

# DURHAM AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY 2025 PRELIMINARY LIST AUGUST 29TH - 31ST 2025 THEME; "HARVESTING HISTORY FOR 165 YEARS"

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			38)	Display of 5 garden vegetables, named, 1 of each
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			40)	Small basket (full) of potatoes, 1 variety, named



**CLASS RVF  
ROOTS, VEGETABLES AND FRUITS**

**COMMITTEE:** Christine Robinson, Chair 519-369-1505, Sharon Carmount 519-334-3082, Jennifer Hodge-Williamson 226-432-2112, Scott Robinson, Jack Milligan, Filomena McDonald

**RULES:** INCLUDES ALL FRUITS AND VEGETABLES Produce must be displayed in environmentally friendly containers, no Styrofoam. All containers for fruits and vegetables must be supplied by and are the responsibility of the exhibitor. Any entry, which in the opinion of the judge, fails to meet the standards, shall not be given a prize regardless of the number of entries in the class. Only one entry per section per exhibitor. Please exhibit exact number of items in each category.

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$3.00; 2nd - \$2.50; 3rd - \$2.00

- 1) Beans, 5 green string
- 2) Beans, 5 yellow string
- 3) Beets, 5 long blood
- 4) Beets, 5 globe
- 5) Carrots, 5 long variety
- 6) Carrots, 5 short variety
- 7) Cabbage, 1 green or red
- 8) Kohlrabi, 3 bulbs
- 9) Kale, 1 plant
- 10) Corn, 3 ears (sweet)
- 11) Cucumbers, 2 slicing
- 12) Cucumbers, 5 pickling
- 13) Garlic, 3 with stem

### SPECIALS

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$5.00; 2nd - \$4.00; 3rd - \$3.00

- 41) "Harvesting History" display of Heritage/Heirloom fruits, 5 different varieties.
  - 42) Companion Planting, 1 each
  - 43) Vegetables Grown from Kitchen Scraps (tops, roots etc.), (suggestions: potatoes, sweet potatoes, onions, celery, fennel, carrots, turnip, beets, lettuce, leafy greens)
- \$25.00 of RVF Prize Money sponsored by**
- S1 Most Points Sections 1-20 \$10.00 from**
- S2 Most Points Sections 21-40 \$10.00 from**
- S3 Most Points Sections 41-43 \$20.00 from**

### CLASS JRVF JUNIOR ROOTS, VEGETABLES AND FRUITS

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$3.00; 2nd - \$2.50; 3rd - \$2.00

1. Baby potatoes
  2. Cherry tomatoes
  3. Largest zucchini
- SI Most Points Sections 1-3 \$5.00 from**



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## CLASS HCFFP

### HOME CANNING & FARM PRODUCTS

**COMMITTEE:** Gladys Foster 369-3823, Hanno Wilson, Gale O'Brien

**NOTE:** Entries in Sections #1 to #37 to be in sealed 250 ml or 500 ml jars.

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$3.00, 2nd - \$2.50, 3rd - \$2.00

**2025 THEME:** "Harvesting History for 165 Years"

#### CANNED FRUIT

1. Applesauce
2. Peaches
3. Rhubarb
4. Any other fruit (named)

#### JAMS AND JELLIES

5. Crab apple jelly
6. Red currant jelly
7. Black currant jelly
8. Grape jelly
9. Pepper jelly
10. Any other jelly (named)
11. Peach jam
12. Raspberry jam
13. Strawberry jam
14. Rhubarb/Strawberry jam
15. Blueberry jam
16. Marmalade
17. No sugar jam (named)
18. Any other jam (named)
19. Freezer strawberry jam
20. Freezer peach jam
21. Any other freezer jam (named)

#### PICKLES AND RELISHES

22. Nine-day pickles
23. Dill pickles (garlic allowed)
24. Mustard pickles
25. Pickled yellow beans
26. Pickled baby corn
27. Pickled beets
28. Icicle pickles
29. Zucchini relish
30. Bread & Butter pickles
31. Any other family favourite pickle recipe
32. Hot Dog relish
33. Corn relish
34. Any condiment
35. Chili sauce
36. Salsa
37. Pickled eggs (Pint or Quart)

#### JUICE, HONEY & MAPLE PRODUCTS

**NOTE:** Maple Syrup must be Amber. Will be judged on clarity and flavour.

38. Tomato juice
39. Other Juice (named)
40. Liquid honey (500 ml jar)
41. Maple syrup (**250 ml Curved Kent-Style glass bottle, unlabeled**)
42. Any other maple product
43. 3 canned food items grown in Grey County
44. 3 ways to serve apples
45. 3 ways to serve tomatoes

## HERBS AND WINES

("Homemade" Wine - made at home OR at supervised wine-making premises)

46. Any dried herb (displayed in a jar and named)
47. White wine
48. Red wine
49. Fruit wine
- S1** Most Points Sections 1-4 \$10.00 from
- S2** Most Points Sections 5-37 \$20.00 from
- S3** Section 25 Best Jar of Pickled Yellow Beans \$10.00 from
- S4** Most Points Sections 38-45 \$10.00 from
- S5** Best Jar of Liquid Honey \$10.00 from
- S6** Best Maple Syrup \$10.00 from
- S7** Best White Wine \$10.00 from
- S8** Best Red Wine \$10.00 from
- S9** Best Fruit Wine \$10.00 from
- S10** Most Total Points Sections 1-49 \$25.00

## CLASS SRC SENIOR CITIZENS

**COMMITTEE:** Shirley Matthews 519-369-5843 convener, Joan Reay, Susan Grubb, Beverly Prior

**NOTE:** No membership needed to enter this class. Open to those over 60 years of age.\* All articles must be handmade by the exhibitor and be new work.

