

Youth Competitions

Fun Zone

Crafts, Photo Contest, Painting & Drawing,
Writing, Community Service,
Single-Day Contests

Open to Orange County Youth (ages 3-18)

Contact

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Enter Online

June 1, Wednesday – Last Day to Enter. Enter online at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>

Delivery

July 1, Friday; 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Home Arts & Crafts Promenade between Buildings 14 and 16

Pickup

August 16, Tuesday; Noon – 7 p.m.

THE OCFEC IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR EXHIBITS LEFT AFTER THIS DATE

Location

Entries will be on display in The Fun Zone

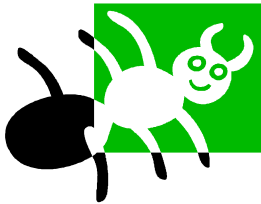


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To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed.
2. Review the Youth Category Guidelines and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. **Entry Deadline – June 1.** Enter online and pay \$3 entry fee (per entry) with credit card at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>. Blue Ribbon Kids do not pay an entry fee.
4. **Entry Delivery – July 1.** Bring us your entry... and join us at the 2011 OC Fair!



CREATIVE CRITTERS

Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 3-8)

Get a white tube sock, stuff it, and go BUGGY with decorating. Let your bug be cute, friendly, scary or whatever you can imagine.

- Entry Limit – 1 per child.
- All decorations must be attached securely.

Division 770 – Creative Critters Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 3-8)

All Blue Ribbon Kids entries receive a special ribbon and are not eligible for cash awards.

Class

01 Any item

LOTS OF LADYBUGS

Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 3-8)

Use the pattern from the next page to make your own ladybug. Start the fun as you use your imagination to decorate it. Use sequins, yarn, puff paint, jewels, beads, buttons, trims and paints. Add wings, legs and anything else you can imagine!

- Entry Limit – 1 per child.
- Print out two of the ladybug patterns and cut them out on the solid line.
- Ladybugs may be made with fabric or paper.
- Sew or glue front and back pieces together along edges, leaving a 1 inch opening at the bottom for stuffing and mounting.
- Stuffing: polyester fiberfill only. No food items.
- Leave a 1 inch opening at the bottom open so your ladybug can be displayed using a wooden dowel.
- All decorations must be attached securely.

Division 771 – Lots of Ladybugs Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 3-8)

All Blue Ribbon Kids entries receive a special ribbon and are not eligible for cash awards

