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THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2025

MIDAMERICAN ENERGY DAY

Join MidAmerican Energy and learn more about our commitment to serving customers with safe, reliable

and affordable energy. Try our hands-on electric generator activities, nominate your favorite charity for

the CARES daily donation and spin the wheel to win fun prizes.

HEROES' DAY PRESENTED BY SUFFOLK CONSTRUCTION

Heroes' Day, presented by Suffolk Construction, celebrates EMTs, Fire and Rescue, Police Officers, and

Paramedics. Special displays will be on Grand Avenue. Wear a shirt representing your hometown

department in honor of those who serve our communities.

11TH ANNUAL HISTORICAL WALKING TOUR

Iowans are invited to take a step forward for their health by taking a step back into Fair history at the

11th Annual Historical Walking Tour hosted by the State Historical Society of Iowa and the Iowa

Healthiest State Initiative. This free walking tour begins at 8:15 a.m. on the Grand Concourse (near the

Administration Building) and ends at the State Fair Opening Ceremonies in Fun Forest. Guides will make

multiple stops at historic sites along the 1K route.

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

SPECIAL SAVINGS

Monday-Thursday evenings: \$12 adult (ages 12 and up), \$8 child (ages 6-11)

During the Fair, you're in luck, save a buck. Monday-Thursday, EVERY ride and game in Thrill Town (10

a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) is \$1 off.

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be

purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Park kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill

Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

*Thrill Park Wristbands are not valid in Thrill Zone.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Drone Show presented by Travel Iowa

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

*Prices include facility fees charged on all tickets. Pricing varies based on Etix service fees charged for online and phone orders.

8 p.m. Forrest Frank with special guest Lecrae (\$34-64; LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE)

10:30 p.m. Iowa State Fair Drone Show, to follow Grandstand show

10:45 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Drone show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

9 a.m. Twins, Triplets, and More Contest (registration 8:15 a.m.-9 a.m.)

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search (to follow Iowan of the Day)

7 p.m. The Holy Rocka Rollaz

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Elwell Family Park

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

10 a.m. Antique Tractor Pull (Free; gates open at 9 a.m.)

Expo Hill

Free entertainment; MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

9 a.m. Opening Ceremonies

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club Make and Take T-Shirt Day

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

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2:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

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4:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. Currie Dance Studio, Urbandale

11 a.m. Irish Performance Team, Boone

1 p.m. A T & CO Dance Studio, West Des Moines

4:30 p.m. KCCI TV8 News

8 p.m. Taylor Inspired Dance Party

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

12:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

2 p.m. The Flying Royals

4:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

6 p.m. The Flying Royals

7:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Noon Hillbilly Bob

1 p.m. Bandaloni

2 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

3 p.m. Bandaloni

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. The Dance Avenue, Dance Studio, Norwalk

11 a.m. Hello Iowa - WHO TV13

1:30 p.m. Devine Dancers, Dance Studio

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Queen Introductions

8 p.m. Ty Myers

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

5 p.m. Jordan Beem

7 p.m. Royce Johns

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Zach Freedom

6:30 p.m. Toast3r

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

6 p.m. Garrett Speer

9 p.m. Bryan Martin

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. The SINCLAIRS

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Brad Seidenfeld

4 p.m. Stark Raving Madge

8 p.m. The Schmidt Brothers

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

Noon Kelsie Knapp

2:30 p.m. Emmet Sheehan

5 p.m. Jordan Beem

8 p.m. Tyler Richton and The High Bank Boys

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. Daniel Johnson

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

10 a.m. FFA Beef Cattle Show: Breeding

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

8:30 a.m. Dairy Cattle Show: Holstein

9 a.m. Dairy Cattle Show: Ayrshire, Milking Shorthorn

11:45 a.m. Dairy Cattle Show: All Breeds Novice

7 p.m. Cattle Show: Super Bull Contest

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven; Vet Camp and Advanced Vet Camp sponsored by Agri-Pro

Enterprises

9 a.m. Horse Haven

9 a.m. 4-H Horse Show

9 a.m. Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

1 p.m. FFA Horse Show

1:30 p.m. Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

8:30 a.m. FFA Sheep Show: Market and Carcass Lamb

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

9:30 a.m. Sheep Show: Corriedale

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

Noon Sheep Show: Big Ram Contest

1 p.m. Sheep Show: Rambouillet

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

6 p.m. Wool Show

Swine Barn

Swine; Big Boar; Pig Place

8:30 a.m. FFA Swine Show: Purebred Market, Commercial Gilt and Registered Breeding

9 a.m. Pig Place

10 a.m. FFA Rabbit Show

1 p.m. Swine Show: Big Boar Contest

2 p.m. FFA Swine Show: Carcass Value

7 p.m. FFA Swine: Blue & Gold Gilt Sale Parade

7:30 p.m. FFA Swine: Blue & Gold Gilt Sale

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building

70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

10 a.m. 4-H Automotive Conference Judging, Outside of 4-H Exhibits Building

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Monarchs & Milkweed, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Adaptations are SuperPowers - Live Animal Program, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. Naturally Artistic Kids, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Trees and Insects, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. Board Fun Judging, Room 2

9:30 a.m. Build-A-Cake Judging, Room 1

9:30 a.m. Cinnamon Ridge Favorite Cheese Curds Judging, Room 3

9:30 a.m. Tammie's No Bake Desserts Judging, Room 4

10:30 a.m. Cinnamon Ridge Farms Amazing Ribs Judging, Room 3

11 a.m. Cake Takes the Gold(ie's) Judging, Rooms 1 and 2

11 a.m. Winning Ways with Cinnamon Rolls seminar, Lana Shope, owner of Pies and Pastries by Lana,

Iowa State Fair Judge, Room 4

Noon Always Room for Dessert Judging, Room 3

2 p.m. Kids Chef Baking Championship: Level 1 Judging, Room 3

3 p.m. Let's Have Tea Judging, Room 2

3 p.m. Macarons or Macaroons Judging, Room 1

3 p.m. Yeast Bread for Beginners seminar, Kay Fenton Smith, Co-Author of Baking Blue Ribbon Winners,

Room 4

3:30 p.m. Best in Dough Judging, Room 1

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

2:30 p.m. FFA Photography Awards Presentation

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; Iowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Farmers Market

7 p.m. Wine Down in The Garden

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Heroes' Day Display

MidAmerican Energy Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

8:15 a.m. 11th Annual Historical Walking Tour, In Front of Administration Building

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!,In Front of Service Center

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

11 a.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

5 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

6 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker,

Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities

Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10)

Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 7-10 and Aug. 14-16)

Wool Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 15-17)

Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging

held Aug. 6; on display Aug. 7-17)

9:30 a.m. Jim Wachuta's One Man Band Soft Rock and Country Classics, Des Moines

10:30 a.m. Turkey Calling Contest

11 a.m. Duck Calling Contest

Noon Party of Four Men's A Cappella Quartet, Metro Area

1 p.m. Youth Rooster Crowing Contest

1:30 p.m. Ladies' Chicken Calling Contest

3 p.m. Saints and Sinners Country, Soft Rock and Old Time Dance Tunes, Metro Area

5 p.m. Line Dance Lessons by Norma Hatcher, Osceola

6:30 p.m. Tom Hofer and The Iowa Playboys, Traditional Country & Western Swing, Des Moines

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

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Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Farmers' Championship

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

1:30 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Open Singles

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery);
Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

11 a.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

1 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

3 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

4 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

4 p.m. Youth Dairy Awards Program, Penningroth Media Center

5 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. FFA Farm Crops and Horticulture Judging

9:15 a.m. Corn Creations & Soybean Creations Judging

9:15 a.m. Farm Crops Judging

9:15 a.m. Fruit Crops Judging

10 a.m. FFA Floriculture Judging

10 a.m. Floriculture Department Special Classes: Adult Seed Picture Judging

10 a.m. Junior and Intermediate Floriculture Shows

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

Noon Floriculture Department Special Classes: Iowa Perennials, Color Division Judging

Noon Ice Carving by Bill Gordish, Front Lawn

Noon Limited Division Flower Show

Noon Show Off Your Talent Flower Show

3 p.m. Awards for Open Class Grain and Fruit, Stage

4 p.m. FFA Floriculture and Horticulture Awards Ceremonies, Stage

4:30 p.m. FFA Farm Crops Awards Ceremony

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Plant-Power Plates with the Hy-Vee Dietitians, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. Lamb & the Home Garden; Choose Iowa & Partners, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. Family Chopped; Iowa State Fair, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

5 p.m. Grab 'N Go Bites; MercyOne Des Moines - Diabetes Ed, The Kitchen, West Room

7 p.m. Talk and Taste: Berry Pies; Glorious Desserts - Gloria Olson, The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. AVEDA Institute, North of Elwell Family Food Center

- 9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center
- 9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center
- 9 a.m. Firestone Ag Tires, South of Horse Barn
- 9 a.m. American Welding Society, West of Elwell Family Park
- 9 a.m. FOX News, West of the DNR Building
- 9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building
- 9 a.m. SugarBee Apples, West of the DNR Building
- 2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

9 a.m. 4-H Clothing Judging

5:30 p.m. 4-H Clothing Style Show

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair; artWORKS

- 9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor
- 9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Leather Demonstration, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor
- 10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

- 10 a.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Wood Folk Art Demonstration, Carden Farms, 1st Floor
- Noon Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- Noon Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: John Jannenga, Drawing, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 1 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
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- 2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor
- 3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor

- 3 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 3 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Debbie Simpson, Watercolor, Courtyard
- 4 p.m. Art WORKS: "Let's Dance" with Janice Baker, 3rd Floor
- 4 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Art WORKS: Student Performances, 3rd Floor
- 5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor
- 6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Art WORKS: Open Jam, 3rd Floor
- 7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We

Live award winners display

- 1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing
- 3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping;

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks

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POWER UP IOWA DAY

Stars, Stripes, and American Power! Step into our all-American, interactive exhibit and discover how homegrown wind, solar, and energy storage are fueling communities across Iowa—and the entire nation. See how American-made energy is creating good-paying jobs, boosting local businesses, strengthening rural economies, and driving a more secure energy future. Strap on a VR headset and scale a wind turbine, get to know the veterans powering the movement, and explore exciting careers in clean energy. Our hands-on displays and friendly, knowledgeable team are ready to guide you every step of the way. Come see how Iowa is charging ahead and leading America's clean energy revolution!

