

Youth Competitions

Culinary Arts

**Baked Goods, Decorated Cakes, Preserved Foods,
Table Settings & Special Culinary Competition**

**Youth Divisions are Open to Orange County Residents
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

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 Settings –

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

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

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

Pickup: August 17, Tuesday, Noon – 7pm

Special Culinary Competition- See page 37 for registration form and show date.

Awards

Youth Awards

Division Winner - \$25



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Baked Goods - Youth (ages 9-18)

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed.
2. Review the Culinary Category Rules and Guidelines (page 43), Youth and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. Limit – Maximum of 1 entry per class.
4. **Entry Deadline – May 26.** Enter online and pay \$3 entry fee (per entry) at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>.
5. Bring us your entry... and join us at the 2010 OC Fair!

COOKIES, CAKES, BREADS & BROWNIES

Two Show Dates!

1st Show

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

2nd Show

Delivery: August 3, Tuesday, 7am – 1pm

- Youth (ages 9-18) – No limit. Maximum of 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.
- 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

- For judging, list all ingredients on a 3"x5" card.
- If you would like your recipe to appear in the online 2010 OC Fair Cookbook, submit a copy of the recipe on a 8 ½" x 11" sheet of white paper. Cookbook will go online after the OC Fair.



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Baked Goods - Youth (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 Signal Layer Cake (with or without icing)
- 02 Cupcakes (6)

DECORATED CAKES & CUPCAKES

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

ONE SHOW ONLY

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 Cupcakes, any occasion (6)

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Special Culinary Competition

To Enter:

1. Review the Culinary Arts and Special Culinary Competition Guidelines and OC Fair Guidelines.
2. **Pre-Register** by the Wednesday prior to the Competition - Mail or email the Special Culinary Competitions Entry Form. **(You do not enter online.)**
3. No entry fee required.
4. Bring us your entry on the competition day ... and join us at the 2010 OC Fair!

SPECIAL CULINARY COMPETITION

NEW THIS YEAR

Youth (ages 9-18), are invited to enter the **OC Cupcake Classic**, a 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.

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 to:

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

Email: fontes@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

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

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. Entries are judged on taste, originality and creativity.

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CULINARY ARTS

Youth Special Culinary Competition 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."

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 ONLY. For all other entries, please enter online.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

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

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

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

Pre-Register by:

Date of Competition:

OC Cupcake Classic

August 11

August 14

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Preserved Food - Youth (ages 9-18)

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed.
2. Review the Culinary Category Rules and Guidelines (page 41) and the OC Fair Guidelines.
3. Limit – Maximum of 1 entry per class.
4. **Entry Deadline – May 26.** Enter online and pay \$3 entry fee (per entry) at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>.
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: August 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.

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 one jar for each product entered for judging and display. No “tasting jars” needed.
- Use a regular ½-pint or 1-pt Mason-type threaded, home-canning jar sealed with new vacuum seals consisting of two 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:** Fruits, tomatoes and sauerkraut.
- **1-inch headspace:** Vegetables, meats, and soups. Any pressure canned.

Preserved Foods not picked up on Aug 17 will be discarded.

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 Vegetables, 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)

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Table Settings - Youth (ages 9-18)

To Enter:

1. Choose from among the divisions and classes listed.
2. Review the Culinary Category Guidelines (page 43), Youth and OC Fair Guidelines.
3. Limit - 1 Table Setting entry per person.
4. **Entry Deadline – May 26.** Enter online and pay \$3 entry fee (per entry) at <http://ocfair.fairmanager.com>.
5. Bring us your entry... and join us at the 2010 OC Fair!

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 3, 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 show is limited to 10 Youth Table Settings. 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.

Black draped to floor, oblong (30”w x 48”l x 30”h), display tables will be provided by the OC Fair.

- Each exhibitor may enter only **one** 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.

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Table Setting - Youth (ages 9-18)

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

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.



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Culinary 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 Competition:** see pages 37-38 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:** Youth (ages 9-18 by July 16, 2010) 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.
 - ♦ **YOUTH DIVISIONS** - \$3 per entry
- **Entry Limit:**
 - ♦ **CULINARY SHOWS** – No limit. Maximum of one entry per class.
 - ♦ **PRESERVED FOODS** - No limit. Maximum of one entry per class.
 - ♦ **TABLE SETTING** - Maximum of 1 entry.
- **Free Fair Admission:** Exhibitors will receive one 2010 OC Fair admission ticket, per show, at time of entry delivery.

Delivery

- **Delivery Dates:** See individual competition show dates and times.
- **Where to Deliver Entries:** Home Arts & Crafts Promenade between Buildings 14 and 16.

Pickup of Entries

- **Food Items:** Will be discarded.
- **Preserved Foods:** August 17, Tuesday, Noon - 7pm
- **Table Settings:** **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!** NO EXCEPTIONS.

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Culinary Category Guidelines (cont.)

Rules

- **Read Competition Guidelines:** Changes are made each year. Review the Category Rules and Guidelines for individual competitions, Youth and OC Fair Guidelines (end of Youth Competition Guide).
- Entries over the maximum amount stated will be disqualified.
- Disqualified entries will not be displayed and MUST be picked up when notified.

Judging & Awards

- **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 & Crafts 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.