

Floral

2025 Exhibitor's Handbook



*Creative Living at the
Oregon State Fair*

FLORAL

IMPORTANT DATES ENTRY AND RELEASE SCHEDULE

**Floral All Fair and First Show
Online Entry Deadline**
10 pm, Monday, August 18

Second Show Online Entry Deadline
10 pm, Monday, August 25

Deliver Entries – All Fair and First Show
Wednesday, August 20, 2 pm to 7 pm

Second Show
Wednesday, August 27, 7:30 to 8:30 am

Enter through Green Gate on 17th Street
and follow signs to Floral Building.

Bring a copy of your online registration
receipt (see instructions this page).

Pick up entries
Tuesday, September 2, 2 pm to 7 pm
Wednesday, September 3, 10 am to 2 pm

By submitting an entry into the Fair,
exhibitors agree to abide by all rules,
regulations and entry requirements of the
Fair and of the department(s) to which
they are submitting entries.

**It is important that exhibitors read
and be familiar with the General Rules
as well as the Competition Rules
in this Handbook.**

ONLINE REGISTRATION AND ENTRY INSTRUCTIONS

ONLINE ENTRY OPENS JUNE 13, 2025

Read the complete rules, division descriptions
and entry information in this Handbook
BEFORE going to online Registration

1. Then go to <https://oregon.fairwire.com>
2. Click **Register** or **Sign In** (for return visits).
 - Register using your First and Last Name and create a password (write password down).
 - Fill in requested information, including email address. Click **Continue**.
 - Select **Department** ex.: Floral
 - Select **Division** ex.: 1st Show Dahlias, Div. 263
 - Select a **Class** ex.: Class 2631 Ball or Mini Ball
 - For “All Fair” Divisions select the **Division** and then the **Class** ex.: Div. 252 Potted Plants; Class 2521, Bonsai, Abstract
3. When all your information is complete, click **Add Entry to Cart** and follow instructions to check out. (NOTE: If you think you may want to modify your entries, you may save your current session and check out at a later session.) Be sure to **Check Out before the closing date listed for your classes; entries are not submitted to the Fair office until the check-out process is complete.**
4. Fill in “yes” at the statement to agree to all the terms and conditions of entry as defined in this Handbook.
5. Click **Submit**.
6. Please print and bring a copy of your detailed online entry receipt **with your entries** when you bring them to the Fair.

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GENERAL RULES

1. Oregon State Fair (OSF) competitions are open to residents of Oregon only. Entries do not need to be entered or have won at a county fair to be eligible for any competition.
2. All articles must be the handiwork of the exhibitor and not been previously exhibited in a prior year at the Oregon State Fair.
3. Online entries must be submitted by the date indicated within each Department Handbook. Information must be accurate and complete, and no paper applications will be accepted. See Department Rules regarding whether walk-ins are accepted during intake days.
4. Entries must be delivered and removed only during the scheduled times. Any exception shall be at the discretion of OSF staff.
5. Entries will receive a claim check upon delivery. Exhibitor (or representative) must present claim check or valid Oregon ID when picking up entries.
6. Some competitions require an entry fee. See specific departments for fee and processing information.
7. OSF staff or a judge may disqualify or transfer any exhibit which is not a true representation of the class in which it is entered, if rules are not followed, or is considered offensive.
8. Judging is closed to the public unless otherwise noted. Every reasonable effort is made to secure highly qualified judges with expertise in their field.
9. Entries by OSF staff and judges are prohibited in the department in which they are working. They may enter other departments.
10. Ribbons and/or prizes will be awarded as warranted. All judges' results are final. Results cannot be provided over the phone but will be posted online when available. (www.oregonstatefair.org)
11. Protests may be submitted to the Creative Living office accompanied by a deposit of \$25 which will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. Protests must plainly state the cause of the complaint or appeal and be submitted within 24 hours of the action.
12. Ribbons and scorecards (as available) are provided with return of entries after Fair. See specific departments for return days.
13. OSF is authorized to use any and all photographs, video and or digital images related to the entry for promotional purposes.
14. Exhibitors shall indemnify OSF from and against all claims for damage to persons or property caused by them or their exhibits.
15. OSF will take reasonable precautions to ensure safety of exhibits while on the fairgrounds, but will not be responsible for loss, damage, theft or injury of any kind to exhibits or exhibitors, unless the loss or damage is due to the negligence of OSF staff and volunteers.
16. Exhibitors found in violation of rules, or to be in practices unethical or adverse to OSF, shall be penalized by forfeiture of awards and/or privileges, and removed from the exhibit.
17. Items not picked up by final return days of each department are forfeited by exhibitor.