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11 a.m. Iowa State Patrol K9 Demonstration

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search (to follow Iowan of the Day)

7 p.m. The Holy Rocka Rollaz

9 p.m. The Holy Rocka Rollaz

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!, MidAmerican Energy Wind

Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

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3:30 p.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club: Choose Iowa Day, Meet a Dairy Farmer

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

1:30 p.m. Brad Weston

2:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

3:30 p.m. Brad Weston

4:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. DMI Dance Force, Des Moines

11 a.m. Jeff Stagg, Vocal, West Des Moines

1 p.m. Party of Four, Urbandale

4:30 p.m. KCCI TV8 News

7 p.m. The Nadas

9 p.m. The Nadas

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

12:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

2 p.m. The Flying Royals

4:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

6 p.m. The Flying Royals

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Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Noon Hillbilly Bob

1 p.m. Bandaloni

2 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

3 p.m. Bandaloni

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. Dance FX, Des Moines

11 a.m. Hello Iowa - WHO TV13

1 p.m. Iowa Grocery Bagging Contest

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Queen Introductions

8 p.m. Creed Fisher

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

9 a.m. Max and Amy Show Podcast

2 p.m. Mike Moody and The Outlaws

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

6 p.m. The KC All Stars

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Pickleback

6:30 p.m. Decoy

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

4 p.m. Jordan Beem

6 p.m. Garrett Speer

9 p.m. DJ Diverse

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. Richard Arndt

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Royce Johns Duo

4 p.m. The Birdhunters

8 p.m. Tony Bohnenkamp and Pianopalooza

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

Noon Alexis Curran

2 p.m. Jake Schrodt

5 p.m. The Sheet

8 p.m. Tyler Richton and The High Bank Boys

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. Dave Zolo & The Body Electric

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Horse Show: Farm Team

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Dairy Cattle Show: Brown Swiss, Guernsey, Jersey

11:45 a.m. Kiddie Cattle Capers

2:30 p.m. Dairy Cattle - Supreme Champion Selection (30 minutes after breed shows)

5 p.m. Dairy Cattle: Youth Showmanship

Poultry and Rabbit Building

Poultry and rabbit shows and exhibits

8:30 a.m. 4-H Poultry Show

4 p.m. 4-H Poultry Awards Ceremony

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven; Vet Camp and Advanced Vet Camp sponsored by Agri-Pro

Enterprises

9 a.m. Horse Haven

9 a.m. Horse Show: Cowboy Mounted Shooters

9 a.m. Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

1:30 p.m. Vet Camp (pre-registration required, Conference Room

6:30 p.m. Horse Show: Cowgirl Queen Contest

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

8:30 a.m. FFA Sheep Show: Breeding & Commercial Sheep

8:30 a.m. Sheep Show: Long Wool

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

Noon Sheep Show: Columbia

3 p.m. FFA Sheep Awards Presentation

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

6 p.m. Sheep Show: Montadale

Swine Barn

Swine; Big Boar; Pig Place

8:30 a.m. FFA Swine Show: Crossbred Market

9 a.m. Pig Place

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building
70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Wildlife Where You Live: 5 Things YOU Can Do For Wildlife at Home, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Understanding and Diagnosing Common Tree Health Issues, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. Pond Management, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Tree Issue, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. Best Biscuits & Gravy Judging, Room 3

9:30 a.m. Culinary Coffee Creations Judging, Room 1

9:30 a.m. Iowa Orchards Creations Judging, Room 4

9:30 a.m. Scenic Valley Pumpkin Patch Cookies Judging, Room 2

10:30 a.m. Bob's Red Mill Yeast Breads Judging, Room 2

11 a.m. Picasso Plates Judging, Room 3

11:30 a.m. Let the Kids Eat Cake Judging, Room 1

Noon Blue Ribbon Baking seminar, Eileen Gannon of Sunday Night Foods, of Netflix's "Blue Ribbon

Baking Championship" and more, Room 4

1 p.m. Bret & Amy Doerring Ugliest Cake Judging, Room 3

1 p.m. Gingerbread Historic Grain Elevator Judging, Room 1

2 p.m. Life is Better with Cake Judging, Room 2

2 p.m. Sunday Night Foods Baking Championship Judging, Room 1

2 p.m. Winner Winner Chicken Noodle Dinner Judging, Room 4

3 p.m. Mine is the Best BBQ Sauce Judging, Room 2

3 p.m. Sweet Treats Judging, Room 3

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

9 a.m. FFA Ag Mechanics & Technology Show Judging, Courtyard

3:45 p.m. FFA Ag Mechanics and Technology Parade

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; lowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Farmers Market

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Power Up Iowa Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

9 a.m. Classic Car Display, South Side

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

11 a.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

5 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

6 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker,

Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities

Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10)

Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 7-10 and Aug. 14-16)

Wool Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 15-17)

Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging

held Aug. 6; on display Aug. 7-17)

10 a.m. Fiddlers' Juniors and Youth Contests

Noon Chip Albright Acoustic, Americana and Folk, Des Moines

1 p.m. Fiddlers' Youth & Junior Contests

4 p.m. Line Dance Lessons by Norma Hatcher, Osceola

5 p.m. The Girls Next Door, Country/Bluegrass, Central Iowa

6:30 p.m. The Barn Owl Band Old-Time Barn Dance Music, Ames

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa Regional Team State Championship

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

4 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Open Singles

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery);

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

9 a.m. Youth Spelling Bee Grades 1-2 (pre-registration required), Penningroth Media Center

11 a.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

11 a.m. Youth Spelling Bee Grades 3-4 (pre-registration required), Penningroth Media Center

1 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

2:30 p.m. Youth Spelling Bee Grades 5-6 (pre-registration required), Penningroth Media Center

3 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

4 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

5 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Big Pumpkin and Squash Display, Front Lawn

9 a.m. Big Pumpkin Weigh-In and Awards, Front Lawn

9 a.m. Weed Identification Contest, Front Lawn

10 a.m. Plant Identification Contest

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

1 p.m. Flower Design Crash Course, presented by Liz Pruisner and Jenny Messer, Stage

2 p.m. Learn about Bees & Honey, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

3 p.m. Weed Identification Contest Awards, Front Lawn

6 p.m. Ice Carving by Bill Gordish, Front Lawn

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

8:30 p.m. Fair After Dark: Adults Only Night at Little Hands on the Farm (\$; pre-registration required)

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Classic Meals, Modern Twists - Beef, It's Still What's for Dinner; Kelsey Byrnes, Dance Around the Kitchen, presented by Iowa Beef Industry Council, The Kitchen, West Room

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1 p.m. Pork to Plate; Choose Iowa with the Iowa Pork Producers, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. International Flavors with an Iowa Twist; Dinners Delights - Chef Andrea Love, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

5 p.m. Fun Honey Recipes; Holton Homestead, The Kitchen, West Room

7 p.m. Lunch to Learn - Mommy & Me Cooking Class (\$; pre-registration required), The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. AVEDA Institute, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Firestone Ag Tires, South of Horse Barn

9 a.m. American Welding Society, West of Elwell Family Park

9 a.m. FOX News, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. SugarBee Apples, West of the DNR Building

2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

10 a.m. Painting With a Twist (\$): Highland Calf

2:30 p.m. FFA Ag Mechanics and Technology Show Awards Program, Stage

3 p.m. Painting With a Twist (\$): I Love the Fair

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair; artWORKS

9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor

9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Leather Demonstration, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor

10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

10:30 a.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor

10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

11 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor

11 a.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor

11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor

11 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

11 a.m. Wood Folk Art Demonstration, Carden Farms, 1st Floor

Noon Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Noon Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

- 12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Ashley Bowlin, Jewelry, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 1 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor
- 3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 3 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Jonathan Simpson, Drawing, Courtyard
- 4 p.m. Art WORKS: "Let's Dance" with Janice Baker, 3rd Floor
- 4 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 4:30 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Art WORKS: Student Performances, 3rd Floor
- 5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor

6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor

6 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor

7 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor

7 p.m. Art WORKS: Open Jam, 3rd Floor

7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We Live award winners display

8 a.m. Cuddles and Snuggles Chore Time (\$; pre-registration required)

1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping;

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2025

CHEVRON DAY

Chevron is supporting the transportation industries' transition to a lower carbon future by taking byproducts from the farm and turning them into lower carbon fuel! Visit us at at the Grand Concourse to learn about how the biofuels we produce support a lower carbon world!

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Parks kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

*Thrill Park Wristbands are not valid in Thrill Zone.

*Upon initial purchase of a Thrill Park Wristband, a one-time \$1 fee is charged.

ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Drone Show presented by Travel Iowa

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

*Prices include facility fees charged on all tickets. Pricing varies based on Etix service fees charged for online and phone orders.

8 p.m. Megan Moroney with special guest Kameron Marlowe (\$54-94; LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE)

10:30 p.m. Iowa State Fair Drone Show, to follow Grandstand show

10:45 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

9 a.m. Wilson Dance Company, Monroe

11 a.m. Touch of Neil Diamond - David Driscoll, Ankeny

11:45 a.m. Way We Live Award Presentation, Kovar Family Farms

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search (to follow Iowan of the Day)

4 p.m. The Jeff Arrandale Band, Christian Rock, Norwalk

7 p.m. Iowa State Fair Queen Coronation

Elwell Family Park

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

10 a.m. Short Course UTV & ATV Racing (Free; gates open at 9 a.m.)

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

 $10 \ a.m. \ Louie \ the \ Lightning \ Bug \ and/or \ Sniffy \ the \ Sniffasaurus \ Sighting!, \ MidAmerican \ Energy \ Wind$

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Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

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11 a.m. Denise Shipler

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

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MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. Superstars Performing Arts, Urbandale

11 a.m. Fairfield Jazz Band

1 p.m. Mullet Contest (registration begins at noon)

3:30 p.m. Mr. Legs Contest (registration begins at 3 p.m.)

8 p.m. The End - Tribute to The Beatles

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

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4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. Steppin' Out Dance Studio, Newton

11 a.m. Greater Des Moines Community Band

1 p.m. Musical Worship

8 p.m. Waylon Wyatt

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

2 p.m. Fahrenheit

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

6 p.m. The KC All Stars

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Sierra Griggs Band

6:30 p.m. Toast3r

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

2 p.m. Fat Tuesday

6 p.m. Chris Ferrara + The Common Good

9 p.m. DJ Diverse

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

3 p.m. Emma Storm

7 p.m. The Sheet

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Josh Sinclair

4 p.m. Xolex

8 p.m. Cory Waller and the Wicked Things

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

10 a.m. DJ Bingo/Jake Feldman

Noon Owen Justice

2:30 p.m. Emmet Sheehan

5 p.m. Jordan Beem

8 p.m. Tyler Richton and The High Bank Boys

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

11 a.m. Lucas Beebe

7 p.m. The Flying Silos

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Prospect Calf

10 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Maine-Anjou

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

8:30 a.m. Youth Dairy Cattle Show

3:30 p.m. FFA Parade of Champions

4:30 p.m. Governor's Charity Steer Show

Poultry and Rabbit Building

Poultry and rabbit shows and exhibits

10:30 a.m. Junior Egg Rolling Contest (12 and under)

11 a.m. Egg Rolling Contest

11 a.m. Vote for Prettiest Bird

4 p.m. Rooster Crowing Contest

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven; Vet Camp and Advanced Vet Camp sponsored by Agri-Pro

Enterprises

8:30 a.m. Horse Show: Western

9 a.m. Horse Haven

9 a.m. Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

1:30 p.m. Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

6:30 p.m. Horse Show: Western

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

8:30 a.m. Sheep Show: Cheviot

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

11:30 a.m. Sheep Shearing Contest

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

Swine Barn

Swine, Big Boar, Pig Place

9 a.m. Pig Place

6:30 p.m. Bacon Buddies Swine Show

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building

70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

9 a.m. Hands-On Activities Corner: Perennial Groundcover

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Iowa's Trout Stocking Program - History and How to Clean and Prepare Trout, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Fish Local! Community Fishing Opportunities, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. Intro to Birding and Bird Identification, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Smokey Bear, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. Comfy Coffee Cake Judging, Room 4

9:30 a.m. Eurofins Best Homemade Hot Sauce Judging, Room 2

9:30 a.m. Taste of Honey Challenge Judging, Room 3

10 a.m. Scotcharoo SnackDown Judging, Room 1

10:30 a.m. Anything Hot Judging, Room 4

11 a.m. 9x13 Versatility Judging, Room 2

11 a.m. Bud Elwell's Old Fashioned Fudge Judging, Room 1

11:30 a.m. My Favorite Sack Lunch Judging, Room 4

Noon Mac & Cheese Creations Judging, Room 2

Noon Our Iowa Church Cookbook Favorites Judging, Room 1

Noon Rana Pasta Creations Judging, Room 3

1 p.m. Getting Lean on Keto Judging, Room 1

1 p.m. Use Your Noodle Judging, Room 2

2 p.m. How to Enter the Iowa State Food Competition and Win seminar, Cassandra Hyatt, Degree in

Restaurant Management and Iowa State Fair Judge, Room 4

2 p.m. Tribute to Bessie: Scrumptious Berry Pie Judging, Room 3

2 p.m. We Like Big Bundts Judging, Room 2

2 p.m. Who Has the Best Beef Jerky? Judging, Room 1

3 p.m. Key Lime Dessert Creations Judging, Room 2

3 p.m. The Hesitant Baker Competition Judging, Room 1

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; Iowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Farmers Market

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Chevron Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

6 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker,

Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities

Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10)

Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 7-10 and Aug. 14-16)

Wool Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 15-17)

Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging

held Aug. 6; on display Aug. 7-17)

10 a.m. Fiddlers' Contest (18-49 years of age)

11 a.m. Guitar Contest

Noon Ackley's Little German Band, Ackley

1 p.m. Fiddler/Mandolin Contest

4:30 p.m. Heartstrings, Children's Fiddle and Violin, Eastern Iowa

6 p.m. Ramblin' Ukes Band; 50s, 60s, 70s music; Metro Area

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa State Doubles Championship

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

3 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Open Singles

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery);

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

11 a.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

1 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

3 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

4 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

5 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. 4-H Horticulture Show Judging

10 a.m. 10:50 a.m. Best Tasting Tomato Contest, Horticulture Dept.