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$3.50; 2nd - \$3.00; 3rd - \$2.50

1. Small care package, creatively assembled/ decorated
2. Adult colouring page minimum size 5"x7"
3. Penmanship, cursive writing on plain 8.5"x11" paper, no embellishment "A Farmer's Prayer".
4. Small centrepiece to include 3 vegetables and any other medium
5. Crocheted article
6. Knitted article
7. 3 Shortbread cookies displayed on disposable plate in a plastic bag
8. Handcrafted child's toy
9. Set of 2 handcrafted napkin rings, any medium with theme in mind
10. Small handcrafted item using buttons
11. Collection of 3 vacation mementos\* \*above rules do not apply
12. Craft made with your grandchild/child
13. A mug rug, any medium
14. Collection of 3 vintage sewing notions\* \*above rules do not apply
15. Handcrafted pumpkin, any medium
16. Handcrafted scarf, using any medium
17. Craft using pressed flowers
18. Craft using repurposed medium
19. Any small item
20. Any large item
- S1** Most Points 1-10 \$15 From
- S2** Most Points 11-20 \$15 From
- S3** Most Total Points 1-20 \$25 From

#### A Farmer's Prayer

*Bless me with friends who come when I call  
Land that's fertile so my crops will grow tall  
Reliable equipment that doesn't break down  
Weather that's perfect sunup to sundown  
A bountiful harvest I will not regret  
For I am a farmer on this you can bet!*

Amen

- From Farmer's Weekly

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**CLASS NW – NEEDLEWORK**

**COMMITTEE:** Lori Charlton 519-270-5907, Marian Hill 519-369-3895, Darlene Doherty, Katrina Wilson, Sally Hyett 519-369-6069

**PLEASE READ AND ADHERE TO RULES OUTLINED BELOW. IF NOT FOLLOWED, ENTRIES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED BEFORE AND/OR DURING JUDGING.**

**Items can be entered for two years only**

All entries must be made by the exhibitor  
All entries under Knitting and Crocheting must have a sample of yarn attached to entry tag with a safety pin

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st \$3.50; 2nd \$3.00; 3rd \$2.50**

**KNITTING:**

1. Baby blanket/afghan
2. Slippers - Adult (women's or men's)
3. Scarf - Any style
4. Child's Mittens (boy's or girl's)
5. Child's Hat (boys or girls)
6. Child's Slippers - Children (boys or girls)
7. Socks - 1 pair, hand-knit (women's or men's)
8. Hat - (women's or men's)
9. Afghan (Any size - judged on workmanship)
10. "Scrap Happy" item - using scrap yarn
11. Lap Cover (minimum 36" x 42")
12. Dish Cloth
13. Handy-wipe kitchen towel (100% knitted)
14. Potholders (2)
15. Any small knitted article not listed
16. Any large knitted article not listed

**PRIZE MONEY: 1ST \$3.50; 2ND \$3.00; 3RD \$2.50**

**CROCHETING:**

17. Baby blanket/afghan
18. Slippers – Adult (women's or men's)
19. Child's Hat (boy's or girl's, any style)
20. Hat (women's or men's)
21. Scarf – Any style
22. Child's Slippers – (boy's or girl's)
23. Shawl (Prayer, Evening, Wrap, Shrug)
24. Mittens - (boy's or girl's)
25. Placemats (2)
26. Potholders (2)
27. Dish cloths – 3 (using 3 different crochet patterns)
28. Handy wipe kitchen towel (100% crocheted)
29. Fanny Pack
30. Tote bag or back pack
31. Afghan (any size – judged on workmanship)
32. "Scrap Happy" item – using scrap yarn
33. Lap cover (minimum 36" x 42")
34. Stuffed Animal/Character
35. Any small crocheted article not listed
36. Any large crocheted article not listed

**PRIZE MONEY: 1ST \$3.50; 2ND \$3.00; 3RD \$2.50**

**SEWING:** Work may only be shown for two years and must not be soiled.

37. Baby bib
38. Cushion
39. Potholders (2)
40. Table Runner
41. Any item (Mat/Tote Bag/Rug/Handbag) using recycled material
42. Any item of sewing, not listed

- SI Most Points Sections 1-9 \$10.00*  
*S2 Most Points Sections 10-17 \$20.00*  
*S3 Most Points Sections 18-27 \$10.00*  
*S4 Most Points Sections 28-37 \$10.00*  
*S5 Most Points Sections 38-45 \$10.00*

**CLASS JNW  
JUNIOR NEEDLEWORK**

**COMMITTEE:** Lori Charlton 519-270-5907, Marian Hill 519-369-3895, Darlene Doherty, Katrina Wilson, Sally Hyett 519-369-6069

**PLEASE READ AND ADHERE TO RULES OUTLINED BELOW. IF NOT FOLLOWED, ENTRIES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED BEFORE AND/OR DURING JUDGING.**

Exhibitor has to be between the age of 9 and 15

No entry fee required

Section #1 to #7: **Any medium or technique can be used. Entries must be made by the exhibitor**

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st \$3.50; 2nd \$3.00; 3rd \$2.50**

1. Scarf
2. Bookmark
3. Dish cloth
4. Head band
5. Jewelry (Bracelet, Necklace, Earrings)
6. Hat
7. Hair Clip

*SI Most Points Sections 1-7 \$25.00*

**CLASS ONA  
OLD IS NEW AGAIN**

This class has been created as there are many things that can be re-created (Upcycling) from things considered garbage, unusable, or junk. We are asking that you get your creative juices flowing. Take something old (ie: quilt, chair) - and re-invent it to something new with a purpose.

