

HOME & GARDEN COMPETITION GUIDE

52nd Annual Harvest Fair • Saturday, October 3 & Sunday, October 4, 2026

Welcome to the Harvest Fair Home & Garden Competition!

Whether you are a seasoned competitor who has already pre-registered, or a prospective participant deciding what to enter from your backyard, garden, or kitchen—we are thrilled to welcome your creativity to the Harvest Fair! This guide contains everything you need to know about categories, submission criteria, and weekend logistics.

To our pre-registered contestants: *Thank you so much for signing up early! We truly appreciate your pre-registration, and it helps us prepare a wonderful space for your entries.*

Not registered yet? Register via the QR code, [our form](#), or simply bring your day-of submissions during the Saturday morning drop-off window.



EVENT TIMELINE & LOGISTICS

OFFICIAL SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:00 - 10:00 AM

Exhibitor Drop-Off & On-Site Registration

Bring your items to the **Vendor Entrance**, located at the north end of the **Crafters/Home & Garden Tent**. Designated spaces near the tent entrance will be clearly marked for Home & Garden Drop-Off parking. All pre-registered and day-of entries must arrive during this time.

Saturday 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Official Judging Period

Closed to the public while our panel reviews all official categories.

Saturday 2:30 PM

Ribbon Recipients Announced

Winners will be recognized and announced in the **Music and Beer Tent**.

Saturday & Sunday

Public Exhibition

Your entries will be proudly displayed for the two-day duration of the Harvest Fair for all fairgoers to enjoy!

Sunday 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Exhibitor Pick-Up

Please return to collect your items and entries from the Home & Garden tent.

GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

- **Authenticity First:** All entries must be produced directly from the gardens or property you are actively tending, or prepared from scratch in your home kitchen. Absolutely no store-bought submissions please!
- **Open Participation:** This is a fun, friendly, and creative competition. Tap into your inner artist and let your creative juices flow! Contestants are welcome to enter as many different categories as they like.
- **Community Spirit:** We welcome all entries! Please share this information with your friends, family, and neighbors and encourage them to participate too.

OFFICIAL COMPETITION CLASSIFICATIONS AND CATEGORIES

1. FLOWERS/AND OR TREES

- Rose
- Single Dahlia
- Largest Dahlia
- Most Colorful Dahlia
- Dahlia Arrangement
- Pompon Dahlia
- Most Unusual Dahlia
- Pollinator Arrangement
- Mixed Floral Design
- Tree (fresh cut clipping)

2. FROM THE KITCHEN

- Muffins
- Most Creative Cookies
- Tastiest Pie
- Most Artistic Pie
- Honey
- Scones
- Jams/Jelly
- Pesto
- Pickled Produce
- Salsa

3. HOME GROWN EDIBLE

- Fruit
- Vegetable
- Pumpkin
- Gourd
- Cornucopia/Basket of Plenty
- Best Fruit Collection
- Best Vegetable Collection
- Most Unique/Extraordinary Fruit or Vegetable
- Animal Sculpture made from garden harvest

4. OUTDOOR DECOR

- Scarecrow
- Jack-O-Lantern
- Birdhouse

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOUR SUBMISSIONS!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Board Member and Home & Garden Competition Organizer,
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