

COMPETITION SCHEDULE



**CAIRNS
SHOW**



**15TH - 17TH
JULY 2026**

**SECTION 24
FIBRE CRAFTERS**

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WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to Australia's largest regional agricultural show, where we proudly celebrate the very best of Far North Queensland's agriculture, industry, culture, and community. Each year, the Cairns Show brings the country to the city, uniting families, honouring traditions, and connecting generations.

Our Show offers an exciting and diverse program featuring competitions, exhibits, entertainment, and hands-on experiences. From livestock and equestrian events to arts, photography, cooking, and horticulture, we are proud to showcase the exceptional talent and passion that make our region unique. And with Queensland's largest Sideshow Alley right here at the Cairns Show, there is truly something for everyone to enjoy.

This year holds special significance as we celebrate the 121st Cairns Show alongside Cairns' 150th Anniversary - a meaningful milestone that allows us to reflect on our shared history, acknowledge the progress of our region, and celebrate the community spirit that continues to define us.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Federal and State Governments and the Cairns Regional Council for their valued support of the show. I also wish to acknowledge our dedicated staff, committee members, volunteers, sponsors, and exhibitors - and, of course, our visitors. Your ongoing support and enthusiasm are what make this iconic event possible year after year.

With so much to explore, one day at the Cairns Show is never enough - so come along, immerse yourself in the festivities, and enjoy everything that makes our Show truly special.

Enjoy the 2026 Cairns Show!



Mr. Ian Allen

President, Cairns Show Association

Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral, and Mining Association



ESSENTIAL SHOW INFORMATION

Cairns Show

Wednesday 15th, Thursday 16th, and Friday 17th July 2026

Gate Opening Times

9:00am - 9:00pm daily

Please note: Some attraction closing times may vary.

Cairns Show Map

The Cairns Show Map is available at all gate entrances, in the Cairns Show Guide, and online via the Cairns Show website, Facebook, and Instagram pages.

Gate Entrances

1. Corner of Severin Street and Mulgrave Road (Main Gates)
2. Quigley Street
3. Mulgrave Road (in front of the Fred Moule Exhibition Centre)
4. Scott Street

Taxi Ranks

1. Mulgrave Road (in front of the Honey Providore Horticulture Pavilion)
2. Scott Street (near St Augustine's College)
3. Corner of Mulgrave Road and Severin Street

Bus Stops

Sunbus Pickup and Drop Offs Points:

- To the City – Mulgrave Road (opposite the Showground Main Entrance)
- From the City – Mulgrave Road (in front of the Cairns Youth Centre)
- Disability Set-Down – Corner of Mulgrave Road and Severin Street

Accessible Parking

Parking Bay Locations:

- 5 bays on Severin Street (near Mulgrave Road)
- 5 bays on Severin Street (outside St Augustine's College Swimming Pool)

Toilets

Please refer to the Cairns Show Map for toilet locations.

ATMS

1. Inside the Main Gate entrance (in front of the Cairns Show Office)
2. Outside the Fred Moule Exhibition Centre
3. Inside the Scott Street entrance (next to Sideshow Alley rides)

First Aid

1. Medical Outpost (near the Main Gate entrance)
2. Clive Gordon Main Arena (Centre Ring)
3. Opposite the Animal Nursery

Smoking

The Cairns Show is a smoke-free environment. Smoking is only permitted in clearly signed, designated areas. Please refer to the Cairns Show Map for locations.

Cloakroom

Located next to the Show Office. Volunteers from the FNQ Hospital Foundation will look after your items while you enjoy the Show. Free sunscreen is available.

Wheelchair/Trolley Hire

Wheelchair and trolley hire is not available. Please come prepared and refer to the Cairns Show Map for rest areas and First Aid locations.

Dogs & Animals

Dogs and animals are not permitted, except for service/guide dogs, approved medical support animals (ID required), and authorised Dog Show competitors.