The Oregon State Fair reserves the final and absolute right to interpret any and all terms, conditions, rules and regulations contained in any and all parts of Department Handbooks and to settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incidental to the Oregon State Fair. OSF further reserves the right to determine unforeseen matters not covered by General or Competition Rules, and to withdraw award offerings in all Competitions should any emergency exist and circumstances demand.

DEPARTMENT RULES

1. Submission of entry indicates the entrant/exhibitor reads and agrees to abide by the General Rules, Department Rules, Division and Class Rules.
2. The Floral Department accepts entries that are on display for the duration of the Fair (All Fair Divisions), as well as perishable entries for the First and Second shows.
3. Take note of specific criteria in Divisions to adhere to judging criteria. Judge's Decisions are final.
4. Complete online registration by deadlines. Online registration provides pre-printed entry tags on Intake Days, providing a much smoother intake process.
All Fair and First Show register online by 10:00 pm, Monday, Aug. 18
Second Show register online by 10:00 pm, Monday, Aug. 25
5. On Intake Day – Please bring online registration receipt/print-outs to expedite your intake process. Intake Day Staff are Volunteers – they are not content experts on “Division and Class” specifics. Entrant/exhibitor needs to select the proper DIVISION, CLASS and PREPARE items to conform to entry item for proper judging.
All Fair and First Show Intake Day is Wednesday, Aug. 20 from 2 pm to 7 pm.
Second Show Intake Day is Wednesday, Aug. 27 from 7:30 am to 8:30 am
6. Walk-ins (not pre-registered) for Intake day on Wednesday, August 20, will ONLY be accepted at discretion of Department head, and if accepted must allow extra time to complete the entry process. No walk-ins allowed for Second Show Intake Day August 27.
7. **All flowers must be grown by exhibitor** and conform to classified size and form for judging.
8. **“All Fair” Divisions** (Container Plantings, Potted Plants, etc.) **are limited to one entry per class.**
9. **First and Second Show Divisions** may enter more than one per class **if entries are different varieties or colors.**
10. **Divisions 282 and 292 are for Youth only** (17 years and younger). Youth are limited to **3 entries per class**. Specify age in online entry process.
11. **Divisions 280 and 290 (Floral Design) are for Professional Floral Designers.** A Professional is someone in the capacity of a judge, instructor, teacher (including in-home classes), advisor, owner, operator, or those who sell product for more than cost.
12. Vases are furnished by the Oregon State Fair. Use of personal vases is not allowed.
13. Points will be deducted from exhibits with foliage under water.
14. Entries received past the deadline for ALL FAIR, FIRST SHOW or SECOND SHOW will be accepted FOR DISPLAY ONLY as space allows.
15. Please note additional entry rules for Container and Potted Plant Divisions (below) and Fresh Floral Design Divisions on the last page. Exhibitors will have opportunity to refresh exhibits.



In this Department, ribbons may be awarded as merited for the following categories:

Best of Division

1st, 2nd, 3rd for each class

All judges' decisions are final.