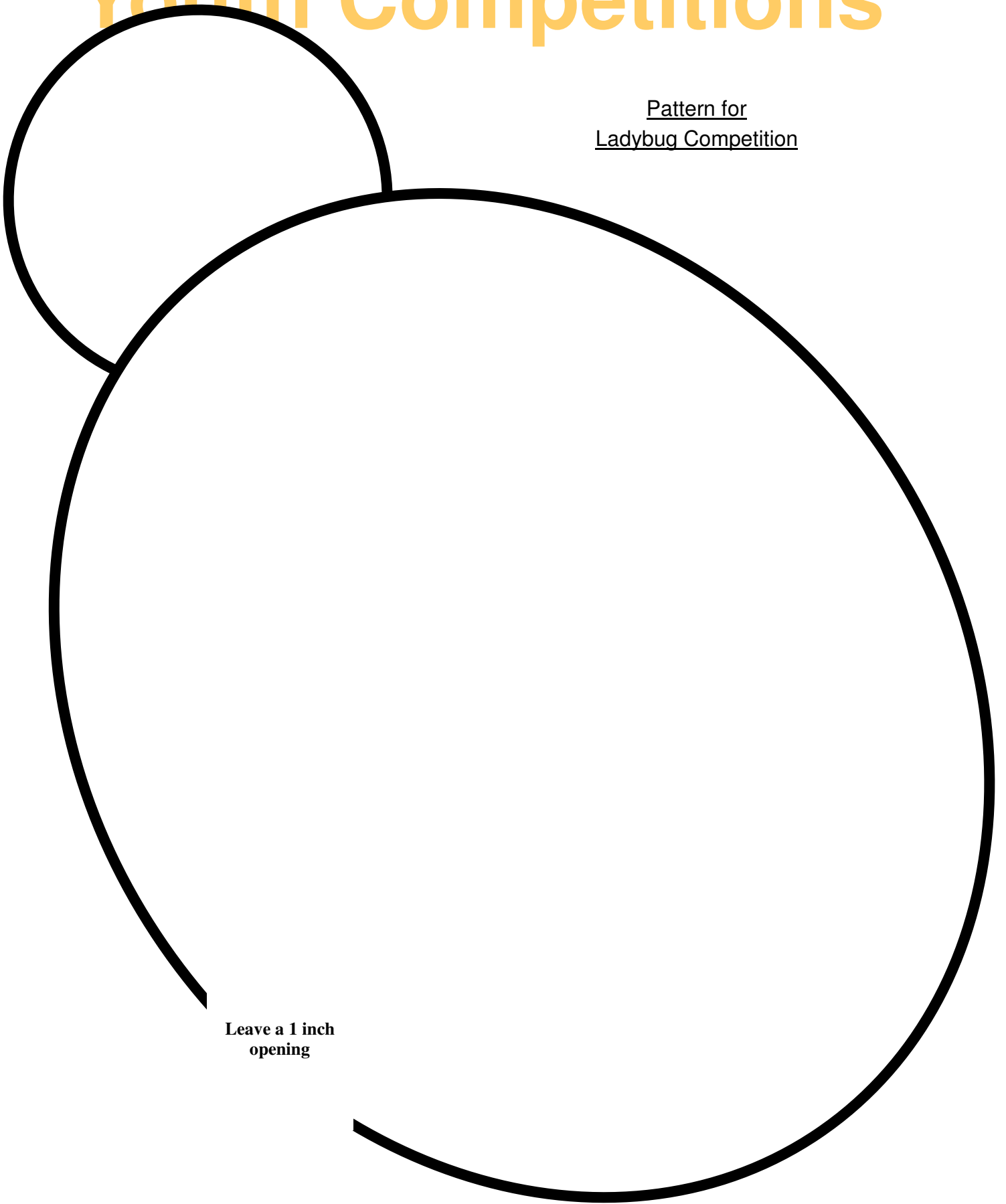
Class

01 Any item



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Pattern for
Ladybug Competition



Leave a 1 inch
opening

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Youth (ages 5 -18)



BUTTERFLY BEAUTY OR DANGEROUS DRAGONFLY

Create a butterfly or dragonfly. Use paper mache recycled items, fabrics or whatever your imagination can come up with. Include an eye hook or string for hanging.

- Entry Limit – 1 per person.
- Maximum size limit is 12"x12"x12".
- All entries will be mounted inside an enclosed display case so they must be constructed to hang.

Awards

Best of Class - \$20
Most Creative - \$35
Judges' Award – \$10
Outstanding exhibit of merit

Division 700 – Butterfly or Dragonfly

Class

- 01 Ages 9-10
- 02 Ages 11-12
- 03 Ages 13-15
- 04 Ages 16-18

Division 774 – Butterfly or Dragonfly Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 5-8)

All Blue Ribbon Kids entries receive a special ribbon and are not eligible for cash awards.

Class

- 01 Any item

INCREDIBLE INSECTS

Are you fascinated with insects? Here's a chance to make a bug of your own inspiration. Include an eye hook or string for hanging.

- Entry Limit – 1 per person.
- Maximum size limit is 12"x12"x12".
- All entries will be mounted inside an enclosed display case so they must be constructed to hang.

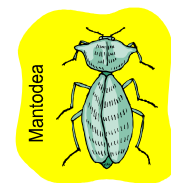
Awards

Best of Class - \$20
Most Creative - \$35
Judges' Award – \$10
Outstanding exhibit of merit

Division 726 – Incredible Insects

Class

- 01 Ages 9-10
- 02 Ages 11-12
- 03 Ages 13-15
- 04 Ages 16-18



Division 772 – Incredible Insects

Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 5-8)

All Blue Ribbon Kids entries receive a special ribbon and are not eligible for cash awards.

Class

- 01 Any item

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Fun Zone Youth (ages 5-18)



POSTER ART INTERESTING INSECTS

Capture an insect in a still-life drawing. You may use chalk, watercolor, pencil, crayons, markers....

- Entry Limit – 1 Poster Art entry per person.
- Create your Interesting Insects poster on white 11"x17" paper.
- Write your name on the back of the poster.
- Posters will not be returned. Ribbons will be mailed.

