

Fair Dates: May 3 – May 7, 2023

To Enter: Online: <http://vvac.fairwire.com>
 Paper Entries: pick up at Fair Office or print form from
www.vvfair.com

**Last Day to Enter:**

Paper Entries (form only) to Fair Office by April 7 or bring with your items.

*Paper Entries received by 4/7/2023 are eligible for express check in.

Online Entries Close April 22, 2023 at 12:00 noon.

Except: Culinary and Floriculture – May 1, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Exhibit Check In Dates:

All Departments except perishable Culinary and Floriculture:

Bring your items: Friday, April 21: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Saturday, April 22: 12:00 noon – 2:00 pm

Culinary & Floriculture:

Monday, May 1: 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 2: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

Pick Up Dates:

Tuesday, May 9: 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Wednesday, May 10: 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

Departments:

- Fair Theme: Any item created in the Fair Theme. “God Made a Farmer”
- AG Mechanics: Welding, Metal, Plumbing, more
- Craft & Hobby: Baskets, Collections, Papercraft, Jewelry, Woodcraft, more
- Culinary: All Food Items
- Fiber Art: Crochet, Knit, Lace, Weaving, more.
- Fine Art: Drawing, Painting, Sculpture, Printmaking, more.
- Floriculture/Horticulture: Gardening, Floral Arrangement, more
- Minerals Fossils & Lapidary: Gems, Minerals, Lapidary
- Open Models and Misc: Models from Kits or Scratch Built, Lego Construction, more.
- Photography – All Photography
- Quilts – All quilts.
- Sewing & Needlework: Clothing, Altered Clothing, Baby Boutique, Needlepoint, Embroidery, more.
- Persons with Disabilities: All entries for persons with intellectual disabilities
- Student Art – Individual artworks submitted by educators – grades 7 through 12.

To enter your art:

#1 – Read the Entry Requirements (page 4). Here you will find information regarding turn in dates, fees and general rules.

It is your responsibility to know and follow the entry requirements.

If you are entering items in Culinary, Fine Art, Floriculture or Photography, be sure to read the requirements for those departments, these are in addition to the general entry requirements.

#2 – Choose your division:

- Youth: Ages – 0 – 12
- Teen: Ages 13 – 19
- Adult: Age 20 and over
- Adult Novice: Fine Art & Photography only
Novice entries for 1st Fair only
- Adult Intermediate / Advanced: - Fine Art & Photography only
Artists/Photographers who are not beginners but do not want to enter in the Premium Division
- Premium Award: Fine Art, Photography and Quilt only. Advanced artists, photographers or quilters of any age who wish to compete for cash awards. Entries in this division require a \$10.00 entry fee.

#3 - Find the department and class for each item you are entering.

- Department – Defines a general grouping of items. Department listing is on page 1.
For example: Knitting would be in Fiber Arts, Welding in AG Mechanics, Paintings in Fine Art
- Class – Defines your specific item.
For example: a knitted scarf, a large metal project or a landscape.

#4 – A) For online entries: Go to <http://vvac.fairwire.com>

B) For paper entries, print the entry form found at www.vvfair.com or pick up a form in the Fair Office. Please note that there are separate entry forms for Fine Art and Photography and Quilts.



Dates: A) Online entry is open now through April 22 at 12:00 noon.
(see exceptions under culinary and floriculture)
Online entries, completed before **4:00 pm April 21**, are eligible for express check in.

B) Paper entries can be downloaded at www.vvfair.com or picked up in the Fair Office. You may bring your completed entry form with your items (see Bring Items to the Fair below).

If you bring your completed form **only** to the Fair Office by Friday, April 7 you will be eligible for express check in.

Fee: \$1.00 per entry (except Premium award entries, see Fine Art & Photography and Quilt)
Pay online or by cash or check when bringing in your items. Entry fees are not refundable.

All entries must be complete and correct. Fair management is not responsible for errors. Contact the Fair Office for assistance 928-634-3290

Bring your items to the Fair:

- Bring your items to the Commercial Building. From 12th & Cherry Streets follow signs.
- All Entries EXCEPT Culinary and Floriculture:
Friday, April 21 between 10:00 am and 12:00 noon or
Saturday, April 22 between 12:00 noon and 2:00 pm
- Culinary and Floriculture ONLY:
Monday, May 1 between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm or
Tuesday, May 2 between 9:00 am and 11:00 am
*nonperishable food items may be brought in with Arts & Crafts, see hours above.

If you are unable to bring your items during the hours above, call the Fair Office to make arrangements. Special arrangements must be made at least one business day before receiving deadline (by April 20 for crafts, fine art etc. or April 28 for culinary and floriculture)

- All fees/items must be received during hours stated above or by arrangement.
Late entries will NOT be accepted.

Entry Requirements

Entries:

- Exhibitors must be residents of the Verde Valley.
- Must be sole original work of exhibitor except where noted.
- Items must not have been entered in a previous Verde Valley Fair.
- Entries should include an attached label with exhibitors name and telephone number.
- Exhibitor may exhibit 2 items per class. Like items may not be entered as “other.”
- Fair may re-classify items if entered incorrectly.
- Fair will make all assignments for space and will arrange exhibits as deemed appropriate, no exceptions.
- At the exhibitor’s discretion, items may be offered for sale. Fair will receive a 10% commission on all sales. Exhibitor must complete for sale tag at time of check in. Checks for sold items will be available on Friday, May 12, after 1:00 pm.
- The General Rules and Regulations of the Verde Valley Fair will govern exhibition entries.
- Fair reserves the right to refuse entries and/or prohibit exhibition for any reason whatsoever.

