

Culinary Arts

Baked Goods, Confections, Decorated Cakes, Preserved Foods, Table Design, Special Culinary Competitions

**Adult & Youth Divisions are Open to Orange County Residents
Youth Divisions are Open to
Juniors (ages 9-12) & Young Adults (ages 13-18)**

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Enter Online

(Excluding Special Competitions)

May 26, Wednesday – Last Day to Enter. Enter online at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>.

Delivery and Pickup

Exhibits Promenade between Buildings 14 and 16

Special Competitions- See pages 14-17 for registration form and show dates.

Confections, Decorated Cakes & Preserved Foods (One Show)

Delivery: July 14, Wednesday, 7am - 1pm

Pickup: August 17, Tuesday, Noon - 7pm

Food items will be discarded.

Baked Goods

1st Show - Delivery: July 14, Wednesday, 7am – 1pm

2nd Show - Delivery: August 3, Tuesday. 7am – 1pm

(Food items will be discarded.)

Table Designs

1st Show – Amateur Delivery: July 14, Wednesday, 11am – 1pm

Professional Delivery: July 14, Wednesday, 9am – 11am

Pickup: August 3, Tuesday, 7 - 10:30am

2nd Show - Amateur Delivery: August 3 Tuesday, 11am – 1pm

Professional Delivery: August 3 Tuesday, 1pm – 3pm

Pickup: August 17, Tuesday, Noon – 7pm

Awards - Over \$39,500 in premiums offered in Home Arts!

Adult Awards

1st Place - \$10

Division Winner - \$35

Best of Show - \$50

Youth Awards

Division Winner - \$25



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Category Guidelines

Entry

- **Entry Deadline:** **May 26, Wednesday, 2010.** (Excluding Special Culinary Competitions.)
- **How to Enter:** Enter online at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com> . **Special Culinary Competitions:** see pages 14-17 for entry form, pre-registration, delivery dates and guidelines.

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

May 17-20 (Monday–Thursday), 1pm to 7pm

May 24-25 (Monday–Tuesday), 1pm to 7pm

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

Location: New OC Fair Administration Building - Community Relations.

- **Who May Enter:** Adult and Youth (ages 9-18 on or before July 16, 2010). Culinary Divisions are open to Orange County residents.
- **Entry Fees:** Entry fees are paid online by credit card (Visa, MasterCard or American Express). No refunds will be issued.
 - ♦ **ADULT DIVISIONS** - \$5 per entry.
 - ♦ **YOUTH DIVISIONS** - \$3 per entry.
- **Entry Limit:**
 - ♦ **CULINARY SHOWS:** All Adult and Youth Divisions – No limit, maximum of one entry per class.
 - ♦ **PRESERVED FOODS:** All Adult and Youth Divisions – No limit, maximum of one entry per class. If two or more entries are made in the same class, only the first entry will be accepted. Subsequent entries will be deleted by the entry office.
 - ♦ **TABLE DESIGNS:** All Adult and Youth Divisions – Maximum of 1 entry per person.
- **Free Fair Admission:** Exhibitors will receive one 2010 OC Fair admission ticket, per show, at time of entry delivery.

Delivery

- **Delivery Dates:** See first page for individual competition show dates and times.
- **Where to Deliver Entries:** Exhibits Promenade between Buildings 14 and 16.

Pickup of Entries

- **Food Items:** Will be discarded.
- **Preserved Foods and Decorated Cakes:** August 17, Tuesday, Noon - 7pm
- **Table Designs:**
 - 1st **Show** - Pickup: August 3, Tuesday, 7am - 10:30am
 - 2nd **Show** - Pickup: August 17, Tuesday, Noon - 7pm
- **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!**

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Category Guidelines (cont.)

Amateur vs. Professional

- **Amateur:** A person who engages in an event or activity as a pastime.
- **Professional:** A person who engages in an event or activity as a livelihood rather than a hobby.

Rules

- **Read Competition Guidelines:** Changes are made each year. Review the Category Rules and Guidelines for individual competitions and the OC Fair Guidelines at the end of this Competition Guide.
- Entries over the maximum amount stated will be disqualified.
- No repeat entries (items entered in a previous OC Fair competition).
- Disqualified entries will not be displayed and **must** be picked up when notified.