Awards

Best of Class - \$20

Most Creative - \$35

Judges' Award – \$10

Outstanding exhibit of merit

BUILD A BUG – LEGO™ STYLE

Everyone loves building with LEGOs™, so why not turn your LEGO™ collection into your favorite creepy critter, beautiful bug or interesting insect?

- Entry Limit – 1 LEGO™ entry per person.
- No kits, please.
- Maximum size is 12"x12"x12".
- All entries must be mounted securely to a sturdy cardboard or wood base.

Awards

Best of Class - \$20

Most Creative - \$35

Judges' Award – \$10

Outstanding exhibit of merit

Division 720 – Interesting Insects Poster Art

Class

- 01 Ages 9-10
- 02 Ages 11-12
- 03 Ages 13-15
- 04 Ages 16-18

Division 728 – Build a Bug - LEGO™ Style

Class

- 01 Ages 9-10
- 02 Ages 11-12
- 03 Ages 13-15
- 04 Ages 16-18

Division 775 – Interesting Insects Poster Art Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 5-8)

All Blue Ribbon Kids entries receive a special ribbon and are not eligible for cash awards.

Class

- 01 Any item

Division 777 – Build a Bug - LEGO™ Style Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 5-8)

All Blue Ribbon Kids entries receive a special ribbon and are not eligible for cash awards.

Class

- 01 Any item

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Youth (ages 9-12)

PAINTING, DRAWING & MIXED MEDIA

Juniors (ages 9-12)

YOUNG ADULTS – SEE FINE ARTS: DRAWING & PAINTING

Are you a budding Claude Monet, Georgia O'Keeffe or Andy Warhol? By popular demand this competition is returning to showcase your talents.

- Entry Limit – 1 entry per person.
- Size Limit – 11" x 14" or smaller.
- ORIGINAL work completed during this past year only: August 2010–June 2011.
- Include name and age of artist on back of artwork.
- Media accepted: Art using pastels, oils, acrylics, pencil, colored pencil, charcoal, pen and pencil, scratch board and watercolor.
- No school work, e.g., Meet the Masters.
- PAINTING
 - ✍ All work **must be** framed. Plastic or Plexiglas preferred.
 - ✍ Must be wired for hanging.
- DRAWING & MIXED MEDIA
 - ✍ NO FRAMES PLEASE. Must be mounted with either white or black mat.

Awards

Division Winner - \$25

Best of Show - \$35

Division 752 – Drawing

Division 753 – Painting

Division 754 – Mixed Media

Class – Divisions 752-754

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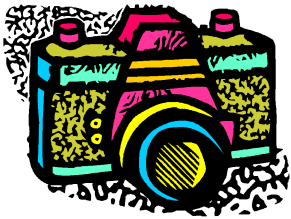
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Junior & Young Adult (ages 9-18)

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed.
2. Review the Youth Category Guidelines and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. **Entry Deadline – June 1.** Enter online and pay \$3 entry fee (per entry) with credit card at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>
4. **Entry Delivery – July 1.** Bring us your entry... and join us at the 2011 OC Fair.



PHOTOGRAPHY

Have fun choosing your favorite photographs.

All entries submitted will be shown during the 2011 OC Fair in a digital picture frame display.

- Entry Limit – 3 entries per person.
- **Submit entries on CD/DVD.** CD/DVD must be clearly labeled with the entrant's name, address and phone number. Uniquely identify each entry on the CD/DVD with a title and division/class. The CD/DVD will not be returned.
- Photo/Image must be in JPEG format.
- Maximum file size of each photo/image submitted must be less than 3 MB.
- The same photo/image may **not** be entered in the Fine Art Photography competition.
- Entry must be original artwork created by the artist whose name appears on the entry form. Group work is not allowed.
- Artwork must have been completed within the last year. Artwork previously exhibited at the OC Fair is not eligible for entry this year.
- Evaluation forms, ribbons and/or awards will be mailed out to each entrant within 30 days of the close of OC Fair.

Awards

- Best of Class - \$20**
- Most Creative - \$35**
- Judges' Award – \$10**

Outstanding exhibit of merit

Division 745 – Jr. Fun Zone Photo, ages 9-12

Division 746 – YA Fun Zone Photo, ages 13-15

Division 747 – YA Fun Zone Photo, ages 16-18

Class - Divisions 745-747

- 01 Color Image** - from a single original exposure.
- 02 Black & White Image** - from a single original exposure. Sepia-toned prints are acceptable.
- 03 Candid Shot Taken with a Cell Phone** – photo taken with a cell phone camera; a single original exposure.
- 04 Computer-Manipulated Image** - which originated from a camera and was then significantly changed using a computer program. Image must contain original photographic element.