Judging:

- At judge’s discretion, where there are insufficient entries in one or more classes, like classes may be combined.
- Judges are chosen for their expertise and objectivity. Judges are constrained from entry in the divisions/classes they are judging.
- Judging will be done prior to Fair opening and will not be open to the public or exhibitors. Awards are at the discretion of the judge. Judges decisions are final.
- American System of judging ranks exhibits against one another in their division and awards one first place, one second place, etc. The Verde Valley Fair awards 1st through 6th place and honorable mention at the judge’s discretion. Best of Show ribbons are awarded based on the entries merit and at the judge’s discretion.
- Awards will be paid to exhibitor named on form as follows:
 - Best of Show: Best of Show Ribbon and \$10
 - 1st place: Navy Blue Ribbon and \$3
 - 2nd place: Burgundy Ribbon and \$2
 - 3rd place: White Ribbon and \$1.
 - 4th, 5th and 6th place and Honorable Mention are ribbon award only – no monetary award.

Pick up: Items will be available for pickup on Tues. May, 9 between 1:00pm and 5:00pm or Wed., May 5 between 10:00am and 12noon. Or by arrangement with the Fair Office 928-634-3290. No items will be released prior to Tues. May 9.

Unclaimed items: Exhibits, including any monetary awards or ribbons, must be picked up from the Fair Office no later than Friday, May 19th at 4:00pm. Items remaining after May 19th will be disposed of at the Fair’s discretion and any awards will be returned to the fair fund. If you need to make arrangements, please call the Fair Office 928-634-3290.

All exhibits will be under the control and direction of the Fair Management, but Verde Valley Fair Association, Inc. its officers, directors, agents or employees will in no case be responsible for any loss, injury or damage that may occur. Each exhibitor will be solely responsible for any loss, injury or damage that may occur to him, his officers, agents, employees or exhibits during the Fair. The exhibitor shall indemnify the Fair against any and all legal proceedings in regard to the above and against damage or injury to any other person or property, caused by the exhibitor, his officers, agents, employees or animals.

Fine Art & Photography and Quilt

- In addition to Art and Crafts Entry Requirements the following apply:

Entry Fees: Ribbon Entry: \$1.00 per item
 Premium Entry \$10.00 per item.

Premium entries in Fine Art or Photography will not be accepted unframed.

- Entries must include attached label with artists name and phone number.
- Items must not have been entered in a previous Verde Valley Fair (may have been entered in one previous Fall Festival art show)
- Unframed Art: It is not necessary to frame your entry (except Premium). Canvases or other cradled supports may be unframed. Photographs or other artworks may be presented in mats (with back) or neatly and securely mounted on foam core or mat board. Presentation is important. Sloppy mounts will be rejected. Because unframed art is difficult to hang, you will be asked to help prepare your works when you bring them in.
Unframed art will be hung with clips which may damage mats or foam core. Do not tape or glue mounting supports to your art.
- Framed Art must be ready to hang with wire hangers.
- Awards for Premium entries will be based on the number of entries in each department. Entry fees will be pooled by department and awarded as follows: 1st place 40%, 2nd place 30%, 3rd place 20%.

Culinary Online entry for Culinary is open until May 1st at 7:00 pm.

Bring your entries:

Monday, May 1 between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm or

Tuesday, May 2 between 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

*nonperishable food items may be brought in with Arts & Crafts, see hours above.

In addition to Art and Craft Entry Requirements the following apply:

- No Food Items will be sold during Fair.
- Culinary Items: Presentation is part of judging criteria. Disposable serving ware is preferable.
- Canned goods may be turned in with regular Art & Craft entries. All other Culinary items including baked goods, dried foods, decorated exhibits, etc. will not be accepted at any time prior to Monday, May 1st. If for some reason exhibitor is unable to bring their items in during Culinary receiving hours, arrangements can be made by calling the Fair Office at 928-634-3290.
- Decorated Exhibits should use a dummy cake whenever possible.

Floriculture Online entry for Floriculture is open until May 1st at 7:00 pm.

Bring your entries:

Monday, May 1 between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm or

Tuesday, May 2 between 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

In addition to previous Entry Requirements the following apply:

- All floriculture specimens and potted plants must be grown by the exhibitor and must be free of disease, dead leaves, insects and damaged petals. Remove all dead blooms prior to the show. Flowers will be in much better condition if they are cut the night before or early morning of the day they are to be entered. Wash all leaves.
- Containers and water will be provided for cut flowers by the Verde Valley Fair. Containers that belong to the Fair will stay at the Fair upon closing.
- Cut flowers will be watered by the Building Coordinator and removed when they are unsuited to remain on exhibit, they will not be returned to the exhibitor.
- Houseplants will be watered unless labeled otherwise. Houseplants must have a saucer, labeled with the exhibitor's name and telephone number.
- Live potted plants may be offered for sale.

- Iris / Spuria: One Open Bloom and 2 buds.
May enter up to 12 total Iris. Not more than 2 of the same color.

- Bulbous: One Bloom or Stalk
May enter 6 per class

- Garden Flowers / Annuals: Three Stems
May enter 6 per class

- Garden Flowers/ Biennial: Three Stems
May enter 6 per class

- Garden Flowers / Perennial: One Stem
May enter 6 per class

Roses: Roses should be three- quarters open, disbudded and all thorns should be removed. Leaves or branches that will be below water level must be removed. May enter up to 12 total blooms not more than 2 per class