10 a.m. Rose Show

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

Noon Show Off Your Talent Flower Show

3 p.m. Honey & Bee Keeping, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

4 p.m. 4-H Horticulture Awards Ceremony, Stage

6 p.m. Ice Carving by Bill Gordish, Front Lawn

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Grilling/Smoking with Turkey by the Iowa Turkey Foundation and Lou, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. Dill Pickle Lemonade; Choose Iowa & Partners, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. Blue Ribbon Tips and Tricks; Sunday Night Foods, Eileen Gannon, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

5 p.m. Celebrate Iowa's Pork; Rachel Fishback Host of Pride of Pork on Acres TV, Iowa Farm Mama, The Kitchen, West Room

7 p.m. Shakin' It with Cedar Ridge; Cedar Ridge Distillery, The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. American Welding Society, West of Elwell Family Park

9 a.m. FOX News, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. SugarBee Apples, West of the DNR Building

2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

10 a.m. Painting with a Twist (\$): Colorful Haul

11 a.m. Backgammon Tournament (\$; registration at 11 a.m.)

Noon DIY Walk-In Paint Projects (\$)

3 p.m. Painting with a Twist (\$): Dusk at the Fair

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art

Fair; artWORKS

9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor

9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Lego® Mosaic Brick Wall Build, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor
- 10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Wood Folk Art Demonstration, Carden Farms, 1st Floor
- Noon Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- Noon Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 1 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor

- 2 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor
- 3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 3 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Kristy Niemeyer, Ink, Courtyard
- 4 p.m. Art WORKS: "Let's Dance" with Janice Baker, 3rd Floor
- 4 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Art WORKS: Student Performances, 3rd Floor
- 5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor
- 6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Art WORKS: Open Jam, 3rd Floor

7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We Live award winners display

1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping;

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

IOWA FARMERS UNION DAY

Join Iowa Farmers Union—Iowa's oldest voice for family farmers—for a day of fun, learning, and connection at our Farm Station on the Grand Concourse. Enjoy tailgate conversations from the back of a pickup, featuring family farmers sharing stories from their farms. Explore local food safety resources for farmers and chefs, learn about conservation practices for land stewards, and come participate in farm fun activities. Whether you're a longtime member or just curious, stop by and celebrate the future of lowa food and farming!

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Parks kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

*Thrill Park Wristbands are not valid in Thrill Zone.

*Upon initial purchase of a Thrill Park Wristband , a one-time \$1 fee is charged.

ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

*Prices include facility fees charged on all tickets. Pricing varies based on Etix service fees charged for online and phone orders.

8 p.m. Pitbull with special guest Neon Union (\$59-104)

10:30 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

9 a.m. Becky Nalevanko's Dance and Tumbling Studio, Pleasant Hill

11 a.m. Pat Barton Dance Studio, Altoona

11:45 a.m. DMACC Scholarship Presentation

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search (to follow Iowan of the Day)

4 p.m. Ankeny Community Chorus

7 p.m. Parrenderos Latin Combo

Elwell Family Park

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

Noon Charros Performance (Free; gates open at 11 a.m.)

2 p.m. Charros Performance (Free; gates open at 11 a.m.)

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center 10 a.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik Noon Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

3:30 p.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

5:30 p.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

11 a.m. New Visions Dance

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

1:30 p.m. Brad Weston

2 p.m. New Visions Dance

2:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

3:30 p.m. Brad Weston

4:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. 2nd Avenue Society, Clarion

11 a.m. Faith's Road, Clarion

1 p.m. Joshua Sinclair

8 p.m. Pecos and the Rooftops

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

12:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

2 p.m. The Flying Royals

4:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

6 p.m. The Flying Royals

7:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Noon Hillbilly Bob

1 p.m. Bandaloni

2 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

3 p.m. Bandaloni

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. Micro Mini Tractor Pull (registration at 9 a.m.)

2 p.m. Deborah's School of Dance

8 p.m. The Castellows

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

2 p.m. Liv McNair

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

6 p.m. Banda La Enkantadora

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Mark Joseph Solo

6:30 p.m. Suede

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

2 p.m. DJ Coach G

4 p.m. DJ MAJ

6 p.m. DJ Scene

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. Justin Elliot & Aaron Ely Duo

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Haywire

4 p.m. Jeni Grouws

8 p.m. Birdchild

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

10 a.m. Matins Choir

Noon James Biehn

2:30 p.m. The Sheet

6 p.m. The Band Light

8 p.m. Grupo515

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. The Weary Ramblers

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events 11 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Jr. Limousin

1 p.m. Beef Cattle Show: Jr. Aberdeen, Jr. South Devon

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Horse Show: Miniature B Halter

5 p.m. Livestock Judging Contest (registration 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.)

Poultry and Rabbit Building

Poultry and rabbit shows and exhibits

9 a.m. Poultry Show

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven; Vet Camp and Advanced Vet Camp sponsored by Agri-Pro

Enterprises

8:30 a.m. Horse Show: Western

9 a.m. Horse Haven

9 a.m. Advanced Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

1:30 p.m. Advanced Vet Camp (pre-registration required), Conference Room

6 p.m. Horse Show: Belgian, Shire, Miniature

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

10 a.m. Spin & Knit

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

1 p.m. 4-H Sheep Skillathon

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

3:30 p.m. 4-H Sheep Showmanship

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

Swine Barn

Swine, Big Boar, Pig Place

9 a.m. 4-H Swine Skillathon

9 a.m. Pig Place

1 p.m. 4-H Swine Showmanship

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building

70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Hands-On Activities Corner: Healthy Living

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Trees - Nature's Original Recyclers, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. The Oaks Aren't Alright, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. Low Head Dams and the Transformation to Whitewater!, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Oak Trees, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. O Come All Ye Cookies Judging, Room 2

9:30 a.m. Slabulous Slabs Judging, Room 3

10 a.m. Our Front Porch Favorite Iowa Foods Judging, Room 1

10:30 a.m. Spreading Girl Scout Cheer Judging, Room 3

10:30 a.m. World's Tallest Leprechaun St. Patrick's Day Cookies Judging, Room 2

11 a.m. Sunday Dinner at Mom's (Grandma's) Judging, Room 1

11:30 a.m. Gingerbread House Judging, Room 3

11:30 a.m. Strawberry-Rhubarb Dessert Judging, Room 2

12:30 p.m. Best Fruit Cobbler, Bettie or Buckle Judging, Room 2

12:30 p.m. My Best Brownie Judging, Room 3

1 p.m. Beginner's Contest Judging, Room 4

1:30 p.m. North "40" Pie Contest Judging, Room 1

2 p.m. Anything But White Bread Judging, Room 3

2 p.m. Anything Goes, Everything Goes in the Kitchen Judging, Room 2

2 p.m. John McCoy's Potluck Pleasers Judging, Room 4

3 p.m. Desserts for Lou Sipolt Judging, Room 4

3:30 p.m. Creative Quick Breads Judging, Room 3

3:30 p.m. Kid's Gingerbread House Challenge Judging, Room 2

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Old time school, coloring activities

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Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

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Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging

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7:15 a.m. Catholic Mass

8:30 a.m. Ecumenical Worship Service

10 a.m. Fiddlers' (50 and Over)

11 a.m. Banjo Contest

Noon Fine Line Bluegrass, Regional Bluegrass Band, Albia

1 p.m. Fiddlers' (50 and Over) Contest

3 p.m. Fiddlers Championship: Celebrating 100 Years as a State Fair Contest 1925-2025

4 p.m. Pioneer String Band, Old-Time String Band Music, Central Iowa

5:30 p.m. The William Lawson Band Folk, Bluegrass and Old Time Country, All Iowa

7 p.m. Fiddlers' Dance: Celebrating 100 Years as a State Fair Contest

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa Elder Women State Championship

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa Junior & Cadets State Championship

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa Women State Championship

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

3 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Open Singles

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery);

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

11 a.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

1 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

1 p.m. Monster Arm Wrestling (weigh-ins 10 a.m.-noon), Penningroth Media Center

3 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

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5 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

8 a.m. Hosta Leaf Show

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

1 p.m. Growing Christmas Trees in Iowa, presented by Iowa Christmas Tree Growers, Stage

2 p.m. Honey & Bee Keeping, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

6 p.m. Ice Carving by Bill Gordish, Front Lawn

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Turkey Bowl Meals by the Iowa Turkey Federation featuring Gretta Irwin, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. BEEF, Through the Eyes and Taste of the Caribbean; Choose Iowa & Partners, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. WINE Mixology, Fun and Easy WINE Cocktails; Ackerman Winery, The Kitchen, West Room

- 4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater
- 5 p.m. Eggroll Rolling & Cooking Techniques; The Eggroll Ladies, The Kitchen, West Room
- 7 p.m. PIEOWA A Piece of America Documentary; The World Needs More Pie, Beth Howard, The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

- 9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds
- 9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center
- 9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center
- 9 a.m. American Welding Society, West of Elwell Family Park
- 9 a.m. FOX News, West of the DNR Building
- 9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building
- 9 a.m. SugarBee Apples, West of the DNR Building
- 2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

Noon DIY Walk-In Paint Projects (\$)

2 p.m. Painting With a Twist (\$): Sky Gliders

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair; artWORKS

- 9 a.m. China Painting Demonstration, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor
- 9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor

- 10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor
- 10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Wood Folk Art Demonstration, Carden Farms, 1st Floor

Noon Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Noon Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

- 12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Courtney Moller, Painting, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: John Jannenga, Drawing, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 1 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
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- 2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor
- 3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 3 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Josh Carmody, Wood Pens, Courtyard
- 4 p.m. Art WORKS: "Let's Dance" with Janice Baker, 3rd Floor
- 4 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
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- 4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Art WORKS: Student Performances, 3rd Floor
- 5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor
- 6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Art WORKS: Open Jam, 3rd Floor
- 7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We Live award winners display

1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping;

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025

IOWA LOTTERY DAY

The Iowa Lottery is proud to continue its support of Veterans Day at the Fair! A portion of lottery proceeds each year are dedicated to the Iowa Veterans Trust Fund to directly benefit our state's veterans and their families. Stop by the Grand Concourse today and visit the Iowa Lottery tent to buy your lottery tickets, score some merchandise prizes and sign up for the free VIP Club. Come and see us today!

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

SPECIAL SAVINGS

Monday-Thursday evenings: \$12 adult (ages 12 and up), \$8 child (ages 6-11)

Veterans Day: \$12 admission for active and former members of the United States military who show proof of veteran or active military status and their spouse from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During the Fair, you're in luck, save a buck. Monday-Thursday, EVERY ride and game in Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) is \$1 off.

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Park kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

*Thrill Park Wristbands are not valid in Thrill Zone.

*Upon initial purchase of a Thrill Park Wristband, a one-time \$1 fee is charged.

ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

*Prices include facility fees charged on all tickets. Pricing varies based on Etix service fees charged for online and phone orders.