DIVISIONS & CLASSES – ALL FAIR

Online registration deadline for the following classes is Monday, August 18. Exhibits must be in place by 7:00 pm, Wednesday, August 20, and will be on display throughout the Fair. Exhibitors will have the opportunity to refresh exhibits, details provided on entry.

250 Container Plantings

252 Potted Plants

255 Repurposed Container Gardening

295 AMERICA 250

257 Dried Flower Arrangements

259 Youth Division

293 Oregon Award

250 Container Plantings

Container & plantings limited to a maximum 40 lbs.

- 2501 Hanging Basket, (less than 3 varieties)
- 2502 Hanging Basket, (3 or more varieties)
- 2503 Patio/Porch (less than 3 varieties)
- 2504 Patio/Porch (3 or more varieties)
- 2505 Window Box (less than 3 plant varieties)
- 2506 Window Box (3 or more plant varieties)
- 2509 Other not already listed (specify)

252 Potted Plants

Pots & plants limited to a maximum 40 lbs.

- 2521 Bonsai - Abstract or Free Style
- 2522 Bonsai – Formal Upright
- 2523 Bonsai – Informal/Curved
- 2524 Blooming Plants (Geranium, etc.)
- 2525 Carnivorous Plant
- 2526 Foliage Plant (Fern, etc.)
- 2527 Fruiting house plant (Lemon, etc.)
- 2528 Succulents – Single Variety
- 2529 Succulents – Garden with 2 + varieties
- 2530 Dish Garden (3 or more varieties)
- 2531 Trained or Artistic
- 2532 Vine or Ivy
- 2539 Other not already listed (specify)

255 Repurposed Container Gardening

Creative use of container not usually used as a planter – Judged on presentation, creativity and suitability

- 2551 Fairy Garden
- 2559 Other not already listed (specify)

257 Dried Flower Arrangements

Height includes container

- 2571 Small Arrangement - Less than 18" high
- 2572 Large Arrangement – Minimum 18" high
- 2579 Other (specify)

259 Youth Division

- 2591 Container Plants – Fairy Garden
- 2593 Container Plants – Misc.
- 2595 Dried Flower Arrangement

293 Oregon Award

(1 entry per exhibitor)

Enter any Floral item celebrating Oregon that will last all 11 days of the Fair, such as container gardens or repurposed container gardening.



Show your Oregon Pride! To be eligible, entries need to be Oregon-centric – easily recognizable as unique to Oregon.

295 AMERICA 250 (1 entry per exhibitor)

Enter any Floral item highlighting American history or culture that will last for all 11 days of the Fair, such as container type or dried arrangements.

Entries must follow standard competition rules and should remain non-political and free of trademarked or commercial imagery

CONTAINERS AND POTTED PLANT DIVISIONS 250, 252, 255

- All **CONTAINER type entries** must be in place by 7:00 pm Wed., Aug. 20, and will display for the duration of the Fair.
- Please specify name of plant (such as jade, etc.) in description box online.
- Plant must have been in Exhibitor's possession for at least 90 days prior to Fair.
- Overall **weight of the container**, with soil and plant, **is not to exceed 40 pounds**.
- Plants must be in drip-proof containers, be well-groomed; containers should be clean and in good condition.
- Label container with exhibitor name and phone number.

DIVISIONS & CLASSES

FIRST AND SECOND SHOW

The following divisions can be entered in two separate shows. Online registration deadline is 10 pm Monday, August 18 for First Show, and 10 pm Monday, August 25 for Second Show.

First Show entries must be in place by 7:00 pm, Wednesday, August 20.

Second Show entries must be in place by 8:30 am, Wednesday, August 27.

