

Special Contests – Adult, Junior, Family, & Group

The Soaring 2020s Special Fair Contests

Coordinator: Charlie Barboni, Fair Office

Judges:

Robert Abrams, Ceramic & Sculpture Artist, Art Instructor and Gallery Owner, Emeryville

Emily Dvorin, Award-Winning Sculptural Fiber Artist and Art Instructor, Kentfield

Edgar Furlong, National Award-Winning Fiber Artist & Art Instructor, Novato

Timeline & Rules

To Enter: either **Register Online** by Monday, June 1 at marinfair.org
or **deliver your Entry Form** by Thursday, May 14, 5 pm, Fair Office
2020 Registration Fee: \$1 per person online, \$2 per person via paper form

Eligibility → Open to California residents.

Entry Limit → Two Entries per Class, unless otherwise noted

Entry Fee → \$5 Per Entry – Adults → \$3 Per Entry – Juniors
Fee must accompany Entry Form.

Exhibits Received → Friday, June 5, 3 pm to 7 pm
& Saturday, June 6, 10 am to 5 pm, Exhibit Hall

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

1. Local and State Rules govern this competition.
2. **Eligibility:** Open to all residents of the USA.
3. **Entry Procedure:** Register online at marinfair.org. Entry forms may also be obtained at the Fair Office. See deadlines above.
4. **Exhibit Reclaim:** Entries must be picked up on release day. Entries will only be released by presenting your claim check, personal identification, or a signed letter of authorization from the exhibitor.
5. **Liability:** Every precaution will be taken in the handling and exhibiting of work; however, the Fair will not be responsible for loss or damage which may occur from any cause. Submission of entries implies acceptance of all conditions stated in these rules.
6. **General:** Accepted works SHALL NOT BE REMOVED from the show prior to pickup dates as stated in these rules. Works must remain as installed.

■ Score Card for Judging Special Contests ■

Appearance - Total Effect (Overall Design and Proportion)-----	30%
Workmanship - How Is It Made? -----	35%
Originality - Creativity -----	35%
Total Score-----	100%

The Soaring 2020s – Adult & Junior Department

New! Birdscapes!

- Rules – 1.** The first 100 exhibitors to register will receive one 11" x 17" piece of white cardstock to create a work of art representing one or more birds, including scenes with birds.
- 2.** You may also provide your own 11" x 17" Birdscape paper.
- 3.** After registering online (or delivering paper entry form), you may pick up your cardstock at the fair office beginning April 15.
- 4.** Use any materials (paint, glitter, stitching, photos, glued on objects, etc.) to create your Birdscape

Junior Division 300 Birdscapes!

Junior Entry Fee – \$3 per entry

Class

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|------------------------------|---|
| 1 5 through 8 years | 4 16 through 18 years |
| 2 9 through 12 years | 5 Group of two or more exhibitors,
all 5 - 18 years |
| 3 13 through 15 years | |

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$10 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Peggy Bettini, San Rafael

Best of Show (Junior) – \$25 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ John & Pattie Grey, San Anselmo

Adult Division 20 Birdscapes!

Adult/Family Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class

- 6** Adult, 19 years or older
- 7** Group of adults or a Family (all ages)

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$35	\$25	\$20	\$10	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$20 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Eric Von Berg, Sausalito

Best of Show (Adult, Family, or Group) – \$50 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Judy Lear, Novato

The Soaring 2020s – Adult & Junior Department

NEW! Decorate a Bird

- Rules – 1.** The first 50 exhibitors to register will receive a cardboard bird shape approximately 36" wide to embellish.
2. You may also provide your own bird shape.
 3. After registering online (or delivering paper entry form), you may pick up your bird shape at the fair office beginning April 15.
 4. Use any materials (paint, glitter, stitching, photos, glued on objects, etc.). Decorate both sides of your bird.
 5. All birds must be hangable & have a hanging loop/gromet securely affixed.

Junior Division 301 Decorate a Bird

Junior Entry Fee – \$3 per entry

Class

8 5 through 8 years

11 16 through 18 years

9 9 through 12 years

12 Group of two or more exhibitors,
all 5 - 18 years

10 13 through 15 years

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$10 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Ernest & Nicole Klock, San Rafael

Best of Show (Junior) – \$25 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Suzie Pollak, San Rafael

Adult Division 21 Decorate a Bird

Adult/Family Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class

13 Adult, 19 years or older

14 Group of adults or a Family (all ages)

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$35	\$25	\$20	\$10	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$20 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Susan Schmidt, San Rafael

Best of Show (Adult, Family, or Group) – \$50 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Maynard & Helen Willms, San Rafael

The Soaring 2020s – Adult & Junior Department

NEW! Decorate a Kite

- Rules – 1.** The first 50 exhibitors to register will receive a paper kite to decorate.
2. You may also make or provide your own kite to decorate.
 3. After registering online (or delivering paper entry form), you may pick up your kite at the fair office beginning April 15.
 4. Use any materials (paint, glitter, stitching, photos, glued on objects, etc.).
 5. All kites must be hangable & have a hanging loop/gromet securely affixed.

