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Western Art, Fine Art On Exhibit At County Fair

What a delight to see faces of young and old filled with anticipation, waiting to see if they are the winners. Over 1100 pieces were exhibited last year and are expected again this year. Cows, horses, rodeo scenes as well as flowers and landscapes will fill the new Fine Art and Home Economics building during the fair.

The Western Art and Fine Art exhibitions and judging began in 1979. They were started to showcase the art in our community. County Fairs focus on many areas and the arts are an area which allows people who cannot participate in agriculture or livestock, to be involved in the fair. The Western Art division is for children of school age who live in Colorado County. The Fine Art division is for anyone of any age living in Colorado County.

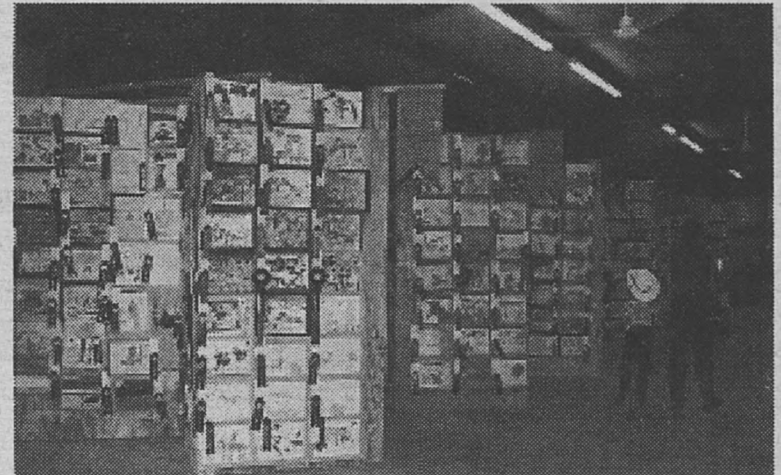
In the Western Art division the rules and guidelines are similar to those of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo School Art program from which our program was patterned. All school districts in Colorado County are invited to submit entries. Entries must be "western" in theme. They must simply bring their entries to the designated area on the designated day. These dates and locations are listed in the official Colorado County Fair catalog available at many locations in the county. In some cases a pre-entry card must be turned in. Each Western Art entry is awarded a blue, red or white ribbon. From each of the 3 divisions (elementary, junior high, and high school) a large best of

show and reserve best of show rosette ribbon will be awarded. In addition several finalist rosette ribbons will be awarded depending on the number of entries. If your school is not involved talk to your teacher about participation or enter as an individual. See the fair catalog.

The Fine Art division is open to all ages. Artwork covering any

subject is accepted, unlike the western art division, which accepts art of a "western" subject only. A pre-entry card must be turned in. Please see the fair catalog for details.

If you have any questions call Rita Ruffeno or Carolyn Walla at 979-732-3832 for additional information. While you're at the fair come see our new building and see the beautiful art from your county.



The Western Art Contest open to school age children from across the county attracted over 1100 entries in 2001. This year's contest promises to be even bigger and better. The art of Colorado County students can be viewed all day Friday, Saturday and Sunday in the Home Economics and Fine Arts Building.

Food Treats Available On Fair Grounds

Once again Colorado County Fair visitors will find a wide variety of delicious food and drinks. There is something for everyone.

In the livestock area, the Columbus FFA Alumni will once again be manning the concession. Fish will be featured on Friday with steak, hamburgers and french fries all day.

Other treats available are corn dogs, hot dogs, sausage on a stick, shrimp on a stick, beef or chicken fajitas, cheeseburgers and barbecue sandwiches. Cajun turkey legs, nachos, onion rings, Frito pies and roasted and kettle corn are also at the various concession stands.

To beat the heat try lemonade, tea, gatorade, slushes, soda water and sno-cones!

To top off your meal have a funnel cake, a favorite at every fair!

Make plans to see the Fair and enjoy the variety of foods

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