

# Racine County 4-H Communication & Performing Arts Festival 2022



Date: Sunday, April 3, 2022

Time: 1:00-5:00p.m.



Place: Union Grove High School, 3433 South Colony Avenue, Union Grove, WI 53182

*Please use the Performance Center doors.*

Judging will take place from 1:00-4:00 p.m., but participants **MUST CHECK IN NO LATER THAN 2:00 P.M.**, unless otherwise stated in your confirmation e-mail. The awards presentation will begin at approximately 4:15 p.m., or at the conclusion of judging, and conclude at approximately 5:00p.m.

**NEW THIS YEAR!** Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/4-HCPAF22>

This event is open to ALL 4-H members. More information on festival categories/classes follows:

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## 2022 Theme: **"SPRING INTO ACTION"**

Racine County 4-H annually hosts its Communication & Performing Arts Festival during the spring, a season often associated with new beginnings, growth, and community service. As 4-H begins to return to more regular activity, this year's planning committee invites you to "Spring into Action" with 4-H. Each class features an entry related to this theme. You can perform, speak, write, draw, create or enter photographs based on your interpretation of what this theme means to you.

**Please read the following guidelines for more information.**

- All registrations should be **submitted electronically NO LATER THAN MIDNIGHT MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2022.** Late registrations will NOT be accepted.
- Please submit **Creative Writing and Poster entries to the Extension Racine County office by Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at 4:30 p.m., along with a hard copy of your entry form.** Those entries may be dropped off in person at the Extension Racine County Office (1072 Milwaukee Avenue, Burlington 53105) on weekdays between 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon or 12:30-4:00 p.m. by the stated date and time, placed in the drop box in front of the Burlington office by the stated date and time, postmarked via USPS mail by the stated date OR emailed to [4h.commartsfest@gmail.com](mailto:4h.commartsfest@gmail.com).
- All entries must be your own work and must have been made after the 2021 Racine County Fair.
- Projects made for this year's Festival may be entered in the 2022 Racine County Fair if you are enrolled in the relevant project.
- You may enter as many Festival classes as you wish, even if you are NOT enrolled in that project. For example, if you are not enrolled in the Photography project, you may still enter Photography.
- The Communication & Performing Arts Festival is a free, family event. Family and friends of all ages are encouraged to ATTEND this event.
- Face-to-face is the method of judging for all entries, except for Creative Writing, Posters and Performing Arts. Racine County 4-H reserves the right to award "theme" entries as they see fit.
- More detailed category descriptions and judging sheets will be available at <https://racine.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms-and-documents/>.



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## Posters

Your poster can relate to the theme, ***"SPRING INTO ACTION,"*** OR you may promote joining 4-H, a 4-H related activity, a project, or an upcoming event.

**Entries are due by 4:30 p.m. on TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022, along with your festival entry form to the Extension Racine County Office in Burlington.**

- You are limited to one poster entry per 4-H member.
- Posters must be 14" x 22", horizontal or vertical.
- You must have 4-H or the 4-H clover design on your poster.
- On the poster back, describe where the poster might be displayed AND list your name, club, and grade level.
- Posters will be judged prior to the festival and will be put on display at the festival.
- Awards will be given out during the awards ceremony.
- Refer to page 6 of this packet for additional poster contest guidelines.
- Ribbon placing will be lowered one level if guidelines are not followed.

➤ **Entry descriptions** (one poster per exhibitor):

- Painted or hand-drawn
- 3-D and/or computer-aided

**Resource:** "Making a Poster" is a handout that is available from the Extension Racine County Office. You may request this resource by contacting Theresa Odell at (262) 767-2929 or by e-mail at [theresa.odell@racinecounty.com](mailto:theresa.odell@racinecounty.com).

**Racine County Fair Entries:**

Department 31, Division 3 Posters & Promotional Materials, Class 5: Poster Promoting 4-H or Organized Youth Group

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## Creative Writing/Essay

You may write something related to the theme, ***“SPRING INTO ACTION,”*** OR you may write about 4-H in general, your favorite project, what 4-H has taught you, any other topic, or an account of an interview with someone.

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- Entries will be judged prior to the festival and will be put on display at the festival.
- Awards will be given out during the awards ceremony.
- Judging Criteria: 60% composition, 10% grammar, 10% punctuation, 10% spelling and 10% neatness
- You may enter a poem, story and essay, but no more than one exhibit per genre.
- Entries must be neatly printed, typed (double-spaced), or computer printed (double-spaced), on one side of the paper only.
- Your name, address, 4-H club, grade division and entry type (i.e. poem, story or essay) must be in the upper right-hand corner on the front page of your entry.