FIRST SHOW

- 260 Annuals and Biennials
- 263 Dahlias
- 265 Gladiolus
- 266 Perennials
- 268 Roses
- 269 Floral Design (Fresh) – Non-professional
- 280 Floral Design (Fresh) – Professional
- 282 YOUTH (First Show)

SECOND SHOW

- 270 Annuals and Biennials
- 273 Dahlias
- 275 Gladiolus
- 276 Perennials
- 278 Roses
- 279 Floral Design (Fresh)-Non-professional
- 290 Floral Design (Fresh) – Professional
- 292 YOUTH (Second Show)

ANNUALS & BIENNIALS

260 Annuals & Biennials

FIRST SHOW

- 2601 African Daisies, 1 stem
- 2602 Amaranthus, 1 stem
- 2603 Asters, any type, 1 stem
- 2604 Bachelor's Buttons, 1 stem
- 2605 Calendula, 1 bloom, disbudded
- 2606 Celosia, 1 stem
- 2607 Chinese Lantern
- 2608 Cleome, 1 stem
- 2609 Coleus, 1 stem
- 2610 Cosmos, 1 stem
- 2611 Marigold, French double, 1 bloom
- 2612 Marigold, French single, 1 bloom
- 2613 Marigold, large, 1 bloom
- 2614 Nasturtiums, 1 stem, any color
- 2615 Petunias, 1 stem
- 2616 Petunias, bi-color, 1 stem
- 2617 Petunias, double, 1 stem
- 2618 Snapdragons, 1 stem
- 2619 Sunflower, 1 stem, small, center under 4"
- 2620 Sunflower, 1 stem, center is 4" or larger
- 2621 Sunflower, 1 stem, Any Other Type
- 2622 Sweet Peas, 1 stem, any color
- 2623 Zinnias, under 2", 3 blooms
- 2624 Zinnias, 2" or over, 1 bloom
- 2629 Other not already listed (specify)

270 Annuals & Biennials

SECOND SHOW

- 2701 African Daisies, 1 stem
- 2702 Amaranthus, 1 stem
- 2703 Asters, any type, 1 stem
- 2704 Bachelor's Buttons, 1 stem
- 2705 Calendula, 1 bloom, disbudded
- 2706 Celosia, 1 stem
- 2707 Chinese Lantern
- 2708 Cleome, 1 stem
- 2709 Coleus, 1 stem
- 2710 Cosmos, 1 stem
- 2711 Marigold, French double, 1 bloom
- 2712 Marigold, French single, 1 bloom
- 2713 Marigold, large, 1 bloom
- 2714 Nasturtiums, 1 stem, any color
- 2715 Petunias, 1 stem
- 2716 Petunias, bi-color, 1 stem
- 2717 Petunias, double, 1 stem
- 2718 Snapdragons, 1 stem
- 2719 Sunflower, 1 stem, small, center under 4"
- 2720 Sunflower, 1 stem, center is 4" or larger
- 2721 Sunflower, 1 stem, Any Other Type
- 2722 Sweet Peas, 1 stem, any color
- 2723 Zinnias, under 2", 3 blooms
- 2724 Zinnias, 2" or over, 1 bloom
- 2729 Other not already listed (specify)

DAHLIAS & GLADIOLUS

All dahlias must have lateral buds **neatly removed** and should be shown with one or two sets of attached leaves. Stem length should be in proportion to bloom. Open or blown centers will be eliminated from judging consideration.

263 Dahlias (1 stem, any color)

FIRST SHOW

- 2631 Ball or Mini Ball, over 2"
- 2632 Cactus or Semi cactus, under 4"
- 2633 Cactus or Semi cactus, 4 – 6"
- 2634 Cactus or Semi cactus, 6 – 8"
- 2635 Cactus or Semi cactus, 8" or over
- 2636 Formal Decorative, under 4"
- 2637 Formal Decorative, 4 – 6"
- 2638 Formal Decorative, 6 – 8"
- 2639 Formal Decorative, 8" or over
- 2640 Informal Decorative, under 4"
- 2641 Informal Decorative, 4 – 6"
- 2642 Informal Decorative, 6 – 8"
- 2643 Informal Decorative, 8" or over
- 2644 Lacinated
- 2645 Pompom, 2" or less
- 2646 Water lily
- 2647 Collarette Form
- 2648 Micro (other than pompom), under 2"
- 2649 Any Other Single Form (specify)
- 2650 Other not already listed (specify)

