

# PHOTOGRAPHY

ENTER & UPLOAD ONLINE: <https://cmsf.fairmanager.com> BY: TUESDAY, JUNE 9  
\$7 REGISTRATION FEE PER EXHIBITOR  
PER ENTRY FEE \$7.00  
EACH EXHIBITOR IS LIMITED TO FIVE (5) ENTRIES PER CLASS

PHYSICAL ENTRIES RELEASED: TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 9:00 am TO 6:00 pm

Entries must be work of exhibitor

All must be matted according to General Rules

"Photography" is defined as digital photography unless noted as "film" in the Division Acceptable image formats: jpeg, .gif, .bmp, .png, .tiff only. Less than 8 MB (megabytes)

Call Fair Office at 805.239.0655 or email [exhibits@midstatefair.com](mailto:exhibits@midstatefair.com) for any questions.

All entries will be uploaded electronically, be judged electronically and award winners will be notified by e-mail to deliver actual entry for display during the annual 12-day event. All remaining entries will be showcased through slide shows throughout the Fine Arts area. All winning entries will need to be mounted according to guidelines. Please look at the thumbnail of your upload before continuing and then press the UPLOAD BUTTON and keep track of what you uploaded if you are submitting multiple entries.

**Exhibitor Credential – See Credential page of this handbook, page 6.**

## Awards

(Awards allocated at Judge's Discretion)

**\*Best of Show Adult**

**Judges Awards • Coordinators Award • Artist Awards Alex Madonna Award (based on his love of Agriculture)  
Theme Awards • Special Awards for Theme Class**

## DEPARTMENT RULES

1. All entries must be entered on-line and uploaded by Tuesday, June 9.
2. This contest is open to only residents of San Luis Obispo County, 18 years of age or older.
3. The following must be on the back of each submitted Print: Division, Class, Name of Entrant, Address, Phone Number and Directional Arrow for top of Art Work.
4. All photos must have been taken within the past 12 months. **Minimum print size is 4" X 6". Maximum print size is 11" X 14".**
5. All submitted prints must be dry or spray mounted. Use foam core, photographic mounting board or 4-ply mat board for backing board. **All entries must be matted using white matboard.** A single opening, white mat board must be used to expand dimension to 16" X 20". Mat border should cover all four edges of photo. Mat board should be of 4-ply thickness and must be glued (not taped) to backing board. No double matting allowed. The purpose of the mat/mount/backing package is to protect your photo from unsightly peeling and damage and to insure uniformity throughout the judging process. NO signatures on mats.
6. NO Masonite or wood type mount or frames of any kind are allowed.
7. The Fair Management reserves the right to split the photography show into two showings.
8. Reasonable precaution will be taken in protection of exhibits. The 16th District Agricultural Association (California Mid-State Fair) will not be responsible for loss or damage, whatsoever the cause. The exhibitor must arrange for insurance if it is desired. Furthermore, the California Mid-State Fair will not be responsible for accidents or loss that may occur to any of the exhibitors or exhibits at the show and the exhibitors shall hold the Fair Management harmless and indemnify it against any legal proceedings arising from such accident or loss. Presentation of entry form shall be deemed acceptance of this rule.
9. An Amateur, is defined as one who cultivates any study of art without pursuing it for financial gain.
10. An Advanced Amateur is defined as one whose skills and intensive training approach the level of professional. They may stay in Advanced Amateur as long as they are not pursuing it for financial gain.
11. A Professional is defined as a person who engages in art activity as a livelihood or for financial remuneration.
12. Entries must be the original work of the exhibitor, both in creative idea and implementation. No copies of any kind are permitted. Work must be done within the past 12 months. Show coordinators or judges panel may change Class and/or Division at their discretion to better fit exhibit.
13. All exhibits not claimed by 6:00 pm, Tuesday, August 4, will become the property of the California Mid-State Fair.
14. If the image has been digitally altered in any way, it must go into a Digital Category. A print made from a digital camera is not considered digitally enhanced. It must be manipulated to be digitally altered. Color adjustment is not considered enhanced.
15. The Fair reserves the right to refuse any entry or to refuse to display any entry considered not to be in accordance with entry rules or to be considered inappropriate for a family-orientated exhibit with children of all ages.
16. No business cards or name plates allowed.

Entries that are selected for display shall be limited to space available. Not all entries will be displayed.

## OPEN DIVISIONS 303 – 314

American System of Judging  
Ribbons 1st - 3rd

Premiums Offered per Class Amateurs		
1st	2nd	3rd
\$30	\$20	\$15
Premiums Offered per Class Advanced Amateurs		
1st	2nd	3rd
\$60	\$45	\$30
Premiums Offered per Class Professionals		
1st	2nd	3rd
\$80	\$60	\$40

- DIVISION 303 - AMATEUR BLACK & WHITE
- DIVISION 304 - AMATEUR COLOR
- DIVISION 305 - AMATEUR COLOR DIGITALLY PROCESSED
- DIVISION 306 - AMATEUR BLACK & WHITE DIGITALLY PROCESSED
- DIVISION 307 - ADVANCED AMATEUR BLACK & WHITE
- DIVISION 308 - ADVANCED AMATEUR COLOR
- DIVISION 309 - ADVANCED AMATEUR BLACK & WHITE DIGITALLY PROCESSED
- DIVISION 310 - ADVANCED AMATEUR COLOR DIGITALLY PROCESSED
- DIVISION 311 - PROFESSIONAL BLACK & WHITE
- DIVISION 312 - PROFESSIONAL COLOR
- DIVISION 313 – PROFESSIONAL BLACK & WHITE DIGITALLY PROCESSED
- DIVISION 314 – PROFESSIONAL COLOR DIGITALLY PROCESSED

### Class

1. Dogs, Cats & Other Pets
2. Seascape
3. Architecture
4. Children
5. Birds
6. Bugs & Insects
7. Wild Critters
8. Landscape
9. Sports
10. Fun at the Fair
11. Agriculture
12. Transportation
13. Floral
14. Fantasy
15. California State Parks
16. Livestock/Equestrian
17. Family Gathering or Portrait
18. Miscellaneous (Any Other Not Listed)

**SUGGESTED FRAME SHOP FOR MATTING:  
SPECIAL FAIR PRICING AVAILABLE!**

### THE ART WORKS

PHONE: 805-238-2977

HOURS: 10:00 am-5:00 pm Mon-Fri / 10:00 am-2:00 pm Sat

ADDRESS: 1336 Railroad Street Ste A Paso Robles

