

Adult & Junior Department

CARTOON ART

Coordinator: Charlie Barboni, Fair Office

Judges:

Scott Nicol, San Rafael, Cartoonist and Cartooning Educator

Erin Tselenchuk, Concord, Creator of **Churnworks.com**, home to cartoon strip **Tiki Times** and additional cartoons

Plus additional judges to be announced.

Timeline & Rules

Entry Forms Due → On or before Thursday, May 10, 5 pm, Fair Office

Note: You may enter online at marinfair.org through Friday, June 1

Entry Fee → **Adult:** \$6 Per Entry

Junior: \$2 Per Entry

Fee must accompany Entry Form.

Entry Limit → **Adult:** None

Junior: Six entries per exhibitor.

Mailed/Shipped Entries Due → Thursday, June 7, 5 pm, Fair Office

Exhibits Received → **2 Days** Friday, June 8, 3 pm to 7 pm &

Saturday, June 9, 10 am to 5 pm, Exhibit Hall

Exhibits Released → Thursday, July 5, 12 Noon to 7 pm, Exhibit Hall

Mailed/Shipped Entries → Delivered to UPS/USPS on Friday, July 13

1. Local and State Rules Govern this Competition.
2. **Eligibility:** Open to all amateur and professional cartoonists residing in the United States.
3. **Entry Procedure:** Cartoons will not be accepted unless an official Entry Form has been submitted. Entry Forms may be obtained from the Fair Entry Office, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael, CA 94903, or you may enter online at marinfair.org. For further information call 415.473.7048 or email cbarboni@marincounty.org.
4. **Mailed/Shipped Works of Art:** Mailed or shipped entries are due in the Fair Office by Thursday, June 7, 5 pm. Prepaid, return postage and insurance must accompany entries. Make checks payable to the Marin County Fair.
5. **Eligible Work:**
 - a. Cartoons must be original and unpublished. Your cartoon may be a single panel (like *Bizarro*) or a strip of multiple panels (like *Peanuts*). The content should seek to amuse or entertain the viewer. **It should have a narrative, caption, or word balloon.**
 - b. When drawing cartoons, use black ink on white for outlines; do not use pencil. Color may then be added.
 - c. If you use a computer, your cartoon must be entered in the digital category.
 - d. Winning entries are presented over several days to a large and diverse audience comprised of all ages, including young children. Cartoons that are considered offensive cannot and will not be accepted for judging.

- e. All cartoons must be suitably matted and can be framed. All cartoons must be ready to hang with securely fastened sawtooth hangers or strong wire hangers. Glue-on tabs, taped string or floating frames will not be accepted.
 - f. Maximum dimension of mats and frames should not exceed 24" in any direction.
 - g. Contestants must label the back of their artwork with their name, address, phone number, and cartoon's title.
- 6. Judging Criteria:**
- a. Quality of humor
 - b. Artistic ability
 - c. Clear, easy-to-read penmanship (lettering)
 - d. Reproduction Quality - Could this cartoon appear in a printed publication as is?
- 7. Sales:**
- a. Indicate on entry form if entry is for sale, and list the sale price. If entry is not for sale, please mark entry form N.F.S. **Sales price may not be changed once entry form has been submitted.**
 - b. Cartoons for sale must be sold as they are exhibited during the Fair.
 - c. Sales will be handled through the Fair Office, and the Marin County Fair will retain a 22% commission on all sales. Cartoonists will be paid by check approximately three weeks following the Fair.
- 8. Liability:** Every precaution will be taken in the handling and exhibiting of work; however, the Fair will not be responsible for any loss or damage.

Adult Division 61 Cartoons

Entry Fee – \$6 per entry

Class

- 1 Hand Drawn Single Panel Cartoon or Single Multiple Panel Strip
- 2 Hand Drawn Ongoing Comic Strip - Five Single Panels or Five Multiple Panel Strips
- 3 Hand Drawn Cartoon depicting Marin and/or Bay Area Issues
- 4 **New!** Hand Drawn Cartoon, **World Unity**
- 5 **New!** Hand Drawn Cartoon, Fair Theme: **All for One & Fun for All!**
- 6 Hand Drawn Cartoon, **Presidential Politics**
- 7 **New!** Computer Generated Cartoon, Single or Strip, Fair Theme, **All for One & Fun for All!**
- 8 Computer Generated Cartoon, Single or Strip, any other topic
- 9 Hand Drawn or Computer-Generated *Manga* and *Anime* style Cartoons

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place -----	\$40 & Ribbon
2nd Place -----	\$25 & Ribbon
3rd Place -----	\$15 & Ribbon
4th Place-----	\$10 & Ribbon
5th Place -----	\$5 & Ribbon
Honorable Mentions -----	Ribbons

Best of Show – \$50 & Rosette Ribbon

Junior Divisions Cartoons – Hand Drawn

Entry Fee – \$2 per entry

- Hand Drawn Cartoon, single or strip, any topic

Division 347 5 through 8 Years

Division 348 9 through 12 Years

Division 349 13 through 15 Years

Division 350 16 through 18 Years

Note: Be sure to enter the appropriate division for your age.

