

NIAGARA REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL FAIR (EXHIBITION)

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Each exhibitor must have a current Membership for the Niagara Regional Agricultural Society (NRAS). Membership fees: Senior (19 and older) **\$10.00***
and Junior (18 and under) **\$5.00.**
Membership fees are not refundable. Junior Exhibitor may exhibit in any class above their age but **cannot** exhibit in classes below their age.
2. By showing Membership card, each Senior Membership is allowed one (1) free admission **once** during the NRE and each Junior Membership is allowed one (1) free admission **each** day of the NRE.
3. The prize money cheques will be mailed late June and must be cashed before July 31th. In the event of an error in the cheque, a second cheque will be issued.
4. The sum of \$10.00 shall be retained from every Senior exhibitor obtaining the sum of \$10.00 or over in prize money to cover \$10 membership for the following year.
5. All individuals and organizations are to use the online entry (via the website: www.niagaraex.com) or ensure that the form is mailed to the office by **May 23, 2025** for your printed tickets to be mailed to you. Organizations please make your entry in the name of your organization and use your permanent mailing address. If postal code does not appear on the entry form, prize money will not be mailed.
6. All exhibits must be the bonafide property of the exhibitor. Any person showing anything for competition not his/her own shall forfeit prize money.
7. It shall be the duty of the judges to only award such premiums as they consider the exhibit is entitled. They may withhold the prize from any exhibit improperly classed or not worthy of a prize.
8. All exhibits receiving a premium must have an entry tag attached and, unless otherwise exempted, must remain until the close of the show. Prize money will be forfeited if this rule is violated.
9. All exhibits shall be at risk of the exhibitor.
10. Exhibits may be picked up ***Sunday between 4:30 and 5:30 pm or Monday 10 am to noon by showing their Membership card. Exhibits not picked up will become property of NRAS.**
11. All protest must be made in writing, must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, and must be delivered to the Secretary on the day of cause of protest accompanied by \$1.00 which will be forfeited to the Society if the protest is not sustained.
12. Prizes will be awarded as shown in the Judge's Book and no alteration can be made. Exhibits not entered on the entry form cannot be awarded prize money.
13. Specific regulations applying to each class of exhibit are given under each show. Please refer to index.
14. Any exhibitor or attendant, who is guilty of creating a disturbance, whether by openly criticizing the judge or using obscene language to any judge or officer, shall therefore forfeit the right to any premium and may be suspended by the Society from exhibiting.
15. Prize list is subject to correction of typographical errors and/or omissions. In the case of a disagreement, the ruling of the committee chair shall be final.
16. In the event of rain or inclement weather so affecting the gate receipts as to leave the holding of the Fair a financial loss after the Government Rain Insurance has been taken into account, the Society reserves the right to pay all premiums, awards of purses at a rate on the dollar sufficient to make good the loss.

17. Section 19 (2) of the Agricultural Societies Act preventing certain performances, huckstering or trafficking in merchandise etc., within three hundred yards of the fairgrounds on the days of Exhibition shall be enforced.
18. If **not three exhibitors** in livestock classes, the Fair Board will only **pay half the prize money**.
19. Exhibitor Book correct at time of printing
20. While the Directors of the Society will take every possible precaution under the circumstances to secure the safety of life and property at the Exhibition, the Society declares that it is strictly understood that exhibitors and others attend at their own risk. Should any article be accidentally injured, burned, lost or stolen, the Directors will give all assistance in their power for recovery, but they will not recognize any claim for payment of the value or portion thereof, and the Society will not be responsible for anyone being injured in any way on the grounds.
21. Information in this booklet was accurate at the time of printing. Any last-minute changes, corrections or clarifications are at the discretion of the Niagara Regional Agricultural Society and take precedence. Please note not all sponsors have been confirmed.
22. **NOTICE:** Any information collected by the Niagara Regional Agricultural Society regarding members, exhibitors, commercial exhibitors, sponsors, directors and any other persons related directly to the business of the Niagara Regional Agricultural Society and the Niagara Regional Agricultural Fair will be solely used for the purposes of promotion of the Niagara Regional Agricultural Society and the Niagara Regional Agricultural Fair, and for the maintenance of their files and data base. Any member, exhibitor, commercial exhibitor, sponsor or director realizes that when they agree to take part in the Niagara Regional Agricultural Society and the Niagara Regional Agricultural Fair, that their names may be published for these reasons only. None of this information whatsoever will be sold or transferred to any outside party for any reason.

*In October 2024, NRAS had to update their Constitution and By-laws to align with ONCA and OMAFRA Guidelines; in the process Exhibitor Memberships (\$5) were changed to Senior Memberships (\$10) giving previous Exhibitors a vote at Annual and Special Meetings.