273 Dahlias (1 stem, any color)

SECOND SHOW

- 2731 Ball or Mini Ball, over 2"
- 2732 Cactus or Semi cactus, under 4"
- 2733 Cactus or Semi cactus, 4 – 6"
- 2734 Cactus or Semi cactus, 6 – 8"
- 2735 Cactus or Semi cactus, 8" or over
- 2736 Formal Decorative, under 4"
- 2737 Formal Decorative, 4 – 6"
- 2738 Formal Decorative, 6 – 8"
- 2739 Formal Decorative, 8" or over
- 2740 Informal Decorative, under 4"
- 2741 Informal Decorative, 4 – 6"
- 2742 Informal Decorative, 6 – 8"
- 2743 Informal Decorative, 8" or over
- 2744 Lacinated
- 2745 Pompom, 2" or less
- 2746 Water lily
- 2747 Collarette Form
- 2748 Micro (other than pompom), under 2"
- 2749 Other Single Form not already listed (specify)
- 2750 Other not already listed (specify)

Gladiolus should be shown in their prime with 1/3 of flower buds open

265 Gladiolus (1 stem, any color)

FIRST SHOW

- 2651 Miniature, up to 2 ½"
- 2652 Small, 2 ½ – 3 ½"
- 2653 Medium, 3 ½ – 4 ½"
- 2654 Large, over 4 ½"
- 2655 Double
- 2659 Other not already listed (specify)

275 Gladiolus (1 stem, any color)

SECOND SHOW

- 2751 Miniature, up to 2 ½"
- 2752 Small, 2 ½ – 3 ½"
- 2753 Medium, 3 ½ – 4 ½"
- 2754 Large, over 4 ½"
- 2755 Double
- 2759 Other not already listed (specify)

PERENNIALS

266 Perennials

FIRST SHOW

- 2660 Anemone, 1 stem
- 2661 Aster, perennial type, 1 spray
- 2662 Chrysanthemum, any type, 1 stem or spray
- 2663 Coreopsis, 1 stem
- 2664 Daisy, 1 stem, any type or color
- 2665 Feverfew, 1 spray
- 2666 Hydrangea, 1 stem, any color
- 2667 Hydrangea, 1 stem, Grandiflora, cone shaped
- 2668 Hydrangea, 1 stem, lace cap
- 2669 Lilies – Oriental, 1 stem, any color
- 2670 Lilies – Asiatic, 1 stem, any color
- 2671 Pansies, 1 stem, any color
- 2672 Rudbeckia, 1 bloom
- 2673 Sedums, 1 stem
- 2674 Verbena, 1 stem
- 2675 Violas, 1 stem, any color
- 2676 Other Flowering Plant (specify)
- 2677 Other Foliage Plant (specify)
- 2678 Other, 1 large stem or spray (specify)
- 2679 Other, 1 small stem or spray (specify)

276 Perennials

SECOND SHOW

- 2660 Anemone, 1 stem
- 2661 Aster, perennial type, 1 spray
- 2662 Chrysanthemum, any type, 1 stem or spray
- 2663 Coreopsis, 1 stem
- 2664 Daisy, 1 stem, any type or color
- 2665 Feverfew, 1 spray
- 2666 Hydrangea, 1 stem, any color
- 2667 Hydrangea, 1 stem, Grandiflora, cone shaped
- 2668 Hydrangea, 1 stem, lace cap
- 2669 Lilies – Oriental, 1 stem, any color
- 2670 Lilies – Asiatic, 1 stem, any color
- 2671 Pansies, 1 stem, any color
- 2672 Rudbeckia, 1 bloom
- 2673 Sedums, 1 stem
- 2674 Verbena, 1 stem
- 2675 Violas, 1 stem, any color
- 2676 Other Flowering Plant (specify)
- 2677 Other Foliage Plant (specify)
- 2678 Other, 1 large stem/spray (specify)
- 2679 Other, 1 small stem/spray (specify)

