

# ★ BLACK JAR HONEY ★ POLISHED JAR HONEY

*State Fair of Texas Creative Arts Competition Kitchen*

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2018

ENTRY DEADLINE 10:30 A.M.



ENTRY FEE	AGES	SKILL LEVEL
NONE	ALL	AMATEURS
<b>RIBBONS AND PRIZES</b> RIBBONS AWARDED IN EACH CLASS.		
<b>BLUE</b> <i>1st Place</i>	<b>RED</b> <i>2nd Place</i>	<b>WHITE</b> <i>3rd Place</i>

The Texas Beekeepers Association will conduct the honey contest during the State Fair of Texas located in the Competition Kitchen of the Creative Arts building inside Fair Park on **Monday, October 15, 2018**.

Judging will take place beginning Monday morning with results presented on that afternoon.

Thanks go out to the participants for their hard work with the finest entries in Texas.

## ••••• COMPETITION INFORMATION AND RULES •••••

### GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Bring honey contest entry form with each entry to the registration table. Blank forms will be available. **On-line entry not available.**
- Photocopies accepted.
- Only one entry per category allowed per contestant.
- All honey must be produced by honey bees owned or managed by the contestant.
- There should be no identifying label or markers on the entry(s).
- Contest administrators will affix coded tabs to entries upon submission.
- **Disposition of entries: All entries will be donated to Happy Hill Children's Farm with the other honey from the Texas Beekeepers Association Honey Booth in the Food & Fiber Pavilion.**

### "POLISHED HONEY" ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Submit extracted honey entries in one-pound Queenline glass jars.
- Contestants may only submit honey entries produced in their own apiary or by bees that they manage for honey production or pollination.

### "BLACK JAR" HONEY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Entries must be submitted by a beekeeper and be pure unadulterated honey produced by his or her own bees.
- An "Entry" consists of one container of any style (8 ounces or more).
- Submit entry sample in a container without any identifying marks.
- None of the entries will be returned, but will be donated.

## ••••• CLASSES •••••

34-01. HONEY (POLISHED HONEY)

34-02. HONEY (BLACK JAR)

JUDGING

**CONTEST JUDGING**

- Contest judges will evaluate and score entries on day of the contest.
- Contest Committee Chairman will announce awards at the end of judging in the Creative Arts / State Fair Competition Kitchen area.
- This contest does not award Best of Show.

**HONEY JUDGING CRITERIA**

- Judges will award **1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons** to entries based on total points received.
- Judges may award points to entries in the following categories for a possible 100 points.

*Polished Honey*

Container Appearance	5
Level of Fill	5
Density	10
Free of Crystals	10
Free of Air Bubbles & Foam	10
Free of Wax	10
Free of Lint	10
Free of Other Foreign Matter	10
Flavor	15
Brightness	15
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>100</b>

*Black Jar Honey*

- Judges will award **1st, 2nd and 3rd place ribbons** to entries based on blind tastings.
- Judges will not see the color, clarity or any visual appeal of the honey.
- It is a contest based on flavor profile and taste alone.
- A panel of judges will taste, test and rank all the honey entries until the top three honey entries are determined.

**Black Jar Honey judges are normally local chefs.** In describing what they are looking for in honey entries, they mentioned things such as:

- Floral or fruity notes
- Nutty or spicy
- Complexity of flavor
- Long, smooth finish
- Sweetness and balance

- Is the honey:
- Bitter
  - Smokey
  - Flat
  - Single Note
  - Sour
  - One-dimensional