HOME DIVISION RULES

1. The Niagara Regional Agricultural Society will not be liable for any damages to the exhibits. All exhibits are displayed at the owner's risk. The Society will not be responsible for damages or theft.
2. The General Rules and Regulations of the Prize List apply to this Show. All classes are open to all.
3. Exhibits must fall within a class and section of the Prize List of this Show
4. ***All exhibits must be placed between *5:30 and 7:30 p.m. Thursday** of Fair week. Please use the online exhibitor entry or have your form to the office no later than **May 23, 2025** in order to have your tickets mailed to you.
5. Each exhibitor may exhibit only **ONCE** in each section.
6. Make sure you check to see if you are qualified to enter the class you want. (i.e.: if you are an individual, you cannot enter a class for Organizations only.) If you do, no prize money will be awarded.
7. ALL individuals and organizations are to use the online entry (via the website: www.niagaraex.com) or ensure that the form is to the office by **May 23, 2025** in order for your printed tickets to be mailed to you. Organizations please make your entry in the name of your organization and use your permanent mailing address. (If postal code does not appear on the entry form, prize money will not be mailed.)
8. Trays and dishes should be disposable. If this is not possible, the owner's name, address, and telephone number **MUST** be marked on the bottom.
9. All exhibits must be NEW WORK and NEVER exhibited at this Fair before. All work must be clean and not appear to have been worn or used before being exhibited, or it will be disqualified. All exhibits must be handcrafted by the exhibitor and must include a piece of the fabric, yarn etc. of creation.
10. The Committee is authorized by the Society to discard all soiled, defaced, or old work. In classes where there is no competition, unless the exhibit is worthy of a prize, the Judge need not award one and placement is at his/her discretion.
11. If the exhibitor wishes to sell an exhibit, the words FOR SALE and telephone number may be shown on the exhibitor's tag.
12. All exhibits must be removed from the building on **Sunday between *4:30 and 5:30 p.m.** or **Monday 10 am to noon**. Exhibitors are asked to use their memberships after 5 p.m. to enter the Grounds and pick-up their exhibits. Articles **not** picked up will not be the responsibility of the Society.
13. Articles not complying with the Prize List may be exhibited at the owner's risk and no prize money shall be awarded.

CLASS: 1 - FOODS INDIVIDUALS ONLY

1st ~ \$5.00, 2nd ~ \$4.00, 3rd ~ \$3.00

BREADS AND BUNS

1. ½ Loaf White Bread (not bread machine)
2. ½ Loaf 60% Whole Wheat Bread (not bread machine)
3. ½ Loaf White Bread (bread machine)
4. Dinner Rolls (3), attached

QUICK BREADS and MUFFINS

5. Quick Breads, Two (2) Varieties, Two (2) Slices of Each
6. Three (3) Carrot Muffins, No Baking Cups
7. Three (3) Bran Muffins, No Baking Cups

DESSERTS

8. Three (3) Oatmeal Drop Cookies
9. Three (3) Chocolate Chip Cookies
10. Three (3) "Smile" Cookies
11. Banana Cake, Iced, 4x4 inch (10x10 cm) Serving
12. Zucchini Loaf, Three (3) Slices
13. Three (3) Chocolate Cupcakes, Iced
14. Cake Brownies (3), not iced
15. Apple Pie, One (1) Serving
16. Pumpkin Pie One (1) Serving
17. Three (3) Butter tarts, Raisins (**OAAS Competition – no fruit or nuts**)
18. Three (3) Lemon Tarts

PRESERVES 250 ml or 500 ml Jars

19. Peaches
20. Applesauce
21. Pears
22. Tomatoes, Stewed (Plain)
23. Strawberry Jam, Cooked, No Wax
24. Strawberry Jam, Freezer
25. Plum Jam, Cooked, No Wax
26. Peach Jam, Cooked, No Wax
27. Dill Pickles
28. Pickled Beets
29. Sweet Pickles
30. Bread and Butter Pickles
31. Chili Sauce (No Fruit)
32. Salsa

***RECENT ADDITIONS – OAAS Competition**

33. Liquid Honey, pure Ontario #1 White, 2 - 500 gram (375 ml) jars
34. Maple Syrup, pure Ontario Grade A, Amber, 2 - 250 ml Kent style glass bottles or similar

CLASS: 2- EGGS INDIVIDUALS ONLY

1st ~ \$5.00, 2nd ~ \$4.00, 3rd ~ \$3.00

Eggs must be from chickens owned by the exhibitor.

