

584 Photography Basics - Book 1

Project Description

This beginning project is designed for youth (grades 5-12) with no prior experience in photography. Younger members will need help from a committed adult. You will learn how to get quality pictures as well as how to evaluate them before and after you take them. This project covers equipment, lighting techniques and composition skills.

To Complete This Project

1. Explore each of the 4 Project Areas. Complete at least 2 activities in each project area and the Talking It Over for each section.
2. Use your photo journal or scrapbook to keep track of your completed work.
3. Take part in at least 2 Learning Experiences.
4. Take part in at least 2 Citizenship/Leadership activities.

Take part in a project review. If you choose not to participate in judging at the fair, make arrangements to discuss and review completion of your project with your advisor.

Judging of this Project

This project will be judged as part of Special Interest Judging:

at the Union County Fair on Wednesday – Friday immediately prior to the start of the fair
OR
at the Richwood Fair on Sunday immediately prior to the start of the fair

Your advisor will tell you a more specific judging time later in the summer. At the specific judging time assigned to you, **bring your completed project book with a photo journal, your camera, and a picture frame with 1 or more mounted pictures for your project display.** You will participate in an interview judging and then leave your exhibit (a display of your project) on display the entire week of the fair.

Project Display

Each participant is required to bring one of the following three items for exhibit:

- A single print of any size mounted at the discretion of the participant; or
- A collection of prints illustrating a “Photo Story”, consisting of at least five and not more than ten photographs mounted at the discretion of the exhibitor; or
- A collection of prints illustrating one of the “activities” the participant completed for the project, consisting of at least five and not more than ten photographs, mounted at the discretion of the participant.

Participants may also bring any other materials they feel might demonstrate their learning experiences from the current project year. Photochemical developing and printing may be done by the participant but is not required.

You may choose to bring additional items to show the judge your project work that you do not leave on display. This is acceptable. You must leave something on display the entire week. **Your project book cannot serve as your project display.** Plan your display item carefully: fragile, valuable, or items that will be damaged by dust are not a good idea. **Display Areas**

At the Union County Fair Special Interest Projects will be displayed in the Armory.

At the Richwood Fair these projects will be displayed in the Jr. Fair Building.

Project Pick-Up:

You must pick up your project display at the end of the fair, or arrange for someone to get it for you. At Union County Fair, Special Interest Projects will be released on Saturday of the fair from 4 p.m.-5 p.m. Projects not picked up by 5 p.m. will be disposed of or donated to charities.

At the Richwood Fair, all Special Interest Projects will be released at 3 p.m. on Monday of the fair and should be removed by 9 p.m.

Award Presentation:

Union County Fair Special Interest Project Awards will be presented at the Jr. Fair Awards Program on Tuesday of the fair at the Armory.

Richwood Fair Special Interest Project Awards will be presented at the Jr. Fair Awards Program during the fair. Check the fair paper for the day, time, and location of this program.

Ohio State Fair Opportunity:

This project **Does** have the opportunity to be displayed at The Ohio State Fair. Any 4-H'er who wishes to compete for an opportunity to display this project at The Ohio State Fair must participate in judging at the Union County Fair, as described above. Union County representatives for The Ohio State Fair will be chosen as part of Union County Fair judging. Display should be the one used at their county fair.