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Junior & Young Adult (ages 9-18)

CREATIVE WRITING

If your talents run in a literary vein, then this is the competition for you. Enter your short story or poetry in the OC Fair Creative Writing Competition.

- Entry Limit - 2 entries per exhibitor: 1 in Short Story and 1 in Poetry.
- Entries must be clearly typed on 8½" x 11" paper with double spacing. Font size must be no smaller than 12 point.
- Entries should be as neat as possible.
- No more than 2 pages of typed work should be submitted from an author for each entry.
- ENTRIES WILL **NOT** BE RETURNED. Ribbons and/or awards will be mailed.

You may deliver your entry during entry delivery or mail a copy of your Short Story and/or Poetry to arrive no later than July 1, 2011 to:

OC Fair – Fun Zone
88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Awards

Best of Class - \$25

Best of Show - \$35

Division 735 – Short Story

Division 736 – Poetry, Limerick or Haiku

Division 737 – Poetry, Free Verse

Class – Division 735-737

- 01 Ages 9-10
- 02 Ages 11-12
- 03 Ages 13-15
- 04 Ages 16-18

GOLDEN ORANGE COMMUNITY SERVICE ESSAY

Here's what Orange County youth are up to these days: serving their communities through creative activities that build self-esteem and make the world a better place!

"Community Service" is defined as any service performed for the good of a community, an organization or individual in need.

- Entry Limit - 1 entry per exhibitor or group.
- **COMPLETE THE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT REPORT FORM (NEXT PAGE). DON'T FORGET TO GET SIGNATURES ON YOUR FORM.**
- The same essay may not be entered in both Individual and Group competition.
- The project must have been completed in the last 12 months. NO work from the 2010 OC Fair.
- "Group" is defined as two or more youths 18 and younger who were primarily responsible for the community service activity. Please note the role an advisor played in this project. Group entries must compete in the division of the oldest youth.

Awards

Best of Class - \$25

Best of Show/Golden Orange Award \$100

(One Best of Show/Golden Orange Award will be awarded from all combined entries.)

OC Community Service Essay

Division 760 – Group

Division 761 – Individual

Class - Division 760-761

- 01 Ages 9-12
- 02 Ages 13-18

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OC Fair Golden Orange Community Service Essay Competition

Name _____

School _____

Title of project _____

Age when project was completed _____ Project completion date _____

Directions:

1. Complete and sign this form. Print clearly or type. Form must also be signed by a parent/guardian.
2. Complete all parts of the required essay as outlined below on your own paper. If possible, type it.
3. Attach the essay to this form.
4. Hand-deliver on entry delivery day or mail to: OC Fair – Fun Zone, 88 Fair Dr., Costa Mesa, CA 92626. Entry must arrive no later than July 1, 2011.

Required essay: Summarize your community service experience in essay form. Address each of the following in your essay:

- A. Briefly describe your project and the main activities of your project. Describe any changes you made from your original proposal.
- B. Briefly outline the steps you took to plan, implement and complete the project. Indicate how much time you spent in completing all aspects of this project.
- C. Describe the problems that occurred during the project. Explain how these problems were handled.
- D. Describe the impact you believe your project had on the community or on the people who received your service.
- E. Describe what you learned about your community as you worked on your project. Describe what you learned about yourself and the importance of giving something back to others.
- F. Include 1-3 pages of photos of your projects.

I have reviewed my son/daughter's community service project.

Parent/guardian signature _____

Student signature _____

Authorized school official (if project was for school) _____

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Fun Zone Single-Day Contests All Kids (ages 3-18)

Hey kids! Here are the fun single-day contests you're looking for. If you forgot to enter a competition before the cut-off date, here are more ways to show your creativity. Check them out! No need to enter online and no entry fee!

Bring your entry to the Fun Zone on the day of that contest. No pre-registration required (except the Future Magicians' Contest).

FUN ZONE FOOD EATING CONTESTS

Each night in the Fun Zone we'll feature a food-eating contest with yummy foods provided by some of our generous OC Fair vendors.

When: Each night contests start at 6:30 p.m. Sign-up is 30 minutes before each contest.

It's fun for everyone so don't forget your camera!