Junior Division 302 Decorate a Kite

Junior Entry Fee – \$3 per entry

Class

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| 15 5 through 8 years | 18 16 through 18 years |
| 16 9 through 12 years | 19 Group of two or more exhibitors,
all 5 - 18 years |
| 17 13 through 15 years | |

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$10 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Dave Benoit, San Anselmo

Best of Show (Junior) – \$25 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Maynard & Helen Willms, San Rafael

Adult Division 22 Decorate a Kite

Adult/Family Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class

- 20 Adult, 19 years or older
- 21 Group of adults or a Family (all ages)

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$35	\$25	\$20	\$10	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$20 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Debbie Patrick, Sausalito

Best of Show (Adult, Family, or Group) – \$50 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Dave Benoit, San Anselmo

The Soaring 2020s – Adult & Junior Department

NEW! Soaring Sensations!

- Rules – 1.** The first 50 exhibitors to register will receive a balsa wood airplane to decorate.
2. You may also make or provide your own airplane form.
 3. After registering online (or delivering paper entry form), you may pick up your airplane at the fair office beginning April 15.
 4. Use any materials (paint, glitter, stitching, photos, glued on objects, etc.).

Junior Division 303 Soaring Sensations!

Junior Entry Fee – \$3 per entry

Class

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| 22 5 through 8 years | 25 16 through 18 years |
| 23 9 through 12 years | 26 Group of two or more exhibitors,
all 5 - 18 years |
| 24 13 through 15 years | |

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$10 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Sheri Rice, San Anselmo

Best of Show (Junior) – \$25 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Daniel Thomas, San Anselmo

Adult Division 23 Soaring Sensations!

Adult/Family Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class

- 27** Adult, 19 years or older
- 28** Group of adults or a Family (all ages)

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$35	\$25	\$20	\$10	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$20 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Suzie Pollak, San Rafael

Best of Show (Adult, Family, or Group) – \$50 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Daniel Thomas, San Anselmo

The Soaring 2020s – Adult & Junior Department

NEW! Up, Up, and Away!

Decorate a Hot Air Balloon

- Rules – 1.** The first 50 exhibitors to register will receive a hot air balloon-shaped paper lantern to decorate.
- 2.** You may also make or provide your own hot air balloon form.
 - 3.** After registering online (or delivering paper entry form), you may pick up your hot air balloon paper lantern at the fair office beginning April 15.
 - 4.** Use any materials (paint, glitter, stitching, photos, glued on objects, etc.).

Junior Division 304 Up, Up, and Away!

Junior Entry Fee – \$3 per entry

Class

29 5 through 8 years

30 9 through 12 years

31 13 through 15 years

32 16 through 18 years

33 Group of two or more exhibitors,
all 5 - 18 years

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$10 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Peggy Bettini, San Rafael

Best of Show (Junior) – \$25 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ John & Pattie Grey, San Anselmo

Adult Division 24 Up, Up, and Away!

Adult/Family Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class

34 Adult, 19 years or older

35 Group of adults or a Family (all ages)

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$35	\$25	\$20	\$10	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Most Original Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$20 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Marti & George Cagwin, Mill Valley

Best of Show (Adult, Family, or Group) – \$50 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Brennie Brackett, Kentfield

The Soaring 2020s – Adult & Junior Department

Decorated Tin (Altoid® etc.) Crafts

- Rules –**
1. Decorate any metal container such as an Altoid® Tin or decorate one or more empty metal cans (tin or aluminum).
 2. There are no restrictions on the materials you can use to decorate your box or can. You may use just paint or any combination of two and three-dimensional objects, fabric, glued on objects, needlework, recycled or earth-friendly material, etc. Example: make a pencil holder or candle holder from one or more cans. Be creative!

