



## **Tennessee State Fair Competitions: Best of Tennessee State Exhibit Competition**

**1st place winners or Best of Show Winners of specific items at 2025 Tennessee county fairs may be eligible to compete in the 2026 State Fair for Best of Tennessee State Exhibit Competition.**

- To compete at the 2026 Tennessee State Fair, all entries must have won 1<sup>st</sup> place or Best of Show at a 2025 county fair in Tennessee.
- All items must be handmade by the exhibitor, and exhibitor must be a Tennessee resident.
- Qualified entries for the Tennessee State Fair Competition can be submitted by the exhibitor, a county fair representative or UT/TSU Extension Agent.

**First place or Best of Show entries in the following categories may qualify for the 2026 TN State Fair Competition:**

### **Art**

(Amateurs Only, Must be framed, wired & ready to hang)

- Adult-Painting (Acrylic)
- Adult-Painting (Oil)
- Adult-Drawing-(Pen & Ink)
- Youth-Drawing (color or graphite pencil)
- Youth-Painting (Watercolor)

### **Knitting, Crochet and Needlework**

- Crochet-Baby Set
- Crochet-Crib Blanket
- Knitting-Crib Blanket
- Knitting-Scarf
- Needlework-Under 15"
- Needlework-15" and above
- Needlework-Counted Cross-Stitch

**Photography:** (Amateurs Only) Adult & Youth  
(Picture sizes must be 5" x 7" to 8" x 12",  
mounted as follows: 5" x 7" photos on 8" x  
10" board and 8" x 10" to 8" x 12" photos on  
11" x 14" board)

- Best of Show Color Photo
- Best of Show Black & White Photo
- Photography-Animal
- Photography-Containing People
- Photography-Agriculture Down on the Farm

### **Quilts (Adult Only)**

- A representative of the Anderson County fair will notify you if your 1<sup>st</sup> Place or Best of Show item in the 2025 fair qualifies for entry into the 2026 Tennessee State Fair.
- If you agree to submit the qualifying items to the Tennessee State Fair, the Anderson County Fair Committee will transport your items to and from the Tennessee State Fairgrounds for the August 2026 competition.

- Youth-Drawing (Crayon)

### **Honey (Adults Only)**

- Honey-Extracted Dark Amber (1 lb. Jar)
- Honey-Extracted Light Amber (1 lb. Jar)
- Cake of pure Beeswax (1 lb. minimum)

- Quilts-Bed-Hand Pieced-Hand Quilted
- Quilts-Bed-Hand Pieced-Machine Quilted
- Quilts-Bed-Machine Pieced-Hand Quilted
- Quilts-Bed-Machine Pieced-Machine Quilted.

### **Sewing**

- Sewing-Youth-Pillow
- Sewing-Youth-Tote Bag
- Sewing-Adult-Sewn Garment
- Sewing-Adult-Child's Dress
- Sewing-Adult-Household Item

### **Stained Glass (Adults Only)**

- Stained Glass Item, Under 12"
- Stained Glass Item, Adult 12" and Above

### **Woodworking**

- Woodworking-Adult-Under 24"
- Woodworking-Adult-24" and above