8 p.m. Lynyrd Skynyrd with special guest The Outlaws (\$54-94)

10:30 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

9 a.m. Betty Hill Dancers, Windsor Heights

10 a.m. Dance Magic Kids, Windsor Heights

11 a.m. Iowa State Patrol K9 Demonstration

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search (to follow Iowan of the Day)

4:30 p.m. Military Tribute Concert, Urbandale

7 p.m. Six Appeal

9 p.m. Six Appeal

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!, MidAmerican Energy Wind

Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club: Planting Fun Day

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

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MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. Dance-a-Cross, West Des Moines

11 a.m. Kingdom Criers, Southern Gospel, Pleasant Hill

1 p.m. Lenis DeCook, Vocal, Sully

4:30 p.m. KCCI TV8 News

8 p.m. PetRock

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

12:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

2 p.m. The Flying Royals

4:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

6 p.m. The Flying Royals

7:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Noon Hillbilly Bob

1 p.m. Bandaloni

2 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

3 p.m. Bandaloni

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. In Motion Center for Dance, Tumble & Cheer, Newton

11 a.m. Hello Iowa - WHO TV13

2 p.m. Military Veterans' Band

8 p.m. Kashus Culpepper

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

1 p.m. Square Dancers

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

6 p.m. Lucas Beebe Music

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Mark Joseph Solo

6:30 p.m. Velvet Trio

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. Cody Hicks

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

4 p.m. BS and the Liars

8 p.m. Sierra Griggs Band

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

Noon Kelsie James

2 p.m. John Till

5 p.m. Luke Fox

8 p.m. Jordan Beem

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. Jake Schrodt & Taylor King

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Limousin

11 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Aberdeen

1 p.m. Beef Cattle Show: South Devon

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

2:30 p.m. 4-H Beef Showmanship

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven

8:30 a.m. Horse Show: Miniature A Halter, Belgian Line

9 a.m. Horse Haven

Noon Horse Show: Shire Line

6 p.m. Horse Show: Belgian, Shire, Miniature

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

8:30 a.m. 4-H Sheep Show: Market

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

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Swine Barn

Swine, Big Boar, Pig Place

8:30 a.m. 4-H Swine Show: Breeding Gilt

9 a.m. Pig Place

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building
70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations, Working Exhibits and Extemporaneous Speaking

9 a.m. Hands-On Activities Corner: STEM

Noon Share-the-Fun

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Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Who Pooped in the Park, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Tasting Nature - Foraging, Preparing and Sampling Wild Edible Plants, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. An Afternoon of Historic Iowa Trees, Courtyard Stage

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10:30 a.m. Having a 'Ball' with Cheese Judging, Room 4

10:30 a.m. Pies from the Heartland Judging, Rooms 1, 2 and 3

Noon Best Cheeseburger Casserole Judging, Room 4

2 p.m. Best Five Dollar Lunch Judging, Room 3

2 p.m. Your Best Tres Leches Cake Judging, Room 4

2:30 p.m. Give Us Your Best Pie Judging, Room 2

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9 a.m. Veterans Day – Eastern Iowa Honor Flight

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10 a.m. Youth Piano Playing Contest

10:30 a.m. Adult Piano Playing Contest

Noon The Final Act Ensemble Old-Time Radio Show with Sound Effects by the Des Moines Community

Playhouse, Metro Area

1 p.m. Youth Harmonica Contest

1:30 p.m. Adult Harmonica Contest

2:30 p.m. Accordion Contest

4 p.m. Lenny Hudson Ragtime Guitar & Sing Along, Carlisle

5 p.m. "The King Incognito" Elvis Presley Tribute and Impersonation by James David Brown, New Virginia

6:30 p.m. Pat Mead and the Cowboy Country Band, Classic Cowboy Country Music, Iowa and Missouri

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Replica of Iowa's first church

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John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

10 a.m. Honey & Bee Keeping, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

Noon Floriculture Department Special Classes: Pella Wonderland, Terrarium, Gnome Garden Judging

Noon Limited Division Flower Show

Noon Show Off Your Talent Flower Show

Noon Something Different - Potted Plant Show

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Homemade Sweet and Fluffy Treats; Dinner Delights - Chef Andrea Love, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. Edible Flowers and Creative Ways to Use Them; Choose Iowa & Presenters, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. Iowa Ham Balls; Brewer Family Farms, Joe and Linda Brewer, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

5 p.m. Chocolate Tarts for Any Level; Glorious Desserts - Gloria Olson, The Kitchen, West Room

7 p.m. Farm-to-Table Dinner with Chef Grant Gillon (\$; pre-registration required), The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center

- 9 a.m. Hoover Presidential Foundation, West of the DNR Building
- 9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building
- 2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair: artWORKS

- 9 a.m. China Painting Demonstration, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor
- 9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor
- 10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

11 a.m. Wood Folk Art Demonstration, Carden Farms, 1st Floor

Noon Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Noon Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard

1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Ashley Bowlin, Jewelry, Courtyard

1 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

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2 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor

3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor

3 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

3 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor

3 p.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor

4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Marcia Jannenga, Jewelry, Courtyard

4 p.m. Art WORKS: "Let's Dance" with Janice Baker, 3rd Floor

4 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

4 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

4 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor

4 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

5 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor

5 p.m. Art WORKS: Student Performances, 3rd Floor

5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor

6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor

6 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor

7 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor

7 p.m. Art WORKS: Open Jam, 3rd Floor

7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We Live award winners display

8 a.m. Cuddles and Snuggles Chore Time (\$; pre-registration required)

1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping;

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025

TITAN DAY

Titan International, maker of Titan and Goodyear Farm Tires, is proud to be back as a sponsor of the Fair. Our employees here in Des Moines are proud to keep farmers across America moving. Log on to titan-intl.com/tirerebate and use code ISF25 to download a \$200 rebate certificate to use on your next purchase of Titan or Goodyear Farm Tires.

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

SPECIAL SAVINGS

Monday-Thursday evenings: \$12 adult (ages 12 and up), \$8 child (ages 6-11)

During the Fair, you're in luck, save a buck. Monday-Thursday, EVERY ride and game in Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) is \$1 off.

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Parks kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

*Thrill Park Wristbands are not valid in Thrill Zone.

*Upon initial purchase of a Thrill Park Wristband , a one-time \$1 fee is charged.

ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

*Prices include facility fees charged on all tickets. Pricing varies based on Etix service fees charged for online and phone orders.

8 p.m. Rascal Flatts with special guest Neal McCoy (\$54-109)

10:30 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

9 a.m. Iowa Auctioneers Association Open Bid Calling Championship

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search (to follow Iowan of the Day)

7 p.m. Herman's Hermits starring Peter Noone

Elwell Family Park

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

10 a.m. Pedal Tractor Pull (registration 9 a.m.), Meet the Outlaw Young Guns Tractor Pull Drivers Noon Outlaw Truck and Tractor Pulls (adult \$30, child \$25; gates open at 11 a.m.)

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club: Fair Games Day

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

1:30 p.m. Brad Weston

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3:30 p.m. Brad Weston

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MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. Heartland Bootscooters, Sigourney

11 a.m. USCIS DHS Children's Citizenship Ceremony

1 p.m. Out in Front, Vocal, California

4:30 p.m. KCCI TV8 News

8 p.m. Electric Avenue (MTV 80s Tribute)

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

12:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

2 p.m. The Flying Royals

4:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

6 p.m. The Flying Royals

7:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Noon Hillbilly Bob

1 p.m. Bandaloni

2 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

3 p.m. Bandaloni

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. Heart of Iowa Cloggers, Grinnell

11 a.m. Hello Iowa - WHO TV13

1:30 p.m. Back to Vinyl, Vocal, Ackworth

8 p.m. Drew Baldridge

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

6 p.m. Royce Johns

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Mark Joseph Solo

6:30 p.m. The Sheet

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. Brian Herrin & Brian Schwager

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. The Decoy Duo

4 p.m. Brad Morgan

8 p.m. C.H.A.W.

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

Noon Casey Peasley

2 p.m. Emma Storm

5 p.m. Bradley Seidenfeld

8 p.m. Damon Dotson Band

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. Jake McVey

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

10 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Angus

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

8:30 a.m. 4-H Beef Cattle Show: Breeding

4:30 p.m. 4-H Parade of Breeding Heifer Champions, Selection of Supreme Breeding Heifer

6:30 p.m. 4-H Beef Cattle Show: Beef of Merit

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven

8:30 a.m. Horse Show: Belgian, Shire, Miniature

9 a.m. Horse Haven

5 p.m. Horse Show: Belgian, Shire, Miniature

8 p.m. Horse Show: Society

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

8:30 a.m. 4-H Sheep Show: Breeding, Selection of Supreme Female

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

Swine Barn

Swine, Big Boar, Pig Place

8:30 a.m. 4-H Swine Show: Market

9 a.m. Pig Place

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Administration Building

9 a.m. Max and Amy Show Podcast, Porch

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building 70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations, Working Exhibits and Extemporaneous Speaking

9 a.m. Hands-On Activities Corner: Clover Kids

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations, Working Exhibits and Extemporaneous Speaking

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Secrets of State Parks, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Trip Planning and Safety for Iowa Paddlers, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. 100th Anniversary of Pheasant Hunting in Iowa, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Pheasants, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. Best Bite Judging, Room 2

9:30 a.m. Casey's Junior Favorite Creations Judging (classes 516-530), Room 1

10 a.m. It's a Wrap with Azteca Tortillas Judging, Room 3

10:30 a.m. The Best Dipping Sauce Ever Judging, Room 2

11 a.m. Casey's Junior Favorite Creations Judging (classes 531-546), Room 1

11:30 a.m. My Favorite Ice Cream Topping Judging, Room 2

11:30 a.m. Ulrich Pella Bologna Appetizer Judging, Room 3

12:30 p.m. Ulrich Dried Beef Chowder or Soup Judging, Room 3

1 p.m. Casey's Intermediate Favorite Creations Judging (classes 547-561), Room 1

1:30 p.m. Be Creative with Mrs. Wages® Judging, Room 3

1:30 p.m. Bob's Red Mill Yeast Rolls Judging, Room 2

1:30 p.m. How to Enter the Iowa State Food Competition and Win seminar, Cassandra Hyatt, Degree in

Restaurant Management and Iowa State Fair Judge, Room 4

2:30 p.m. Casey's Intermediate Favorite Creations Judging (classes 562-576), Room 1

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; Iowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Farmers Market

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Titan Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

9 a.m. Farm Bureau Cook-Off Contest

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

11 a.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

5 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

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Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker, Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities

Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10)

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12:30 p.m. Somebuddies 60s-70s Soft Rock and Country Classics, Metro Area

1 p.m. Manual Timber Sports: Woodchopping, Ladies' One-Woman Crosscut, Bow Saw, Bucksawing,

One-Man Crosscut, Two-Person Crosscut and Bow Saw

2 p.m. Lady J's Trio, Bluegrass and Country, Des Moines

3:30 p.m. Line Dance Lessons by Norma Hatcher, Osceola

5 p.m. The Fiddling Gates Family, Creston

6:30 p.m. Jerry Beauchamp Band Old Country Variety to include Waltz and Polka, Central Iowa

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9:15 a.m. Hot Peppers Judging

9:15 a.m. Hot Peppers Plant in Patio Container Judging

9:15 a.m. Jumbo Fruit and Vegetable Exhibits Judging

9:15 a.m. Salsa Basket Judging

9:15 a.m. Vegetable Judging

10 a.m. Choose Iowa Calendar Contest Kids Recognition, Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Stage

10 a.m. Flower Identification Contest

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

1 p.m. Learn about Honey & Beekeeping, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

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Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Air Fryer Magic with Turkey by the Iowa Turkey Federation featuring Grayce McClintock, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. Bread, and Cheese, and Wine, Oh My!; Choose Iowa & Partners, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. Snack Attack - Protein Balls; Dinner Delights - Chef Andrea Love, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

5 p.m. Sourdough Made Simple; Agri-Cultured Foods, The Kitchen, West Room

7 p.m. Salsa Secrets - Sweet or Savory with Chef Andrea Love of Dinner Delights (\$; pre-registration required), The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center

- 9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center
- 9 a.m. Titan Tire, Maker of Goodyear Farm Tires WHO Radio, West of Elwell Family Park
- 9 a.m. Hoover Presidential Foundation, West of the DNR Building
- 9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building
- 2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

10 a.m. Painting With a Twist (\$): Dusk at the Fair

3 p.m. Painting With a Twist (\$): Highland Calf

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair; artWORKS

- 9 a.m. China Painting Demonstration, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor
- 9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor
- 10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

- 10 a.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Wood Folk Art Demonstration, Carden Farms, 1st Floor
- Noon Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- Noon Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Kristy Niemeyer, Ink, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 1 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 2 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 2 p.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
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- 2 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor
- 3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 3 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

- 4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Krista Woodward, Fiber, Courtyard
- 4 p.m. Art WORKS: "Let's Dance" with Janice Baker, 3rd Floor
- 4 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
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- 4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Art WORKS: Student Performances, 3rd Floor
- 5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor
- 6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Art WORKS: Open Jam, 3rd Floor
- 7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We Live award winners display

1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

9 a.m. Iowa Farm Bureau Members Day

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping;

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025

SOLAR DAY

Celebrate solar energy at the Fair! Solar energy benefits both rural and urban lowans with solar installed in all of Iowa's 99 counties. Stop by the Solar booth on the Grand Concourse to see solar panels in action and learn how Iowa farmers, businesses and homeowners are harnessing the power of the sun.