1. One (1) Dozen Brown Eggs, Grade A Large
2. One (1) Dozen White Eggs, Grade A Large

CLASS: 3 – FOODS ORGANIZATIONS ONLY

1st ~ \$5.00, 2nd ~ \$4.00, 3rd ~ \$3.00

BREADS AND BUNS

1. ½ Loaf White Bread (bread machine)
2. ½ Loaf Brown Bread (not bread Machine)
3. ½ Coffee cake (8 or 9 inch round)

QUICK BREADS

4. Three (3) Raisin Tea Biscuits
5. Banana Bread, Three (3) Slices (not iced)

DESSERTS

6. Three (3) Peanut Butter Cookies
7. Carrot Cake, Three (3) Slices (not iced)
8. Three (3) Sugar Cookies
9. Apple Pie, One (1) Serving
10. Pecan Pie, One (1) Serving
11. Three (3) Cherry Tarts

PRESERVES 250 ml or 500ml Jars ONLY

12. Peaches
13. Pears
14. Applesauce
15. Tomatoes
16. Strawberry Jam, Cooked, No Wax
17. Strawberry Jam, Freezer
18. Dill Pickles
19. Pickled Beets
20. Bread and Butter Pickles
21. Pickled Mixed Veggies

CLASS: 4 – SPECIALS OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS & ORGANIZATIONS

1st ~ \$5.00, 2nd ~ \$4.00, 3rd ~ \$3.00

1. Hot Dog Relish, 250 ml or 500 ml Jar
2. Marinated Carrots, 250 ml or 500 ml Jar
3. Corn Relish, 250 ml or 500 ml Jar
4. Three (3) Pineapple Carrot Muffins, No Baking Cups
5. Three (3) Shaped Sugar Cookies (not decorated)
6. Three (3) Cookies Decorated for Canada Day
7. Three (3) Gingerbread Cookies
8. Three (3) Pieces of Shortbread
9. Three (3) Cupcakes Decorated for a Birthday
10. Three (3) Brownies, Iced

Organizations
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CLASS: 5 - ARTS & CRAFTS INDIVIDUALS ONLY

1st ~ \$5.00, 2nd ~ \$4.00, 3rd ~ \$3.00

Please make sure you include a piece of the material, yarn used to create the item.

HANDICRAFTS

Measurements not to include the frame, ready to hang

1. Cross Stitch Picture, Counted - not to exceed 24 inches (61 cm) on longest side
2. Needlecraft Picture, Ready to Hang - not to exceed 24 inches (61 cm) on longest side – no cross stitch
3. Stuffed Animal
4. One (1) Pair Handmade Oven Mitts
5. Handcrafted Pillow that is functional and usable

SEWING

6. Child's Two (2) Piece Outfit, Size 12 and Under
7. Sleepwear
8. Lady's Dress
9. Apron
10. Item of Sportswear

KNITTING

Must be hand done

11. Hat or Toque
12. One (1) Pair Mittens
13. Infant's Sweater and Bonnet, Fastened Together
14. Afghan, Approx. 48x60 inch (122x152.5 cm)
15. Infant's Blanket, Approx. 35x45 inch (89x115 cm)
16. Infinity Scarf
17. Stuffed Doll or Animal
18. Socks, One (1) Pair
19. Scarf, no longer than 60 inches (152.5 cm)
20. Any knitted article incorporating beads

CROCHETING

Must be hand done

21. Hat or Toque
22. Slippers, Any Size
23. Infant's Blanket, Approx. 35x45 inch (89x115 cm)
24. Infinity Scarf
25. Afghan, Approx. 48x60 inch (122x152.5 cm)
26. Infant's Sweater and Bonnet, Fastened Together
27. Dress, Infant's to 24 Month
28. Stuffed Toy
29. Scarf, no longer than 60 inches (152.5 cm)

CLASS: 6 -ARTS & CRAFTS ORGANIZATIONS ONLY

1st ~ \$5.00, 2nd ~ \$4.00, 3rd ~ \$3.00

Please make sure you include a piece of the material, yarn used to create the item.

HANDICRAFTS

1. Handcrafted Place mats, Set of Four (4)
2. Stuffed Toy
3. Wall Hanging, no larger than 24 x 30 inch (61 x76 cm)
4. Article made for a Handicapped Person, i.e.: Walker Tote

SEWING

5. Lady's Blouse with Sleeves
6. Child's Two (2) Piece Outfit, Size 2 to 6X
7. Cushion
8. Headwear (hat)
9. Child's Halloween Costume
10. Full Apron
11. Article of Clothing Made with a Serger

KNITTING

Must be hand done

12. Lady's Cardigan
13. Child's Sweater, Size 3 to 6
14. Knitted Stuffed Toy
15. Afghan, Not Less Than 48x60 inch (122x152.5 cm)
16. Infant's Blanket, Approx. 35x45 inch (89x115 cm)
17. Pair of Slippers, Any Size
18. Knitted Pet Sweater
19. Infinity Scarf
20. Any knitted article with beads incorporated

CROCHETING

Must be hand done

21. Lady's Sweater, Pullover or Cardigan
22. Decorative Item
23. Crocheted Stuffed Toy
24. Slippers, Any Size
25. Dress, Infants to 24 Months
26. Afghan, approx. 48x60 inch (122x152.5 cm)
27. Infant's Blanket, Approx. 35x45 inch (89x115 cm)
28. Toque

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CLASS: 7 – SPECIALS OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS & ORGANIZATIONS

1st ~ \$5.00, 2nd ~ \$4.00, 3rd ~ \$3.00

Please make sure you include a piece of the material, yarn used to create the item.

