

TEXTILE ARTS DIVISION 5291

BEST IN COUNTY TEXTILE ARTS

Each county may select their best textile arts item (other than a quilt) to enter in Best in County Textile Arts. The Best in County quilt is entered in the NSF Quilt Department.

- The entry must be one that would qualify to be entered in an existing class in the **2015 Textile Arts Entry Book**. *Note that quilted items like table runners are in the Textile Arts Department and not the Quilt Department at NSF.*
- The entry must be selected at the local county fair. For joint county fairs, each county may have one entry.
- If the 2015 county fair is held during or after the 2015 NSF the exhibit will be eligible to compete in 2016.
- The exhibitor must be a resident of the county submitting the entry.
- If the first place exhibitor declines, an alternate exhibitor may enter.

Entry Process:

Forms: There are two entry forms which must be completed. These forms are available online or by contacting the NSF office (308-382-1620). However, the entry process itself must be done by mail-in or in person.

Pre-Entry Form: This form requires the signature of the county fair needlework superintendent or another official. Complete this form **immediately following county fair and mail** to Nancy Schmerdtmann, NSF Textile Arts Co-Superintendent, 4025 Norseman Ave, Grand Island, NE 68803.

Exhibitor's Form: This is completed by the exhibitor and submitted with the exhibit. Attach a label with exhibitor's name, address, telephone number and county to the exhibit. If your delivery and return options are not the same be sure to note this on the form. Include contact information for the person picking up the exhibit.

Delivery of Exhibit – Deadline is 3 pm Wed, Aug 26 to the Fonner Park Concourse, south end.

The **Exhibitor's Form** must be included with item. Make a note on form if the return method is different.

Exhibit may be delivered by:

- The exhibitor / another person during Textile Arts entry times Wed, Aug 19, 3 to 8 pm, Thu, Aug 20, 8 am to 3 pm.
- Extension staff at the same time 4-H exhibits are delivered (Wed, Aug 26 by 3 pm).
- **Domestic Drop-Off/ Return Sites:** See link for details.
- **Domestic Shipping Options:** See link for details.

Return of Exhibit – No early release

Exhibits may be picked up on Mon, Sep 7, 8-10 pm or Tue, Sep 8, 8 am to noon by exhibitor, another person or extension staff. Be sure to include contact number for person picking up exhibit on the **Exhibitor's Form**.

Also, see **Drop-Off/Return Sites** for return via a drop-off/return site and see **Domestic Shipping Options** for returns by shipping.

Note: Exhibits not picked by the above options or with insufficient payment for return shipment must be retrieved from the State Fair Office, Fonner Park, Grand Island no later than Wed, Oct 7 . After that, the items will be donated to charity.

Best in County Textile Arts Premiums

Awarded by Nebraska State Fair

- 1st place - \$75
- 2nd place - \$60
- 3rd place - \$50
- 4th place - \$40
- 5th place - \$30

BEST IN COUNTY TEXTILE ARTS ~ Guidelines

Division 5291 of the Textile Arts Department

You can find the detailed information about the **Best in County Textile Arts Contest – Division 5291** on the last page of the **2015 Textile Arts Entry Book**. The front of the entry book contains both **Rules & Regulations for Domestic Departments** as well as the additional specific rules for the Textile Arts Department. In addition, refer to the following documents for options in getting your exhibit to and from the fair: **Domestic Drop-Off/Return Sites** and **Domestic Shipping Options**.

Textile Arts -- PRE-ENTRY FORM NSF 2015 - Best in County

Immediately following your county fair mail this form to:

Nancy Schmerdtmann, NSF Textile Arts Superintendent, 4025 Norseman Ave, Grand Island, NE 68803.

County _____ Date _____

Item Selected for Best in County – Textile Arts:

Brief Description: _____

Approximate dimensions: _____

Exhibitor Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Alternative phone: _____

Email address (optional): _____

County Needlework Superintendent or County Fair Official:

Name: _____
(Signature) (Printed)

Title: _____

Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Anticipated Delivery Method - indicate option

Mail (USPS) with tracking _____ Use address: NSF Office, PO Box 1387, Grand Island NE 68802

Delivery service : UPS ___ FedEx ___ Use address: NSF Office, 501 E Fonner Park Rd Ste 200, Grand Island 68801.

Drop off/pick up at: Seward site _____ or North Platte site _____

Or deliver to Grand Island on August _____ by: ___ Exhibitor or ___ Other person _____

2015 Textile Arts - Best in County Exhibitor's Form

Entries are due not later than 3 pm Wed, Aug 26

Attach this form to textile arts exhibit which has been labeled with name and county.

County _____ Date _____

Item Entered: _____

Description sufficient to identify item: _____

Exhibitor Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Alternative phone: _____

Email address: _____ (optional)

Name and address of additional person(s) who were responsible for any portion of the exhibit (for example, commercial quilter)

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

What was done?

This exhibit was delivered to Nebraska State Fair office by:

USPS (mail) ___ UPS ___ Fed Ex ___ OR by drop off/pickup at _____

OR was brought to Grand Island in-person by:

Exhibitor ___ or by (list name): _____

The exhibit will be returned to exhibitor by: USPS mail ___ UPS ___ FedEx ___

Attach an envelope to this form and enclose a mailing label and a check to cover return mailing cost unless you have included a USPS Priority Flat Rate Box. Please include cost of tracking for USPS mail. Tracking is automatically included with UPS, FedEx and USPS Priority Flat Rate Box.

OR Drop off / pick up at _____

OR picked up during scheduled release time by: Exhibitor ___ or by: _____

whom can be contacted by phone number: _____ if a reminder is needed.