BACKYARD BUG COOKIE CONTEST

Who can bake and frost the best looking bug cookie in the Fun Zone? Let the frosting begin!

Date: July 20, Wednesday*

Check-In: Noon – 2 p.m.

Judging: 2:15 p.m.

Categories:

- Best Tasting Cookie
- Best Bug Decoration
- Biggest Bug Cookie

***REMEMBER,** OC Fairgoers will receive free admission and one carnival ride on this day with a donation of five nonperishable food items, Noon–4 p.m.

CUTE AS A BUG CUPCAKE CONTEST

These little things are yummy and super fun to decorate. Show us your best looking bug cupcake.

Date: July 21, Thursday*

Check-In: Noon – 2 p.m.

Judging: 2:15 p.m.

Categories:

- Scariest Bug cupcake
- Best Bug decoration
- Biggest Bug cupcake

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Single-Day Contests (cont.)

All Kids (ages 3-18)

ORANGE SEED SPITTING CONTEST

We don't grow watermelons in the OC, but we are known for our tasty citrus! This contest should get your mouth watering. How far will your seeds fly?

Date: July 27, Wednesday*

Check-In: Noon – 2 p.m.

Judging: 2:15 p.m.

* **REMEMBER**, OC Fairgoers will receive free admission and one carnival ride on this day with a donation of one new or three gently used children's books, Noon – 4 p.m.

MR. & MS. POTATO HEAD CONTEST

Bring in America's favorite vegetable, dressed for a good time in the Fun Zone.

Date: July 28, Thursday*

Check-In: Noon – 2 p.m.

Judging: 2:15 p.m.

Categories:

- Best Dressed Potato
- Biggest Dressed Potato
- Smallest Dressed Potato

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MAGIC DAY

FUTURE MAGICIANS' CONTEST (AGES 7-18)

Are you a budding magician? Do you like pulling things out of a hat? Here's a fun day to show your skills and learn a few new tricks.

Date: July 30, Saturday

Time: 11 a.m.

Where: Fun Zone Stage

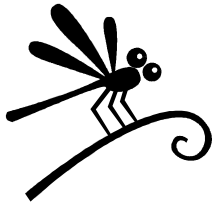
Check-in: 30 minutes before performance time at the Fun Zone Information Desk.

Who: Future magicians, ages 7-18.

- **You must pre-register** by calling the Fun Zone contest hotline at (714) 708-1519, **July 27-29**. Leave your name, age and daytime phone number. One free admission ticket, valid for that day only, will be waiting for you at the Guest Services booth located at the Main (Blue) Gate. Ask for the "Future Magicians" envelope.
- Contest is limited to the first 10 entries.
- Performance will be judged on difficulty, originality and creativity.
- You may use an assistant, background music and simple props.
- Limit performance to 10 minutes.
- Judging and awards ceremony will be immediately following the competition.

Something Special: The OC Magicians' Club and the Irvine Brotherhood of Magicians, Ring 313, will be holding a free Future Magicians' Workshop in The Fun Zone, Noon to 3 p.m.

Youth Competitions



Fun Zone Single-Day Contests (cont.) All Kids (ages 3-18)

COOL CRITTERS HAT CONTEST

Be a butterfly, praying mantis or whatever you want to make. We'll have a bug hat parade at 2:30 p.m., so come and strut your stuff!

Date: August 3, Wednesday*

Check-In: Noon – 2 p.m.

Judging: 2:15 p.m.

Parade: 2:30 p.m.

Categories:

- Biggest Bug Hat
- Smallest Bug Hat
- Funniest Bug Hat
- Most Realist Looking Bug Hat

***REMEMBER,** OC Fairgoers will receive free admission and one carnival ride on this day with a donation of five new or gently used items of clothing, Noon – 4 p.m. See OC Fair Gate Promotions for more details.

PET BUG-ROCK CONTEST

Make the most creative looking bug out of rocks. Stack and glue them into your own creature.

Date: August 4, Thursday*

Check-In: Noon – 2 p.m.

Judging: 2:15 p.m.

Categories:

- Biggest Bug Rock
- Smallest Bug Rock
- Most Realistic Bug Rock

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MONSTER MOSAICS CONTEST

Let your imagination go wild as you make a bug mosaic using paper, sequins, dried beans, etc.

Date: August 10, Wednesday*

Check-In: Noon – 2 p.m.

Judging: 2:15 p.m.