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

SPECIAL SAVINGS

Monday-Thursday evenings: \$12 adult (ages 12 and up), \$8 child (ages 6-11

Older Iowans' Day presented by Wellmark Blue Cross and Blue Shield: \$12 admission for Fairgoers ages 60 and up from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During the Fair, you're in luck, save a buck. Monday-Thursday, EVERY ride and game in Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) is \$1 off.

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Parks kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

*Thrill Park Wristbands are not valid in Thrill Zone.

*Upon initial purchase of a Thrill Park Wristband, a one-time \$1 fee is charged.

SENSORY-FRIENDLY MORNING

presented by ChildServe with programming sponsored by Drake University and IAble

Special programming modifications, designated educational areas, clear directional signage and trained volunteers throughout the Fairgrounds

8 a.m. Calming Room - (Sensory-Friendly Morning), Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center & Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center (Staffed 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

8 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

8 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm, Kids' Zone

8 a.m. Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center

8 a.m. Sensory Walk, Kids' Zone

9 a.m. Barn Education Areas

9 a.m. Create Your Own "Fair Square," Maytag Family Theater

ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

*Prices include facility fees charged on all tickets. Pricing varies based on Etix service fees charged for online and phone orders.

8 p.m. Hairball's Silver Anniversary Tour (\$24-34)

10:30 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

10 a.m. Hat Parade (registration 9:30 a.m.)

11 a.m. Iowa State Patrol K9 Demonstration

11:45 a.m. Way We Live Award Presentation, Kutzli Family and Miller Family

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search (to follow Iowan of the Day)

7 p.m. Herman's Hermits starring Peter Noone

Elwell Family Park

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

Noon Outlaw Truck and Tractor Pulls (adult \$30, child \$25; gates open at 11 a.m.)

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

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3:30 p.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club: Kids' Club Gives Back - Older Iowans' Day

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

1:30 p.m. Brad Weston

2:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

3:30 p.m. Brad Weston

4:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. Variety Mobility Presentation

10 a.m. Super Sensory Adventure

11 a.m. Education and Make and Take

1 p.m. Des Moines PS Tappers, Dance

4:30 p.m. KCCI TV8 News

8 p.m. Allie Colleen

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

12:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

2 p.m. The Flying Royals

4:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

6 p.m. The Flying Royals

7:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Noon Hillbilly Bob

1 p.m. Bandaloni

2 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

3 p.m. Bandaloni

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. APDA Wellness Exercise Class Demo by Ashley Phelps, Live 2 B Healthy

11 a.m. Hello Iowa - WHO TV13

1:30 p.m. Jim Dandy & the Kountry Rebels, Grand River

8 p.m. Tanner Adell

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

6 p.m. Justin Elliot & Aaron Ely Duo

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Nicholas David

6:30 p.m. Mark Joseph & The American Soul

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

6 p.m. Jordan Beem

9 p.m. DJ Coach G

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. Dan Medeiros

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Brian Congdon

4 p.m. The Other Brothers

8 p.m. Gimmik

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

Noon Joshua Sinclair

2 p.m. Blake Jack and South 35

5 p.m. River City Opry

8 p.m. Grupo515

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. Scott Kirkhart

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

8:30 a.m. Stock Dog Trials

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

8:30 a.m. 4-H Beef Cattle Show: Market

5 p.m. 4-H Parade of Market Beef Champions and Selection of Champion Steer

Poultry and Rabbit Building

Poultry and rabbit shows and exhibits

6 p.m. 4-H Rabbit Educational Presentations Judging

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven

9 a.m. Horse Show: Society

9 a.m. Horse Haven

1 p.m. Horse Show: Society

7 p.m. Horse Show: Society

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, , Southeast corner

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration - (Sensory-Friendly Morning), Outside, Southeast

corner

2 p.m. Sheep Show: Dorset

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

6 p.m. Sheep Show: Southdown

Swine Barn

Swine; Big Boar; Pig Place; goats

9 a.m. Pig Place

11 a.m. 4-H Meat Goat Skillathon

3 p.m. 4-H Meat Goat Showmanship (4-H Meat Goat Fitting Clinic and Fitting Competition to follow)

4:30 p.m. FFA Meat Goat Showmanship

7:30 p.m. Barnyard Yoga: Goat Yoga (\$; pre-registration required), Dairy Goat Show Ring

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Administration Building

3 p.m. Scholastic Chess Tournament, Porch

5 p.m. Speed Chess Tournament, Porch

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building

70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

9 a.m. Hands-On Activities Corner: STEM

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Paddling 101 - Adventures to Remember, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Paddling 101 - Adventures to Remember, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. Rainscaping for Soil and Water Health, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Urban Trees, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. Homemade Sourdough Bread Judging, Room 4

10 a.m. Midwest Living Cookies Judging (Bar; Rolled, Molded & Pressed; Global), Rooms 1, 2 and 3

11 a.m. History & Health Benefits of Sourdough Baking seminar, Diane Ward, Pampered Chef and Iowa

State Fair Judge, Room 4

Noon Older Iowans' Cookie Decorating, Main Floor

1 p.m. Best Wing Sauce Judging, Room 4

2 p.m. Bring Your Best Dip Judging, Room 2

2 p.m. Iowa Farm to Fork Judging, Room 3

2 p.m. Smile! Bake Your Best Camera Ready Cake Judging, Room 1

2:30 p.m. Cookie Decorating Winners Posted, Main Floor

3:30 p.m. Favorite Book Desserts Judging, Room 2

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; Iowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Farmers Market

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Solar Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

8 a.m. Central Iowa Tractor Club Display, South Side

9 a.m. BINGO with the Blue Ribbon Foundation, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

11 a.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

5 p.m. Central Iowa Tractor Club Parade

5 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

6 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker, Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10) Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 7-10 and Aug. 14-16)

Wool Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 15-17)

Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging

held Aug. 6; on display Aug. 7-17)

9:30 a.m. Alice's Gospel Old Songs/New Sounds, Oskaloosa

11 a.m. Cow Chip Throwing Contest

11:30 a.m. Beverly Kay, Vocalist 40s-70s Music, Ankeny

1 p.m. The Great Bluegrass Herons A Bluegrass Band, Sharon Center

2 p.m. Ladies' Rubber Chicken Throwing Contest

3 p.m. The New Jolly Germans Band Waltz, Polka, Schoetisch and Laendlers, Metro Area

4:30 p.m. Saints and Sinners Country, Soft Rock and Old Time Dance Tunes, Des Moines

6:30 p.m. All Iowa Gospel Jubilee, Central Iowa

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa State Fair Seniors' Championship

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

1:30 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Open Singles

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery);
Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

11 a.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

1 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

3 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

4 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

5 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

10 a.m. Gladiolus Show

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

Noon Cooking & Honey, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

Noon Floriculture Department Special Classes: Fresh Floral Design, Holiday Design Judging

Noon Limited Division Flower Show

Noon Show Off Your Talent Flower Show

12:30 p.m. Fruit, Vegetable and Nut Identification Contest, Front Lawn

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

8 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm - (Sensory-Friendly Morning)

8 a.m. Sensory Walk - (Sensory-Friendly Morning)

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Beef Break Down: Enjoying Value Cuts & Saving Big; ISU Extension Meat Specialists, The Kitchen,

West Room

1 p.m. Sweet Corn Beyond the Cob; Choose Iowa & Partners, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

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- 5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor

6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor

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6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor

7 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor

7 p.m. Art WORKS: Open Jam, 3rd Floor

7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We Live award winners display

8 a.m. Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center - (Sensory-Friendly Morning)

1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025

IOWA CREDIT UNION DAY

Iowa's not-for-profit credit unions put people before profits. Stop by the Grand Concourse booth for hands-on activities and learn how #IowaCreditUnions work to improve the financial lives of Iowans!

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

SPECIAL SAVINGS

Monday-Thursday evenings: \$12 adult (ages 12 and up), \$8 child (ages 6-11)

During the Fair, you're in luck, save a buck. Monday-Thursday, EVERY ride and game in Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) and Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 4 p.m.) is \$1 off.

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Parks kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

*Thrill Park Wristbands are not valid in Thrill Zone.

*Upon initial purchase of a Thrill Park Wristband , a one-time \$1 fee is charged.

ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

*Prices include facility fees charged on all tickets. Pricing varies based on Etix service fees charged for

online and phone orders.

8 p.m. Def Leppard with special guest Phil X & The Drills (\$69-134)

10:30 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

9 a.m. Bubble Gum Blowing Contest

10:30 a.m. Pie Eating Contest

11:45 a.m. Way We Live Award Presentation, Hatch Farms and Taylor Farms

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search Semi-Finals (to follow Iowan of the Day)

1:30 p.m. Legislative Day Recognition

4 p.m. Katdaddy 55, Grand River

7 p.m. Ron Diamond, Hypnotist

9 p.m. Ron Diamond, Hypnotist

Elwell Family Park

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

5 p.m. Iowa Lottery Scratch-Off World Record Attempt

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!, MidAmerican Energy Wind

Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Chainsaw Carvers Gary Keenan, T.J. Jenkins and Clint Henik

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club: State Fair Cookie Day

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

1:30 p.m. Brad Weston

2:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

3:30 p.m. Brad Weston

4:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. B. John Burns, Songwriter, Johnston

11 a.m. Iowa State Patrol Safety Demonstration

1 p.m. Major Blues and the Mugshots, Des Moines

4:30 p.m. KCCI TV8 News

8 p.m. The Pork Tornadoes

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

12:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

2 p.m. The Flying Royals

4:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

6 p.m. The Flying Royals

7:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Noon Hillbilly Bob

1 p.m. Bandaloni

2 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

3 p.m. Bandaloni

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. Homeschool Tumbling, Des Moines

11 a.m. Hello Iowa - WHO TV13

1:30 p.m. Tropical Steel, Johnston

8 p.m. William Clark Green

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

2 p.m. Liv McNair

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

6 p.m. Fahrenheit

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Nicholas David

6:30 p.m. Mark Joseph & The American Soul

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

4 p.m. Josh Holland

6 p.m. Tyler Anthony

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. Lucas Beebe

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Scott Kirkhart

4 p.m. Suede

8 p.m. Damon Dotson

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

Noon Monica Austin

2:30 p.m. Emmet Sheehan

5 p.m. Jordan Beem

8 p.m. Tyler Richton and The High Bank Boys

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. The SINCLAIRS

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Salers

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5 p.m. Beef Cattle Show: Jr. Miniature Hereford, Jr. Gelbvieh

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Century Farm Awards (Heritage Farm Awards to follow)

Poultry and Rabbit Building

Poultry and rabbit shows and exhibits

8:30 a.m. 4-H Rabbit Showmanship

9 a.m. 4-H Rabbit Show (Presentation of Showmanship/Poster/Educational Presentation Ribbons and

Awards to follow)

10 a.m. 4-H Rabbit Poster Judging

10 a.m. 4-H Rabbit Skillathon

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven

9 a.m. Horse Show: Society

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1 p.m. Horse Show: Society

6 p.m. Horse Show: Clydesdale, Percheron, Draft Pony

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

9 a.m. Sheep Show: Shropshire

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

1 p.m. Sheep Show: Hampshire

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

6 p.m. Sheep Show: Baby Doll Southdown

Swine Barn

Swine; Big Boar; Pig Place; goats

8:30 a.m. 4-H and FFA Dairy Goat Show

8:30 a.m. 4-H and FFA Market Meat Goat Show (4-H and FFA Breeding Meat Goat Show to follow)

9 a.m. Pig Place

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building

70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations, Working Exhibits and Extemporaneous Speaking

9 a.m. Hands-On Activities Corner: Leadership

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations, Working Exhibits and Extemporaneous Speaking

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Iowa Raptors - Live Animal Program, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Living with Wildlife: Urban Wildlife Interactions, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. Fly Fishing with Hawkeye Fly Fishers, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Trees and Wildlife, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. Winning Ways with Cinnamon Rolls seminar, Lana Shope, owner of Pies and Pastries by Lana,

Iowa State Fair Judge, Room 4

10 a.m. Midwest Living Cookies Judging (Drop; Health; Refrigerated & Rolled; Cake Mix or Muffin Mix;

Youth), Room 1

11 a.m. Kids Cookie Decorating, Main Floor

11 a.m. Seafood Prepared in the Heartland Judging, Room 4

1 p.m. Inventive Rhubarb Judging, Room 4

1:30 p.m. Cookie Decorating Winners Posted, Main Floor

2:30 p.m. Animal Face Cakes Judging, Room 1

2:30 p.m. Egg-ceptional Eggs Cooking Contest Judging, Room 2

3 p.m. Creative Quick Breads seminar, Kay Fenton Smith, Co-Author of Baking Blue Ribbon Winners,

Room 4

3 p.m. Mrs. Grimes Chili Cook Off Judging, Room 3

3:30 p.m. Wild Game Contest Judging, Room 1

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; Iowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Farmers Market

7 p.m. Wine Down in The Garden

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Iowa Credit Union Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

9 a.m. BINGO with the Blue Ribbon Foundation, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Iowa Parks and Recreation Display, South Side

9:30 a.m. Elk's Spot Shot

9:30 a.m. Temporary Tattoos

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

11 a.m. Big Wheel Races

11 a.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

1 p.m. Scavenger Hunt

1:30 p.m. Big Wheel Races

1:30 p.m. Elk's Spot Shot

5 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

6 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

6 p.m. Cornhole Doubles Tournament (registration at 5 p.m.)

Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker, Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities

Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10)

Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 7-10 and Aug. 14-16)

Wool Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 15-17)

Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging held Aug. 6; on display Aug. 7-17)

9 a.m. Polka Club of Iowa (Celebrating 50 Years as a Club) and New Jolly Germans Band, Central Iowa

10:30 a.m. Children's Singing Contest

11 a.m. Yodeling Contest

12:30 p.m. The Sundawgs Vintage Folk and Classic Music with Musical Saw, Southwest Iowa

1:30 p.m. Youth Whistling Contest (16 and under)

2 p.m. Adult Whistling Contest (17 and over)

3:30 p.m. Chip Albright Acoustic Americana and Folk, Des Moines

4:30 p.m. Line Dance Lessons by Norma Hatcher, Osceola

6 p.m. The Rivieras, 50s Rockabilly Music, Metro Area

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

1:30 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Open Singles

6:30 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Open Singles

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery); Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

11 a.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

1 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

3 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

4 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

5 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Guess How Many Rose Petals Contest

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Turkey Lunch Prep by the Iowa Turkey Federation featuring Sheila Larson, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. Artisanal Honey and Perfect Specialty Cheese Pairings; Choose Iowa & Partners, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. Decorating Fun Cupcakes with Buttercream How-To; Glorious Desserts, Gloria Olson, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

5 p.m. Grilling with Farmer Joe; Brewer Family Farms, Joe and Linda Brewer, The Kitchen, West Room

7 p.m. Farm-to-Table Dinner with Chef Grant Gillon (\$; pre-registration required), The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. United States Air Force, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. Sunbelt Bakery, West of the DNR Building

2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

2 p.m. Painting With a Twist (\$): Colorful Haul

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair; artWORKS

9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor

9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor

- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025

IOWA CORN DAY

You might think lowa grows corn, but the truth is corn grows lowa! Corn grows lowa by producing more than 4,000 products – from feed for our livestock to clean-burning ethanol fuel to fireworks, makeup, bioplastics and more. You can support lowa corn farmers by buying corn-fed meat, dairy & eggs, filling your cup from the tap with water and fueling up with Unleaded 88. What better way to celebrate all things corn than a day at the lowa State Fair! Meet the farmers who raise your food and enter to win great prizes by participating in a scavenger hunt from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and then some CORN trivia from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Parks kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

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ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

*Prices include facility fees charged on all tickets. Pricing varies based on Etix service fees charged for online and phone orders.

8 p.m. Hank Williams Jr. with special guest Old Crow Medicine Show (\$54-99)

10:30 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

10 a.m. Decorated Diaper Contest and Diaper Derby (registration begins at 9:30 a.m.)

11 a.m. Iowa State Patrol K9 Demonstration

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search Semi-Finals (to follow Iowan of the Day)

4 p.m. The Lew and Brad Band, Ankeny

7 p.m. Ron Diamond, Hypnotist

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Elwell Family Park

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

8 a.m. Iowa Utilities Lineman Rodeo (Free; gates open at 7 a.m.)

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

 $10 \ a.m. \ Louie \ the \ Lightning \ Bug \ and/or \ Sniffy \ the \ Sniffasaurus \ Sighting!, \ MidAmerican \ Energy \ Wind$

Turbine and Education Center

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club: Kids' Club Scavenger Hunt Day

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

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MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9 a.m. Day's Live Music, Vocal, Pella

11 a.m. Dry Run Creek, Band

1 p.m. blueeyeddaze and friends, Band, Marion

4:30 p.m. KCCI TV8 News

8 p.m. Not Quite Brothers

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

12:30 p.m. The Flying Royals

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Strolling Acts

Around the Fairgrounds

11 a.m. Bandaloni

11:30 a.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

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Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

9 a.m. MADE Dance Company, Urbandale

11 a.m. Hello Iowa - WHO TV13

1:30 p.m. The Faster Horses, Des Moines

8 p.m. Brent Cobb

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

9 a.m. Max and Amy Show Podcast

1 p.m. Duel Piano

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

6 p.m. Lucas Beebe Music

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Nicholas David

6:30 p.m. Mark Joseph & The American Soul

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

6 p.m. DJ Coach G

9 p.m. DJ Diverse

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

3 p.m. Royce Johns Duo

7 p.m. Robbie Michael

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Tony Bohnenkamp

4 p.m. Blake Jack and the South 35

8 p.m. Rebel Queens

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

Noon Paris Springer

2 p.m. Jake Schrodt

5 p.m. The Sheet

8 p.m. Tyler Richton and The High Bank Boys

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

7 p.m. Randy Burk & The Prisoners

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Gelbvieh, Jr. Red Angus

1 p.m. Beef Cattle Show: Miniature Hereford

2 p.m. Beef Cattle Show: Jr. Charolais

6 p.m. Barnyard Yoga: Llama Yoga (\$; pre-registration required)

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

3 p.m. Beef Cattle Show: Simmental Bulls, Highland

Poultry and Rabbit Building

Poultry and rabbit shows and exhibits

6 p.m. Largest Rabbit Contest

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven

8:30 a.m. Horse Show: Percheron Line, Clydesdale Line

9 a.m. Horse Haven

2 p.m. Horse Show: Clydesdale, Percheron

5 p.m. Horse Show: Clydesdale, Percheron, Draft Pony

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

9 a.m. Sheep Show: Wether Sire/Dam

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

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5 p.m. Sheep Sale: Wether Sire/Dam

Swine Barn

Swine; Big Boar; Pig Place; goats

8:30 a.m. Dairy Goat Show: Junior Doe

8:30 a.m. Swine Show: Open Class Breeds

9 a.m. Pig Place

4 p.m. Swine Sale: All Breeds

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Administration Building

9 a.m. Youth Checkers Tournament (registration 8-9 a.m.), Porch

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building

70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

9 a.m. Hands-On Activities Corner: Communication and the Arts

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Growing Healthy Trees, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Blandings Turtle Research, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. Deer Disease Update, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Trees and Water, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. Cooking with Cookies' Sauces & Seasonings Judging, Room 4

10 a.m. Brewer Family Beef & Pork Casseroles, Room 3

10 a.m. Foods Made with Honey Judging, Room 1

10 a.m. Snack Time with Live Healthy Iowa Judging, Room 2

10:30 a.m. Baking Isn't Everything - Helpful Hints for Any Age seminar, Claudette Taylor, Iowa State Fair

Food Judge, Room 4

11 a.m. Gold(ie's) Quick Breads, Room 3

11 a.m. Snack Time for Kids with Live Healthy Iowa Judging, Room 2

Noon Purnell Old Folks' Sausage Cook Off Judging, Room 2

1 p.m. Mrs. Bonser's Beef & Noodles Judging, Room 1

1:30 p.m. Kid Sponsored Cookie Championship, Room 4

2 p.m. Elevated Cheesecake Championship Judging, Room 2

2 p.m. Homemade Ice Cream Freeze-Off Championship, Room 1

2:30 p.m. Spud Studs Judging, Room 3

4 p.m. H&R Block Logo Cookie Contest Judging, Room 3

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; Iowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Farmers Market

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Iowa Corn Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

9 a.m. Adaptive Sports on the Grand Concourse, South Side

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

11 a.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

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Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker,

Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities

Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10)

Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 7-10 and Aug. 14-16)

Wool Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 15-17)

Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging

held Aug. 6; on display Aug. 7-17)

7:30 a.m. Catholic Mass Holy Day of Obligation Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9 a.m. "The King Incognito" Elvis Presley Tribute and Impersonation by James David Brown, New Virginia

10 a.m. Husband Calling Contest

11 a.m. Mom Calling Contest (ages 5-9)

11:30 a.m. Mom Calling Contest (ages 10-15)

1 p.m. Children's Joke Telling (ages 5-9)

2 p.m. Youth Hog Calling Contest (ages 5-16)

2:30 p.m. Adult Hog Calling Contest (ages 17 and over)

4 p.m. The West Connection, Bluegrass Country and Gospel, Des Moines

5:30 p.m. The Girls Next Door, Country/Bluegrass, Central Iowa

7 p.m. The Big Joe Kinser Band, Western Swing, Des Moines

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Two Player Pro-Am

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

2:30 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Two Player Pro-Am Championship Class

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery);

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

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John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

Noon Bee Keeping and Ways to Use Honey, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

Noon Floriculture Department Special Classes: Iowa Flowers, Iowa Floral Design, Adel's Finest, Fairy

Gardens and Succulent Garden Judging

Noon Limited Division Flower Show

Noon Show Off Your Talent Flower Show

3 p.m. Cooking & Honey, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Midwest Grazing; Sisters in Cheese, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. Bringing Bison to the Table: Everyday Ways to Enjoy an American Icon; Choose Iowa & Partners,

The Kitchen, West Room

- 2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater
- 3 p.m. Family Chopped; Iowa State Fair, The Kitchen, West Room
- 4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater
- 5 p.m. Family Chopped; Iowa State Fair, The Kitchen, West Room
- 7 p.m. Talk and Taste: Making James and Jellies; Sally Kilkenny, The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

- 9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds
- 9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center
- 9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center
- 9 a.m. United States Air Force, North of Elwell Family Food Center
- 9 a.m. Iowa Legal Aid, West of the DNR Building
- 9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building
- 9 a.m. Sunbelt Bakery, West of the DNR Building
- 2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

10 a.m. Painting With a Twist (\$): I Love the Fair

3 p.m. Painting With a Twist (\$): Sky Gliders

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair; artWORKS

- 9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor
- 9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Leather Demonstration, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor
- 9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor

- 9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor
- 10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor
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- 3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025

CHRISTENSEN FARMS DAY

Come meet the team behind one of the nation's leading pork producers and connect with local pig farmers who bring dedication, care, and innovation to every step of raising pigs. Learn about our commitment to sustainability through our 4 P's – People, Pigs, Planet, and Prosperity – and how we're working to responsibly feed a growing world. Help us give back: ask us a question about pigs, pig farming, or pork and we'll donate two pounds of pork to the Food Bank of Iowa for every question asked! Stop by our booth for interactive activities, fun giveaways, and your chance to win exciting pork prizes. Whether you're passionate about farming or food or just love a good pork chop – there's something for everyone!

GATE ADMISSION

Adult (ages 12 and up): \$16

Child (ages 6-11): \$10

Under 5: FREE

After 10 p.m., there are no on-site ticket sales or entry/re-entry at the gates

THRILL PARK WRISTBAND

Good during Fair time only on any ride or game in Thrill Town and Thrill Ville. Tickets and credits can be purchased and reloaded onto the Thrill Park Wristband at any Thrill Parks kiosk in Thrill Town or Thrill Ville.