Judging & Awards

- **Adult Divisions:** Are placed using the American Judging System where exhibits are ranked one against another. 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place and Honorable Mention may be awarded in each class if judges so determine. 1st Place winners will compete for Division winner.
- **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 Award Ribbons will compete, using the American Judging System, for cash awards.
- **Judges:** Qualified judge(s) will be selected by the Program Coordinator to judge all exhibits. The decision of the jurors is final.
- **Judging Results:** Results can be viewed online around the third week of the OC Fair at <http://ocfair.com/results>. Please do not call for competition results.
- **Ribbons: Decorated Cakes, Preserved Foods and Table Designs** - Exhibitors will receive awarded ribbons on entry pickup day.
Baked Goods & Confections - Ribbons may be picked up at any time during the OC Fair or on Tuesday, August 17th in the Home Arts Gallery.
- **Cash Awards: Adult Divisions;** 1st Place (one per class) - \$10, Division Winner - \$35, Best of Show (one per show) - \$50. **Youth Divisions;** Division Winner - \$25.
- **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 given for other entries.

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Baked Goods & Confections

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed.
2. Review the Category Guidelines and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. Limit – No limit, maximum of 1 entry per class.
4. **Entry Deadline – May 26th**. Enter online and pay entry fee at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>.
5. Bring us your entry... and join us at the 2010 OC Fair!

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CAKES, COOKIES & BREADS

Two Show Dates

1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 460 - 464

2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 7am – 1pm

Division 484 - 488

- LIMIT: Adults & Youth – No limit, 1 entry per class.
- Submit entries on disposable plates if possible. Use cardboard covered with foil for larger items. **Do not bring fancy plates or covers.** If using a spring form pan, the bottom can be replaced with cardboard cut to size and covered in foil prior to baking.
- Re-sealable bags are preferred for cookies, etc.
- No packaged mixes may be used.
- Items should not need refrigeration. No refrigerators are used for display.
- Food items will be discarded after each show.
- Ribbons may be picked up at any time during the OC Fair or on Tuesday, August 17 in the Home Arts Gallery.

Recipe and Ingredient Lists

- An ingredients list must accompany all entries. For judging, list all ingredients on a 3" x 5" card.
- If you would like your recipe to appear in the on-line 2010 OC Fair Cookbook, submit a copy of the recipe on an 8 ½" x 11" sheet of white paper. Cookbook will go online **after** the OC Fair.



Culinary Arts - Adult

Baked Goods & Confections

HOMEMADE QUICK BREADS

- 1 loaf = approximately 1 pound.
- No packaged mixes or machine breads.

Division 460 – 1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 484 – 2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 7am – 1pm

Class – Division 460 & 484

- 01 Loaf Pan, with Fruit
- 02 Loaf Pan, Vegetable
- 03 Muffin, specify (6)
- 04 Biscuits & Scones (6)
- 05 Other than above, specify



HAND MADE YEAST BREAD

☞ *NEW THIS YEAR!* Shaped Bread

- 1 loaf or approximately 1 pound, unless noted.
- No machine breads.

Division 461 – 1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 485 – 2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 7am – 1pm

Class - Division 461 & 485

- 01 Rolls or Breadsticks (6)
- 02 Wheat or Whole Grain Bread
- 03 Special Ingredient Bread (cheese, onion, herb, etc.)
- 04 Shaped Baked Bread (e.g., animal shapes, wreaths, etc. - one piece, size not to exceed 18")
- 05 Other than above, specify

FROSTED CAKES - LAYERED

☞ *NEW THIS YEAR!* Colossal Cakes

- One 8- 9 inch cake.
- No packaged cake mix.

Division 462 – 1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 486 – 2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 7am – 1pm

Class - Division 462 & 486

- 01 2 Layers, any flavor
- 02 Colossal Cake (3 or more layers)

Culinary Arts - Adult

Baked Goods & Confections (cont.)

SINGLE LAYER CAKE

- One small cake.
- No packaged cake mix.
- Entries may be frosted, iced or glazed

Division 463 – 1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 487 – 2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 7am – 1pm

Class - Division 463 & 487

- 01 Bundt (must be baked in a Bundt or fluted pan)
- 02 Cupcakes, any kind (6)
- 03 Pound Cake, all flavors
- 04 Coffee Cake
- 05 Other Single-Layer Cake than above, specify

COOKIES, BARS & BROWNIES

- Quantity: 6 cookies - use 7"-9" disposable plates, covered with plastic wrap or slide into re-sealable bag.
- Size of cookie or bar not to exceed 3".
- Duplication of cookies in more than one class is not allowed.
- No packaged mixes.