**COMMITTEE:** Deb Tucker 519 369-7510

**RULES:**

1. All entries must be the sole work of the exhibitor.
2. A photo must accompany work showing what it was before. NOTE: All exhibitors, including children and senior citizens, are required to pay the annual entry fee if not already a 2025 Durham Agricultural Society member.

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st:\$20.00; 2nd: \$15.00; 3rd: \$10.00**

1. An article recreated from material. (knitted is included)
  2. An article recreated from wood. (pressboard is included)
  3. An article recreated from metal
- SI Most Points Sections 1-3 \$25.00*

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## CLASS HHC

### Harvesting History Collection

**COMMITTEE:** Deb Tucker 519 369-7510

**RULES:**

1. All entries must be the sole work of the exhibitor.
- \*\*No professional entries\*\*

A Currated Collection of Historical items following a common theme - Items will be displayed in a screened area

Examples of collections (trading cards, barbies, die-cast cars/tractors, tea cups etc)

**NOTE:** All exhibitors, including children and senior citizens, are required to pay the annual entry fee if not already a 2025 Durham Agricultural Society member.

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st: \$20.00; 2nd: \$15.00; 3rd: \$10.00

1. Toys
2. Something used at a specific time of year
3. Unusual
4. Open

**SI** Most Points Sections 1-3

18. Decorate a Halloween trick or treat bag
19. Wall hanging for any occasion
20. Apron for any occasion
21. Wreath for any occasion
22. Centre piece for any occasion
23. Candle for any occasion
24. Plastic canvas article for any occasion
25. Pillowslip for any occasion
26. Decorated wine bottle for any occasion
27. A piece of grannies crocheting (old, not new)
28. Make a card for the theme of fair "Harvesting History for 165 Years"

**SI** Most Points Sections 1-14 \$10.00  
**S2** Most Points Sections 11-28 \$15.00  
**S3** Most Total Points Sections 1-28 \$25.00

## CLASS SOC

### SPECIAL OCCASIONS CORNER

**COMMITTEE:** Mary Manion 519 369-3667, Darlene Hastie 519 369-3603, Arlene Crooks 519 369-6727, Audrey Manion, Laura Manion

**NOTE:** Not all items are to be Christmas related. Any medium may be used unless otherwise specified. For cards, no envelopes please.

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$3.50; 2nd - \$3.00; 3rd - \$2.50

1. Stocking - fabric (ready to hang)
2. Christmas tree ornament - 4 different kinds
3. Christmas table runner
4. Christmas placemats - 2
5. Christmas tree garland
6. Snowman/snowwoman
7. Santa
8. Angel
9. Christmas plastic canvas article
10. Christmas gift basket - Articles included value approximately \$25.00
11. Any small Christmas item no larger than 18"
12. Any large Christmas item approximately 36"
13. Handmade Christmas card - no computer
14. Valentine - no computer
15. Handmade Birthday, Anniversary or Wedding card - no computer
16. Handmade Easter card - no computer
17. Decorated Easter eggs - 3

## CLASS JSOC

### JUNIOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS CORNER

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st \$3.50; 2nd \$3.00; 3rd \$2.50

1. Christmas tie
  2. 2 Christmas ornaments
  3. Hand drawn birthday card
  4. Trick-or-treat bag
  5. Hand drawn picture of favourite parts of the fair
- SI** Most Points Sections 1-4 \$5.00



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## CLASS QS QUILT SECTION

**COMMITTEE:** Mary Manion 519 369-3667, Darlene Hastie 519 369-3603, June Wagg 519 323-2597, Arlene Crooks 519 369-6727, Audrey Manion, Laura Manion

**NOTE:** All quilts from Sections #1 - #5 must be 72"x90" or larger or 324" perimeter. Hand quilted. If made or hand-quilted by more than one person, specify on entry tag. As per OAS ruling, to be eligible for next level, quilts must be solely made and handquilted by exhibitor alone.

**QUILTS MUST NOT SHOW FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS, NOT BE SOILED OR WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. ALL NAMES ON BACK OF QUILT MUST BE COVERED.** Grand and Reserve Champion Hand-Quilted Quilt will be awarded to Sections #1-#5.

**PRIZE MONEY:**

**(Sections #1-#5) 1st - \$10.00; 2nd - \$8.00; 3rd - \$6.00**

1. Quilt, pieced
2. Quilt, hand or machine appliqued
3. Quilt, pieced and hand appliqued
4. Quilt, embroidered
5. Quilt, exhibitors' choice

**(Sections# 6-#25) 1st - \$8.00; 2nd - \$6.00, 3rd - \$4.00**

**NOTE:** Quilt blocks are to be Mounted on Bristol Board and Named

6. Quilt, anything not listed in Sections #1-#5, no restrictions
7. Quilt block, paper pieced
8. Quilt block, pieced
9. Quilt block, embroidered
10. Wall hanging quilted (ready to hang)
11. Quilt, crib, 36" x 48" approximately, made from pre-printed fabric, hand-quilted
12. Quilt, crib, 36" x 48" approximately, no pre-printed fabric, tied or stitched
13. Quilt top, larger than 280" in perimeter
14. Lap or throw, quilted, tied or stitched, smaller than 250" in perimeter
15. My First Quilt, any size, hand or machine-quilted
16. Comforter, tied or stitched, larger than 250" in perimeter
17. Have you completed an excellent piece of hand quilting only to find there is no section to show it in? Please enter here, but **NO QUILTS**

**Grand and Reserve Champion Machine Quilt will be awarded to Sections #18 and #19. Solely made and machine-quilted by exhibitor.**