\$1 for 1 credit*

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ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State Fair Grandstand presented by Iowa Lottery – Krause Group Stage

Fireworks Spectacular presented by Coca-Cola

The Fair's largest stage with 11 nights of top performers; buy Grandstand tickets at iowastatefair.org.

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8 p.m. T-Pain with special guest charlieonnafriday (\$44-74)

10:30 p.m. Fireworks Spectacular to follow Grandstand show

Anne and Bill Riley Stage

sponsored by Pepsi with media sponsor iHeart

Local and national touring entertainment; Talent Search

10 a.m. IFAA Sale of Champions Scholarship Presentation

11:45 a.m. Way We Live Award Presentation, Heinrich Farms, Petersen Cattle, Grate View Farm

Noon Iowan of the Day Presentation

12:30 p.m. Bill Riley Talent Search Semi-Finals (to follow Iowan of the Day)

4 p.m. Small Town Superheroes, Band, Oskaloosa

7 p.m. Ron Diamond, Hypnotist

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Elwell Family Park

West outdoor arena with covered bleachers; action dirt events

Noon Domination Motorsports Demolition Derby (\$; gates open at 11 a.m.)

Expo Hill

Free entertainment, MidAmerican Energy Wind Turbine and Education Center

10 a.m. Louie the Lightning Bug and/or Sniffy the Sniffasaurus Sighting!, MidAmerican Energy Wind

Turbine and Education Center

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Hy-Vee Fun Forest

Variety Star Playground, stage with kid programming, Blue Ribbon Kids' Club

Fun Forest Stage

sponsored by Community Choice Credit Union

10 a.m. Blue Ribbon Kids' Club: Saturday Meet and Greet: Breakfast with Mascots

11:30 a.m. Brad Weston

12:30 p.m. The Chipper Experience! - Where COMEDY & MAGIC Collide!

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MidAmerican Energy Stage

with Iowa Realty and media sponsor KCCI TV8

Local and national touring entertainment; KCCI TV8 live news

9:30 a.m. 4x4 Stomper Pull (sign up at 9 a.m.)

12:30 p.m. Blue Tye Affair, Vocal Duo, Kahoka, Missouri

2:30 p.m. John-Paul Jones Group, Band, Ottumwa

8 p.m. Jason Brown

The Lawn

West of Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center; outdoor entertainment; concessions

11 a.m. The Flying Royals

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Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

8:30 a.m. Bench Press/Deadlift Contest (weigh in at 8 a.m.)

8 p.m. Drake White

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

3 p.m. Casey Muessigmann

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

7 p.m. Mike Moody and The Outlaws

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

12:30 p.m. Burnin Sensations

6:30 p.m. Haywire

Bud Tent

Located east of Ye Old Mill

2 p.m. Fat Tuesday

4 p.m. Sierra Griggs

6 p.m. Julia Cole

8 p.m. DJ Coach G

9 p.m. DJ Diverse

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

7 p.m. Jordan Beem

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. The Sheet

4 p.m. Bad Friends

8 p.m. Sons of Gladys Kravitz

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

10 a.m. DJ Bingo/Jake Feldman

Noon Blaine Garrett

2:30 p.m. Owen Justice

5 p.m. River City Opry

8 p.m. Tyler Richton and The High Bank Boys

Stockman's Inn

Located at the southwest corner of the Cattle Barn

11 a.m. Robbie Michael

7 p.m. The Flying Silos

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

8:30 a.m. Llama Show

9 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Shorthorn

6 p.m. Llama Limbo Contest

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Beef Cattle Show: Red Angus, Simmental Females

2:30 p.m. Beef Cattle Show: Charolais6:30 p.m. Horse Show: Horse Pulling

Poultry and Rabbit Building

Poultry and rabbit shows and exhibits

9 a.m. Rabbit Show

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven

8:30 a.m. Horse Show: Clydesdale, Percheron, Draft Pony

9 a.m. Horse Haven

5 p.m. Horse Show: Clydesdale, Percheron, Draft Pony

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

9 a.m. Sheep Show: Suffolk

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11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

2 p.m. Sheep Show: Oxford Down (1 hour following Suffolk)

3 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

5 p.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

Swine Barn

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Swine; Big Boar; Pig Place; goats

8:30 a.m. Dairy Goat Show: Senior Doe

9 a.m. Pig Place

5:30 p.m. Meat Goat Show

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Administration Building

9 a.m. Adult Checkers Tournament (18 and older) (\$; registration 8-9 a.m.)

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building
70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9 a.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

Noon Share-the-Fun

1:30 p.m. Educational Presentations and Working Exhibits

5 p.m. Share-the-Fun

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

10 a.m. Gray Fox in Iowa, How Can You Help?, Courtyard Stage

11 a.m. Outdoor Cooking Basics, Courtyard Stage

1 p.m. Iowa's Wild Animals: Bears, Bobcats, Fishers Gray Fox and Mt. Lions, Courtyard Stage

3 p.m. Snakes Alive! - Live Animal Program, Courtyard Stage

4 p.m. DIY - Wild Game Processing and Smoking, Courtyard Stage

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Tree Products, Courtyard Stage

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9:30 a.m. Fresh Vegetable Creations Judging, Room 2

9:30 a.m. Gluten Free: Outside the Box Judging, Room 4

9:30 a.m. Mrs. Bonser's Noodles Creations Judging, Room 3

10:30 a.m. Candy Chemistry Judging, Room 3

10:30 a.m. My Favorite Birthday Cake Judging, Room 4

11 a.m. Kids Chef Baking Championship: Level 2 Judging, Room 2

11:30 a.m. Maytag Dairy Farms Favorite Blue Cheese Recipe Judging, Room 4

12:15 p.m. Iowa State Chili Cook Off Championship: Homestyle Chili Judging, Room 1

12:30 p.m. Bring Us Your Holiday Tradition Judging, Room 3

1:15 p.m. Iowa State Chili Cook Off Championship: Traditional Red Chili Judging, Room 1

2 p.m. Great Cinnamon Roll Challenge of 2025 Judging, Rooms 1 and 2

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; Iowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

4 p.m. Iowa State Fair Farmers Market

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Christensen Farms Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

6 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker,

Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities

Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10)

Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 7-10 and Aug. 14-16)

Wool Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 15-17)

Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging held Aug. 6; on display Aug. 7-17)

9 a.m. "The King Incognito" Elvis Presley's Country Gospel Tribute and Impersonation by James David Brown, New Virginia

10:30 a.m. Ladies' Nail Driving Contest

Noon The West Connection, Bluegrass Country and Gospel, Des Moines

1:30 p.m. Too Many Strings Band, Grinnell

3 p.m. Heart of Iowa Cloggers, Central Iowa

4:30 p.m. The Basement Band, 50s-90s Rock 'n Roll, Des Moines

6 p.m. Jim Dandy and the Kountry Rebels, Old Country and Rock 'n Roll Music, Grand River

8:30 p.m. Fair After Dark: Ghost Talk - Ghost Hunting 101 (\$; pre-registration required)

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa Elder Men State Championship

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa Men State Championships - Lower Classes

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

1:30 p.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa Men State Championships - Upper Classes

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery);

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

11 a.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

1 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

2 p.m. IFAA Sale of Champions, Penningroth Media Center

3 p.m. Milking Demonstration, Milking Parlor, North Side of Cattle Barn

4 p.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

10 a.m. Dahlia Show

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

2 p.m. Honey & Bee Keeping, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. The Wurst Presentation: Tasting the History of Bratwurst; Farm Story Meats, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. Meal Prepping with Chicken: Making the Most of the Whole Bird; Choose Iowa & Partners, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. Marry Me Chicken Meatballs; Rachel Walker - The Hearty Life, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

5 p.m. Decorating Layer Cakes with Buttercream How-To; Glorious Desserts, Gloria Olson, The Kitchen, West Room

7 p.m. PIEOWA A Piece of America Documentary; The World Needs More Pie, Beth Howard, The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. Concept by Iowa Hearing Aid Centers, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. United States Air Force, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Iowa Legal Aid, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building

2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

9 a.m. Iowa State Fair Tumbling Competition

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair; artWORKS

9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor

9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Leather Demonstration, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Lego® 51 Piece Building Challenge, Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor

10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

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- 10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor
- 10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 10 a.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 11 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 11 a.m. Wood Folk Art Demonstration, Carden Farms, 1st Floor
- Noon Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- Noon Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Malcayla Simpson, Drawing Horses, Courtyard
- 1 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 1 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 1 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
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- 2 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor

- 3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 3 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor
- 3 p.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Cathy Holman, Painting, Courtyard
- 4 p.m. Art WORKS: "Let's Dance" with Janice Baker, 3rd Floor
- 4 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor
- 4 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor
- 4 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor
- 4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Art WORKS: Student Performances, 3rd Floor
- 5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor
- 5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor
- 6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor
- 6 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor
- 6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor
- 7 p.m. Art WORKS: Open Jam, 3rd Floor
- 7 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We Live award winners display

- 8 a.m. Cuddles and Snuggles Chore Time (\$; pre-registration required)
- 1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing
- 3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 10 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping;

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks

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SUNDAY FUNDAY

STEM DAY

STEM Day at the Iowa State Fair will inspire Fairgoers with dozens of interactive, hands-on science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) experiments on the Grand Concourse, exciting stage acts on the MidAmerican Energy Stage, giveaways and information about the Iowa Governor's STEM Advisory Council at the Iowa Department of Education and its statewide programming.

GATE ADMISSION

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SPECIAL SAVINGS

Sunday Funday: \$12 adult (ages 12 and up) admission and \$8 child (ages 6-11) admission. \$9 adult (ages 12 and over) admission with the donation of 3 cans of non-perishable food from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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1 p.m. Wartburg College Presentation & Demonstration

2 p.m. WOI-TV (The Local 5 Weather Lab Experience)

7 p.m. Journey from the Heart

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3 p.m. Bandaloni

4:30 p.m. The Ice Cream Show with Greg Frisbee

Susan Knapp Amphitheater

sponsored by Prairie Meadows with media sponsor WHO TV13

Local and national touring entertainment; WHO TV13 Hello Iowa show

8:30 a.m. Aimee & Jerry's Dance, Des Moines

10 a.m. Double Barrel Band, Webster City

Noon KDSM Lego® Masters Competition

2 p.m. Blake Jack & South 35, Band, Brooklyn

7 p.m. Redferrin

BAR AND RESTAURANT ENTERTAINMENT

Blue Ribbon Bar & Eatery

Located southeast of the Grandstand

10 a.m. Open Mic

3 p.m. DJ Yacovana

4 p.m. Casey Muessigmann

Bubbly Bar & Bistro

Located west of Grandfather's Barn

1:30 p.m. Orphan Annie

5 p.m. Party Party

Iowa Craft Beer Tent

Located west of Jacobson Exhibition Center

5 p.m. Brian Congdon

Jalapeno Pete's

Located southwest of Thrill Ville

1 p.m. Haywire

4 p.m. Tony Bohnenkamp and Brad Seidenfeld

JR's SouthPork Ranch

Located west of the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion, on Rock Island Avenue

11:30 a.m. Emma Butterworth

1:30 p.m. The Sheet

4:30 p.m. Grupo515

LIVESTOCK AWARDS, JUDGING AND SHOWS

Bob and Deb Pulver Outdoor Arena

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Llama Show

Pioneer Livestock Pavilion

sponsored by Pioneer Seed

Livestock competitions; special events

9 a.m. Dog Show

9:30 a.m. 4-H Dog Show

6:30 p.m. Dog Agility Demonstration

Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center and Horse Barn

Horse shows and exhibitors; Horse Haven

8:30 a.m. Horse Show: Clydesdale, Percheron

9 a.m. Horse Haven

Noon Horse Show: Supreme Six Horse Hitch Showdown

Sheep Barn

Sheep; Big Ram; Sheep Stop

9 a.m. Sheep Show: All Other Meat Breeds

9 a.m. Sheep Stop

11 a.m. Have You Herd? Live Animal Demonstration, Outside, Southeast corner

1 p.m. Sheep Show: Jackpot Lambs

Swine Barn

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Swine; Big Boar; Pig Place; goats