Division 464 – 1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 488 – 2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 7am – 1pm

Class - Division 464 & 488

- 01 Bar with fruit
- 02 Bar, any other, specify
- 03 Biscotti
- 04 Brownies
- 05 Chocolate Chip, traditional
(with or without nuts)
- 06 Other Non-Traditional Chip (white chocolate chip, peanut butter chip, butterscotch chip, etc.)
- 07 Oatmeal
- 08 Shortbread
- 09 Peanut Butter
- 10 Sugar or Snickerdoodle
- 11 Filled Cookie
- 12 Other, specify

CONFECTIONS

• ONE FULL SHOW ONLY

- Half pound or 9 pieces.
- Use 7"-9" disposable plates, covered with plastic wrap or slide plate into re-sealable bag.

Division 465 – Confections

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Class

- 01 Fudge, Chocolate (with or without nuts)
- 02 Fudge with other flavors or ingredients
- 03 Toffee & Brittles
- 04 Other Confections than above, specify

DECORATED CAKES & CUPCAKES

👉 NEW THIS YEAR –

Professional Decorated Cakes

- ONE FULL SHOW ONLY
- Styrofoam bases only for cakes & cupcakes
- All entries must be ready to be judged.
- Entries must be entrant's original design.
- All decorations must be handmade.

Division 466 – Adult Amateur

Division 467 – Professional

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Class - Division 466-467

- 01 Formal Cake
- 02 Novelty Cake
- 03 Faux Cupcakes, any occasion (6)
- 04 2010 OC Fair Theme –
"THE BEAT GOES ON" CAKE

Youth Competitions

Baked Goods

Junior & Young Adult (ages 9-18)

COOKIES, BREADS & BROWNIES

- Quantity: 6 cookies - use 7"- 9" disposable plates, covered with plastic wrap or slide into re-sealable bag.
- Duplication of cookies in more than one class is not allowed.
- No packaged mixes.

1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 350 – Junior, 9-12

Division 370 – Young Adult, 13-15

Division 390 – Young Adult, 16-18

2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 7am – 1pm

Division 351 – Junior, 9-12

Division 371 – Young Adult, 13-15

Division 391 – Young Adult, 16-18

Class

- 01 Any Traditional Cookie (undecorated), specify
- 02 Brownies, Blondies & Bars
- 03 Sugar or Gingerbread Cutouts – Decorated
- 04 Quick Bread (1 loaf) or Muffins (6)



FUN SNACK CAKES

- One single layer cake or 6 cupcakes
- No package cake mix.

1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 352 – Junior, 9-12

Division 372 – Young Adult, 13-15

Division 392 – Young Adult, 16-18

2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 7am – 1pm

Division 353 – Junior, 9-12

Division 373 – Young Adult, 13-15

Division 393 – Young Adult, 16-18

Class

- 01 Any Single Layer Cake (with or without icing), specify
- 02 Cupcakes (6)

DECORATED CAKES & CUPCAKES

- Styrofoam bases only for cakes and cupcakes.
- All entries must be ready to be judged.
- Entries must be entrant's original design.

One Full Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am – 1pm

Division 354 – Junior, 9-12

Division 374 – Young Adult, 13-15

Division 394 – Young Adult, 16-18

Class

- 01 Cake – Formal, Novelty, or Fair Theme, specify
- 02 Faux Cupcake any occasion (6)

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Preserved Food

New this Year!
Preserved Foods
open to Youth (ages
9-18)
see Jr. & Young Adult

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed below.
2. Review the Category Guidelines and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. Limit – No limit, 1 entry per class.
4. **Entry Deadline – May 26.** Enter online and pay entry fee.
5. **Entry Delivery – July 14.** Bring us your entry... and join us at the 2010 OC Fair!

PRESERVED FOOD

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 7am 1pm

Pickup: Aug 17 (Tue), Noon - 7pm

- Preserved food entries must have been preserved within the past year (after August 2009).
- No freezer-preserved foods will be allowed.
- For Dried Fruits and Vegetables, Sauces, Soups, Salad Dressings, Flavored Oils, and Vinegar; entries must follow all requirements or will be disqualified.
- Preserved Foods not picked up on August 17 will be discarded.

