

WOOL

Open Wool

LOCAL RULES

Entry forms due no later than Saturday, July 12 at 1 pm

Receiving — Thursday, July 31, 11 am - 7 pm

Judging — Friday, August 1 at 10 am

Release — Monday, August 11, 8 am - 6 pm

(Premium checks will be available on the day of release)

Entry Fee—\$2.00 per entry per class

LIMITS

1. Entry preference will be given to Nevada County exhibitors. Non-residents may enter on a space available basis.
2. Two entries per class/per exhibitor.
3. Only fleeces shorn during 2007 and 2008 shearing season will be eligible.
4. Fleeces must be tied with poly, cotton or wool ties. Optional: A loose fleece is acceptable if entered with a container such as a basket.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this category will be to evaluate fleeces for their suitability and excellence for hand spinning. Fleeces will be judged on various qualities and the condition of the fibers such as length of staple, color, crimp, second cuts, breaks in fleece, cotted fleece, excessive vegetation, etc. Cross breed fleece should be placed in a class which most appropriately describes its individual wool grade.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st-\$20 2nd-\$15 3rd-\$10 4th-\$5

DIVISION 1100—SHEEP FLEECE

Class

1. Fine wools - white
2. Fine wool - colored
(Merino, Rambouillet, Columbia, Cormo are examples of fine fleece.)
3. Medium and Down breed wools - white
4. Medium and Down breed wools - colored
(Corriedale, Cheviot, Jacob and Suffolk are examples of medium and down fleece.)
5. Longwools (luster and demi-luster) - white
6. Longwools (luster and demi-luster) - colored
(Romney, Lincoln, Coopworth are examples of longwools.)
7. Coarse wools
(Navajo Churro, Karakul, Cotswold are examples of coarse wool.)

DIVISION 1101—CAMELID FLEECE

Class

1. Huacaya Alpaca, fine
2. Huacaya Alpaca, medium
3. Suri Alpaca, fine
4. Suri Alpaca, medium
5. Llama, fine
6. Llama, medium

Handspun, Woven and Felted Items

In order to make the Wool and Woven show more educational, the Fair invites you to enter a description of your process and anything you would like to explain about your piece. Just attach a tag with your entry (without your name or other identifying marking) that explains the techniques, fibers, dyes, etc. This information will be available for the judges and also to the public seeing your items when they are on display.

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Entry Fee—\$.50 per entry per class

LIMITS

1. Entry preference will be given to Nevada County exhibitors. Non-residents may enter on a space available basis.
2. Two entries per class per exhibitor.
3. **Novice**—is defined as a spinner or weaver who has been spinning or weaving for less than one year.
4. All entries must be fully processed (washed and dried), excluding tapestry items and wall hangings.
5. All entries must have been completed within the last year.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st-\$3 2nd-\$2 3rd-\$1

DIVISION 1102—SPECIAL PEOPLE'S WOVEN ITEMS

A division for developmentally disabled, physically or visually handicapped exhibitors. Ribbons only.

Class

1. Wall hangings, sculpture
2. Scarf, shawl
3. Household
4. Garment
5. Any other, please specify

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DIVISION 1103—HANDSPUN NATURAL FIBERS

All articles must be made and spun by exhibitor. No commercial binders are allowed on handspun yarn with the exception of those in the art skein category.

Knitted item (100% exclusive of core or binder).

Woven item (50% hand-spun-minimum).

Class

1. Baby and children's items
2. Hats
3. Household accessories
4. Novice spinner's project
5. Scarves & shawls
6. Socks, mittens & gloves
7. Wearing apparel
8. Wall hangings
9. Any other, please specify

DIVISION 1104—HANDSPUN NATURAL SKEINS

Skeins should be minimum of 50 yards or one ounce.

No labels or personal identification may show before exhibiting; however, a tag which includes the intended use for a skein of yarn or handwoven yardage is recommended to aid the judges in their decision.

Class

1. Skein, singles, natural colored (undyed), wool only
2. Skein, singles, dyed, wool only
3. Skein, plied, natural colored (undyed), wool only
4. Skein, plied, dyed, wool only
5. Skein, art (anything you can spin qualifies - commercial binder OK)
6. Skein, blended fibers (specify fibers used with a tag)
7. Skein, exotic fibers, singles (silk, angora, cashmere, etc.)
8. Skein, exotic fibers, plied (silk, angora, cashmere, etc.)
9. Skein, cellulose fibers (cotton, flax, ramie, etc.)
10. Skein, novice
11. Skein, man manipulated fibers (stretched Merino, soy silk, bamboo, etc)
12. Skein, natural dyes (specify mordant and dye source - not commercially purchased.)
13. Skein, any other

DIVISION 1105 —SPINNER/MAKER

Two entries per class per exhibitor. All items must be made of 100% handspun yarn with the exception of garment linings and handwoven items which may use up to 50% commercial yarn. Entries should be made under the maker's name, but the spinner's name may be indicated on a tag so that credit can be given when the item is displayed.

Class

1. Wearables
2. Art pieces
3. Other, specify

DIVISION 1106—WOVEN ITEMS

Class

1. Afghan, blankets and bedspreads
2. Baby and children's items
3. Bath accessories
4. Belts, bands, straps, Kumihimo and other braids
5. Blankets and bedspreads
6. Coats and jackets
7. Collaborative weaving project (team of two or more persons)
8. Kitchen accessories
9. Bast fibers (must be at least 50% bast fiber-linen, hemp, ramie, etc.)
10. Unlined garments
11. Purses and clothing accessories
12. Recycle fiber-must be 50% recycled material (tag with what it was before, may include picture)
13. Rugs
14. Scarves
15. Shawls
16. Table accessories
17. Tops
18. Vests
19. Wall hangings and art pieces
20. Woven, novice
21. Woven, any other, at least 50% hand spun
22. Woven basket, any material
23. Yardage (3 yard minimum length - specify intended use)
24. Any other, please specify

DIVISION 1107—FELTED ITEMS

The exhibitor may use handspun yarn, commercial yarn or unspun fiber in the felting process. No commercial felt is allowed.

Class

1. Hats
2. Purses
3. Any other felted, specify

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In Keeping with the Fair Theme

DIVISION 1108 - "Buckaroo Blanket"

Contest sponsored by Foothill Fibers Guild.

Blankets may be knitted, crocheted, woven or felted using any fibers you wish. Knitted and crocheted blankets must use at least 50% handspun yarns. Be as creative and fanciful as your heart desires! Two entries per exhibitor.



Class

1. "Buckaroo Blanket"

Awards

There will be a **Best of Division** award for every division in the Wool Department. Every Best of Division winner will receive a ribbon. In addition, the following "sponsored" awards will be given.

Best of Division Award Sheep Fleece Division 1100
\$25 cash sponsored by Darlene Moberg, Sky Trail Ranch

Best of Division Award Camelid Fleece Division 1101
\$25 cash sponsored by Banner Mountain Textiles

Best of Division Award Handspun Natural Fibers Division 1103
\$25 cash sponsored by Lola's Loom

Best of Division Award Handspun Natural Skeins Division 1104
\$25 cash sponsored by Alpaca Gold

Best of Division Award Spinner/Maker Division 1105
\$25 cash sponsored by Foothill Fiber's Guild

Best of Division Award Woven Items Division 1106
\$25 cash sponsored by Alpaca Gold Association

Best of Division Award Felted Items Division 1107
\$25 cash sponsored by Banner Mountain Textiles

Best of Division Award "Buckaroo Blanket" Division 1108
\$25 cash Sponsored by Foothill Fiber's Guild