

Youth Competitions

Fine Art Photography

**Color, Black & White
and Non-Traditional Prints**

**Youth Divisions are Open to Orange County residents
Young Adults (ages 13-18)**

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Enter Online

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

Notification

Entries will be pre-juried using an online entry and photo submission system. You will be notified by email with results no later than **Friday, June 17**. Artists whose Fine Art Photography entries meet show standards must deliver their entry on the delivery date below. (PRELIMINARY JUDGING DOES NOT GUARANTEE ACCEPTANCE FOR EXHIBITION.)

Delivery

Deliver to: Exhibit Promenade between Buildings 14 and 16
Date: **July 1, Friday; 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.**

Pickup

Date: **August 16, Tuesday; Noon – 7 p.m.**
THE OC FEC IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR EXHIBITS LEFT AFTER THIS DATE.

Awards

Young Adults

Blue, Red or White Award - Ribbon

Best of Class - \$25

Division Winner - \$35

Best of Show - \$75

Juror's Choice - Rosette

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Fine Art Photography – Young Adults (ages 13-18)

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed below.
2. Review the Fine Art Photography Guidelines (next page), Youth and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. Entry Limit - Maximum of 3 Fine Arts entries per person
4. **Entry Deadline – June 1.** Enter online, upload photos/images and pay \$3 entry fee (per entry) at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>.
5. Exhibitors will receive notification (no later than June 17) which entries have been accepted from the preliminary judging process for delivery on **July 1**.
6. Join us at the 2011 OC Fair!

PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE: This is a juried show - NOT ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR EXHIBITION. Due to the high number of entries and limited display space we cannot accept all of the work submitted. Please understand that this competition is **highly competitive**. Only entries receiving Blue and Red Awards (see “Judging & Awards”) will be accepted for exhibition. Entries receiving White Awards will not be exhibited and **will be** displayed on a large-format digital photo frame in the Visual Arts Gallery during the 2011 OC Fair.

Division 540 – Young Adult Photo, Age 13-15

Division 541 – Young Adult Photo, Age 16-18

Class - Div 540 & 541

01 Color Print

Must be a color print from a single original exposure.

02 Black & White Print

Must be a print from a single original exposure. Sepia-toned prints are acceptable.

03 Non-Traditional Print—Special Effects

Black & White or color images modified without the use of a computer using creative image-making or printing processes, such as hand-coloring, solarization, multiple exposure, Polaroid transfer, 3-D images, etc.

04 Non-Traditional Print –

Computer Manipulated Images

Any two-dimensional image which originated in a camera and was then significantly changed using a computer program. Images must contain original photographic elements created by the photographer.



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Fine Art Photography Category Guidelines

Entry

- **Entry Deadline:** Wednesday, June 1, 2011.
- **How to Enter:** Enter and **upload images** online (printed forms are no longer available) at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>.
- Please follow link at http://www.ocfair.com/competitions/docs/11_ImagePreparation_final.pdf for photo upload instructions. Photos may be no larger than 5 megabytes (5MB).
- **PLEASE NOTE:** After submitting your entry online you will be prompted to click on “**UPLOAD MEDIA**” to complete your entry.

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:** Young Adult (ages 13-18 on or before July 15, 2011) Divisions are open to artists who live, work or attend school in Orange County.
- **Entry Fees:** Entry fees are paid online by credit card (Visa, MasterCard or American Express). No refunds will be issued.
 - ◆ Young Adult Divisions - \$3 per entry.
- **Entry Limit:** Maximum of 3 Fine Arts entries per person.
- **Free Fair Admission:** Exhibitors will receive one 2011 OC Fair admission ticket at time of entry delivery.

Delivery

- **NOTE: NOT ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Please see “Preliminary Evaluation & Judging.” You will be notified by email no later than **Friday, June 17** on the status of your entry. (PRELIMINARY ACCEPTANCE DOES NOT GUARANTEE ACCEPTANCE FOR EXHIBITION.)
- **Delivery Date:** July 1, Friday; 7 a.m. – 9 p.m. This is the only time entries will be accepted.
- **Where to Deliver Entries:** Exhibit Promenade between Buildings 14 and 16. Report to the clerk at the Information Desk.
- **Claim Checks:** Will be provided when exhibits are delivered.