Preservation Methods

We use the following references for proper preserved foods methods:

- Ball Blue Book Guide to Home Canning, Freezing and Dehydration
- Kerr Home Canning and Freezing Book
- USDA Complete Guide to Canning Processing Method and Time
- Blue Ribbon Preserves

Canning Methods - Entries must be processed using one of two canning methods:

A. Water Bath Method: Acid foods

B. Pressure Canner Method: Low acid foods

Labels for Jars

- All Preserved Food entry jars must be labeled.
- Place label securely on the side of the jar (clear adhesive packaging tape is recommended).
- Include the following information:
 - Name of product
 - Canning method (water bath, pressure)
 - Date prepared
 - List of ingredients

SAMPLE LABEL

Product	_____
Method/Time	_____ Date _____
Ingredients	_____
Name	_____

- List the canning method and processing time used in preservation as follows:
EXAMPLE: If the Water Bath method is used, list as A/___ min. or, if the Pressure Canner method is used, list as B/___ min.
- Personalized labels, decals, and decorations are not allowed on the sides or top of the jars. (This does not apply to the design printed by the manufacturer on the top of the jar lids.)
- **Place name under bottom of jar.**

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Preserved Food (cont.)

Jars

- Submit 1 jar for each product entered for judging & display. No “tasting jars” are needed.
- Use a regular ½-pint or 1-pt Mason-type threaded, home-canning jar sealed with new vacuum seals consisting of 2 pieces (metal screw ring band and metal lid). Both the screw ring band and lid must be on the jar. Ring band must unscrew easily.
- No paraffin seals.
- **Mayonnaise or other types of jars will be disqualified.**

Use Proper Headspace:

- **¼-inch headspace:** Jams, jellies, preserves, conserves, butters, pickles, curds, relishes, sauces, juices, and marmalades.
- **½-inch headspace:** Fruit, tomato and sauerkraut.
- **1-inch headspace:** Vegetables, meats, and soups. Any pressure canned.

Division 472 – Dried Fruits, Vegetable, Meats and Herb Blends

- Dried Food Products must be stored in jars. Submit in a 1-pint or 1-quart jar, quantity as specified.
- Provide list of ingredients.

Class

- 01 Fruit or Vegetables, specify** (6 ounces)
- 02 Dry Rubs, Seasoning Mix or Blend, Specify** (1–2 ounces, using at least 3 home dried herbs)
- 03 Jerky, any** (2 ounces)
- 04 Snack Mix or Trail Mix** (1-2 cups)
- 05 Other, specify**

Division 471 – Canned Fruit or Vegetables

- Submit 8 ounces or 1-pint.

Class

- 01 Any, specify**

Division 474- Jams & Conserves

- Submit 8 ounces or 1-pint.

Class

- 01 Any Stone Fruit** (e.g., apricot, peach, plum, etc.)
- 02 Strawberry**
- 03 Other Berries** (e.g., blackberry, loganberry, blueberry, etc.)
- 04 Mixed Fruit, specify**
- 05 Conserves, Preserves & Marmalades, specify**
- 06 Other than above, specify**

Division 475 - Jellies

- Submit 8 ounces or 1-pint.

Class

- 01 Single Fruit**
- 02 Wine, Pepper, Mint, specify**
- 03 Other Jelly than above, specify**

Division 477 - Pickles, Relishes, All Sauces

- Submit 8 ounces or 1-quart jar.

Class

- 01 Sauce, any**
- 02 Pickles – Dill**
- 03 Pickles – Bread & Butter**
- 04 BBQ Sauce**
- 05 Vegetable**
- 06 Relish**
- 07 Salsa**
- 08 Other than above, specify**

Youth Competitions

Preserved Food (cont.)

☞ **NEW THIS YEAR** – Preserved Foods open to Youth (ages 9-18)

Junior & Young Adult (ages 9-18)

Division 356 – Junior, 9-12

Division 357 – Young Adult, 13-15

Division 358 – Young Adult, 16-18

- Submit quantity specified
- Dried Food Products must be stored in jars. Submit in 1-pint or 1-quart jars, or as specified.