### Machine Quilted

18. Quilt, pieced - min. 324" perimeter
19. Quilt, any pattern - min. 324" perimeter
20. Quilt, pieced - min. 324" perimeter, more than 1 persons work
21. Quilt, any pattern - min. 324" perimeter, more than one persons work
22. Quilt, crib, approximately 36" x 48"
23. Table runner
24. Lap or throw
25. Have you completed an excellent piece of machine quilting only to find there is no section to show it in? Please enter here, but **NO QUILTS**

### Quilt Specials

- S1** Most Points Sections 1-5 \$25.00 from  
**S2** Most Points Sections 6-17 \$25.00 from  
**S3** Most Points Sections 18-25 \$25.00 from  
**S4** Most Total Points Sections 1-25 \$25.00 from  
**S5** Grand Champion Hand-Quilted Quilt \$25.00 from  
**S6** Reserve Hand-Quilted Quilt \$15.00 from  
**S7** Grand Champion Machine-Quilted Quilt \$25.00 from  
**S8** Reserve Machine-Quilted Quilt \$15.00 from



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**Class: HC  
HOBBIES AND CRAFTS**

**COMMITTEE:** Hobbies & Crafts - Shirley Matthews  
519-369-5843 convener, Joan Reay, Susan Grubb,  
Beverly Prior

**NOTE:** All work must be new work done by the exhibitor  
and not previously submitted. No professionals please. All  
exhibitors in Class HC, including children and senior  
citizens, are required to pay the annual entry fee if not  
already a 2024 Durham Agricultural Society member.

**Prize Money: 1st \$3.50; 2nd \$3.00; 3rd \$2.50**

- 1 A stone art craft, max 5"x7"
  - 2 Craft using reusable shopping bag(s)
  - 3 A craft using decoupage
  - 4 An item made using pressed foliage
  - 5 Penmanship, cursive writing on 8 5"x11" plain  
white paper "A Farmer's Prayer"
  - 6 Any craft displaying a scarecrow, max 24"
  - 7 Handcrafted earrings, 1 pair
  - 8 Origami (paper folding)
  - 9 A craft taught by family member
  - 10 Craft made with corn, any part of the plant
  - 11 A small handcrafted wooden article
  - 12 A handcrafted leather article
  - 13 A craft using a Cricut or stenciling
  - 14 A handcrafted windchime, any medium
  - 15 An article using jute/string
  - 16 A decorated hand garden tool, be creative
  - 17 A family item/photo, creatively displayed
  - 18 A jar with lid, decoratively filled with layers
  - 19 Any small handmade craft not listed
  - 20 Any large handmade craft not listed
  - 21 Paint by number
  - 22 Painted harvest sign
  - 23 Pencil/Charcoal sketch
  - 24 Adult colouring page from a book
  - 25 Watercolour
  - 26 Acrylic
  - 27 Caricature, any medium
  - 28 Open category for painting or drawing
  - 29 A theme-related drawing or painting, any  
technique
- S1 Most Points Sections 1-20 \$25 from**  
**S2 Most Points Sections 21-29 \$25 from**  
**S3 Most Points Sections 1-29 \$25 from**

*Hobbies and Crafts Penmanship Poem*

*A Farmer's Prayer  
Lord, bless this land you've given me  
And may I always know,  
As I tend each crop and critter  
You're the One who helps them grow.  
Grant me the strength and wisdom  
Please protect me from all harm,  
And thank you, Lord for Your gracious gift....  
The blessing of my farm.*

- Robin Fogle

**CLASS SBCM  
SCRAP BOOKING AND CARD MAKING**

**COMMITTEE:** Brenda Tessel (519) 291-7557; Shirley  
Petty

**RULES:**

1. All entries in Class SBCM must be the sole  
work of the exhibitor
2. The use of a variety of techniques is encouraged
3. Envelopes are NOT to be included in the Card  
Making Class.
4. Some handwritten or calligraphy writing should be  
part of the page.

**NOTE:** All work must be new work done by the exhibitor.  
No professionals please. All exhibitors in Class SBCM,  
including children and senior citizens, are required to pay  
the annual entry fee if not already a 2024 Durham  
Agricultural Society member.

**SCRAP BOOKING**

**Section A Traditional Scrapbook**

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st - \$15, 2nd - \$10, 3rd - \$5**

At least 2 Double-sided pages approximately  
12"x12" bound together with string or rings etc  
Theme - The History of Agriculture eg. Machinery  
then and now, Farm buildings then and now,  
Farm life then and now.

**Section B - Digital Scrap Book**

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st - \$15, 2nd - \$10, 3rd - \$5**

At least 4 pages bound  
Theme same as above

**CARD MAKING**

**Section C - Cards**

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st - \$15, 2nd - \$10, 3rd - \$5**

Two Cards, One from each theme:  
Milestone Birthday or Anniversary  
And  
Thank You for Being a Farmer

**CLASS JCM  
JUNIOR CARD MAKING**

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st - \$5, 2nd - \$4, 3rd - \$3**

One Handmade Card. Theme:  
Thank You for Being a Farmer

We recognize the important role and contribution that  
farmers make to our community and we would like to say  
thanks. Will you help us by offering your completed  
project to be sent on to a farmer that needs our thanks? If  
you have someone in mind, give us their name and  
address. Add a separate sheet of paper to your entry tag  
giving your permission and ideas. Thanks

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## CLASS AP AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHY

**COMMITTEE:** TBD

(One entry per category) - No Professionals Please  
**NOTE:** Coloured prints in 4"x6" size, on quality photographic paper, to be mounted neatly on 5"x7" black bristol board. Photograph Mounting Diagram to the right

### **Basis for Judging**

40 Points: Quality of photograph.

(Focused, angle of shot, correct lighting.)

