Entry Fees:

1. There is no entry fee for this department.

ONLINE ENTRY IS REQUIRED and closes online on July 24th, 2026. To enter online, go to: clackamascountyfair.com and follow the links to creative exhibits. **Please enter all items that you think you might have completed when you complete your online entries for fair. We can easily delete items that are not completed or ready at time of entry.**

If you experience difficulties in completing the online entry process, please reach out to the department superintendent listed above for assistance.

1. Entered items accepted Friday, **August 7th, 2026** from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the Photography Department.
2. Entered items accepted Saturday, **August 8th, 2026** from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the Photography Department. **No Entries will be accepted after 4:00 PM Saturday.**

Release Times:

1. Sunday, **August 23rd, 2026** from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Entries will be checked out in the Photography Department. No entries will be released before 12:00 PM.
2. Premiums will be withheld and the privilege of showings at future fairs jeopardized by anyone attempting to remove entries prior to 12:00 PM Sunday, **August 23rd, 2026.**
3. If you are unable to pickup your entries on during the release date and times, your entries will **only** be held at the fairgrounds main office until August 31st.

Specific Rules:

1. **Limit of five (5) entries per Exhibitor. (This can be color, black & white or a combination.)**
2. **Limit of one (1) entry per CLASS, per Exhibitor.**
3. **Size:** All single images must have one side, no less than 6 inches. The final exhibit size may not exceed 16 x 20. This includes mat and/ or frame.
4. Oversized entries will **ONLY** be accepted with prior superintendent approval. Space is limited and only a few oversized entries can be accepted. Contact department superintendent listed above to request approval.
5. Any commercially available pre-cut mats or foam core that accommodate these size ranges are acceptable. Mats cut by the exhibitor must meet the size specifications. Be sure to cleanly cut the mat and securely mount the photo to the mat. Presentation is included in the judging scoring.
6. Framed photos will also be accepted. The frame **MUST** have a secure hanger on the back. It is preferred for the frame to have a wire for hanging. No additional points will be given to a framed photo over a matted one.
7. Do **NOT** use construction paper or glue stick Photos fall off their mount if improperly glued.

8. Do **NOT** have exposed glue or other sticky things. These can get on other images.
9. On reverse side of entry please label: Division, Class, Title, Name, and Phone Number.
10. The judge and superintendent reserves the right to put prints in correct category if entered in wrong category, or combine similar categories that only have single entries.
11. Make sure to include description or title of photo on the entry form.
12. This department is open to all digital and film prints by photographers residing in Oregon.
13. Divisions for child, junior and adult are open to **non-professionals only**. A non-professional is one who by training and/or exhibition experience does not obtain income from photography or selling photographic work.
14. Division for professional is open to professional photographers. This includes anyone who sells their photographs regularly, makes an income from photography, instructors, or professionally trained.
15. Professional photographers may include a photography business card that will be attached to the front of the photograph after judging.
16. The exhibitor must have taken all entries in all Divisions and must be able to show proof of ownership of a certain print if requested.
17. No AI generated images or AI altered images will be accepted.
18. Images may be digitally altered by the exhibitor.
19. NO nudes please. All images must be appropriate for all ages to view.
20. Only prints that have not been previously entered at the Clackamas County Fair are eligible.
21. All reasonable care will be exercised to safeguard entries. Clackamas County Fair will not be responsible for loss of or damage of any entry.
22. All divisions and classes are judged on the American System. Only one (1) 1st, 2nd, 3rd will be awarded per class.
23. In determining special awards for most points earned, the following applies: blue 5 points, red 3 points, white 1 point. In the case of a tie, the winner with the most blue ribbons shall be the winner.
24. No premium will be awarded just because there are no other entries in the class. If the article is not deemed worthy of a 1st place ribbon, it may be awarded a lesser premium.
25. In the case of Overall Division winners, King/Queen, etc., the winner must be a Clackamas County Resident, and an exhibitor cannot win the same award more than 2 consecutive years.
26. Submission of entry implies exhibitor's acceptance of the rules.
27. **Those who enter more photo's per class than allowed will be disqualified. Entries that do not meet the above requirements will be disqualified.**

Premiums:

Junior, Adult, Senior, Professional:	1 st = \$4.00	2 nd = \$2.00	3 rd = \$1.00
Child:	1 st = \$2.00	2 nd = \$1.00	3 rd = \$0.75

DEPARTMENTS:

- Child: 7 years and younger
- Junior: 8 to 11 years
- Junior: 12 to 17 years
- Adult: 18+, non professional
- Senior: 65 years and older, non professional
- Professional

DIVISIONS:

**CHILD
600**

**JUNIOR 12-17
620**

**SENIOR
640**

**JUNIOR 8-11
610**

**ADULT
630**

**PROFESSIONAL
650**

Entries for Photography are classes 1-28

Note: New for this year, color and B&W images will be entered into the same divisions and will be judged together. A exhibitor can only enter in one division.

Class Numbers:

1. **Landscape:** Single image featuring an expanse of scenery; could include mountains, fields or other scenery.
2. **Water feature:** Single image featuring water such as a stream, waterfall, or lake. Not waves or other seascape.
3. **Seascape:** Single Image featuring an expanse of scenery; could include ocean views, lighthouses, headland, etc.
4. **Skyscrapes:** Single image featuring sunrises, sunsets, stormy skies, cloud formations, rainbow, etc.
5. **Architectural/Cityscape:** Single image featuring cities, buildings, types of man-made structures.
6. **Portraits of People:** Single image featuring people in a formal or informal setting, where the person is the main subject.
7. **People environmental:** Single image featuring people in a setting, where the image is about the people and their location. Such as someone hiking, biking, or cooking.
8. **Selfie:** Single image taken of yourself, or using the selfie prospective. Filter use is allowed.
9. **Sports:** Single image of a sport.
10. **Insects:** Single Image featuring one or more insects.
11. **Pets:** Single image featuring pets such as dogs, cats, ferrets, etc. No birds/livestock.
12. **Farm Animals:** Single image of any animal found on a farm/barnyard.
13. **Nature:** Single image featuring plants, leaves, flowers, or trees.
14. **Wildlife:** Single image of animals. Not birds, farm animals, or pets.
15. **Flowers:** Single image of flowers.
16. **Still Life:** Single image featuring an arrangement of inanimate objects with emphasis on the use of lighting and composition.
17. **Action/Movement:** Single Image capturing a subject that is in motion.
18. **Vehicles:** Single Image featuring a vehicle
19. **American Heroes:** Single image featuring our hero's (Military, Police, Fire Fighters)
20. **Old Buildings and Architecture:** Single image featuring old barns, old houses, or other old architecture.
21. **Aviation:** Single image featuring aviation related photos. Pictures of airplanes or parts of the airplane must be in the photo.
22. **Patriotic:** Single image showing American patriotic pride or patriotic image.
23. **Humor:** Single image that is meant to make us laugh, including satire, physical humor, funny scenes, etc.

24. **Creative:** A focus on an artistic technique such as playing with light, printing on a different medium, intentional blur. Can be multiple images, but must be mounted together and overall size to not exceed 16 x 20.
25. **Me and My Pet:** Single image featuring a person and their pet. Person must be in the photo with their pet demonstrating the bond between the two. This can be any animal.
26. **Fair Fun:** Single image taken at last year's Clackamas County Fair.
27. **Birds:** Single image featuring one or more birds. No chickens/livestock birds.
28. **Fair Theme: "Pigs, Pies, and Patriotism!"**

Special Awards:

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