Class (For all four Junior Cartoons – Hand Drawn Divisions)

- 1 Single Panel Cartoon or Single Multiple Panel Strip
- 2 Ongoing Comic Strip - 5 Single Panels or 5 Multiple Panel Strips
- 3 **New! World Unity**
- 4 Healthy Food Choices
- 5 **New!** Fair Theme: **All for One & Fun for All!**
- 6 **Presidential Politics**
- 7 Animal Antics! or Fun with My Pet or Pets!
- 8 Manga and Anime Style Cartoons

Junior Divisions Cartoons – Digital

Entry Fee – \$2 per entry

- Digital (Computer-generated) Cartoon, single or strip, any topic

Division 351 5 through 8 Years

Division 352 9 through 12 Years

Division 353 13 through 15 Years

Division 354 16 through 18 Years

Note: Be sure to enter the appropriate division for your age.

Class (For all four Junior Cartoons – Digital Divisions)

- 9 Single Panel Cartoon or Single Multiple Panel Strip
- 10 Ongoing Comic Strip - 5 Single Panels or 5 Multiple Panel Strips
- 11 **New! World Unity**
- 12 Healthy Food Choices
- 13 **New!** Fair Theme: **All for One & Fun for All!**
- 14 **Presidential Politics**
- 15 Animal Antics! or Fun with My Pet or Pets!
- 16 Manga and Anime Style Cartoons

Awards for Junior Cartoons listed on next page...

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place *	-----	\$10 & Ribbon
2nd Place	-----	\$8 & Ribbon
3rd Place	-----	\$5 & Ribbon
4th & 5th Place	-----	Ribbons
Honorable Mentions, awarded at judges' discretion	-----	Ribbons

*** First Place Awards sponsored by
Jim & Win Normandi, Novato
In memory of Tony Normandi**

**Best of Show – \$25 & Rosette Ribbon
Courtesy of ~ Dan Breaux, Nicasio**

**Special Prizes awarded at the discretion of the Judges
Courtesy of ~**

Charles M. Schulz Museum, Santa Rosa

● **Charles M. Schulz Museum Family Level Membership** for one year – includes member card, member pin, invitation to Museum and other members-only special events for family members, unlimited free admission to Museum for family members, 10% discount in Museum store, discount on admission to Museum programs, and Museum newsletter.

(One for an Adult Exhibitor & one for a Junior Exhibitor.)

The Cartoon Art Museum

● **Cartoon Art Museum Family Membership** for one year – includes free admission to Museum for family members, one complimentary Museum guest pass, 10% discount in the bookstore, invitations to openings and special receptions, and museum newsletter.

(One for an Adult Exhibitor & one for a Junior Exhibitor.)

● **Cartoon Art Museum One Day Passes** – at discretion of judges.

Adult & Junior Special Cartoon Competition

The Mel Warenback Character Contest

sponsored by ~ Marinovation Learning Center
Makerspace-Media Studio

Melvin Warenback saw the world in puzzles and riddles: he could be at once creative and pragmatic, funny and deeply sentimental. At just 13 years old he was accepted to work as an intern for Walt Disney, but his career halted once they learned his age. His formal education included the School of Design and Art in Los Angeles and the New School in New York. As a paratrooper and cryptographer in World War II, Mel had his cartoons published in army newspaper publications. Mel's mind was like no other, with a career spanning art, fashion, media, and much more. Mel taught at San Francisco's Academy of Art for 15 years; well-loved by students, he was voted teacher of the year twice.



Mel was an avid cartoonist who entered the Fair cartoon contest religiously each year. He was also intrigued by the emerging technology of virtual and augmented realities. As a memorial to him and the future, we are sponsoring a cartoon contest where artists submit a cartoon of a character depicting the 2018 Marin County Fair theme. This cartoon will become the icon for an Augmented Reality Maze game at the Fair.

Some of Mel's own characters:



Timeline & Rules

- Cartoons Due** → On or before Thursday, May 10, 5 pm, Fair Office
- How to enter** → Email high-res JPG or PDF to exhibits@marincounty.org
Include name & contact information with entry to qualify.
- Description** → Cartoon must be a single character, recognizable as a stand-alone entity (see examples of Mel's own characters above), and representative of the fair theme: *All for One & Fun for All!*
- Requirements** → 500 px tall minimum. Black image on white background; no color. May be hand-drawn or digitally created.

Danish System of Judging – Awards Offered

1st Place – Ribbon ● 2nd Place – Ribbon ● 3rd Place – Ribbon

Best of Show – \$100 & Rosette Ribbon

Best of Show character will be the icon for an Augmented Reality Maze game at the 2018 Fair, and will be shown throughout the fairgrounds.