ROSES

Hybrid tea and grandiflora roses should be $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ open with a tight spiral center. Stem length should be in proportion to size of bloom. Buds do not count as a bloom; side buds should be removed. Sprays are two or more blooms on a stem. Flowers should be $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ open. Sprays should have center bud removed when small so the cluster of blooms will be more uniform in size. All green buds should be removed.

268 Roses (1 stem/spray, any color)

FIRST SHOW

- 2681 Climber
- 2682 English
- 2683 Floribunda
- 2684 Grandiflora
- 2685 Hybrid Tea
- 2686 Miniature bloom
- 2687 Miniature spray
- 2689 Other Rose not already listed (specify)

278 Roses (1 stem/spray, any color)

SECOND SHOW

- 2681 Climber
- 2682 English
- 2683 Floribunda
- 2684 Grandiflora
- 2685 Hybrid Tea
- 2686 Miniature bloom
- 2687 Miniature spray
- 2689 Other Rose not already listed (specify)

FRESH FLORAL DESIGN

Online registration deadline is **Monday, August 18, 10:00 pm for First Show,**
and **Monday, August 25, 10:00 pm for Second Show.**

FIRST SHOW entries will be accepted on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 from 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

SECOND SHOW entries will be accepted on Wednesday, August 27, 2025 from **7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

1. **Divisions 269 & 279** are for non-professionals. **Divisions 280 & 290** are for Professionals (see Department Rule #11).
2. First Show exhibits may be picked up when you bring entries for Second Show or entries can be picked on Tuesday, September 2, 2 pm to 7 pm and Wednesday, September 3, 10 am to 2 pm.
3. Exhibitors will have the opportunity to refresh exhibits. Details available on entry.
4. Exhibitors are to include cut flowers and other natural materials. No silk, fabric flowers or greens may be used.
5. Small arrangements no higher than 18" including container; Large arrangements 18" or more including container.
6. **Only one entry per class, per Exhibitor will be accepted in the Floral Design classes.**

269 Floral Design (Fresh) Non-professional

FIRST SHOW

- 2692 Petite bouquet in a basket – up to 10" high
- 2693 Small Arrangement – Up to 18" high
- 2694 Large Arrangement – Minimum 18" high
- 2697 Other not already listed (specify)

279 Floral Design (Fresh) Non-professional

SECOND SHOW

- 2792 Petite bouquet in a basket – up to 10" high
- 2793 Small Arrangement – Up to 18" high
- 2794 Large Arrangement – Minimum 18" high
- 2797 Other not already listed (specify)

280 Floral Design (Fresh) - Professional

FIRST SHOW

- 2802 Small Arrangement – Up to 18" high
- 2803 Large Arrangement – Minimum 18" high
- 2809 Other not already listed (specify)

290 Floral Design (Fresh)- Professional

SECOND SHOW

- 2902 Small Arrangement – Up to 18" high
- 2903 Large Arrangement – Minimum 18" high
- 2909 Other not already listed (specify)

YOUTH

282 YOUTH (Ages 17 and Younger)

FIRST SHOW (limit 3 per class)

- 2826 Annuals and Biennials
- 2827 Dahlias
- 2828 Gladiolus
- 2829 Perennials
- 2830 Roses
- 2832 Floral Design (Fresh)
- 2839 Other not already listed (specify)

292 YOUTH (Ages 17 and Younger)

SECOND SHOW (limit 3 per class)

- 2926 Annuals and Biennials
- 2927 Dahlias
- 2928 Gladiolus
- 2929 Perennials
- 2930 Roses
- 2932 Floral Design (Fresh)
- 2939 Other not already listed (specify)