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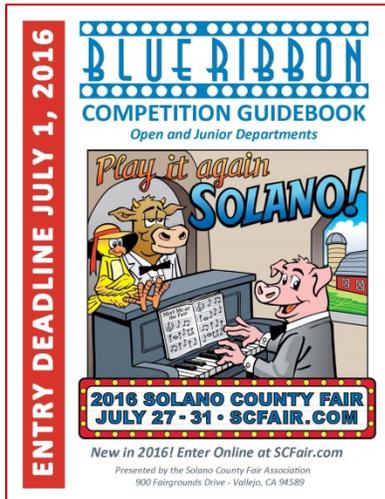


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Blue Ribbon Competition Guidebook Now Available for the 2016 Solano County Fair

Online entry available for the first time this year for most categories



Solano County, CA – In less than four short months the best entertainment value of the summer, including FREE concerts every night, will be found at the Solano County Fair, July 27-31, 2016.

The Fair continues to be one of the county’s largest celebrations, time and again bringing quality, crowd-pleasing entertainment to the fairgrounds for five days of fun, food, music, animals, culture, shopping and more. This year fairgoers are invited to “Play It Again, Solano!” and enjoy some of the Fair’s most popular entertainment and attractions from past years along with a few new ones too.

One of the best ways to experience the Fair is to be a part of it by entering one or more of the competitive exhibit departments outlined in the 2016 Blue Ribbon Competition Guidebook. New this year, entries and payments may be submitted online at SCFair.com for most categories. “We’re very excited about being able to offer online entry for our competitive exhibit programs,” stated Solano County Fair Association President, Marilyn Royse. “It will make things easier for people to participate in the Fair and reduce the amount of paper used in managing this important part of the Fair experience.”

Hard copy forms must still be submitted for a handful of items including Youth Presentation Entry, Adult Baked Foods Recipes, Horse Show Entry, Dog Show Entry, RV Trailer Application for Livestock Exhibitors, and the Community Stage and Bay Stage Registration and Authorization Form.

“Play It Again, Solano!” has been incorporated into several themed categories this year including Decorated Cakes, Gift Items, Table Settings, Vignettes, Floriculture Arrangements, Wheel Barrow Planting and the Amateur Gardens Exhibit. Along with first-time entries, exhibitors can get into the “Play It Again, Solano!” act by digging up past award-winning art pieces and entering them to compete with other previous Solano County Fair award winners.



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The 2016 Competition Guidebook provides all the necessary information for competing in a wide variety of categories including Arts & Crafts, Baked Goods, Recycling, Stamping & Scrapbooking, Photography, Fine Arts, Floriculture, Livestock and more. Opportunities exist for adults, youth, professionals and amateurs based on entry category.

Entry forms in all categories must be received by July 1 and exhibitors who submit entry forms by the early deadline of June 1 will receive two complimentary tickets to attend the Fair.

More details for all competitive entry categories and contests and the complete 2016 Competition Guidebook can be found on the Fair's web site, SCFair.com. 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.

Local talent showcased during 2016 Solano County Fair

Information is also available online for participation in the 2016 Solano Community Showcase. The Community Showcase provides an opportunity for local entertainers of all types to perform before a live audience on a professional, outdoor stage. Entertainers must apply to be included in the Showcase and must submit a complete promotional packet for consideration. Acts must be family-oriented and appropriate for all ages, with acts that complement the Fair theme given more consideration. **Applications and promotional packets are due by July 1.** Contact Melissa Lamont at entertainment@SCFair.org or visit the Fair's web site, SCFair.com, for more information.

For those who aren't quite ready for the Solano Community Showcase, the Fair will once again hold two entertaining competitions: the "Talent Competition" on Friday, July 29 and the "Solano Stars! Vocal Competition" on Saturday, July 30. Both competitions will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the Bay Stage. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place in each competition and the entry fee includes Fair admission.

The "Talent Competition" is open to musical duos, trios, bands, dancers and other entertainers, while the "Solano Stars! Vocal Competition" is open to individual vocalists only. All contestants must live in Solano County and will be judged on talent, stage presence and entertainment appeal.

The Bay Stage will also be home to the popular nightly Karaoke Party from 8 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. with prizes, DJ play lists, and lots of family fun. **Registration for all of the Bay Stage competitions is due by July 22.** Contact Kim Mini at kmini@SCFair.org or visit the Fair's web site, SCFair.com, for more information.

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