GATE ADMISSION CHARGES

TICKETING INFORMATION

1. Purchasing Tickets Online is strongly encouraged. To purchase tickets online, please visit the Cairns Show website at www.cairnsshow.com.au.
2. Presold (discounted) tickets will be available at Pre-Sold Ticket Booth and Online. Please refer to the information below for pre-sale ticket purchasing details.
3. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the gates during the Show. Cashless payment is preferred; however, limited ATMs will be available across the grounds. Please refer to the Cairns Show Map for ATM locations.
4. Please note: A transaction fee per order applies to all ticket purchases, both online and in person, and is payable to the ticketing merchant.
5. By purchasing a ticket, you agree to the Terms and Conditions outlined on the Cairns Show website.

PRESOLD TICKETS

Discounted Presold Tickets can be purchased online at www.cairnsshow.com.au or in person at Earlville Shopping Town from **Monday 6 July to Monday 13 July**, between 9:00am and 5:00pm. **On Tuesday 14 July**, tickets will be available at the Main Gates of the Cairns Showgrounds from 9:00am to 5:00pm. After 5:00pm, tickets will only be available for purchase online.

Presold Ticket Types:

Valid for One Day – Any Day of the Cairns Show:

- **Adults (18 years and over) - \$30**
- **Concession/Pension - \$24***
 - For individuals 14 years and over with a valid Student ID or Pensioner Card
 - *A discounted Concession/Pension voucher may be published in the local newspaper, offering One Day – Any Day entry at \$21. Please refer to the Cairns Show website for details.*
- **Child (5 years to under 14 years) - \$16**
- **Child (Under 5 years) - FREE**
- **Family Pass (2 Adults & 2 Children) - \$75**
 - Children must be aged 5 years to under 14 years
 - Family members will receive individual tickets, allowing entry at different times on the same day

TICKETS AT THE GATE

From **12:00am Wednesday 15 July**, ticket prices will revert to standard gate pricing as listed below.

Ticket at the Gate Types:

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- **Adults (18 years and over) - \$30**
- **Concession/Pension - \$24**
 - For individuals 14 years and over with a valid Student ID or Pensioner Card
- **Child (5 years to under 14 years) - \$16**
- **Child (Under 5 years) - FREE**
- **Family Pass (2 Adults & 2 Children) - \$78**
 - Children must be aged 5 years to under 14 years
 - Family members will receive individual tickets, allowing entry at different times on the same day

BONUS DOLLARS

1. Bonus Dollars are not available for purchase online.
2. One sheet of Bonus Dollars costs \$25 and provides \$30 value.
3. Bonus Dollars are valid for use in Sideshow Alley only and can be redeemed on rides, food, and games.
 - Not redeemable for Showbags
 - Not transferable
 - Cannot be replaced if lost, stolen, or misplaced
 - Unused tickets are non-refundable

CAIRNS SHOW ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

CAIRNS SHOW MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Become a Member of the Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral and Mining Association (CAPMA) and enjoy a range of benefits across the Cairns Show, Cairns Show Wine Awards, Cairns Show Auto Spectacular, and other events throughout the year.

1. To apply for membership and view the full list of member benefits, please visit our website.
2. All membership types include three-day entry to the Cairns Show.
3. Membership applications and renewals open **January 2026** and close **Friday 10 July 2026**.
4. Membership is valid for the membership year ending **31 December 2026**. The Cairns Show Association reserves the right to refuse any application. Memberships are limited and subject to availability.
5. By purchasing a Cairns Show ticket, membership, and/or Bonus Dollars, the holder agrees to the CAPMA Copyright, Privacy Policy, and Disclaimer.

MEMBERSHIP TYPES:

Annual Membership - \$120

Or \$1200 for a Permanent 10-Year Membership

CAPMA Members aged 18 years and over receive the following benefits:

1. One (1) Member's Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (single person entry).
2. One (1) Member's Guest Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (non-transferable, single person entry).
3. Access to the De Jarlais Members Pavilion during the Cairns Show. *(Buffet and bar are not included and are payable directly to vendors on the day.)*
4. Access to exclusive Member deals during the Cairns Show

ShowTime Membership - \$65

Available as part of the ShowTime promotional offer only.

