

DIVISION 6029 – 4-H ARTS

1. See General Rules applying to all 4-H exhibitors and general rules applying to 4-H exhibits listed previously in this catalog.
2. All classes are from Portfolio Pathways (Section A), Sketchbook Crossroads (Section B), and Getting Started in Art 4-H Core Curriculum except for Trends and Heritage Arts. Additional teaching resources can be found in 4-H Create Art Now (Univ. of Idaho), Exploring Fiber Arts (Illinois Extension), and Seeing Through Graphic Design (Ohio State Univ).
3. Junior: Any member aged 9-13. Senior: Any member aged 14-19.
4. Seniors must submit an artist statement. For the **2025** 4-H Program Year, Juniors are **ONLY** required to submit an artist statement for Heritage Arts categories. See the attached artist statement worksheet. This can be attached to the back of the item.
5. A county is limited to one entry per class. **Each Exhibitor may enter only two (2) classes per sections A, B, and C per year. This is a maximum of 6 per year.**
6. **All items must have been made since the last State Fair.**
7. Tags (4LO-11SO) must be attached to the lower right front corner of paintings, drawings, etc. For other exhibits, neatly secure the ID card where it can be seen by the public with tape, or punch a hole in the corner of the tag and attach it with a string or rubber band. For items with more than one piece, a description on the back of the ID card is suggested with the number of pieces, color, etc. In addition, label each item in an inconspicuous location; include a minimum of name and county (clothing label 4LO-12SO may be utilized).
8. Project entry must meet all the requirements for the class; otherwise, the entry will be disqualified.
9. Appropriate hangers for the project are hardware permanently attached to the project that can be displayed on metal grid work walls via a metal S hook, binder clip, or zip tie. *****NOTE:** mat board and canvas can be displayed utilizing binder clips. We will have binder clips available at check-in for you.
10. Some classes have specific size requirements, for all others, the maximum size is 30"x30"
11. Frames with glass are not permitted.
12. Subject matter must be "family-friendly" in context.
13. Small items, which are easily separated or destroyed, may be placed in small plastic bags.
14. Reserve and Grand Champion will be selected from class champions in both the junior and senior categories.



SECTION A: Portfolio Pathways

Painting

- 727a. Junior Acrylic: (pg.12) Using acrylic paint to create a painting.
- 727b. Senior Acrylic: (pg.12) same as Junior.
- 728a. Junior Watercolor: (pg.14) Using watercolors and a variety of techniques to complete a painting on watercolor paper.
- 728b. Senior Watercolor: (pg. 14) same as Junior.
- 729a. Junior Abstract: (pg.18) Using acrylic paints experiment with abstract designs to complete a painting.
- 729b. Senior Abstract: (pg. 18) same as Junior
- 730a. Junior Sand Painting: (pg.20) On sanded plywood or particle board. Explore painting with colored sand mixed with glue.
- 730b. Senior Sand Painting: (pg.20) same as Junior.
- 731a. Junior Self Portrait: (pg.22) Use a medium of your choice. Complete a self-portrait using any drawing or painting technique.
- 731b. Senior Self Portrait: (pg. 22) same as Junior.
- 732a. Junior Human Action: (pg.24) Using acrylic or watercolor paints, capture humans in action using vivid colors, lines, and texture when painting.
- 732b. Senior Human Action: (pg.24) same as Junior.
- 733a. Junior Oil Painting: (pg.26) Using oils on canvas or canvas board. Experiment with different techniques of laying oil to canvas to create a finished painting.
- 733b. Senior Oil Painting: (pg.26) same as Junior.
- 734a. Junior Oil Pastel: Using Oil pastels on canvas or canvas board, create a finished work of art.
- 734b. Senior Oil Pastel: same as Junior.

Printing

- 736a. Junior Blueprint Paper Print: (pg.40) On blueprint paper create a sun print; at least 5 ½ x 8 ½ in. using cyanotype or Light or sun-sensitive paper.

- 736b. Senior Blueprint Paper Print: same as Junior.
- 738a. Junior Wax Resist Print: (pg.44) Create intricate designs for printing using a wax resist method.
- 738b. Senior Wax Resist Print: same as Junior.
- 739a. Junior Tire Stamp Print: (pg.46) Cut pieces of inner tube tire, glue them onto a wood block, and print using a stamp pad. Entry must include print and stamp.
- 739b. Senior Tire Stamp Print: same as Junior.
- 740a. Junior Linoleum Print: (pg.48) Create linoleum print using linoleum block on paper.
- 740b. Senior Linoleum Print: same as Junior

Graphic Design

- 743a. Junior 5 Color Design: (pg.62-63) Create (2) two 8" x 10" inch pieces. Five color designs are identical except for (1) one color. Change (1) one color to create a second design. Use paint, paper, or computer graphics program. Mount on a matt board.
- 743b. Senior 5 Color Design: same as Junior
- 744a. Junior Computer Drawing: (pg.70) Explore the use of computer tools and techniques to doodle, draw and replicate images. Print out a design showing the use of various tools.
- 744b. Senior Computer Drawing: same as Junior.