Junior Division 305 Decorated Tin Crafts

Junior Entry Fee – \$3 per entry

Class Junior Categories

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| 36 | 5 through 8 years | 38 | 13 through 15 years |
| 37 | 9 through 12 years | 39 | 16 through 18 years |

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$10 each & Rosette

Courtesy of ~ Brennie Brackett, Kentfield

Best of Show Tin Crafts (Junior) – \$25 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Jacque Giuffre Productions, San Rafael

Adult Division 25 Decorated Tin Crafts

Adult Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class Adult – Family – Group Categories

- 40 Tin Box, Painted – by an adult, group (19+ years), or family
- 41 Tin Box, Needlework – by an adult, group (19+ years), or family
- 42 Tin Box, Decoupage – by an adult, group (19+ years), or family
- 43 Tin Box, Diorama Scene – by an adult, group (19+ years), or family
- 44 Tin Box, Mixed Media / any other – by an adult, group (19+ years), or family
- 45 Can(s) – decorated by an adult, group (19+ years), or family

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$30	\$15	\$10	\$8	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry, Best Workmanship, & Best Fair Theme – \$20 each & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Cara Brown, Fairfax

Best of Show Tin Crafts (Adult, Family, or Group) – \$50 & Rosette

Courtesy of ~ Ethan Browning Jr, Novato

The Soaring 2020s – Adult & Junior Department

For the Birds!

Cash awards Courtesy of ~ Butler Amusements

Junior Division Rules –

- 1. Birdhouses** may be handmade (no kits, pre-built birdhouses, etc.) or purchased and decorated. Judges may reclass entries at their discretion.
- 2. Birdfeeders** must be made by exhibitor, and should be functional.
- 3. Bird Cages** may be made by exhibitor or purchased and decorated.
- 4. Birdbaths** must be made by exhibitor.
- 5.** Any type of materials may be used - wood, metal, etc., or any combination.
- 6.** Hanging models should have an eye hook, loop, hole, etc. on top to enable them to be hung for display at the Fair.

Junior Division 306 For the Birds!

Junior Entry Fee – \$3 per entry

Class Junior Categories

Exhibitor's Age: 5 - 8 Years

- 46** Birdhouse – handmade by exhibitor
- 47** Birdhouse – purchased & decorated by exhibitor
- 48** Birdfeeder – made by exhibitor
- 49** Bird Cage – made or decorated by exhibitor

Exhibitor's Age: 13 - 15 Years

- 55** Birdhouse – handmade by exhibitor
- 56** Birdhouse – purchased & decorated by exhibitor
- 57** Birdfeeder – made by exhibitor
- 58** Bird Cage – made or decorated by exhibitor
- 59** Birdbath – made by exhibitor

Exhibitor's Age: 9 - 12 Years

- 50** Birdhouse – handmade by exhibitor
- 51** Birdhouse – purchased & decorated by exhibitor
- 52** Birdfeeder – made by exhibitor
- 53** Bird Cage – made or decorated by exhibitor
- 54** Birdbath – made by exhibitor

Exhibitor's Age: 16 - 18 Years

- 60** Birdhouse – handmade by exhibitor
- 61** Birdhouse – purchased & decorated by exhibitor
- 62** Birdfeeder – made by exhibitor
- 63** Bird Cage – made or decorated by exhibitor
- 64** Birdbath – made by exhibitor

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class (Junior)

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$10	\$8	\$5	Ribbon	Ribbon	Ribbon

Junior Awards \$10 each & Rosette Ribbon

- **Best of Show Birdhouse – Made by Exhibitor**
- **Best of Show Birdhouse – Decorated by Exhibitor**
- **Best of Show Birdfeeder – Made by Exhibitor**
- **Best of Show Bird Cage – Made or Decorated by Exhibitor**
- **Best of Show Birdbath – Made by Exhibitor**
- **Overall Most Creative Entry**
- **Overall Best Fair Theme**

Adult, Family, Group Division Rules –

- Birdhouses** may be made by exhibitor or purchased and decorated.
 - Functional birdhouses are birdhouses that could be used by a bird.
 - Decorative birdhouses are for decoration only.
- Birdfeeders** must be made by exhibitor, and should be functional.
- Bird Cages** may be made by exhibitor or purchased and decorated.
- Birdbaths** must be made by exhibitor.
- Any type of materials may be used – wood, metal, etc., or any combination.
- Hanging models should have an eye hook, loop, hole, etc. on top to enable them to be hung for display at the Fair.

Adult Division 26 For the Birds!