ShowTime Members receive the following benefits:

1. One (1) Member's Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (single person entry).
2. Access to the De Jarlais Members Pavilion during the Cairns Show. *(Buffet and bar are not included and are payable directly to vendors on the day.)*
3. Access to exclusive Member deals during the Cairns Show.

Concession Membership - \$24

CAPMA Members aged 14 years to under 18 receive:

1. One (1) Member's Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (single person entry).
2. Access to the De Jarlais Members Pavilion during the Cairns Show.
 - Buffet and bar are not included and are payable directly to vendors on the day.)
 - Members under 18 years must be always accompanied by an adult.

Concession Members aged 18 years and over receive the above, plus:

- Must hold and present valid Concessional Student Identification.
- Access to exclusive Member deals during the Cairns Show.

Child Membership - \$17

CAPMA Members aged 5 years to under 14 receive:

1. One (1) Member's Shield providing unrestricted three-day entry to the Cairns Show (single person entry).
2. Access to the De Jarlais Members Pavilion during the Cairns Show.
 - Buffet and bar are not included and are payable directly to vendors on the day.)
 - Members under 18 years must be always accompanied by an adult.

GENERAL CONDITIONS - COMPETITIONS

ENTRY & COMPETITIONS

This Show operates in accordance with the regulations of the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies, the Constitution and Rules of the Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral and Mining Association (CAPMA), and the regulations outlined within each section of this Show Schedule. In the event of any inconsistency, the rules and regulations contained within this Society's Schedule will take precedence.

For detailed information on the Queensland Chamber of Agricultural Societies regulations, please visit www.queenslandshows.com.au.

By participating in any class within this Schedule, all exhibitors and competitors agree to indemnify the Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral and Mining Association against any liability for accidents, damage, loss, or illness involving any exhibit, exhibitor, or competitor. All competitions are conducted under the full authority of CAPMA, and all decisions made by the Association are final.

THE CAIRNS AGRICULTURAL PASTORAL AND MINING ASSOCIATION

1. Competition entries and membership applications will not be accepted over the phone.
2. Each Section will have an appointed Chief Steward responsible for representing that Section in all matters. Failure to follow lawful directions from Stewards, Committee Members, or Staff, or any form of verbal or physical abuse, may result in disciplinary action, including exclusion from competitions and/or removal from the Cairns Showgrounds.
3. Judges will be appointed, and all judging decisions are final. No correspondence, verbal or written, will be entered.
4. **The Association reserves the right to make decisions, additions, or amendments to this Schedule, including Conditions of Entry and Special Regulations, without notice.**
5. By entering any competition, exhibitors acknowledge and agree to comply with all Conditions of Entry.
6. Judges must not have access to any information beyond that provided by CAPMA. Vice Presidents are not permitted to compete in sections under their direct control.

ANIMAL AND BIRD EXHIBITORS

1. All animal and bird exhibitors must complete an Exhibit Health Declaration upon delivery of their entry and comply with all health requirements outlined in the declaration. Forms are available from the Show Office or at www.cairnsshow.com.au.
2. Animal owners are responsible for all veterinary costs incurred. The Cairns Show will not cover veterinary expenses.
3. Entry to the grounds is subject to the following conditions:
 - a. Glass items are prohibited on the grounds.
 - b. All electrical leads must be tested and tagged in accordance with relevant industrial regulations.
 - c. Dogs must be always kept on a leash.

PRIZE MONEY & GST

Prize money listed in the Schedule is exclusive of GST. GST will be added for exhibitors registered for GST purposes. The Association will issue a Recipient Created Tax Invoice to eligible exhibitors.

PRIVACY STATEMENT

The Cairns Show Association collects and uses information provided in membership and competition entry applications to deliver member services and to organise and conduct competitions. By applying for membership or entering competitions, you consent to providing personal details such as name, address, and exhibit information. Competition results and details may be shared with media and included in publications. Your personal information will not be disclosed for any other purpose without your consent, unless required by law.

