

DIVISION 5291 - BEST IN COUNTY- NEEDLEWORK CONTEST

Each county may select their one best needlework item for this contest from their county fair needlework entries. Although quilts are in a separate department from the rest of needlework disciplines at the Nebraska State Fair (NSF), the item selected at the county level to go to the NSF Best in County - Needlework Contest can be drawn from all needlework/textile arts disciplines including quilts.

Best in County – Needlework Entry Process:

Entry Forms: Starting in 2011. There are two entry forms which must be completed. Online entry is not an option.

- **Pre-Entry Form: Best in County-Needlework**

This form is located online at www.statefair.org under the Entry Book / Forms tab. This form is to be completed by the county needlework superintendent immediately following the county fair and mailed to *Nancy Schmerdtmann, 4025 Norseman Ave, Grand Island NE 68803.*

- **Exhibitor's Form: Best in County-Needlework**

This form, located online at the same location as above is completed by the exhibitor and attached to the exhibit. Also, attach a label with exhibitor name and county to the exhibit.

Rules: All rules pertaining to Textile Arts Department must be followed. In addition:

- Exhibitor must reside in county submitting the entry.
- If a second person is involved in the exhibit (i.e., a commercial quilter) they must be a Nebraska resident.
- Each county involved in a joint county fair may have one Best of County entry.
- If county fair is held during or after the NSF the exhibit will be eligible to compete in 2012.
- If the first place exhibitor declines the alternate exhibitor may enter.
- The exhibit must be received by 3 pm, Wednesday, August 24. See Step 6 and Step 8 found in introduction section of this entry book for delivery and return options. In-person deliveries also can be made to the Textile Arts Department in Fonner Park Concourse on Wednesday, August 24 from 8 am to 3 pm (same day as 4-H exhibits are being entered.)

Judging and Awards: A panel of judges will select the winners on Thursday, August 25. Exhibits will be on display in the Fonner Park Concourse and winners announced when the fair opens at 9 am August 26.

Nebraska State Fair - Best in County Needlework Awards

- 1st Place Ribbon and \$75
- 2nd Place Ribbon and \$60
- 3rd Place Ribbon and \$50
- 4th Place Ribbon and \$40
- 5th Place Ribbon and \$30