

2023 WYOMING SHEEP & WOOL FESTIVAL

WOOLCRAFT SHOW & SALE

RULES AND GUIDELINES

The Wyoming Sheep & Wool Festival invites anyone working with woolcraft to enter this inaugural show and sale. Baskets, blankets and rugs, tapestries and wall hangings, saddle cinches and other tack, hats and headwear, hand- and footwear, garments, home decor, children's toys, coiled vessels, sculptures, and other artistic creations are most welcome and encouraged. Show us the beautiful things you create using wool.

EVENT DATES

Friday, June 30- July 1, 2023.

LOCATION:

Wyoming Sheep & Wool Festival, South Lincoln Training and Event Center, 215 State Highway 233, Kemmerer, Wyoming.

Reception: Friday, June 30, 6.p.m.

Awards Announced: Saturday, July 1, 7 p.m.

Entries Open: April 15, 2023.

Entry Deadline: June 15, 2023.

ENTRY FEE/IMAGES: \$25 non-refundable entry fee per two pieces is due at the time of submission.

AWARDS: Cash awards will be provided for the Juror's Choice and People's Choice.

Attend the Show & Sale to vote for People's Choice Award.

Show & Sale Goal: To raise funds for an annual Wyoming Sheep & Wool Festival Woolcraft Show and Sale, to provide an opportunity for wool artists to participate, and to give the public an opportunity to experience the richness, variety, and unique qualities of wool fiber art through excellence of craftsmanship and originality of design.

RECEPTION & AWARDS: An art reception will be held Friday evening, and attendees will be invited to vote for the People's Choice Award. The works will be on display at the South Lincoln Events and Training Center from Friday afternoon through Saturday evening. All entries will be included in silent auction, which will conclude prior to Saturday's dinner event. Award winning pieces will be announced during the Shepherders Come Bye Dinner, which will be held July 1 from 6 -8 p.m. in the South Lincoln Event and Training Center. All artists are encouraged to attend the Friday reception and Saturday awards dinner if available.

ALL ENTRIES:

- Must have wool as a significant component of its construction.
- Must be one-of-a kind, crafted by the exhibitor.
- Be unique, original in concept, or of historical derivation.
- Be complete, professionally presented, and ready to use.
- Must be clean and odor-free.
- Be safe for its intended use (for items such as toys).
- Garments must consist of at least 50% wool fiber.
- Garment entries must have care and content labels. The responsibility of meeting federal, state and local guidelines rests with the artist. Official information on Federal Trade Commission rules can be found at: www.ftc.gov/business-guidance/resources/threading-your-way-through-labeling-requirements-under-textile-wool-acts
- All entries must be professionally presented and ready to be displayed.
- Flat items should be ironed or pressed.
- Wall hangings must have appropriate and professional quality hanging hardware already installed so that the show's set-up crew can immediately hang in the sale and the customer can immediately hang at home.

DEADLINE: Entries must be received by June 15, 2023.

Work will be displayed at the festival location.

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Questions? Contact Woolcraft Show & Sale Coordinator, Heather Jones:
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ENTRY PROCESS:

Download and complete the **Entry Form** at: wyomingsheepandwoolfestival.com.

A 3"x5" **Description Tag** is required for each entry. The tag should include the artist's first and last name, an item description and a sales price (in whole dollar amounts). Description tags can also provide construction details and intended use, as well as any story about the item you would like to share.

Please place your entry, entry and description tags in a clear zipper-type bag and mail to the address indicated. No entry substitutions once entered. If entry is too large for such a bag, please pack and mail it securely, or call Alison to make arrangements.

A non-refundable **entry fee of \$25** (one entry fee allows for up to two works) is due at the time of submission. Checks should be written to "Wyoming Wool Growers Association."

Works must be shipped in a reusable container that can be used to return the artwork to the artist in the event the piece is not sold at the silent auction. We can receive Fed-Ex., UPS, or USPS, but we can only return items through USPS. Please do not use "peanuts" as packing material. *Artist is responsible for return shipping cost.* We will invoice you or you can pick your art up at close of the show if not sold.

SALES:

All work must be offered for sale and will be sold through silent auction during the event. Proceeds of sale at the fiber show silent auction will be shared as follows: 25% of the proceeds to the WS&WF, with the balance to the artist.

LIABILITY:

Please note that the artist assumes the risk of loss or damage to the artwork during transportation and while the artwork is in the custody of the WS&WF. The artist is responsible

for making such insurance arrangements as the artist deems appropriate. Submission of an entry indicates agreement with these terms.

GENERAL RULES:

All entries must be available for sale by silent auction held by the Wyoming Sheep and Wool Festival (WS&WF) at no less than the minimum sale price specified by the artist. Price not seen by juror.

Entry Returns: You or someone that you designate may pick up your entry at the show after 7 p.m. on Saturday, July 1, 2023. Unsold entries will be mailed back to the designated return address and the artist will be invoiced for the shipping cost.

DELIVERY/ SHIPPING:

Please mail your entry form, description tag, and entry fee to:

Wyoming Wool Growers Association
811 N Glenn Road
Casper, WY 82601

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QUESTIONS?

Contact Alison Crane at wyowool@wyowool.com or call 307-265-5250.

WEBSITE:

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