Class

01 Fruit or Vegetable Canned, specify (1 pint)

02 Dried Preserved Food, specify
Herbs (1 ounce), **Jerky** (2 ounces),
Fruit and Vegetables (6 ounces) or
Dried Mix(1-2 cups)

03 Jam, Jelly or Preserve, specify
(1 pint or 8 ounces)



Culinary Arts

Table Designs

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed below.
2. Review the Category Guidelines and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. Limit - 1 Table Setting entry per exhibitor.
4. **Entry Deadline – May 26.** Enter online and pay entry fee at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>
5. Bring us your entry... and join us at the 2010 OC Fair!

AMATEUR TABLE SETTINGS

First & Second Show Dates

1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 11am – 1pm
Pickup: August 3 (Tue), 7am – 10:30am

2nd Show

Delivery: August 3 (Tue), 11am – 1pm
Pickup: August 17 (Tue), Noon – 7pm

First show Table Settings not picked up by 10:30am on Tuesday, August 3rd, will be dismantled by OC Fair Staff. Exhibitor must pick up by end of the day. OC Fair & Event Center is not responsible and cannot store items. If you are unable to pick up after the first showing, please do not enter.

Each Adult show is limited to 24 tables. The Juniors & Young Adults show is limited to 10 tables. Space will be assigned on a basis of first entry received. Enter your first choice of show; you will be notified for the showings and judging criteria the beginning of June.

- Modern American etiquette standards apply, on all aspects of table settings placement.
- OC Fair judging criteria will be provided for both formal and informal table settings.
- Judges comments will be posted.

NEW THIS YEAR

– Adult Table Settings have a choice of round (36" x 30" h) or rectangle (30" w x 48" l x 30" h) tables.

Black, draped-to-floor covered display tables will be provided by the OC Fair.

- Each exhibitor may enter only one (1) Table Setting. During setup times, ONLY THE PERSON WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THE FORM IS ALLOWED IN THE VICINITY OF THE EXHIBIT. You may not touch another exhibitor's entry.
- All tables must be set for 2 people.
- Table Setting must be contained on the top of the table only. No added floor items allowed.
- Please **do not** include:
 - fresh flowers
 - store-bought centerpieces
 - food items
 - disposable place settings
 - paper tablecloths or napkins
 - candles, if used, may not be lit
- Glassware, cups/saucers and flatware should be set for all courses. Do not set steak knives.
- Dinnerware should be set for all courses except dessert.
- Display the menu on the table. Settings should correspond with the menu.
- Follow the correct placement of all components in the setting as well as size (table cloth drop) and placement of linens appropriate to style of service.
- Centerpiece can be scaled for a larger table that would actually seat more guests, but cannot detract from the overall effect, the comfort of the guests, or the service of the meal.

Culinary Arts

Amateur Table Settings

Adult Table Settings

ROUND TABLE

Division 491 -1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 11am – 1pm

Division 492 -2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 11am – 1pm

RECTANGLE TABLE

Division 493 -1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 11am – 1pm

Division 494 -2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 11am – 1pm

Class

- 01 Dining on the Patio
- 02 International Flair
- 03 Setting for a Gala
- 04 Dinner and a Movie
- 05 Holiday Trimmings



Junior & Young Adult (ages 9-18)

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE: All Youth Exhibitors must set up their Table Setting without assistance.

(Youth exhibitors will display on the rectangle, 30"w x 48"l, tables)

1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 11am – 1pm

Division 396 – Juniors, 9-12

Division 398 – Young Adults, 13-15

Division 400 – Young Adults, 16-18

2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 11am – 1pm

Division 397 – Juniors, 9-12

Division 399 – Young Adults, 13-15

Division 401 – Young Adults, 16-18

Class - Division 396-401

- 01 It's My Party!
- 02 Tea With A Twist!
- 03 2010 OC Fair Theme - The Beat Goes On.

Culinary Arts

Professional Tablescapes

Professional Displays

Entries limited to space available.

