

DIVISION 7
NEEDLEWORK

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Adults 18 years and over

RULES:

1. Please read and follow all the important information and rules starting on page 3.
2. ALL pictures must be framed and ready to hang; all small articles must be mounted.
3. Design size, NOT FRAME SIZE, is to be used for pictures in Section C, Classes 6 thru 14.
4. Commemorative category to include weddings, births, graduations, etc.
5. Group Projects (Section C-22) may be entered by any non-professionals when more than one person is involved in the work, listing the group involved on the entry form.
6. For judging purposes, name of stitchers must be covered on projects (i.e., masking tape over signatures).
7. More than 15 entries in any class will be subdivided by Chairperson prior to judging.

SECTION AC - 85th ANNIVERSARY CHALLENGE

Class 85 - "In honor of the anniversary of the Middlesex County Fair, this special category will include any Needlework technique which would have been used in 1938, and have a subject relating to Middlesex County as it existed in 1938 when the Fair was established. Along with the item submitted there should be a 3"x5" index card with the technique listed and a brief explanation of the choice of subject matter. Items will be judged on both the technique and the subject matter."

SECTION A - COUNTED THREAD TECHNIQUES

Class 1 - Counted bead work - any item

Class 2 - Duplicate Stitch - any item

Class 3 - Waste canvas (x stitch) – any item

Class 4 - Hardanger

- a) large
- b) small
- c) ornament
- d) cards

Class 5 - Pulled thread work – any item

Class 6 - Swedish Weaving

- a) large
- b) small

Class 7 - Blackwork - any item

- a) large
- b) small

Class 8 - Decorative stitches (i.e., band samplers) - any item

Class 9 - Stitching over 1 thread - any item

Class 10 - Edgings (specialty stitches to finish items not in frames) - any item

Class 11 - Canvaswork - any item

Class 12 - Combined Techniques

Class 13 - Any other article

SECTION B - STAMPED CROSS-STITCH

Class 1 - Decorations (wall hangings, bell pulls, banners)

Class 2 - Household Accessories

- a) large (i.e.; tablecloths)
- b) small (i.e.; towels, pillowcases)

Class 3 - Pictures

Class 4 - Holiday item

Class 5 - "Wearables" - any item

Class 6 – Sampler

Class 7 - Items in sets

Class 8 - Any other article

SECTION C - COUNTED CROSS-STITCH

- Class 1** - Decorations (wall hangings, bell pulls, banners)
 - a) non-holiday
 - b) holiday;
- Class 2** - Household Accessories (single items)
 - a) large items (tablecloths, runners, pillowcases, etc.)
 - b) medium items (fingertip towels, placemats, bread cloths, etc.)
 - c) small items (magnets, coasters, sachets, bookmarks, etc.)
- Class 3** - Decorated objects
 - a) large items (wooden jewel boxes, shelves, etc.) over 6"
 - b) medium items (keepsake boxes, address books, etc.)
 - c) small (tin-toppers, ring boxes, etc.)
 - d) three-dimensional objects (ornaments, mobiles, etc.)
 - e) items in acrylic (trivets, paperweights, snow globes, coasters, etc.)
- Class 4** - Cards and/or tags (birthday greeting cards, Christmas gift tags, etc.)
 - a) special occasion
 - b) holiday
- Class 5** - Stitching on needlework accessories (i.e.; biscornu, chatelaines, spindles)
- Class 6** - Pictures: design size UNDER 5" x 7", Aida
- Class 7** - Pictures: design size UNDER 5" x 7", other fabric
- Class 8** - Pictures: design size 5" x 7" to 9" x 12", Aida
- Class 9** - Pictures: design size 5" x 7" to 9" x 12", other fabric
- Class 10** - Pictures: design size 11" x 14" to 16" x 20", Aida
- Class 11** - Pictures: design size 11" x 14" to 16" x 20", other fabric
- Class 12** - Pictures: any other size - Aida
- Class 13** - Pictures: any other size - other fabric
- Class 14** - Pictures: 3-D
- Class 15** - Samplers
 - a) alphabet
 - b) verse
 - c) commemorative
 - d) band
 - e) motifs or medallions
 - f) pictorial
 - g) mini: design under 5" x 7"
- Class 16** - Computer-enhanced stitchery (e.g., x-stitch picture stitched from photo)
- Class 17** - Miniatures (design area less than 3 inches)
- Class 18** - Holiday item
 - a) large picture
 - b) small picture
 - c) stocking
 - d) ornament
 - e) tree skirt
 - f) decorations in acrylic (trivets, globes, etc.)
 - g) household accessories (towels, runners, etc.)
 - h) free-standing
 - i) any other
- Class 19** - Non-traditional base (x-stitch on paper, vinyl, Aida-Plus, etc., as in mugs, sippy cups, ornaments, etc.)
 - a) Household
 - b) Holiday
 - c) Picture
- Class 20** - Items decorated with stitch-bands (Ribband ornaments, stitch-band baskets, etc.), any item
- Class 21** - Items in sets (mugs, coasters, towels, etc.)
 - a) Household
 - b) Holiday
- Class 22** - Group Project: work done by more than one person (i.e. Round-Robin Groups)
- Class 23** - Free-standing - any item
- Class 24** - Embellished items (x-stitch embellished with beads, buttons, and specialty

fibers, etc.), any item

a) large

b) small

Class 25 - Afghans/blankets (unquilted)

Class 26 - Stitching on large stitch fabric (counts 4-12) - any item

Class 27 - Stitching on small stitch fabric (40 count or greater) - any item

Class 28 - Stitching on specialty fabric (i.e.; stamped or dyed) - any item

Class 29 - Novelty design

Class 30 - Any other article

SECTION D - COUNTED CROSS-STITCH "WEARABLES"

Class 1 - Apparel (i.e.; collars, belts, hats, aprons, bibs, booties, hairclips, etc.)

a) adult

b) child

Class 2 - Accessories (i.e.; tote bags, book covers, eyeglass cases, etc.)

a) adult

b) child

Class 3 - Jewelry (i.e.; pins, watchbands, necklaces, etc.) - any items

Class 4 - Any other item

DIVISION 7-A NEEDLEWORK

For exhibitors 13-17 years of age

Use same Sections and Classes as Adults.

DIVISION 7-B NEEDLEWORK

For exhibitors 12 years and younger

Use same Sections and Classes as Adults.

DIVISION 7-S NEEDLEWORK

For exhibitors of any age with special developmental needs and abilities

Use same Sections and Classes as Adults.