Adult Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class Adult – Family – Group Categories

- Functional Birdhouse – made by exhibitor
- Functional Birdhouse – purchased & decorated by exhibitor
- Decorative Birdhouse – made by exhibitor
- Decorative Birdhouse – purchased & decorated by exhibitor
- Birdfeeder – made by exhibitor
- Bird Cage – made by exhibitor
- Bird Cage – purchased & decorated by exhibitor
- Birdbath – made by exhibitor

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class (Adult, Family, Group)

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	Ribbon

Adult, Family, or Group Awards \$20 each & Rosette Ribbon

- Best of Show Birdhouse – Made by Exhibitor**
- Best of Show Birdhouse – Decorated by Exhibitor**
- Best of Show Birdfeeder – Made by Exhibitor**
- Best of Show Bird Cage – Made or Decorated by Exhibitor**
- Best of Show Birdbath – Made by Exhibitor**
- Overall Most Creative Entry**
- Overall Best Workmanship**
- Overall Best Fair Theme**



The Soaring 2020s – Junior Department

Full STEAM Ahead!

Judges to be announced.

Rules –

1. Enter any STEAM project that you made at school or at home.
2. Classroom group projects may be entered as a group entry or individually. (Example: If entering as a group, 15 similar projects by a fourth-grade class would be judged as one unit. Every student in the group will receive a ribbon.)
3. STEAM projects should address real world problems, future needs, or explore some aspect of the world around us. Incorporate two or more of the disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics to create your project. Projects, at the beginning, should have predefined objectives, but do not necessarily need to end with a viable solution. The effort toward gaining new understanding of an issue or problem is what is important.
4. If using cutting-edge technologies (e.g. extended reality, artificial intelligence, video, robotics, etc.) submit a file of your finished project. 3-D Printing projects must include a printout of your original design and the finished printed object.
5. Entries will be judged on creativity, utility, attention to detail, workmanship, etc.
6. Projects will be judged on individual merit (the Danish System of judging).
7. Email exhibits@marincounty.org with any questions.

Junior Division 307 Full STEAM Ahead!

Individual Entry Fee – \$2 per entry

No entry limit

Group Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class Junior Categories

73 5 through 8 years

74 9 through 12 years

75 13 through 15 years

76 16 through 18 years

77 Group of two or more exhibitors, all 5 through 18 years

78 Classroom or School group of two or more exhibitors, all 5 through 18 years

Danish System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place through 5th Place and Honorable Mention Ribbons

**Best of Show STEAM Project (Individual Junior Entry) –
\$50 & Rosette Ribbon**

Courtesy of ~ Cara Brown, Fairfax

**Best of Show STEAM Project (Junior Group of 2 or more Students) –
\$50 & Rosette Ribbon**

Courtesy of ~ The Walt Johnson Family, San Rafael

**Best of Show STEAM Project
(Junior Group representing a Classroom or School)
\$150 & Rosette Ribbon**

Courtesy of ~ The Walt Johnson Family, San Rafael

The Soaring 2020s – Adult & Junior Department

New! 2020 Vision: Sustainable Living Showcase

Share your ideas about how to have a sustainable, reusable, plastic-free life!

- Rules – 1.** Showcase the ways you live sustainably with drawings, collages, word art, embroidery, etc. Topics can include food & drink, lifestyle, community, pet care, or any other way you live with an earth-friendly focus.
- 2.** The first 100 exhibitors to register will receive one 11" x 17" piece of white cardstock on which to create your showcase. You may also use any other medium of your choice (maximum size: 24" in any direction).
- 3.** After registering online (or delivering paper entry form), you may pick up your cardstock at the fair office beginning April 15.
- 4.** Use any materials to create your showcase, though plastic-free/earth-friendly materials are suggested.

Junior Division 308 2020 Vision

Junior Entry Fee – \$3 per entry

Class

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| 79 5 through 8 years | 82 16 through 18 years |
| 80 9 through 12 years | 83 Group of two or more exhibitors, all 5 through 18 years |
| 81 13 through 15 years | |

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry & Best Workmanship – \$10 each & Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Ernest & Nicole Klock, San Rafael

Best of Show (Junior) – \$25 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Daniel Thomas, San Anselmo

Adult Division 27 2020 Vision

Adult/Family Entry Fee – \$5 per entry

Class

- 84** Adult, 19 years or older
- 85** Group of adults or a Family (all ages)

American System of Judging – Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place	5th Place	Honorable Mention
\$35	\$25	\$20	\$10	\$5	Ribbon

Most Creative Entry & Best Workmanship – \$20 each & Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Marti & George Cagwin, Mill Valley

Best of Show (Adult, Family, or Group) – \$50 & Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ Jenny Partrite, Novato