- Exhibitors will be given a 6' x 6' space.
- Professional entries may bring business cards or professional sign after judging. (Sign not to exceed 9"x12")
- Exhibitor (Designer) and one assistant may enter exhibit space only.
- You may not touch another exhibitor's entry.
- May include chairs, flooring, lighting, floor pieces, arbors, small gazebos, & props, which must be anchored with weights.
- All tables must be set for 2 or more people.
- Candles, if used, may not be lit.
- Please **do not** include:
 - fresh flowers
 - store-bought centerpieces
 - food items
 - disposable place settings
 - paper tablecloths or napkins
- Glassware, cups/saucers and flatware should be set for all courses. Do not set steak knives.
- Dinnerware should be set for all courses except dessert.
- Display the menu on the table. Settings should correspond with the menu.
- Follow the correct placement of all components in the setting as well as size (table cloth drop) and placement of linens appropriate to style of service.
- Centerpiece may be scaled for a larger table that would actually seat more guests, but cannot deter from the overall effect, the comfort of the guests, or the service of the meal.

Division 489 – 1st Show

Delivery: July 14 (Wed), 9am – 11am

Division 490 – 2nd Show

Delivery: Aug 3 (Tue), 1pm – 3pm

Display tables will be provided on request by the OC Fair. Please specify round (36" x 30"h) or rectangle (30"w x 48"l x 30"h) on your entry.

Class - Division 489-490

01 Wonderland

02 Art of Cuisine

03 Live Wire

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Special Culinary Competitions

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the Special Culinary Competitions listed below.
2. Review the Culinary Arts and Special Culinary Competitions Guidelines and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. Limit - 1 entry per category. You may enter as many categories and competitions as you would like.
4. **Pre-Register** by the Wednesday prior to the Competition - Mail or email the Special Culinary Competitions Entry Form. (You do not enter online.)
5. No entry fee required.
6. Bring us your entry on the competition day ... and join us at the 2010 OC Fair!

SPECIAL COMPETITIONS

☛ **NEW THIS YEAR**

Youth (ages 9-18), are invited to enter the OC Cupcake Classic Special Culinary Contest on August 14. (See page 17.)

- Please take note of the delivery dates.
- Amateurs, 19 years and older, are invited to enter the Special Culinary Contests.
- Professional and Youth (ages 9-18), are invited to enter the OC Cupcake Classic Special Culinary Contest on August 14.
- Contests are judged during the hours of the OC Fair at the Promenade Stage. Judging is open to the public. Ribbons are awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place in each competition, as well as a Special Award – Grand Winner. No premiums offered.
- All entries must be ready to be judged.
- Entry must include typed or legibly printed recipe/ingredients.
- If entry requires special set-up contestant (only) is limited to 10 minutes and must check in with stage attendant before 12:30 sharp.
- **Food Display – New this year**
Due to new food restrictions, items **will not** be publicly sampled. Only judges will taste foods entered. After judging, food will be transferred into appropriate display containers and all entries will remain on display (as long as possible) with exhibitors name and duplicate award placing.

PRE-REGISTRATION

- Free Fair admission will be granted to entrants who pre-register by the Wednesday prior to each competition.
- To pre-register, mail or email a completed Special Contest Form.

Mail to:

OC Fair – Culinary Competitions
88 Fair Dr
Costa Mesa, CA 92626.

Email to: rfontes@ocfair.com

- Once you have pre-registered, we will place your name on a list for one free admission, valid for that day only.
- **Express Entry Drop Off** – Before parking, enter the main gate off 88 Fair Drive, and proceed to the Blue Gate Exhibitor Will Call Booth at the passenger drop off area. Contestants must check entry in between 10am – noon on day of competition. (Exhibitor Will Call will close at noon.) Check in your food entry and show a photo ID to receive your free admission ticket (each exhibitor must be present to receive admission ticket). Then proceed to the nearest parking lot. OC Fair staff will transport entries to Promenade Stage for judging.

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Special Culinary Competitions (cont.)

Art of the Tart

When: Saturday, July 24, 1pm

Check-in: Between 10am – Noon

Pre-register: By July 21, 2010

Categories:

01 Savory Tart or Pie, (quiche, meat, cheese, etc.)

02 Sweet Tart or Pie, 1-crust (custard, nut, fruit, etc.)

03 2-Crust Fruit Pie

04 Sugar-Free/Sugar Substitute



Must be baked at home from scratch. No ready mixes or pre-mixed allowed. No purchased pre-made crust. Submit: One 9-inch, three 3-inch or 6 mini-sized tarts. Judged on taste, presentation, originality & creativity.

