

Solano County Fair – June 30-July 1, 2018
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June 1 Deadline Approaching to Submit Entries for the 2018 Solano County Fair Blue Ribbon Competitions

Online entry available for most categories; Guidebook available online

Solano County, CA – In just a little more than one month, the Solano County Fair will take over the Solano County Fairgrounds for a weekend full of family fun and entertainment on Saturday, June 30 and Sunday, July 1. Along with music, animals, stage acts, livestock competitions, a carnival and more, the Fair will be highlighted by the annual Blue Ribbon Competitive Exhibits to be displayed in McCormack Hall.

“Bringing our community together to learn from one another and share their talents is one of the most important things the annual Fair does,” stated Solano County Fair Association President, Dennis Yen. “Our county is really unique in how diverse it is from our rural end to our suburban end. No other occasion provides the opportunity quite like the Fair does to bring together, in one place, that broad range of life experiences to remind us how fortunate we are to live, work and play in Solano County. That diversity and love for our hometowns is reflected in the variety of our Competitive Exhibits.”

The Fair tradition of Competitive Exhibits dates back hundreds of years, providing a forum for adults and youth to share ideas and innovations, showcase their talents and compete against neighbors far and wide for prizes and recognition. This year’s Fair proudly continues that tradition, celebrating “Blue Ribbon Fun!” with all of the exhibit categories of past years, as well as a few new ones.

Of note for 2018 is the special photography exhibit, California State Parks, in both the adult and youth divisions. Entries can be any photograph taken in a California State Park and will be judged on the most artistic and iconic images depicting California State Parks and their history.



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Entries can fall into one of three classes: Our Beautiful Parks, Recreation In Our Parks, and What Our Parks Can Teach Us. Winners in each class will receive a State Parks ribbon, commemorative lapel pin and a one-day pass to a California State Park.

Also of note this year for artists and photographers, is the chance for a total of 20 pieces of art or photography to receive the “We’re All Family” award. This designation comes with a \$125 premium and winning entries will be displayed on the walls of Family Health Services clinics in Fairfield, Vacaville and Vallejo for at least one year. Entry in the “We’re All Family” competition is not automatic. Artists must submit an additional application form and consent to have their work on display.

New for this year, fairgoers will have the opportunity to purchase artwork, photography and other items entered into the Fair’s Competitive Exhibits. Each entrant may designate one of their entries to be available for sale during the Fair. Items will be sold in a silent auction format with the item going home to the person with the highest bid at the end of the Fair. There will also be a “buy it now” price that can be paid to guarantee a bidder takes home their desired item. 90% of the purchase price will go to the Fair entrant with the remaining 10% going to the Solano County Fair as an administrative fee.

All entry forms and the complete Blue Ribbon Competition Guidebook can be found on the Fair’s web site at SCFair.com/competitions.html. Printed copies of the Guidebook are available at county libraries, chamber offices and senior centers throughout the county as well as at the Fairgrounds’ office. Online entry is available for most categories, with hard copy forms required for a handful of items including Youth Presentation Entry, Adult Baked Foods Recipes, Horse Show Entry, Dog Show Entry, and the RV Trailer Application for Livestock Exhibitors. **Entry forms in all categories must be received by June 1.**



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Entries are also being accepted for the Talent, Vocal & Dance Competition taking place on Saturday, June 30 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the Cultural Stage presented by PG&E. Cash prizes will be awarded for first (\$300), second (\$200) and third (\$100) place along with the chance to gain valuable stage experience in front of a live audience. The competition is open to all types of family-friendly entertainment and contestants will be judged on talent, stage presence and entertainment appeal. **Registration for the Talent, Vocal & Dance Competition is free and due by June 25.** Contact Kim Mini at kmini@SCFair.org or visit the Fair's web site, SCFair.com, for more information.

The Solano County Fair runs on June 30 and July 1, 2018 at the Solano County Fairgrounds in Vallejo. 2018 Fair hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on both days. Admission is free and parking is \$5 per vehicle. Additional activities during the Fair weekend, such as the carnival, may have extended hours and may require a separate ticket. More details can be found on the Fair's web site at SCFair.com.

All of the following sources are available to get the latest updates and announcements about the annual Solano County Fair as well as year-round Fairgrounds activities:

- visit the Fair's web site, SCFair.com;
- follow the Fair on Facebook by clicking the link on the Fair's home page; or
- sign up to receive email blasts and newsletters by registering your email in the box at the top of the Fair's home page.

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