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Fine Art Photography Category Guidelines (cont.)

Pickup of Exhibits

- **Pickup Date:** August 16, Tuesday; Noon – 7 p.m.
- **Claim Checks:** Claim check or photo ID required for pickup.
- All artwork MUST be picked up.
- **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.

Preliminary Evaluation & Judging

- **June 17, Friday - Final date for notification of acceptance/non-acceptance for delivery:** NOT ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. Fine Art Photography entries will be pre-judged. Uploaded images will be viewed online to determine if the submitted photo entry meets the basic requirements to participate in this competition and the subjective standards set by the judges. All entries will be juried into the show by recognized authorities of the art world. Jury selection is final. The judge's decision cannot be protested. You will be notified by email no later than Friday, June 17, or you may log in to your profile to check the results of the qualifying judging round. Artists whose entries are judged to meet the show standards must deliver their work on entry delivery day.
- **Acceptance for Exhibition:** PRELIMINARY ACCEPTANCE DOES NOT GUARANTEE ACCEPTANCE FOR EXHIBITION. The delivered Fine Art Photography entry may still be judged out for not complying with the competition rules or if the quality of the submitted photo or framing does not meet the subjective standards set by the judges. All submitted entries will be displayed on a video monitor during the 2011 OC Fair.
- **Young Adult Entries:** NOT ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR EXHIBITION. Only entries receiving Blue and Red Awards (see Judging & Awards) will be accepted for exhibition. Entries receiving White Awards will not be exhibited and will be displayed on a large-format digital photo frame screen during the 2011 OC Fair. (See Juried Out Entries.)
- **Juried Out Entries:** If your delivered entry is judged out you will receive notification by phone or email to pickup your entry at the Visual Arts Gallery, Building 14.
- Claim check or photo ID is required for pickup. Artwork not picked up will be stored and cannot be released to you until August 16 (see Pickup of Exhibits).

General Rules

- **Read Competition Guidelines:** Changes are made each year. Review the Fine Arts Photography Rules/Guidelines, Youth and OC Fair Guidelines. Non-compliance will disqualify your entry. All OC Fair Guidelines, as well as all state and local rules apply.
- Photos/images that are accepted for exhibit cannot differ from the submitted uploaded image or the entry will be disqualified.

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Fine Art Photography Category Guidelines (cont.)

General Rules

- Photos/images that are accepted for exhibit cannot differ from the submitted uploaded image or the entry will be disqualified.
- All artwork must have been executed by the artist whose name appears on the entry form. Group work (done by two or more people) is not allowed.
- Artwork must be original and completed within the last two years.
- Artwork that has been exhibited at any prior OC Fair is not eligible for entry this year and will be disqualified.
- Entries over the maximum limit will be disqualified.
- No changes of any kind allowed after submitting your online entry. Incorrect entries will be disqualified.
- Final acceptance of the entry will be left to the discretion of the Program Coordinator.
- Due to the family-oriented theme of the OC Fair, no exhibit dealing with drug use, obscenity, defamatory statements, violence or gang activity, satanic or cult themes, or other offensive or objectionable content will be accepted. This is at the discretion of the OC FEC staff.

Presentation & Display of Artwork

Click here http://www.ocfair.com/competitions/docs/11_framingandpresentation_final.pdf for more information on framing.

