

Guide to Photography
Ingham County Fair
Judging - Saturday, August 3 at 9am to noon, Terry Brail Community Building
See pages 29 - 30 in the Ingham County Fair Book

- ✓ Photos may be taken with an automatic camera, cell phone, tablet and/or an adjustable camera
- ✓ Color and black and white images of nature, people, action, architecture, animals, landscapes, still life, and macro may be entered
- ✓ Members may exhibit a total of 4 entries
 - 3 entries from the “Automatic Camera”, “Phone/Tablet”, “Adjustable Camera” and/or “Edited/Altered” Divisions
 - 1 entry from the “Group of 4 Photos” Division
- ✓ 1 entry only per class (ie: you cannot exhibit 2 animal photos in the phone/tablet division)
- ✓ Select your best photos to exhibit
- ✓ Photos are evaluated based on photographic composition standards including focus/clarity, rule of thirds, lighting, color, leading lines, perspective, depth, etc. (See the Judges Evaluation form)
- ✓ Photos must be in their original state and should not be altered in any way including the use of editing software and apps, removing, adding, reversing or distorting subjects, etc. (See page 30, Edited/Altered Image division for photos that are edited)
- ✓ Print on photo quality paper
- ✓ Professional/commercial processing at a lab is strongly encouraged. (Home printers tend to yield a poorer quality image.)
- ✓ Enlarged or cropped, the final size must be a standard size of 4 x 6, 5 x 7, or 8 x 10
- ✓ When printing an image, it is standard practice to crop to meet the 4x6 and 8x10 size and best color may be used. These accommodations are not considered editing.
- ✓ Exhibit on white or black mat board or white or black foam board and must extend one inch or larger than the print on all sides
- ✓ All mat edges should be clean and even
- ✓ All parts of the photo must be visible
- ✓ Photos should not be matted or framed
- ✓ Poster board should not be used

- ✓ Edited photos should be entered in the Edited Division. Editing includes adding to, rearranging, distorting, removing, changing color, using a filter or special lenses, editing software and applications, etc.
- ✓ Note your editing and post-production techniques on a 3x5 card attached to the back of the mounting board.
- ✓ Conference judging is strongly recommended
- ✓ The Photography Project Report Form will no longer be used.