SECTION 24 FIBRECRAFTERS

OFFICIALS

Chief Steward: Ms. Carol Coates

KEY INFORMATION

Entry Fee: \$FREE

Prize: 1st - \$15 + Card = 5 Points, 2nd - \$8 + Card = 3 Points, 3rd Card = 1 Point

Entries Close: 4pm **Friday 17th June.**

Delivery of Exhibits: 9am - 4pm **Thursday 9th and Friday 10th July** - Arts & Crafts Hall

Judging: 9am **Saturday 11th July 2026**

Collection of Exhibits: **NOT BEFORE** 10am-12pm **Saturday 18th July** - Main Arena (Centre Ring) side of the Arts & Crafts Pavilion.

By prior arrangement only, out of town exhibitors may collect exhibits after the Fireworks for 30 minutes on **Friday 17th July**

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The Cairns Show Association wishes to record its sincere appreciation to the following Sponsors who have contributed to this area.

Cairns Agricultural, Pastoral and Mining Association, and Fibrecrafters FNQ Inc.



HOW TO ENTER

1. Complete an Entry online or in person at the Cairns Show Office, or post via PO Box 811 Bungalow, QLD 4870.
2. Entries will not be accepted over the phone or after the closing date.
3. Pay for Entry Fees online, by direct deposit, or in person at the Cairns Show Office (cash accepted).
4. Entries must be delivered to the designated part of the Showgrounds by the due date time and date shown.
5. Exhibitors will receive Entry and Class Cards.
6. All Class cards are to be placed on the bottom right-hand side of exhibit and small envelope with contact details must be attached to the back of exhibit prior to delivery.

AFTER THE SHOW

- Exhibits not collected by **28th August 2026** will automatically become the property of the Cairns Show Association.
- Prize money under the value of \$50 and Prize Certificates can be collected between 9am and 4pm, Monday to Friday, from **3rd August to 28th August 2026** from the Show Office.
- Any prize money over the value of \$50 will be directly deposited into your account from Monday **3rd August to Friday 28th August.**
- Proof of identity is required to collect Prize Money. If you are collecting prize money on behalf of someone else, a letter of authorization from that person will be required.
- Entrants who have not provided their account details will be contacted via the details presented on their Entry Form.
- ALL Prize Money not collected by 4pm on **28th August 2026** will be returned to the Cairns Show Association Funds and unable to be collected.
- A 'local' is defined as residing between the areas of Palm Cove & Gordonvale and west to the range.
- Results will be available AFTER the conclusion of the Show from the Cairns Show Website www.cairnsshow.com.au.

SPECIAL REGULATIONS

- Refer to General Conditions of Entry and Competition in front of this Schedule.
- All exhibits must be the sole work of the exhibitors. Exhibits created in tutored workshops are accepted for competition in Class 24025 only.
- Each exhibit may be entered in only one (1) class.
- All exhibits must be completed in the twelve (12) months prior to the 2026 Cairns Show.
- Exhibits entered in previous Cairns Shows are accepted for competition in **Class 24024** only and must be reconstructed into an original exhibit different from the one previously judged.
- The Judge reserves the right to alter the Class of an exhibit.
- Exhibits in **Classes 24001, 24002, 24003, 24004, 24017** to be accompanied by a completed sample (minimum 10 cm square), mounted on A5 size WHITE heavy card.
- Attach a sample of raw material to exhibits in **Classes 24001, 24002, 24003, 24004, 24009, 24010, 24017, 24018, 24019, 24020, 24021 and 24024**.
- Exhibits in class 24022, a joint effort must be accompanied by a description of materials and technique/s used, must reflect the shared work of two (2) or more people and will be judged as one (1) exhibit. Prize-winning joint exhibits will have full points awarded to each participant.
- To assist the Stewards in arranging and dispatching the exhibits after the Show, attach a sealed envelope containing the owner's name and address to the back of each exhibit. Name and address must also be printed on the back of the class cards.
- All exhibits forwarded by mail must include return postage.
- No free passes available to exhibitors.
- Exhibits for sale must be marked clearly with price. Exhibits not for sale must be marked clearly "NFS". Sold items must remain until Saturday of Show.
- Commission of 20% will apply to all exhibits sold and must be included in the sale price. Please liaise with the Chief Steward.