- **Labeling:** Exhibits must be securely labeled on the back of each entry with the following:
 - Name, address, phone number and email address
 - Division and Class Numbers
 - Selling Price of Artwork (\$____), "NFS" if it is Not for Sale, or "POR" for Price on Request
 - Title of work or "Untitled" (Number 1, 2, or 3 if you have more than one untitled entry.)
- **Size Restrictions:** Minimum size - 8" x 10" / maximum size – 32" x 32" (FRAMED SIZE).
- **Is Framing Required:** All photo entries must be framed.
- **Framing Choice:** Framing choice is considered by judges in the judging process. Black frames with white mats are highly recommended. Simple framing is required for this competition.
- **Hardware for Hanging:** All hanging works must have a taut HEAVY picture wire attached securely with screw eye hooks or other permanent hardware for hanging. Saw-tooth hangers or spring clip frames are not acceptable.
- **Frames Containing Glass:** Framing with plastic or Plexiglas is preferred. Frames containing glass will require a damage waiver to be signed by artist at entry delivery. OC Fair staff will use extreme care in handling frames containing glass, but assumes no responsibility for breakage.
- No triptychs/diptychs unless framed together in one frame within stated size restrictions.
- Any entry not meeting framing requirements WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

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Pricing and Sale of Entries

- **Pricing:** All work must be marked “NFS” (Not For Sale), “POR” (Price On Request), or “For Sale” by indicating the selling price \$_____.
- **Prospective Buyers:** No sale or acceptance of fees for artwork can be made by the OC Fair. Prospective buyers may fill out an “Interested in Purchasing Exhibited Art” form that will be forwarded to the artist at the close of the OC Fair.
- **Purchase Awards:** The OC Fair may purchase artwork from this year’s Visual Arts exhibit. These purchases will hang in our permanent art collection. Prices marked on the entries will be considered the sale price for the Purchase Award.

Judging and Awards

- **Young Adult 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. Only entries receiving Blue and Red Awards will be accepted for exhibition.
- **Judges:** Qualified judge(s) will be selected by the Program Coordinator to judge all exhibits. All entries will be juried by recognized authorities of the art world. The decision of the jurors is final.
Judging Process: Judging of entries will take place in three stages – Acceptance, Confirmation and Awards.
 - ◆ **Acceptance:** The uploaded entry images will be viewed online. If the submitted photo entry meets the subjective standards set by the judges, you will receive notification to hand-deliver your framed photo on entry delivery day.
 - ◆ **Confirmation:** Jurors will view the delivered photo entry. Jurors may, at their discretion, disqualify any artwork that does not comply with the competition guidelines or the quality of the delivered photo does not meet the subjective standards set by the judges. If your work is judged out, you will receive notification to pick up your work.
 - ◆ **Awards:** The jury will view the remaining photo entries and select the award winners.
- **Judging Results:** Results can be viewed online around the third week of Fair at www.ocfair.com/results. Please do not call or email for competition results.
- **Young Adult Evaluation Forms:** Judges’ evaluation forms will be viewable on the notification email you will receive with the results of the preliminary evaluation and judging.
- **Ribbons:** Exhibitors will receive awarded ribbons on entry pickup day. One “Accepted for Exhibition” ribbon (regardless of the number of entries) will be presented to each exhibitor at the close of the OC Fair. White Award recipients’ ribbons will be mailed at the end of the OC Fair.

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Judging and Awards (cont.)

- **Premiums:** Young Adult Divisions; Best of Class - \$25, Division Winner - \$35, Best of Show - \$75.
- **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.
- Awards will be made if, in the opinion of the jury, the items entered have sufficient merit.
- Judges and/or the Program Coordinator have the option of reassigning an entry to a more appropriate division or class. Classes or divisions may be combined to create an adequate judging pool.
- Disqualified entries will not be displayed and **MUST** be picked up when notified.
- If an entry is disqualified after judging is completed, the judge will not change the status of awards given for other entries.

Disclaimer

- Reasonable precaution will be taken in the protection of exhibits. However, the OC Fair & Event Center (32nd District Agricultural Association) will not be responsible for loss or damage, whatever the cause. The exhibitor must arrange for their own insurance if so desired.
- The OC Fair & Event Center and its staff are not responsible for items left after 7p.m. on August 16, 2011.
- The OC Fair reserves the right to refuse any entry considered not to be in accordance with the rules of entry or in the best interest of the OC Fair.