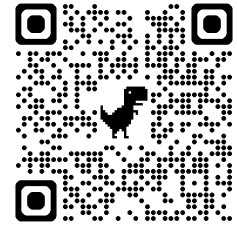


**Kentucky Extension Homemakers Association
Cultural Arts and Heritage Educational Program
Chairperson Tips for Your COUNTY and AREA**



Welcome!

- My goal as the State Cultural Arts Chairperson is to provide consistent Cultural Arts and Heritage program information to our Area and County Chairpersons. I hope your questions will be answered and you will be able to confidently lead your County and Area Homemakers as they participate in our various Cultural Arts contests. When we work together, we can have successful events.
- Please refer to the Cultural Arts and Heritage webpage for current information
 - ***Scan QR code*** or go to ***KEHA.org*** – then click on ***“Get Involved”*** – then click on ***“Educational Chairpeople”*** – then click on ***“Cultural Arts and Heritage”***
- Please contact State Chairperson, CINDY MOORE, with any questions
 - Cindy Moore: cjrn1@bellsouth.net, 502-706-0579

COUNTY & AREA Cultural Arts and Heritage Chairperson:

- Communicate with your Agent
- Communicate with *each other*
 - Get to know your AREA Chairperson for Cultural Arts and Heritage
 - Get to know the other County Chairpersons in your Area, too
- Decide which contests you want your County to focus on
 - All contests are optional, however promotion and participation are great ways to boost your County's Homemaker involvement
- Make sure each county knows what to expect at the Area Cultural Arts Exhibit

Passport Contest & Creative Writing Contest:

- Refer to the Cultural Arts and Heritage pages of the KEHA Manual for details
- Come up with a plan for how you would like to promote these in your County
- Note the due dates for entries:
 - Passport = July 15, numbers due to County
 - Creative Writing = March 1, received or postmarked to State Chairperson

KEHA Book List & Book Clubs:

- Refer to the Cultural Arts and Heritage pages of the KEHA Manual for details
- Anyone may contribute entries yearly by March 15
- New list is posted yearly on KEHA.org in July
- Counties may use list as they see fit
 - Optional book clubs
 - Optional contests (determined by the County)

Cultural Arts Exhibit Contest:

- Make sure you're using the current Category list
 - There are usually updates every year
 - **Current list is effective 7-1-26 through 6-30-27**
- Refer to the CLARIFICATIONS section to help with sub-category placement
 - Goal: have consistent entry placement throughout our Counties
 - In addition to sharing the Category list with everyone (pages 82 & 83), please share the CLARIFICATIONS pages, too (84 – 88) prior to entry dates for you County or Area Exhibit
- Exhibits advance from the County → Area → State
 - The same categories and sub-categories should be used at all levels
 - County → Area → State
- County Level Exhibit:
 - Award ribbons as County sees fit
 - When advancing from the County → Area
 - County agrees on one top-winning entry from each sub-category to advance to the Area contest
- Area Level Exhibit:
 - Award ribbons as Area sees fit
 - When advancing from the Area → State
 - Area agrees on **one top-winning entry from each sub-category** to advance to the State contest
 - Area: please make sure everyone knows which entries are eligible to advance to the State level exhibit

Selecting Judges for Your Cultural Arts Exhibit:

- Check local craft guilds and/or ask school teachers to come judge
- If possible, limit the number of Extension Agents / Staff asked to judge
 - *Try to source Agents / Staff from other Counties or Areas*

Judging Your Cultural Arts Exhibit:

- Refer to Manual, Part 2, Page 80 for Criteria
- Currently, there are no official rubrics at the State level
- Judges should recognize and understand the skills required to create each item
- Be mindful to not award a ribbon just because an exhibit "is pretty"

For more information about being a Cultural Arts Chairperson contact:

- Cindy Moore, Cultural Arts State Chairperson, cjrn1@bellsouth.net