40 Points: Content of picture. (Representative of category) Does it appeal to the viewer?

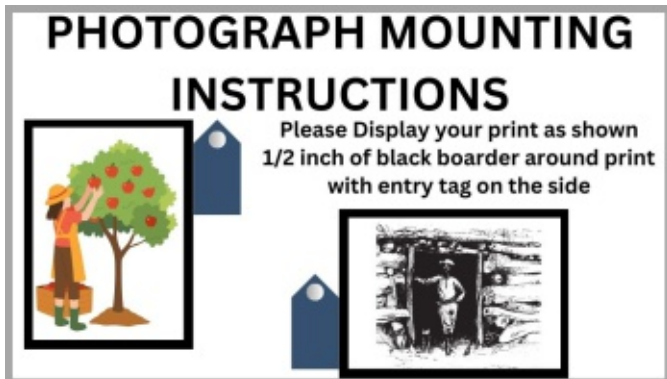
20 Points: Educational value. (Does it inform the viewer?)

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st - \$3.50; 2nd - \$3.00; 3rd - \$2.50** NO framed pictures. No scotch tape showing. Prints must be taken by the exhibitor within the LAST THREE YEARS. Entry tag to be attached to right side of mounting board as illustrated.

- 1 On a Nature Walk
- 2 Farmer(s) Hard at Work
- 3 Cooking/Baking as a Family
- 4 At Play – Children Climbing a Tree
- 5 My Favourite Colour Found in Nature
- 6 The Northern Lights
- 7 Reflections Off of Water
- 8 First Sign of Spring
- 9 A Storm (Snow, Lightning, Hail, Rain)
- 10 A Rainbow
- 11 Harvest Time
- 12 Fancy Dress
- 13 That's One Crazy Hairdo
- 14 Fun at the Beach
- 15 Blowing Out Birthday Candles
- 16 Clothes Drying on the Clothesline
- 17 Around a Campfire
- 18 Sledding in the Snow
- 19 It May Not Look Pretty – But It's the Taste that Counts
- 20 Animal(s) on a Farm
- 21 A Close-Up View of a Flower
- 22 Action Shot – Playing a Sport
- 22 You Don't See That Everyday!
- S1 Most Points Sections 1-23 \$25**
- S2 Judges Choice In Sections 1-23 \$25**

## CLASS JRAP JUNIOR AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHY

- 1) A Close-up Look of a Bug, Insect, Worm or Creepy Crawly
- 2) My Furry Friend
- 3) Planting with My Family
- 4) My Favourite Holiday
- S1 Most Points Sections 1-4 \$5**



## CLASS NP NOSTALGIC PHOTOGRAPHY

**NOTE:** Pictures to be taken prior to 1980. Can be taken by someone else. Can be framed or must be dry mounted in original size with at least 1/2" border.

- 24 Three (3) or More Generations at a Family Gathering
- 25 A Wedding Portrait
- 26 Holiday Fun
- 27 Two Pictures of the Same Object – One an Extreme Close-up and One a Normal Image
- 28 A photo of your choice in Sepia tone (5x7) based on Fair Theme
- 29 Two Pictures Showing the Same Scene – One Daytime and One Nighttime
- S1 Most Points Sections 24-29 \$10**
- S2 Most Total Points Sections 1-29 \$25**

## Junior And Senior Ambassador Program

Ages for competing (as of August 1, 2025)

Junior – age 12 to 16

Senior – age 17 to 23

Looking for Participants:

Residing in Durham and Surrounding area

The Competition includes

An Interview with the Judges,

An impromptu Questions (on stage), and

A Speech (on stage)

Those participating will be judged on etiquette, attitude, and public speaking.

All participants are given gift and prizes for entering the program.

The Winner of the Senior Ambassador wins \$300 and the

Winner of the Junior Ambassador wins \$100

There is also a Bursary available to the Senior on completion of term.



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## CLASS FL FLORICULTURE

**Committee:** Durham & District  
Horticultural Society 519-369-9975

**Spray:** A spray is the terminal flowering growth of an herbaceous or woody plant carried on one stem. Ideally it would show all stages of development, e.g., flowers in bloom, buds showing colour, green buds and leaves.

**Stem:** A main plant structure which supports flowers, buds, leaves or fruit.

**Bloom:** An individual flower, one to a stem.

**Bud:** A bud showing colour is considered a bloom.

**Spike:** Upright stem with several flowers which are nearly stemless, e.g. gladiolas or liatris.

### Rules:

1. NO flower arranging in the hall on the day of judging.
2. No exhibitor will be allowed into the hall after 11:30 AM Friday.
3. All reasonable precautions will be taken to safe guard exhibitor's containers, however the Durham Agricultural Society cannot be responsible for any breakage or theft.
4. Please Place all top-heavy flowers in a weighted container.
5. Exhibiting is open to amateurs only. Flowers must be grown by the exhibitor unless stated otherwise.
6. In the design classes, use fresh flowers and foliage only unless otherwise stated. Additional accessories may be added to carry out your interpretation of the theme. The style of design is judged based on the principles and elements of design.
7. Diseased, insect infected and invasive plants and flowers will not be accepted.
8. The committee will not subdivide a class.
9. The judges' decisions are final.
10. Judging is based on the OAAS General Rules and the Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Publication 2019.

