

## **OPEN CLASS PHOTOGRAPHY AND FOODS & NUTRITION** **CONFERENCE STYLE JUDGING**

In 2017, the Fair debuted Conference Style judging with two Departments in the Open Class Division; Department 120-Photography and Department 125-Foods & Nutrition. Open Class exhibitors with entries in these two Departments are required to have their exhibits in place by 10:00 a.m. All other Open Class Departments are required to be in place by noon on Judging Day. Photography exhibits should be brought to the Bingo Tent and Foods & Nutrition exhibits should be brought to the Entertainment Tent. The judging process will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m.

Exhibitors are invited to observe the Conference Style judging where they can listen to the judge critique exhibits grouped in lot numbers. The judge will make decisions based on all articles without input from the exhibitors. After careful examination, the judge will share his/her decision as to the awards with justification based on a short explanation of the good points and items in need of improvement. This is a wonderful educational opportunity for Open Class exhibitors, as regular Open Class judging does not offer contact/feedback with the judges or an understanding of the reasons for the first, second, third, fourth placings or Best of Show.

Whether you have exhibits entered or not, everyone is invited to observe this judging process.