Hot! Hot! Hot! Chili, Wings & Salsa Challenge

Enter one or enter all categories and compete for sweepstakes winner!

When: Sunday, July 25, 1pm

Check-in: Between 10am – Noon

Pre-register: By July 21, 2010

Categories:

01 Chili (1 quart)

02 Chicken Wings (10 pieces)

03 Salsa (16 ounces)

Entries will be judged on taste and originality. Contestants may enter one Chili, one Salsa and one Chicken Wing entry. 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place will be awarded in each category.

A Sweepstakes award will be given for total highest points earned by a contestant who enters in all three categories.

Placement Point Values; 1st– 5 points, 2nd-3 points, 3rd-1 point. The total points accumulated will determine the sweepstakes winner



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Special Culinary Competitions (cont.)

Retro Baker Regatta

The 1955 Orange County Fair “Orange Cake & Lemon Pie Regatta” returns along with other classic desserts for a comeback baking contest in a celebration of tradition.

When: Saturday, July 31, 1pm

Check-in: Between 10am – Noon

Pre-Register: By July 28, 2010

Categories:

01 Home baked Orange Cake

02 Homemade Lemon Pie

03 Old Fashioned Bread or Rice Pudding

04 Semi-Homemade Dessert

(using a cake mix or baking dessert mix)

05 Cobbler’s, Betty’s & Buckles (from scratch)

06 Other Old Time Recipe Desserts

Judged on taste, presentation, and creative representation of tradition.



Bacon Bac-Off

Bacon Lovers Unite! OC Fair’s first-ever salute to an all-American favorite!

When: Sunday, August 1, 1pm

Check-in: Between 10am – Noon

Pre-register: By July 28, 2010

Categories:

01 Bacon (and more bacon) Appetizers

02 Bacon Blasted Main Dishes

03 Best of Bacon Sides

04 Bacon Desserts

Judged on taste, presentation, originality and creativity. Bacon is an essential ingredient in this fun contest.

Culinary Arts

Special Culinary Competitions (cont.)

International Foods Festival

OC Fair brings the world together in its most popular showing of global specialties.

When: Sunday, August 8, 1pm

Check-in: Between 10am – Noon

Pre-register: By August 4, 2010

Categories:

01 Appetizers from All Over

02 Main Courses from Many Lands

03 Heritage Desserts

Judged on taste, presentation, and creative representation of classic International cuisine.



NEW THIS YEAR

Youth (ages 9-18), are invited to enter the OC Cupcake Classic Special Culinary Contest on August 14.

OC Cupcake Classic

Sugar and spice and everything iced!

The best cupcake baker will be crowned at the OC Fair's sweetest competition ever.

When: Saturday, August 14, 1pm

Check-in: Between 10am – Noon

Pre-register: By August 11, 2010

Categories:

01 Professional Baker

02 Amateur Baker

03 Youth 9-18 (specify age on entry)

6 Cupcakes **per entry**. Limit – 2 entries; bakers may enter two different flavors / creations. Judged on taste, originality and creativity.



CULINARY ARTS

Special Culinary Competitions Form

Culinary Arts Department: (714) 708-1621

Who May Enter: Adults (ages 19 and older).

Youth (ages 9-18) may also enter "OC Cupcake Classic" only.

Entry Form Due: Wednesday, prior to each Competition.

Mail to: OC Fair Entry Dept.
88 Fair Drive
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Email: rfontes@ocfair.com

Special Culinary Competitions For all other entries, please enter online.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

PHONE (H) _____ **DAY TIME PHONE** _____

CIRCLE THE SPECIAL CULINARY COMPETITION NAME

	Pre-Register by:	Date of Competition:
Art of The Tart & Pies	July 21	July 24
Chili, Wings & Salsa Challenge	July 21	July 25
Retro Baker Regatta	July 28	July 31
Bacon Bac-Off	July 28	August 1
International Foods Festival	August 4	August 8
OC Cupcake Classic	August 11	August 14

OC Fair Guidelines

Online Entry

Dates to Remember

- **Most competitions require online entry by Midnight, Wednesday, May 26, 2010. Please check individual Department's Guidelines for entry, 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 16, 2010, 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 16, 2010, 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 insure 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.

OC Fair Guidelines

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 Award Ribbons 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 at <http://ocfair.com/results>. Please do not call 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>.