### Cut Flowers:

**Note:** Must be shown with own foliage only.

Prize Money: Sections 1 - 41

**1st \$4.00, 2nd \$3.00, 3rd, \$2.00**

**All First Place Prize Money for Sections 1- 41  
& Floral Design Sections 42 - 48 Sponsored by the  
Durham & District Horticultural Society.**

1. Asters, 3 stems
2. Calendula, 3 sprays
3. Cosmos, 3 stems
4. Dahlia, over 8", 1 stem
5. Dahlia, 4" - 6", 1 stem
6. Dahlia, under 4", 3 stems
7. Echinacea, 3 stems
8. Geranium, 1 bloom with attached foliage
9. Gladiolus, 1 spike, any colour
10. Grasses, 3 stems, any cultivar
11. Heuchera (Coral Bells), 3 leaves, different cultivars
12. Hosta, 3 leaves, different cultivars
13. Hosta, 3 leaves, same cultivar
14. Hosta, 1 large leaf, any cultivar
15. Marigolds, 3" or over, 3 stems
16. Marigolds, under 3", 3 stems
17. Phlox, 3 stems, any colour
18. Rudbeckia, 3 stems
19. Sedum, 3 stems
20. Snapdragon, 3 stems
21. Sunflower, 1 stem
22. Zinnias, blooms over 4", 3 stems
23. Zinnias, blooms under 4", 3 stems
24. Any other cut flower, not listed, named if possible

### Roses:

Bloom should be ½ to ¾ open

25. Rose Miniature, 1 spray
26. Rose Floating in a bowl, 1 bloom
27. Rose, shrub, 1 spray

### Potted Plants:

Must have been in the exhibitor's possession for a minimum of three months prior to the fair.

28. Begonia, fibrous or tuberous
29. Cactus
30. Coleus
31. Fuchsia
32. Geranium, in bloom
33. Houseplant grown for foliage
34. Houseplant grown for bloom
35. Succulent, other than cactus
36. Unusual Tropical House Plant, named if possible

### Herbs:

37. Herbs, 3 cut stems, different cultivars

### Shrubs:

38. Buddleia (butterfly bush), 1 branch
39. Hydrangea, Annabelle, 1 stem/branch
40. Hydrangea, any other cultivar, 1 stem or branch
41. Any other shrub not listed, 1 branch

### Floral Design:

Prize Money: Sections 42 - 48

1st \$5.00, 2nd \$4.00, 3rd \$3.00

42. **"Sunny Side Up"**

A design using yellow flowers.

43. **"A Rainbow of Colours"**

A design using the colours of the rainbow.

44. **"Time for Harvesting"**

A design using a toy farm implement.

45. **"Fields of Green"**

A design using green foliage and flowers.

46. **"Massey Ferguson"**

A design using red and yellow flowers and foliage.

47. **"Preserves a Plenty"**

A design using old fashioned flower in a mason jar.

48. **"Tiny Delight"**

A small design not to exceed 10" in any direction.

**S1 Most Points Sections 1-29 \$10.00**

**S2 Most Points Sections 30-32 \$10.00**

**S3 Most Points Sections 33-49 \$15.00**

**S4 Most Points Sections 5-57 \$20.00**

**S5 Most Total Points Sections 1-57 \$25.00**

## CLASS JFL

### Kid's Corner: Junior Floriculture

Prize Money: Sections 49 - 53

**1st. \$4.00, 2nd. \$3.00, 3rd. 2.00**

49. Sunflowers, 1 stem
50. Marigolds, 3 stems
51. Cactus or Succulent, in a pot
52. Snapdragons. A bouquet in a mason jar
53. A bouquet of your favorite flowers.



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## CHILDRENS WORK

**CLASS JRW**  
**JUNIOR CHILDREN'S WORK**  
(Grade One to Grade Three)

**CLASS INTW**  
**INTERMEDIATE CHILDREN'S WORK**  
(Grade Four to Grade Five)

**CLASS SRW**  
**SENIOR CHILDREN'S WORK**  
(Grade Six to Grade Eight)

**CLASS YA**  
**YOUNG ADULT'S WORK**  
(Grade Nine to Grade Twelve)

**COMMITTEE:** Alanna Rusnak 519-369-8527  
**NOTE:** All items are to be homemade and the work of the exhibitor.  
**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$2.50; 2nd - \$2.25; 3rd - \$2.00; 4th - \$1.50

These are open to all the above Classes

1. A pet rock
2. A Lego sculpture of a fruit or vegetable
3. A bouquet of wild flowers presented in a mason jar
4. A hand-written recipe card for apple pie filling
5. A garland of dried fruit, up to 3 feet long
6. A healthy school lunch - include up to 6 items
7. A harvest scene diorama no larger than a shoe box
8. Design a thank you card for a farmer - no computer
9. Something made with yarn
10. Handmade jewellery
11. Your favourite book with an attached written explanation of why you love it - one page or less.
12. Any other craft - base must not exceed 12"x12"

## CLASS SW SCHOOL WORK

**COMMITTEE:** Janet Lawler – 519 477 8354 or [jlawler@sympatico.ca](mailto:jlawler@sympatico.ca)  
Teacher Representatives: Krista Klages (SRCS), Lise Gunby (Edge Hill), Stephanie McLean (StP&StP), Shannon Spike (Victoria Cross)

**PRIZE MONEY:** 1st - \$3.00; 2nd - \$2.50; 3rd - \$2.00  
**PLEASE NOTE:** Judges may use their own discretion as to awarding prizes. In all cases where they think the activity does not meet the criteria, they may withhold any prize. The purpose of this class is to display work which has been done at our local schools. **If a child has not had the opportunity to do the work at school, he/she may do it at home and enter any of the suggested activities for his/her grade. Home-schooled students may also enter as well and should indicate on the tag that it is from a home-schooled student.** A child is to work from the section according to the grade he/she was in as of June 2025. **ONLY ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT PER CATEGORY**

## SECTION RULES:

1. Entry tags must be filled out correctly, stating the name of the exhibitor, class (SW), section number (Special 1 through to 13-8), name of article, name of school and/or exhibitor's address.