9 a.m. Boer Goat Show

9 a.m. Pig Place

9 a.m. Swine Show: Hawkeye Market

FAIR DAY EVENTS

Avenue of Breeds (9 a.m. to 7 p.m.)

presented by Iowa Bankers Association, west of the 4-H Exhibits Building

70 breeds of unique Iowa livestock; managed by North Polk FFA

Bruce L. Rastetter 4-H Exhibits Building (9 a.m. to 7 p.m.)

sponsored by Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives of Iowa

4-H exhibits, displays and presentations

9:30 a.m. Extemporaneous Speaking Event

1:30 p.m. Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame Induction Program for Adair-Jasper Counties

3:30 p.m. Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame Induction Program for Jefferson-Wright Counties

Department of Natural Resources Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Outdoor courtyard presentations; pop-up programs; aquariums

11 a.m. Nature for Health, Wellness and Quality of Life

1 p.m. Snakes Alive! - Live Animal Program

2 p.m. Habit, Wetland and Water Quality - Trumpeter Swans - Live Animal Program

3 p.m. Mammals of Iowa

5 p.m. Tree - via - DNR Daily Trivia - Topic: Tree Products

Elwell Family Food Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Choose Iowa

Competitive food judging and displays; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

10 a.m. Hot Cookie Judging, Room 3

11 a.m. Food Bank of Iowa Chopped Judging, Rooms 1 and 2

11 a.m. ISF Mystery Sack: Youth Judging, Room 3

11 a.m. Quick Breads are More Than Just Banana Bread seminar, Cassandra Hyatt, Degree in Restaurant

Management and Iowa State Fair Judge, Room 4

12:30 p.m. ISF Mystery Sack: Adult Judging, Room 3

2 p.m. Pasta or Pizza - The Ultimate Comfort Food Judging, Room 3

2 p.m. Pies by Dianna seminar, Dianna Zaiger Sheehy, Iowa State Fair Judge, Room 4

2:30 p.m. Lemon Meringue Pie Judging, Room 1

FFA Display Building and Headquarters (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Chapter exhibits; agricultural demonstrations and working displays

The Garden (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

Display of crops, plants, vegetables and special events, managed by Bondurant FFA; lowa State Fair

Farmers Market

10 a.m. "I Picked" at The Garden

10 a.m. Iowa State Fair Kids Makers Market

Grand Concourse

Main east-west road on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

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Food Bank of Iowa

STEM Day of Fair Display, In Front of Service Center

9 a.m. Local 5 Weather Lab Experience & Broadcast Booth, In Front of Administration Building

10 a.m. National Anthem, In Front of Administration Building

5:30 p.m. Local 5 Broadcast News, In Front of Administration Building

Grandstand Shoppers' Mart (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Shopping

Heritage Village

Celebrate Iowa's past on the Iowa State Fairgrounds

Country School (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Old time school, coloring activities

Farm Bureau Pioneer Hall (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Heritage competitive exhibits and contest

Working exhibits and displays

Gas engine display

Vintage vehicle display (between Fair museum and country school)

Country antique market

Blacksmith shop, Ron Koske, Altoona, and Randy Mills, Des Moines

Coon River Mercantile, manufacturers of 1860-1880 period clothing, Gerald Durbin, Des Moines

1920s Newspaper and Printing, Friends of Pioneer Hall

Wheel Thrown Pottery, Leslie Nelson of Lotus Moon Ceramics, Urbandale

Spinning Wool on a Wheel, Janice Cook, Monroe

The Art of 1900s Gold Leaf and Traditional Hand Lettering Plus Glass Glue Chipping by John Parker,

Carlisle

Handmade Kitchen Utensils from Fallen Trees, Tim McGuire of Wild Cherry Spoon, Quad Cities

Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 8-10)

Chair Caning and Rush Seat Weaving, Michelle Schanz, Amana (Aug. 7-10 and Aug. 14-16)

Wool Rug Braiding, Molly Vriezelaar, Altoona (Aug. 15-17)

Tall Corn Contests - Iowa's Tall Corn Contest and America's Tallest Corn Contest entries on display (judging

held Aug. 6; on display Aug. 7-17)

7:15 a.m. Catholic Mass

8:30 a.m. Ecumenical Worship Service

10 a.m. Onion Creek Band, Ames

11:30 a.m. Onion Creek Cloggers and Onion Creek Band, Ames

1 p.m. Mother/Daughter Look-A-Like Contest

3:30 p.m. Heart of Iowa Cloggers, Central Iowa

5 p.m. Jim Dandy and the Kountry Rebels, Old Country and Rock 'n Roll Music, Grand River

First Church

Replica of Iowa's first church

11:30 a.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

6:30 p.m. Old-Fashioned Hymn Sing

Next to First Church

10:30 a.m. Hot Glass Academy

12:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

2:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

4:30 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

6 p.m. Hot Glass Academy

Horseshoe Courts

Fair sporting competition located east of Pioneer Hall

9:30 a.m. Horseshoe Pitching: Iowa Men State Championship Top 8

Noon Horseshoe Pitching: Pitch and Win (ages 9 and over)

Mountain Man Camp

1800s re-enactment camp, east of Susan Knapp Amphitheater

9 a.m. Mountain Man Camp

1 p.m. Mountain Man Skills Demonstration

Richard L. Easter Museum Complex (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Ralph H. Deets Historical Museum and Richard O. Jacobson Hall (Ronald and Margaret Kenyon Gallery); Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store (until 5 p.m.)

9 a.m. Barnyard Yoga: Bunny Yoga (\$; pre-registration required), South of Poultry and Rabbit Building

Vermeer Grandfather's Barn (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa Wine Growers Association with Iowa wine tasting and sales

John & Emily Putney Family Cattle Barn

sponsored by Vermeer

Cattle; Super Bull; shopping; vendors; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. "I Milked a Cow" presented by ISU Dairy Science Club (\$3), Boulevard of Dairy Breeds

9 a.m. Boulevard of Dairy Breeds, North Annex

9 a.m. Cattle Corner, North Annex

3:30 p.m. Woodcarvers' Auction, Blue Ribbon Foundation, Penningroth Media Center

John Deere Agriculture Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Alliant Energy

Floriculture; horticulture displays; world-famous Butter Cow; egg-on-a-stick; gingerbread building

display; shopping; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

11 a.m. "Meet the Masters" - Iowa Master Farmer Association & Foundation, Stage

2 p.m. Kids and Bees Expo, Iowa Honey Producers Association, Stage

5 p.m. Plant Sale Stage

Kids' Zone

For Fairgoers of all ages; north of Animal Learning Center

9 a.m. Little Hands on the Farm

10 a.m. Cowboy Boot Camp

Maytag Family Theater

The Kitchen sponsored by Fareway Meat & Grocery and Warners' Stellian

Cooking demonstrations; tastings

10 a.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

11 a.m. Homemade Poptarts and Sprinkles; Jessdesserts - Jessica Anderson, The Kitchen, West Room

1 p.m. All-lowa Shrimp Boil; Choose Iowa & Partners, The Kitchen, West Room

2 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

3 p.m. Family Chopped; Iowa State Fair, The Kitchen, West Room

4 p.m. Kids Can Cook Cooking Show, East Theater

5 p.m. Family Chopped; Iowa State Fair, The Kitchen, West Room

Mobile Marketing (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Organization and company displays

9 a.m. Verizon, Machinery Grounds

9 a.m. Cookies Food Products, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. United States Air Force, North of Elwell Family Food Center

9 a.m. Iowa Legal Aid, West of the DNR Building

9 a.m. RAM, West of the DNR Building

2 p.m. Dr Pepper, Gate 15

Oman Family Youth Inn

Dormitories, special events competitions and tournaments

9 a.m. Cribbage Tournament (\$)

Patty & Jim Cownie Cultural Center (9 a.m. to 7 p.m.)

Atrium sponsored by Bankers Trust

Fine Arts juried exhibits; photography; creative arts: woodworking; dollhouses; art demonstrations; Art Fair; artWORKS

9 a.m. Face Painting, Miguel Flores (\$), 1st Floor

9 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Lego® Activities (\$), Creative Arts, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Mom's Candleworks (\$), 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Make-and-Take: Name Bracelets (\$), 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Carving Demonstrations by the Mid Iowa Wood Carvers, 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Turning Demonstrations by the Des Moines Wood Turners Inc., 2nd Floor

9 a.m. Wood Working Demonstrations by the Des Moines Woodworkers Club, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Art WORKS Art Carnival, 3rd Floor

10 a.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Tie-Dye Demonstration, Shawn Reeves, Tri-Dyes, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

10 a.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

10:30 a.m. Acrylic Painting Demonstration, Kaitlin Flury, 1st Floor

10:30 a.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

11 a.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor

11 a.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor

11 a.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor

11 a.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

11 a.m. Wood Folk Art Demonstration, Carden Farms, 1st Floor

Noon Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

Noon Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

Noon Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

Noon Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

12:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

1 p.m. Art Attack, Courtyard

1 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: John Jannenga, Drawing, Courtyard

1 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

1 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

1 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor

2 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor

2 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor

2 p.m. Contemporary Oil Painting Demonstration, Robin Hesselgess, 1st Floor

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2 p.m. Wheel Thrown and Hand Sculpted Pottery Demo, Blue House Pottery, 1st Floor

2:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

3 p.m. Art WORKS Perk Up Café and Live Performances, 3rd Floor

3 p.m. Crocheted Wire Jewelry, Barb Vaske, 1st Floor

3 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

3 p.m. Natural Stone Jewelry Demonstration, J & K On The Rocks, 1st Floor

3 p.m. Woodburning Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

4 p.m. 3D Printing Demonstration, Bottom Floor Prints, 1st Floor

4 p.m. Art Fair Demonstration: Debbie Simpson, Watercolor, Courtyard

4 p.m. Art WORKS: "Let's Dance" with Janice Baker, 3rd Floor

4 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

4 p.m. Polymer Clay Jewelry Demonstration, Lydia Miller, 2nd Floor

4 p.m. Rug Weaving Demonstration, Rugs & Tugs, 1st Floor

4:30 p.m. Metal Jewelry Demonstration, Robert and Brooks Lyall, 1st Floor

5 p.m. Airbrush Demonstration, The Paleks, 2nd Floor

5 p.m. Art WORKS: Student Performances, 3rd Floor

5 p.m. Hand Stamped Stainless Steel Ring Demonstration, Kris Jones, 1st Floor

5 p.m. Henna Tattoo Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

5 p.m. Painting Demonstration, Mallory Joan, 1st Floor

6 p.m. Art WORKS: Comedy Hour hosted by Bill Blank "Let's Laugh", 3rd Floor

6 p.m. Coin Jewelry Demonstration, Ken Sims, 1st Floor

6 p.m. Hair Shimmer Demonstration, Liz Sweeney, 2nd Floor

6 p.m. Origami Demonstration, Sue Hansen, 1st Floor

Paul R. Knapp Animal Learning Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Christensen Farms

Birthing center; baby animals; ag-based children's educational center; Ag Art Contest display; Way We

Live award winners display

1 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

3 p.m. 2025 Ag Careers Trading Card Signing

Robert G. Horner and Sheri Avis Horner Service Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Mattress Firm

First aid; ATMs, telephones; Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store; calming room

Ruan Plaza

Vendors and concessions; floral display; Farm Bureau free games and prizes

Thrill Town (10 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

For little Fairgoers and their families; located east of Gate 10 and north of the Richard O. Jacobson Exhibition Center lawn

Thrill Ville (11 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

presented by Travel Iowa

Family-friendly atmosphere with jaw-dropping rides; located between the Grandstand and Ye Old Mill

Thrill Zone (10 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

Intense amusement rides near Gate 11 on the Grand Concourse

Walnut Center (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Iowa crafters and merchandise

9:30 a.m. Pottery Throwing Demonstration, Val Neumann

1 p.m. Pottery Trimming Demonstration, Val Neumann

William C. Knapp Varied Industries Building (9 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

sponsored by Principal®

Vendors; competitive fabric and threads exhibits and classes; Iowa Food and Family Project; shopping;

Blue Ribbon Foundation Merchandise Store

9 a.m. Hourly demonstrations - Iowa DOT rocks