

MHBA/MHYF Miniature Hereford Junior Nationals Arts Contest – Traditional Media, Non-Traditional Media, & Crafts Categories

Scorecard, Submission Form, & Statement of Authenticity

Overview:

The Arts Contest is unique in that it provides an opportunity for youth to demonstrate his/her creative abilities and self-expression through a number of different avenues. Youth are eligible to submit **up to five** different Arts exhibits (one submission for the 'Traditional Media' category, one submission for the 'Non-Traditional Media' category, one submission for the 'Crafts' category, one submission for the 'Written Expression' category, and one submission for the 'Performing Arts & Digital Media' category). Entry fees for each of these Arts categories are assessed *only* for youth **not** entering cattle in the MHBA/MHYF MHJN.

All Arts submissions **must** be created by the contestant themselves, without the assistance from a parent, guardian, or other adult (except in cases when adults serve as safety monitors). Contestant will be required to sign a Statement of Authenticity (which is included on the following pages). Each Arts submission must demonstrate originality. Should the submission(s) be determined to be the result of plagiarism, then all Arts entries made by the contestant will be disqualified.

Late entries **will** be accepted at the MHJN Contest Check-in at the venue for a \$5 fee per entry!

Scorecard:

The following is the scorecard that will be utilized during the judging of all the Traditional Media, Non-Traditional Media, and Crafts Art submissions. Judging will be conducted according to contestant age class and Arts category (i.e. a Junior submission for 'Crafts' will not be compared to a Senior submission for 'Traditional Media'). Please note that judges will not have access to contestant names, as a method of avoiding potential conflicts.

Please refer to the following pages for the Arts Contest Scorecard and the Submission Form that must be filled out by each contestant. This Form must be submitted along with **EACH of your featured items (i.e. your Arts exhibits) **during** the MHJN Contest Check-In.**

All Arts submissions will be on display for public viewing throughout the duration of MHJN.

Arts Scorecard – Traditional Media, Non-Traditional Media, and Crafts

Criteria	Elements Considered	Score	Judges Comment(s)
Originality and Creativity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submission shows clear signs of originality and reflects age-appropriate content • Artistic creativity is clearly evident • No evidence of plagiarism is apparent • Viewer attention is “drawn” to the art exhibit 	_____ out of 15 points possible	
Quality, Craftsmanship, and Technique	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Artist demonstrated skill with the selected media and tools • Arts exhibit is of high quality (age-appropriate expectations) • Clear evidence of youth craftsmanship (age-appropriate expectations) • Artist recognized the techniques utilized in creating the exhibit; techniques can be seen in the submitted exhibit 	_____ out of 30 points possible	
Written Description	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contestant submitted an explanation of the Arts Exhibit that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Explains why the artist created this exhibit (i.e. the artist’s intent behind creating the exhibit) ○ Describes media and tools utilized in the creation of the exhibit (and why that media was selected) ○ Does the artist hope the exhibit is meaningful to others (i.e. the artist’s interpretation of the exhibit) 	_____ out of 10 points possible	
Arts Category	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibit is clearly relevant to submitted contest category (Traditional Media, Non-Traditional Media, or Crafts) 	_____ out of 5 points possible	
TOTAL POINTS: _____ out of 60 points possible			

Submission Form – Arts Contests: Traditional Media, Non-Traditional Media, and Crafts:

Each contestant must complete the following form and include with *each* of his/her Arts contest submission (i.e. please print out one submission form for each Arts entry). Submissions must be received **during the MHJN Contest Check-In**. Arts entries that are not submitted during the Check-In time frame will **not** be accepted and entry fees will **not** be reimbursed.

1. Contestant Name:
2. Contestant Age:
3. Arts Class (select one):
4. Arts Exhibit Title:
5. Arts Media and Tools Utilized:

6. Dates of Production (for example, April 1-15, 2023):

7. Photograph of Contestant working on Art Exhibit Creation:

***Note:** Please print out a photograph that shows the youth artist physically working on the creation of the submitted Art exhibit. This photograph is required to be submitted along with the actual Arts exhibit.

I have submitted a printed photograph along with my Arts Exhibit

Yes

No

8. Written Description of Art Submission:

***Note:** Contestant written description (i.e. the artist's intention & interpretation) should describe the art, the artist's reasoning for creation, and (if applicable) any messages or deeper meaning behind the art exhibit. Why did the artist create this exhibit? What's the personal meaning of the exhibit to the artist? Does the artist hope the exhibit is meaningful to others?

Type your written description here:

Statement of Authenticity – Arts Contests: Traditional Media, Non-Traditional Media, and/or Crafts:

Each contestant must sign this 'Statement of Authenticity – Arts Contests: Traditional Media, Non-Traditional Media, and/or Crafts' and include with the Arts submission.

I, _____, do agree that all of the works submitted for the Miniature Hereford Breeders Association (MHBA) / Miniature Hereford Youth Foundation (MHYF) Miniature Hereford Junior Nationals (MHJN) Arts Contest are the result of my own creativity and activities. I agree that I physically created the included 'Arts' submission and that the information included with my 'Written Description of the Art Submission' is the result of my own thoughts, intent, and interpretations. I consent to allow photographs of my Art exhibits to be published in MHBA, MHYF, and MHJN publications.

Contestant Signature:

Date:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

***Note:** A Parent/Guardian signature is required for contestants in the Pre-Junior *and* Junior Arts contest.