2. All entries must be taken to the Durham arena before 10 a.m. on the Friday morning of the fair. Judging will take place Friday afternoon.

3. **Entries are to be picked up on Saturday after 4:30 p.m.**

4. **Penmanship:** The title of the selection is to be suitably spaced on the top line. No white-out or correction fluid is allowed.

Judging will be based on the following scale:

Correct letter formation points	25 points
Uniform spacing of letters/words	10 points
Correct spelling/punctuation	10 points
Overall appearance: Title	5 points,
Margins 5 points Pressure	5 points

Kindergarten to Grade 2 students are to **PRINT** with pencil on primary/regular lined paper.

Grade 3 to Grade 6 students are to **PRINT** using a pen on regular lined paper.

Grades 7 to 8 are to **WRITE IN CURSIVE** using a pen on regular lined paper, single spaced.

## NEW THIS YEAR!

5. **General School Displays:** Each school is invited to set up a display of arts and crafts, creative writing, environmental studies or science projects which were completed during the 2024-2025 school year. One table will be available for each school. Display backgrounds are the responsibility of the school. Set up will be Friday morning with removal to take place Saturday afternoon after 4:30 p.m.

## STUDENTS with SPECIAL NEEDS (Sections 1-4)

All students in this category receive first place rosettes

**"MY FAMILY"** Anything goes

Maximum size 30x45 cm (12x18")

SN1 to Grade 3

SN2 Grade 4 to 6

SN3 Grade 7 and 8

SN4 High School

## NURSERY & JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN & SENIOR KINDERGARTEN

(Sections 5-7)

5. Penmanship: The child's first name

7.. Finger painting: size

8. A coloured picture from a colouring book

## GRADES 1 - 8

Social and Environmental Studies - Any topic pertaining to current year's work in social and environmental studies.

Maximum size 56x72 cm (22x28")

Section 8-1: Grade 1

Section 8-2: Grade 2

Section 8-3: Grade 3

Section 8-4: Grade 4

Section 8-5: Grade 5

Section 8-6: Grade 6

Section 8-7: Grade 7

Section 8-8: Grade 8

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**Art - Family Fun Theme Maximum size 8.5"x11"**

- Section 9-1: Grade 1 Brush painting
- Section 9-2: Grade 2 - Collage
- Section 9-3: Grade 3 - Pastel
- Section 9-4: Grade 4 - Mandala art
- Section 9-5: Grade 5 - Brush painting
- Section 9-6: Grade 6 - Pencil sketch
- Section 9-7: Grade 7 - Pointillism
- Section 9-8: Grade 8 - Watercolour

**Section 10-5:**

**Grade 5:** poem provided below:

*Harvest is a time of sharing and peace  
Autumn colours create their masterpiece  
Reaping the rewards of perfect weather  
Vegetables and fruit we gather together  
Everyone thankful for nature's good work  
Scooping handfuls of leaves falling from trees  
Time to embrace the harvest table*

- by Olivia McHolm

**Penmanship**

**Section 10-1 :**

**Grade 1:** poem provided below:

*Harvest time has arrived,  
Many fruits and vegetables are so alive  
Pies, Jams and so much more  
For all the families to adore*

-by Janet Lawler

**Section 10-6:**

**Grade 6:** poem provided below:

*Swirling,  
Twirling,  
Autumn Leaves.  
Whooshing,  
Whirling,  
From the trees.*

**Section 10-2:**

**Grade 2:** poem provided below:

*Harvest time is the best,  
My Favorite time of year.  
Lots of fruits, vegetables & grains  
To enjoy the whole year through.*

-by Janet Lawler

*Snapping,  
Cracking,  
Conkers fall.  
Dropping,  
Popping,  
Near the wall.*

**Section 10-3:**

**Grade 3:** poem provided below:

*Autumn Means Harvest*

*Autumn means harvest,  
And grain in the bin  
Autumn means Farmers  
Are bringing fruit in  
It means summer's blooming  
Has given it's yield  
Autumn means high tide  
In orchard and field*

-by Lenore Hetrick



*Grouping,  
Swooping,  
Birds up high.  
Crying,  
Flying,  
Round the sky.*

*Curling,  
Furling,  
Smokey fires.  
Flowing,  
Blowing,  
Higher, higher.*

-by Brenda Williams

**Section 10-4:**

**Grade 4:** poem provided below:

*Harvest Festival comes around  
Bushes of Blackberries can be found  
For some the school days have begun  
The summer holidays have been and gone  
September, October bring darker nights  
A warmer coat to wrap up tight  
The insects now seem far and few  
The trees grow bare, a sky less blue  
First came spring, then summer sun  
Now the Autumn has begun*

-Author unknown



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**Section 10-7:**

**Grade 7:** poem provided below

*October's the Month  
When the smallest Breeze  
Gives us a shower  
Of Autumn leaves*

*Bonfires and pumpkins  
Leaves sailing down  
October is red  
And golden and brown*

*October leaves are lovely  
They rustle when I run  
Sometimes I make a heap  
And jump in them for fun.*

*Autumn leaves float quietly down  
And form a carpet on the ground  
When those leaves are stepped upon,  
Listen for the crackling sound.*

*-by Author Unknown*

**Section 10-8**

**Grade 8:** poem provided below

*Harvest Time*

*I welcome these crisp autumn days,  
This abundant harvest time.  
When boughs are bent with apples,  
and pumpkins cling to vines.*

*The taste of hot mulled cider,  
Pungent wood smoke in the sky.  
That flows like long gray ribbons,  
From chimneys reaching high.*

*The last bright leaves have fallen,  
Now hills are crimson-gold  
I watch breathtaking splendor  
As harvest time unfolds.*

*- by Marianna Jo Arolin*

**SCHOOL AWARD**

A prize of \$150 will be given to the school with the most accumulated points from all categories. Three points are given for first, 2 points for second and 1 point for third. Points in the Special Needs category are not counted for this prize.