FIBRECRAFTERS FNQ INC.

Fibrecrafters FNQ Inc. has been part of the Cairns community since 1980. Originally formed as the Northern Spinners and Weavers, the club began after a group of local craft enthusiasts responded to a radio advertisement inviting people interested in learning and sharing the art of spinning and weaving to meet at the TAFE library.

Later that year the club adopted its constitution and formally established itself, with Sheila Roberson serving as the first President. In 2002 the club became incorporated and later changed its name to Fibrecrafters FNQ Inc. to better reflect the wide range of fibre and textile crafts now practised by its members.

Today, Fibrecrafters FNQ provides a welcoming and supportive environment where members can learn new skills, share knowledge and enjoy the creative arts of spinning, weaving and related crafts. The club promotes the development of high standards in textile crafts while encouraging members to enjoy the social and creative benefits of crafting together.

Members practise a variety of traditional and contemporary fibre arts including spinning, weaving, knitting, crochet, felting, fabric dyeing, bobbin lace, basketry, tapestry weaving and other textile techniques. The club also maintains an extensive library of more than 600 books and DVDs, along with looms, spinning wheels and other equipment available for members to hire.

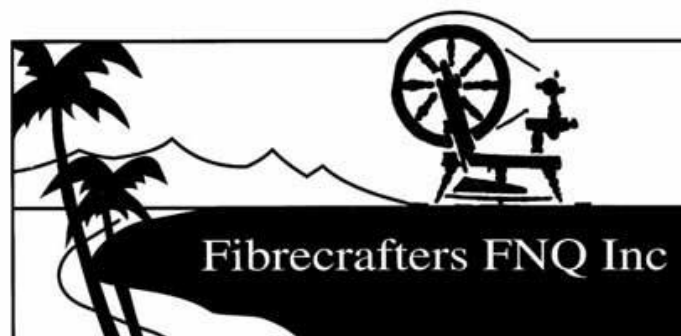
Located under the Grandstand at the Cairns Showgrounds, Fibrecrafters FNQ welcomes both beginners and experienced crafters. Regular gatherings provide an opportunity to learn new techniques, share ideas and connect with others who enjoy textile crafts.