1. Crocheted Tablecloth, At Least 40 inch (102 cm)
2. Wall Hanging, Ready to Hang - Not to Exceed 45 inches (115 cm) - Unframed
3. Needlepoint Picture, Framed - Not to Exceed 24 inches (61.5 cm)
4. Decorated Wreath, Suitable for Summer, Not to Exceed 16 inch (41 cm)
5. Knitted Doily, Mounted, Not to Exceed 16 inch (41 cm)
6. Needlework Item, not a Wall Hanging
7. Hand crafted reusable grocery bag
8. Stitch and Stuff Article for a baby
9. Two (2) Fancy Jar Tops, Jars Included
10. Article of Clothing Re-made from Recycled Item, i.e.: jeans, ties, bottles, etc.
11. Crocheted Doily, Mounted, Not to Exceed 16 inch (41 cm)
12. Tea Cozy, Any Medium, No Teapot
13. Handmade soap
14. Straw Hat – decorated for Summer
15. Coffee cup cosy
16. Handcrafted Greeting Card, Any Occasion but Christmas - No Computer
17. Handmade Hair Accessory
18. Handmade Article of Jewellery
19. Diamond Painting Square drill full coverage, not to exceed 24 inches (61.5 cm), framed ready to hang
20. Diamond Painting Round drill full coverage, not to exceed 24 inches (61.5 cm), framed ready to hang
21. Handmade Wine Bottle Bag, sewn
22. Handmade Pillow Cases, sewn
23. Mason jar creation
24. Bottle cap creation
25. Cardboard creation
26. Old button creation
27. Wooden creation

CLASS: 8 - SENIOR CITIZENS OPEN TO ALL SENIORS - 65 YEARS OR OVER

1st ~ \$5.00, 2nd ~ \$4.00, 3rd ~ \$3.00

Please make sure you include a piece of the material, yarn used to create the item.

Residents of Senior Citizen Homes please put the name of the Home on your entry tag.

1. Useful article made from sewing room scraps
2. Crocheted Edging on a Towel or Pillow Case
3. Set of Two (2) Pot Holders
4. Knitted Baby Sweater and Bonnet, Fastened Together
5. Dresser Scarf, Embroidered
6. Pillowcases, Pair with Embroidery
7. Any Craft Article, Crocheted
8. Any Craft Article, Knitted
9. Stuffed Article
10. Pin Cushion

Only Seniors

CLASS 9 QUILTING OPEN TO INDIVIDUALS ONLY- no long arm quilting

1st-\$20.00, 2nd-\$15.00, 3rd-\$10.00

Please make sure you include a piece of the material, yarn used to create the item.

1. *Quilt, Pieced, (hand quilted) no smaller than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229 cm)
2. *Quilt, Appliquéd, (hand quilted) no smaller than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229 cm)
3. *Quilt, Any Other Variety, (hand quilted) no smaller than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229cm)
4. *Quilt, Kit, (machine or hand quilted) no smaller than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229 cm)
5. *Quilt, first Time Exhibitor, (hand quilted) no smaller than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229 cm)
6. Lap Quilt approx. 50x70 inches (127 x 178 cm)

CLASS: 10 QUILTING OPEN TO ORGANIZATIONS ONLY- no long arm quilting

1st-\$20.00, 2nd-\$15.00, 3rd-\$10.00

Please make sure you include a piece of the material, yarn used to create the item.

1. *Quilt, Pieced, (hand quilted) no smaller than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229 cm)
2. *Quilt, Appliquéd, (hand quilted) no small than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229 cm)
3. *Quilt, Any Other Variety, (hand quilted) no smaller than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229 cm)
4. *Quilt, Kit, (machine or hand quilted) no smaller than 72 x 90 inch (183 x 229 cm)
5. Crib Quilt, approximately 40 x 50 inch (102 x 127 cm)
 - *may qualify for OAAS competition: 25 points General Appearance & Design,
 - 20 points Colour & Materials
 - 55 points Workmanship: 30 Quilting
 - 10 Borders
 - 15 Binding & Picots