

CREATIVE ARTS / SPECIAL EVENTS DEPARTMENT

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2017 COMPETITION HANDBOOK

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS
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OUR MISSION

The State Fair of Texas celebrates all things Texan by promoting agriculture, education, and community involvement through quality entertainment in a family-friendly environment.

WE ARE COMMITTED TO

- **Education and agriculture as our foundation.**
- **Operating in a fiscally conscious manner.**
- **Providing excellent customer service.**
- **Investing in the Fair product, our Fair Park home, and our community.**
- **Responsible stewardship to ensure that the State Fair of Texas will thrive for future generations.**
- **Preserving the traditions of our historic institution.**
- **Constant innovation for future Fairs' success.**

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS
Presents

“GUESS WHAT’S COOKING” CONTEST

Check-in Thursday, October 5, 2017 – 9:00 a.m.

Contest begins at 9:30 a.m.

Judging to begin no later than noon.

State Fair Contest Kitchen, Creative Arts Department

ENTRY FEE: \$3.00 per entry

Contestants must be age 18 or older

AMATEURS ONLY

INGREDIENTS SUPPLIED BY:

- Pre-registration of contestants is required.
- Mail entry form on back of this page to Creative Arts Office using PO BOX office address. Deadline- Monday, June 12, 2017. **DO NOT INCLUDE ENTRY FEES.**
- On Friday, June 23, 2017, a lottery drawing will be held to determine the 16 contestants who will participate. Following that drawing, a list of 10 alternate contestants will be kept, in the order they are drawn. Contestants will be notified of their winning status within one week. Those contestants must send in all entry fees by Friday, July 7, 2017.
- Contestants may cancel up to 24 hours prior to the contest with no penalty. If contestant does not cancel at least 24 hours prior, he or she will not be able to enter this contest the following year. If a contestant does not appear by 9:30 a.m. on the day of the contest, pre-registered alternates will be allowed to participate.
- A mystery bag of either sweet or savory items will be provided to each contestant, to create any culinary dish possible from his or her bag. Pantry staples will be available to all contestants. Do not bring any ingredients from home.
- Contestants must bring all their own cooking utensils and baking equipment. No recipe books allowed.
- **NO CELL PHONES PERMITTED DURING CONTEST.**
- **OVEN ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE DRAWN AT CHECK-IN.**
- **CONTESTANTS MUST LEAVE KITCHEN WHEN ENTRY IS COMPLETE.**
- Judging will be based on: Taste-50%; Presentation-25%; Creative Use of Ingredients-25%.

RECIPES: A blank piece of white paper will be provided to each contestant for your original entry, as well as ingredients used, and the process to prepare. **Contestant's name, address and phone number must be printed on back side of recipe. ALL RECIPES BECOME THE PROPERTY OF THE STATE FAIR OF TEXAS AND MAY BE USED IN THE NEXT PRIZE WINNING RECIPES COOKBOOK.**

RIBBON AWARDS OFFERED IN EACH CLASS

1ST 2ND 3RD HMs

CLASS:

17-01. Savory – you will decide category after opening your bag.

17-02. Sweet – you will decide category after opening your bag.

(2016 Best of Show winner is not eligible to compete in this contest in 2017.)

STATE FAIR OF TEXAS 2017 CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Creative Arts Department

Lotto Draw Registration Form. Do not send entry fees at this time.

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TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION			
Name:		Did you enter Creative Arts in '13, '14, '15 or 2016? Circle one YES NO	
Address:		If above answer is NO Enter social security number	
City:	State:	Zip:	If above answer is YES, enter exhibitor number
Daytime telephone number:			
Email:			
DO NOT SEND ENTRY FEE WITH REGISTRATION			
	17-01	Guess What's Cooking - Oct. 5, 2017 (Declare category on day of contest)	\$3.00
	25-01	Pizza Cook-Off - Oct. 11, 2017 (Declare category on day of contest)	\$3.00
	26-01	Ice Cream Freeze-Off - Oct. 12, 2017 (Declare category on day of contest)	\$3.00
	28-01	Red River Shown Biscuit Cook-Off-Oct. 14, 2017 (Declare category on day of contest)	\$3.00
	35-01	Cobbler Cook-Off - Oct. 19, 2017 (Declare category on day of contest)	\$3.00
		SIGNED	DATE:

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