**Sponsored by Godfathers Pizza**

**\$1 Most Points Per Grade \$5.00 from**

**CLASS FCC  
FIELD CROP COMPETITION**

**COMMITTEE:** Dave Arnett 519 369-3894 Murray MacEachern, Dave Tucker

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

1. All entries to be placed in hall by noon, Friday, August 29th, 2025 Use Gate "B"
2. All entries must be made on Entry Form in Prize List and submitted to Secretary prior to Fair.
3. All competitors in mixed grain, hay, corn and barley competitions must exhibit at Fair as outlined in each Class, in order to be eligible for prize money in competition, and be Members of the Durham Agricultural Society.
4. In the event of a tie, the exhibitor with the highest field score will be declared the winner.
5. Mixed grain and barley to be shown at the Fair as it comes from the bin (not cleaned).

**PRIZE MONEY IN EACH COMPETITION:**

**1st-\$20.00; 2nd-\$18.00; 3rd-\$16.00; 4th-\$14.00; 5th-\$12.00; 6th-\$10.00; All remaining entries-\$5.00**

**CLASSES:**

1. **HAY COMPETITION** - Highest aggregate in Hay Competition New Seeding. (30 centimetre Section of a bale of hay or similar amount from a dry round bale must be exhibited at Fall Fair.)
  2. **HAY COMPETITION** - Highest aggregate in Hay Competition, Established Stand. (30 centimetre Section of a bale of hay or similar amount from a dry round bale must be exhibited at Fall Fair.)
  3. **MIXED GRAIN** - 10 kg, of Mixed Grain must be exhibited at Fall Fair (not cleaned). Highest aggregate in Mixed Grain.
  4. **BARLEY** - 10 kg. of Barley must be exhibited at Fall Fair (not cleaned). Highest aggregate in Barley.
  5. **WHEAT** - 10 kg. of Wheat must be exhibited at Fall Fair (not cleaned). Highest aggregate in Wheat.
  6. **SOYBEANS** - TEN (10) stalks must be exhibited at Fall Fair. Highest aggregate in Soybean Competition.
  7. **ENSILAGE CORN** - SIX (6) Stalks must be exhibited at Fall Fair. Highest aggregate in Corn Competition.
- SI Most Total Points for High Aggregate Hay in Sections

**CLASS FGF  
FIELD GRAINS AND FORAGES**

**COMMITTEE:** Dave Arnett 519 369-3894 Murray MacEachern, Dave Tucker, Use Gate "B"

Bulk pails will be available at the fair. Variety of grain to be marked on Entry Tag

**PRIZE MONEY: 1st - \$4.00; 2nd - \$3.00; 3rd - \$2.00**

1. Wheat, any variety
  2. Barley, any variety
  3. Oats
  4. Mixed grain
  6. Canola
  7. Soybeans - 10 stalks
  8. Ensilage corn - 6 stalks
  9. Grain Corn - 6 stalks
  10. First cut hay - 30 cm section of a bale
  11. Second cut hay - 30 cm section of a bale
- SI Most Total Points Sections 1-10**

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## New this Year!

Lets see who has the heathiest soil! This is open to anyone, those competing in our Field Crops Competition will recieve a pair of Mens "Whitey Tightys" Those that wish to compete but on a smaller scale (garden, flower garden) we will have smaller Cotton Undies for you. **Please contact the Fair office to participate 519 369 3388** "Planting" should occur between June 15th and 30th with "Harvest" August 15-28th.

When you sign up you will recieve a package with instructions, a "harvest" bag and some general soil health information. This has been seen at several Fairs over the last few years and they have seen some interesting results. For more information on this intiative and soild health in general please take a look at these links

### YouTube instructions

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=akMT1ZZQ8PA&t=78s> (Soil Your Undies 2018)

### Soil Council of Canada Instructions

[https://soilcc.ca/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/SCCC\\_toolkit\\_VF.pdf](https://soilcc.ca/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/SCCC_toolkit_VF.pdf)

# Hey Canada!

## It's time to #SoilYourUndies... in the name of soil conservation

**Do your own fun soil science experiment to see how healthy your soil is and share your experiences @SoilCouncil.**

Anyone can investigate biological activity in farm fields or backyard gardens. Bury a pair of 100 per cent white cotton underwear in topsoil for about two months and then check the level of decomposition. If there's not much left of the underwear you have good biological activity, which indicates healthy soil. These same soil organisms can break down plant materials in much the same way.

### To make a good on-farm comparison:

- Test similar soil types under different rotations and tillage management
- Keep track of each pair by writing an identifying number on the waistband
- Be sure to bury all underwear being compared on the same day and for the same amount of time



### WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- New pair of white 100% cotton briefs (no dyes or polyester blends)
  - Shovel
  - Marker flag
- 1) Dig a narrow trench and bury the underwear in the top six inches of soil
  - 2) Leave the waistband showing a little and mark the place with a flag so you'll be able to find it again
  - 3) Leave the underwear buried for about two months
  - 4) Dig it up carefully and wash it in a bucket of water to remove the soil