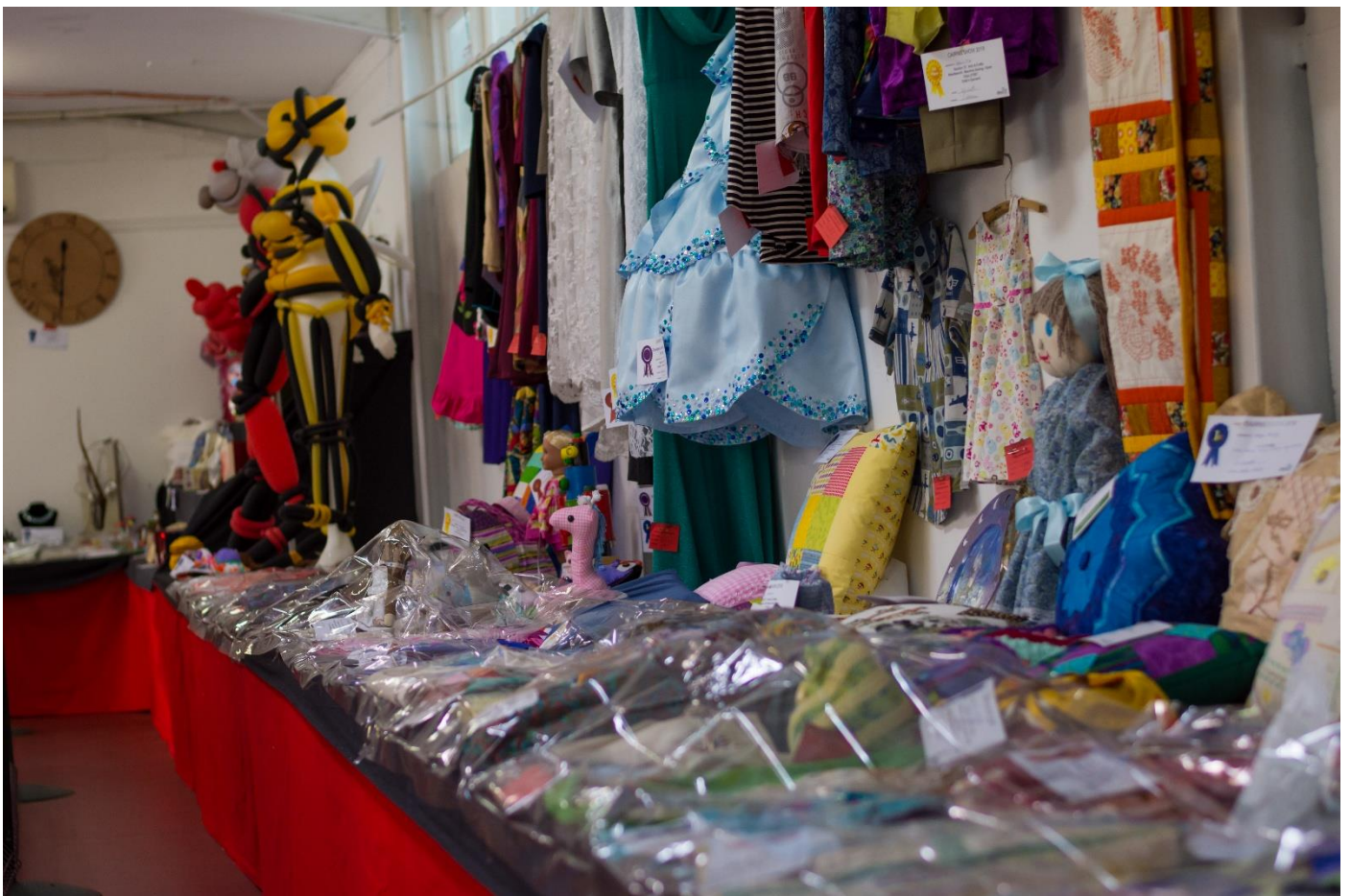
Visitors are welcome to attend two complimentary sessions, with annual membership available for \$45 per year. Members also contribute to several community initiatives, creating handmade items for Cairns Hospital, cancer patients and other local organisations.

The group meets regularly from 10am–2pm at the Cairns Showgrounds, with a Crochet for Cancer group meeting every second Saturday at the Cairns RSL.

With more than 45 years of crafting and community spirit, Fibrecrafters FNQ continues to play an important role in supporting and promoting fibre arts in the Cairns region.

For more information contact Nikki on 0411 045 880.





SINGLE EFFORT**SPINNING**

- Class 24001:** Novice - Hand-Spun Yarn
Not more than 3 years' experience, and not previously awarded a prize in classes 24001, 24002, 24003 or 24004. Plied, natural fibre, no blends, 1 skein (minimum 25 metres), washed.
- Class 24002:** Natural Fibre - Hand-Spun Yarn
Natural fibre, no blends, 1 skein (minimum 25 metres), washed.
- Class 24003:** Fibre Blend - Hand-Spun Yarn
Fibre blend, commercial optional, 1 skein (minimum 25 metres), washed
- Class 24004:** Designer - Hand-Spun Yarn
Hand-Spun Designer Yarn, not less than 25% hand-spun fibre, 1 skein (minimum 25 metres)

DYEING

- Class 24005:** Natural Dyes - Hand-Dyed Yarn
Natural dyes, 1 skein (minimum 25 metres), washed.
- Class 24006:** Commercial Dyes - Hand-Dyed Yarn
Commercial dyes, 1 skein (minimum 25 metres), washed.
- Class 24007:** Natural or Commercial Dyes - Hand-Dyed Article or Garment

WEAVING

- Class 24008:** Hand-Woven Fabric
Any Medium.
- Class 24009:** 100% Hand-Spun Yarn - Hand-Woven Article or Garment
Natural fibre(s).
- Class 24010:** Any Medium - Hand-Woven Article or Garment
- Class 24011:** Hand-Woven Tapestry Weaving
Any Medium framed or unframed, ready to hang.

