

The county fair . . . what a great time it is! Every summer, families flock to county fairs to see the latest 4-H project exhibits. Exhibiting is a fun way for you to showcase your project work. Here are some exhibiting ideas for you.

Suggested County Fair Advanced Arts & Crafts Exhibits

The following list of exhibit ideas is based on the latest 4-H curriculum. Use it to generate project entries for your next county fair. If you're a county fair superintendent, use this list to enhance your county fair premium book.

Level 1: Sketchbook Crossroads

Drawing

1. Contour drawing
2. Drawing with shading techniques
3. Two drawings comparing perspectives
4. Drawing on a circular shape
5. Drawing with colored pencils and blended lines
6. Animal drawing with pen and ink
7. Alphabet in calligraphic style
8. Cartoon character and strip

Fiber Arts

1. Felted wool appliqué mat
2. Cotton linter creation
3. Batik artwork
4. Lap loom weaving
5. Inkle loom weaving
6. Collection of natural dyes
7. Seminole patchwork

Sculpting

1. Clay container
2. Clay head with facial features
3. Clay mask
4. Sculpture of boxes and found objects
5. Cardboard relief sculpture
6. Wire sculpture
7. Plaster of Paris carving
8. Wire and plastic mobile

Level 2: Portfolio Pathways

Painting

1. Acrylic painting of fruit still life
2. Watercolor
3. Abstract painting
4. Sand painting
5. Self-portrait
6. Painting of a person in action
7. Oil painting

8. Oil painting showing perspective
9. Encaustic painting of a flag

Printing

1. Cardboard collagraph
2. Sun print using blueprint paper
3. Plexiglass etching
4. Wax-resist print
5. Inner-tube tire stamp and print
6. Linoleum block and relief print
7. Hand-drawn photographic negative and print
8. Monoprint

Graphic Design

1. Image with negative and positive spaces
2. Two designs contrasting use of color
3. Artwork using only letters
4. Self-portrait using computer design software
5. Portfolio of advertisements showing elements and principles of design
6. Computer drawing
7. Design of CD/DVD label, case cover and booklet
8. Original optical illusion using shape and space