Categories:

- Most Bug-Looking
- Prettiest Mosaic
- Best Use of Natural Items

***REMEMBER,** OC Fairgoers will receive free admission and one carnival ride on this day with a donation of one school supply item worth at least \$3, Noon – 4 p.m. See OC Fair Gate Promotions for more details.

ZIPPIN' ZUCCHINI DERBY CONTEST

The fastest zucchini on 4 wheels will win this contest. Decorate your veggie and 'start your engines'.

Date: August 11, Thursday*

Check-In: Noon – 2 p.m.

Judging: 2:15 p.m.

Categories:

- Fastest Zucchini
- Biggest Zucchini
- Smallest Zucchini

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Guidelines

Entry

- **Entry Deadline:** Wednesday, June 1, 2011.
- **How to Enter:** Enter online at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com> (Printed forms are no longer available.)

Need assistance with the online entry? We have scheduled the following "Help Days".

May 25-27 (Wednesday–Friday); 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

May 31-June 1 (Tuesday–Wednesday); 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Parking: Enter at Gate 4 off Arlington Drive and go left inside the parking lot.

Location: OC Fair Administration Building - Community Relations.

- **Who May Enter:** Youth, ages 3-18 by July 15, 2011. See individual departments for residency requirements. Youth must enter the divisions and classes specified for their age group. The exhibitor's age as of July 15, 2011, determines the following:
 - Blue Ribbon Kids - Ages 3 to 8
 - Juniors - Ages 9 to 12
 - Young Adults - Ages 13 to 184-H youth members in good standing may be age 19 as outlined by the 4-H Cooperative Extension Office. 4-H members who are age 19 may choose to enter as either a 4-H Young Adult or Adult - they may not enter both. This rule applies for all OC Fair 4-H competitions.
- **Entry Fees:** Entry fees are payable online by credit card (Visa, MasterCard or American Express). No refunds will be issued.
 - ◆ **Blue Ribbon Kids** – No entry fee
 - ◆ **Junior and Young Adult Divisions** - \$3 per entry
- **Entry Limit:** See individual competitions.
- **Free Fair Admission:** Exhibitors will receive one 2011 OC Fair admission ticket at entry delivery.

Delivery

- **Delivery Date:** (except, Culinary, Table Settings and Garden & Floral)
 - ◆ **July 1, Friday; 7 a.m.–9 p.m.**
- **Other Delivery & Show Dates:**
 - ◆ **CULINARY** - 1st Show: July 13 (Wed), 7 a.m.–1 p.m. 2nd Show: August 2 (Tue), 7 a.m.–1 p.m.
 - ◆ **TABLE SETTINGS** - 1st Show: July 13 (Wed), 11 a.m.–1 p.m. 2nd Show: August 2 (Tue), 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
 - ◆ **GARDEN & FLORAL** – July 14, 19 & 26, and August 2 & 9.

Youth Competitions

Guidelines (cont.)

Delivery (cont.)

- **Where to Deliver Entries:**
 - ♦ **FUN ZONE / HOME ARTS / JEWELRY ARTS / FINE ART & PHOTOGRAPHY**
– Exhibit Promenade between Buildings 14 and 16
 - ♦ **GARDEN & FLORAL** – Centennial Farm
 - ♦ **COLLECTIONS** – Collections Gallery, Building 15
Report to the clerk at the Information Desk.
- **Claim Checks:** Claim checks will be provided when exhibits are delivered.

Pickup of Exhibits

- **Pickup Date:** August 16, Tuesday; Noon – 7 p.m.
- **Where to Pick-up Entries:**
 - ♦ **FUN ZONE COMPETITIONS** - Fun Zone Tent
 - ♦ **GARDEN & FLORAL** - Centennial Farm
 - ♦ **COLLECTIONS** - Collections Gallery, Building 15
 - ♦ **CULINARY & TABLE SETTINGS** - Culinary Arts Promenade
 - ♦ **HOME ARTS / JEWELRY ARTS** - Home Arts Gallery
 - ♦ **FINE ART / FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY** - Visual Arts Gallery
- **Claim Check:** Claim check or photo ID required for pickup.
- **THE OC FAIR & EVENT CENTER IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR EXHIBITS LEFT AFTER THIS DATE.**
- If you are unable to pick up your items please arrange for someone to pick them up for you. Unclaimed entries and ribbons become the property of the OC Fair and **may be discarded!** NO EXCEPTIONS.