FELTING

- Class 24012:** Hand-Felted - Wearable Garment or Accessory
Any Techniques - Example: sculpture, bag, shawl.
- Class 24013:** Hand-Felted - Non-Wearable Article
Any Techniques - Example: sculpture, rug, wall piece.
- Class 24014:** Nuno Felted - Wearable Art Garment or Article

SINGLE EFFORT – CONTINUED**BASKETRY**

Class 24015: Hand-Woven Article
Using Basketry Techniques, Any Medium.

Class 24016: Hand-Crafted Basketry or Sculpture
Using Techniques other than weaving, Any Medium - Example: coiling, sewing, wrapping.

OTHER TECHNIQUES

Class 24017: Hand-Crafted Unique Creative Yarn
Using Techniques other than spinning or plying, 1 skein (minimum 25 metres) - Any Medium. Fibre, yarn, fabric, plastic, wire or like material, must be stable for the end use.

Class 24018: Hand-Crafted Article or Sculpture
Using only RECYCLED materials. Example: fabric, plastic, paper. Attached a sample of raw material or photo of a sample of items used in the whole work cannot be obtained. Write a brief description of materials and techniques used.

Class 24019: Lace Item
Any item created from at least two types of lace. Example: hairpin, teneriffe crochet, bobbin, tatting, etc.

Class 24020: Lace Article or Garment
Any Technique (describe briefly) and Any Medium.

Class 24021: Fibrecrafting Techniques - Hand-Crafted Article or Garment
Using a minimum of 3 Fibrecrafting Techniques. Examples: knitting, dyeing, felting, etc. Description of Techniques used and Any Medium.

Class 24022: Knitted or Crocheted from Yarn - Hand-Crafted Article or Garment
Any Article or Garment knitted or crocheted from any yarn (including natural or synthetic fibres, hand or commercial spun).

JOINT EFFORT

Class 24023: Hand-Crafted Article or Garment/ Other
Any Technique/s, Any Medium, Any Other Article.

ANY OTHER ARTICLE

Class 24024: Original Article Reconstructed
From a previous judged article. See Special Regulation 5.

Class 24025: Any Other Article Not Specified

SPECIAL CLASS

Class 24026: Finished - Hand-Crafted Yarn, Article or Garment Created in a Tutored Work
Using Fibrecrafting Techniques with any fabric, material or yarn (if applicable, 1 skein minimum 25 metres) This is open to all workshop attendees, not just those convened by Fibrecrafters FNQ Inc.

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE - \$50 GIFT VOUCHER

Most points overall in classes 24001 to 24026

Prize: \$50 Gift Voucher + Sheila Robertson Perpetual Trophy + Sash

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AWARD FOR EFFORT - \$50

This Award encourages diversity of talents. An exhibitor who has entered a minimum of five classes from 24001 to 24026 and earns the highest points other than Award for Excellence recipient.

Judge's decision if tied points or if no one qualifies.

Prize: \$50 + Gladys & Ray Brown Perpetual Trophy + Sash

JUDGES AWARD - \$50

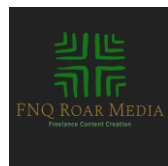
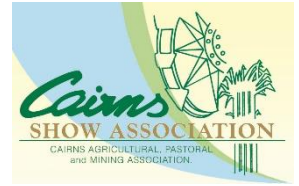
Awarded to the Judge's choice of one exhibit in Classes 24001 to 24026

Prize: \$50 + Sash

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