Section B: Sketchbook Crossroads

Drawing

- 745a. Junior Black Pencil Drawing: (pg.12) Draw using a black pencil.
- 745b. Senior Black Pencil Drawing: same as Junior
- 746a. Junior Two-Point Perspective: (pg. 16) On sketch paper, draw a two-point perspective that has a point at each end of a horizontal segment.
- 746b. Senior Two Point Perspective: same as Junior.
- 747a. Junior Circular Shape Object: (pg.18) Draw a circle then draw a subject of your choice inside the circle.
- 747b. Senior Circular Shape Object: same as Junior.
- 748a. Junior Colored Pencil: (pg.20) Draw with colored pencils.

- 748b. Senior Colored Pencil: same as Junior.
- 749a. Junior Pen and Ink: (pg.22) Sketch animals or other objects using pen and ink. No markers.
- 749b. Senior Pen and Ink: same as Junior
- 750a. Junior Hand Lettering: (pg. 24) On 8 ½ by 11 paper, rewrite a quote, poem, or pledge using Calligraphy. Make sure to include the author on the piece.
- 750b. Senior Hand Lettering: Same as Junior
- 751a. Junior Cartooning: (pg.27) Cartooning is a simple process of making line drawings show sequential motion. Create your own cartoon character showing motion. Must create at least three blocks.
- 751b. Senior Cartooning: same as Junior.

Fiber Arts

- 752a. Junior Felted Wool Applique: (pg31) Felt wool to create a design. Applique design to a felted wool item.
- 752b. Senior Felted Wool Applique: same as Junior.
- 753a. Junior Cotton Linter Bowl: (pg. 34) Experiment with cotton linter using molds and shaping the linter to form bowls. Enhance the cotton with colored pencils, threads, floss, and dried flowers to make a unique creation.
- 753b. Senior Cotton Linter Bowl: same as Junior.
- 754a. Junior Batik Fabric: (pg.37) Using natural fiber fabric. Create a unique fiber artwork using dyes and the wax resist method.
- 754b. Senior Batik Fabric: same as Junior.
- 755a. Junior Lap Loom Woven Item: (pg.40) Set up a lap Loom. Using several colors or types of yarn create a woven item of your choice.
- 755b. Senior Lap Loom Woven Place Mat: same as Junior



Sculpting

- 757a. Junior Clay: (pg.55) Create an item from clay either self-hardening or firing is required.
- 757b. Senior Clay: same as Junior.
- 758a. Junior Clay Bust: (pg.57) Sculpt a head with facial features out of clay.
- 758b. Senior Clay Bust: same as Junior
- 759a. Junior Mask: (pg.61) Create a mask using clay emphasizing unique form and texture to portray feelings.
- 759b. Senior Mask: same as Junior.
- 760a. Junior Cardboard Sculpture: (pg.65) Create a piece of textured relief sculpture using corrugated cardboard stacked and glued together. Sculpt with an Exacto® knife.
- 760b. Senior Cardboard Sculpture: same as Junior.
- 761a. Junior Wire Sculpture: (pg.67) Using wire and other materials (nylon cloth, beads, etc.) to create a freestanding sculpture.
- 761b. Senior Wire Sculpture: same as Junior.
- 762a. Junior Plaster of Paris Carving: (pg.69) Using a plaster of paris block, carve a form.
- 762b. Senior Plaster of Paris Carving: same as Junior.

Section C: Art Trends and Heritage Arts

This section will highlight the latest trends in art while honoring our heritage.
Documentation of the Heritage Arts Classes in the artist statement is REQUIRED for both Junior and Senior Classes! If required documentation is not attached the item will be disqualified. You may enter two entries per year in this section.

Trends

- 763a. Junior Art Trends – Mixed Media Canvas. Mixed media is defined as employing more than one medium. Examples include decoupage and paint; pencil and watercolors; fabric, paint, and paper. The canvas size is open to the artist.
- 763b. Senior Art Trends—Mixed Media Canvas: Same as above.
- 763c. Junior Basket Making - Natural materials, any size, shape, or design. Non-natural materials may be woven into the design.

- 763d. Senior Basket Making - Natural materials, any size, shape, or design. Non-natural materials may be woven into the design.
- 763e. Junior Jewelry – One piece of jewelry created by youth (Jewelry quality only). No kits or pony beads allowed.
- 763f. Senior Jewelry – One set (at least two items) of jewelry created by youth (Jewelry quality only). No kits or pony beads allowed. No elastic material is used to string beads. Examples: earring(s) and necklace or bracelet and necklace, etc.
- 763g. Junior Leather Craft - Item made from leather. May or may not be tooled. Kits allowed.
- 763h. Senior Leather Craft - same as above. No kits allowed.

Heritage Arts

According to various sources, heritage can refer to practices or characteristics that are passed down through the years, from one generation to the next. Kentucky 4-H believes in celebrating one's heritage through recognition of art that may be representative of one's culture. Examples may include: baskets, brooms, wood carvings, metal art, mini barn quilts, etc.

- 764a Junior Heritage Arts
- 764b. Senior Heritage Arts

ARTIST STATEMENT

To be completed by Seniors for every/each piece of art. To be completed by Juniors submitting a Heritage Art piece.

Name:	
County:	
Class:	
Title of Work:	
Materials Used:	
Explanation of where you got your inspiration or ideas from in creating this work.	
Explanation of elements and principles of design that pertain to your work.	
What kind of message were you trying to communicate?	
How does this represent you as an artist?	
Heritage Crafts: Please tell the history of the piece including why and where it was first created.	