Rules

- **Read Youth Competition Guidelines:** Review rules for individual competitions and the OC Fair Guidelines at the end of this Competition Guide.
- Youth **may not** enter in the Adult divisions.
- Items are to be entered by one person except in specified divisions.
- Articles must be entered in a class if one is named for the articles. “Other” classes are for articles that do not fit in a named class by definition or description.
- Entries over the limit or any items previously entered at the OC Fair will be disqualified.
- All entries must have been made/collected/prepared by the exhibitor within one year of the opening date of the OC Fair unless otherwise indicated in the description of the competition.
- No entry will be accepted where an exhibitor prescribes conditions under which he/she will exhibit.
- Entries with small parts or multiple objects must be secured on a sturdy base or packaged so it does not get separated from the exhibit.
- Oversized entries are subject to approval by Program Coordinator prior to entry delivery based upon space limitations. Specify the size on the entry form.
- Displays may be removed by the Program Coordinator if not appropriate for the OC Fair.

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Judging & Awards

- **Young Adults and Junior Divisions:** Placed using the Danish Judging System where each entry is judged on how well it meets a standard rather than how it compares to other entries. Entries are judged Blue (superior), Red (very good) or White (average) Award. There may be more than one Blue, Red or White Award per class. All Blue Awards will compete, using the American Judging System, for cash awards. In the Young Adult Fine Arts & Photography categories only entries receiving Blue and Red Awards will be accepted for exhibition.
- **Blue Ribbon Kids (ages 5-8):** Entries are not judged and are not eligible for cash awards. All Blue Ribbon Kids will receive a special participation ribbon.
- **Youth Awards:** To be eligible for special awards, an entry must have won a Blue Award in the Danish judging. In most cases the minimum amount of entries in a class must be four; however, a judge may deem that there are too few entries in a class or division in order to choose the top awards.
- **Judges:** Qualified judge(s) will be selected by the Program Coordinator to judge all exhibits. The decision of the jurors is final.
- **Judging Criteria:** Originality and creativity, workmanship and technique, level of difficulty, color and design, finishing or presentation and appearance.
- **Judging Results:** Results can be viewed online around the third week of the OC Fair at www.ocfair.com/results. Please do not call for competition results.
- **Ribbons:** Exhibitors will receive awarded ribbons on entry pickup day. Ribbons and awards will not be mailed unless specified.
 - ◆ **CULINARY BAKED GOODS** - Ribbons for Baked Goods competitions may be picked up at any time during the OC Fair in the Culinary Arts Promenade.
 - ◆ **FINE ART & FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY** – Young Adult White Award recipients' ribbons and evaluation forms will be mailed.
- **Award Checks:** Will be made payable to the exhibitor whose name is indicated on the entry form and mailed within 30 days after the close of the OC Fair.
- Judges and/or the Program Coordinator have the option of changing the requested category of a submitted entry.
- Classes or divisions may be combined to create an adequate judging pool.
- If an entry is disqualified after judging is completed, the judge will not change the status of awards for other entries.

OC Fair Guidelines

Online Entry

Dates to Remember

- **Most competitions require online entry by 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, 2011. Please check the individual department's guidelines for entry deadline, as well as dates and times for entry delivery and pickup.** Dates and times are absolute. Late entries will not be accepted.

Who May Enter

- Some divisions are open only to Orange County residents, and some limit the number of entries and age of entrants. Check individual division guidelines for who may enter each competition.
- Youth must enter the divisions and classes specified for their age group. The exhibitor's age as of July 15, 2011, determines the following: Blue Ribbon Kids - Ages 3 to 8. Juniors - Ages 9 to 12. Young Adults - Ages 13 to 18.
- Youth may not enter in the Adult divisions. Open Youth who turn age 19 by July 15, 2011, are considered adults. 4-H youth members in good standing may be age 19 as outlined by the 4-H Cooperative Extension Office. 4-H members who are age 19 may choose to enter as either a 4-H Young Adult or Adult - they may not enter both. This rule applies for all OC Fair 4-H Competitions.

Enter Online

- Enter online at <http://ocfair.com/competitions>. (Printed forms are no longer available - Competition Guides do not have entry forms.)
- Incorrect or incomplete information on online entry may disqualify the exhibit or cause delay in issuing awards.
- Online submission of data requires that you understand that the decision of the judge is final. You agree to abide by all rules and regulations contained in the OC Fair Competition Guides and understand that such rules and regulations are incorporated with and become a part of this agreement. You hereby release the OC Fair and the State of California from all liability of every kind and character on account of loss, damages, or injury to property, which may occur on the fairgrounds.

Entry Fees

- Most divisions require entry fees. Check individual division guidelines; you pay fees online with a credit card. **No refunds will be issued.**

Entries and Exhibits

Copyright

- No entries or works with copyright or licensing infringement will be accepted. If there is any reproduction of a registered trademark item or work of another artist, the district reserves the right to disqualify the entry.

Repeat Entries

- No repeat entries (items entered in a previous year's OC Fair competition) will be accepted.

OC Fair Guidelines

Entries and Exhibits, continued

Acceptable Entries

- The OC Fair is a family-oriented event. Any entry deemed inappropriate for family viewing will be disqualified prior to judging.
- All decorative material must be flameproof. Articles which are objectionable, stained, soiled, broken, or not ready for hanging will not be accepted for judging and will not be displayed. You will be notified for pickup.
- OC Fair reserves the right to refuse, accept conditionally or to cancel any entry, disqualify exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries or to cancel awards, without claim for damages.
- OC Fair will not be liable for entries made in error and will not re-open judging to accommodate such entries.

Exhibit Sales

- Sale of an exhibit or any part of an exhibit for delivery during the OC Fair will not be permitted.

Entry Limit

- The Exhibit Supervisor and/or Program Coordinator have the right to limit entries to facilities available. Entry forms will be dated as received and entry forms received first will have priority. All entries will be accepted unless the exhibitor is otherwise notified.

Protection of Exhibits

- All cases will be locked and will not be opened while the public is in the building. Exhibits will not be allowed to leave the OC Fair & Event Center grounds unless the Program Coordinator has approved a release slip. Reasonable precaution will be taken in protection of exhibits. The exhibitor must arrange for insurance if desired.
- OC Fair will not be responsible for accidents or loss that may occur to any of the exhibitors or exhibits at the show and the exhibitors shall hold the management harmless and indemnify it against any legal proceedings arising from such accident or loss. Presentation of entry form shall be deemed acceptance of this rule.

Awards and Judging

Judges and Judging Procedures

- For judging purposes, the OC Fair reserves the right to combine classes or divisions to create an adequate judging pool where numbers are insufficient to ensure adequate competition.
- Qualified judge(s) will be selected by the Program Coordinator to judge all exhibits.
- Judges have the authority to disqualify or transfer to the correct class any exhibit that does not meet the requirement of the division or class in which it is entered.
- Adult Divisions are placed using the American Judging System (ranking exhibits one against another). 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place and Honorable Mention may be awarded in each class if judges so determine.

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Judges and Judging Procedures (cont.)

- Young Adults and Junior Divisions are placed using the Danish Judging System where each entry is judged on how well it meets a standard rather than how it compares to other entries. Entries are judged Blue (superior), Red (very good) or White (average) Award. There may be more than one Blue, Red or White Award per class. All Blue Awards will compete, using the American Judging System, for cash awards.
- The decision of the jurors is final.
- If an entry is disqualified after judging is completed, the judge will not change the status of awards given for other entries.
- Judging is NOT open to the public (except Special Contests).
- Judging results can be viewed online around the third week of the OC Fair at www.ocfair.com/results. Please do not call or email for competition results. Award information will not be given by telephone.

Premiums

- Signed judging sheets will be used as evidence for payment of premiums. Ribbons and tags will not be accepted.
- Checks for awards will be made payable to the exhibitor whose name is indicated on the entry form and distributed within 30 days after the close of the OC Fair.

Ribbons

- To encourage high standards, the judge shall award 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in each class according to merit; if without merit, the judge shall make no award under any circumstances. Ribbons and special awards must be picked-up by exhibitors at the close of the OC Fair.

Claiming Awards and Exhibits

- Exhibits and/or awards left after the official release date are not the responsibility of the OC Fair and may be discarded. **If unable to pick up your items, please arrange for someone to pick them up for you. All work not picked up will be discarded. No exceptions.** Claim check or photo ID required for pickup. No additional phone calls or email notifications will be made.

OC Fair and State Guidelines

- All OC Fair and State Guidelines apply to all divisions. State Rules are online at <http://ocfair.com/competitions>.