### ➤ Grade divisions and length requirements:

K5-2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	Poem: any length	Essay and/or Story: up to 500 words
3 <sup>rd</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup> grade	Poem: any length	Essay and/or Story: up to 1,000 words
5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> grade	Poem: any length	Essay and/or Story: up to 1,500 words
8 <sup>th</sup> grade and older	Poem: any length	Essay and/or Story: up to 2,000 words

### Resources:

Tips for exhibitors can be found at: <http://fyi.uwex.edu/wi4hprojects/files/2015/05/commfair.pdf>

### Racine County Fair Entries:

Department 31, Division 2 – Written Word – Class 1 Poem, Class 2 Short Story, Class 3 Essay

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**Wisconsin State Fair Entries:** Beginning April 1, 4-Hers wishing to exhibit one or more projects in the Wisconsin State Fair Youth Expo Hall can learn more about the updated process at

<https://wistatefair.com/competitions/youth-expo/> Questions? Please email [youthexpo@wistatefair.com](mailto:youthexpo@wistatefair.com) .

## Demonstrations

**Demonstrations will be presented and judged between 1:00-4:00 p.m.** You will be assigned an *approximate* time to perform your demonstration and will be notified of that time via e-mail prior to the festival. Each demonstration will be judged face to face immediately following the presentation.

The demonstration can relate to the theme, ***“SPRING INTO ACTION,”*** or a different topic of your choice.

- All demonstrators will be competing against themselves.
- Show the audience how to do something, explain each essential step and use visual aids.
- Tables and an easel will be provided.
- All demonstrators, 8th grade and older, will have the opportunity to be chosen as a Wisconsin State Fair demonstrator. If chosen, there will be a Wisconsin State Fair participation fee.

➤ **Grade divisions and time requirements: (Demonstrations should be within the time indicated below or the ribbon will be lowered one placing.)**

K5-2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	1-4 minutes
3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grade	3-7 minutes
5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> grade	5-9 minutes
8 <sup>th</sup> grade and older	7-12 minutes
Team Demonstrations	Time limit will be determined by the oldest participant.

**Resource:** You can refer to the following resources available at the Extension Racine County Office or online:

- “Let’s Demonstrate”  
<https://extension.missouri.edu/media/wysiwyg/Extensiondata/Pro/4h/Docs/GetInvolved/ClubManagement/ProjectLeader/Y744.pdf>
- “It’s Showtime! How to Demonstrate the 4-H way” on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WTytHTCkv8c>

### **Racine County Fair Entries:**

Department 31, Division 1 – Spoken Word, Class 4 Demonstration Designed for Live Audience, Class 5 Demonstration Designed for Online Audience (video editing allowed), Class 6 Team Demonstration  
[https://www.racinecountyfair.com/files/ugd/bf893d\\_75d354e22eb9496eaf5027f099f60e68.pdf](https://www.racinecountyfair.com/files/ugd/bf893d_75d354e22eb9496eaf5027f099f60e68.pdf)

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## Speaking (Speech, Dramatic Reading, Public Service Announcement)

Speaking entries will be presented and judged between 1:00-4:00 p.m. You will be assigned an approximate time to perform and will be notified of that time via e-mail prior to the festival. Each speaking entry will be judged face-to-face immediately following the presentation.

### Entry Descriptions and Topic Ideas:

#### SPEECHES:

- **K5-2<sup>nd</sup> grade:** Plan and practice telling the judge and audience about a topic you care about, like what makes 4-H fun, what makes a good friend, a place you've visited, your favorite book or another topic of your choice.
- **All other grade divisions:** Write and present a speech relating to the theme, **"SPRING INTO ACTION,"** OR on a topic of your choice. Speeches must be the original work of the member: informative, persuasive, or entertaining.
- Note cards may be used skillfully as an aid, but you should NOT read directly from the note cards.
- Visual aid and/or electronic slides are optional.

#### DRAMATIC READINGS:

- **K5-2<sup>nd</sup> grade:** Recite the 4-H Pledge and/or the Pledge of Allegiance from memory, or read a short story, poem or nursery rhyme.
- **All other grade divisions:** Select one or more readings – poetry, short story or a book excerpt – to fit time guidelines. The reading may be an original work or by another author.
- More than one selection may be chosen to meet time requirement.
- Delivery must convey your personal interpretation of the material.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS (PSA):

- **K5-2<sup>nd</sup> grade:** Be part of a team of 4-Hers presenting a PSA or perform your own.
- **All other grade divisions:** Write and read a one-minute radio news announcement, commentary or public service announcement. Pretend it will be heard on your local radio. Tell the audience who, what, where, when and why of something in a fun and creative way. PSAs should take about 60 seconds or less to read.

#### ➤ Grade divisions and time requirements:

K5-2nd grade	speaking up to 4 minutes	PSA of 1 minute
3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grade	speaking 3-7 minutes	PSA of 1 minute
5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> grade	speaking 5-9 minutes	PSA of 1 minute
8 <sup>th</sup> grade and older	speaking 7-12 minutes	PSA of 1 minute
Team	time limit determined by oldest participant	PSA of 1 minute

**Resources:** You can refer to the following publications available at the Extension Racine County Office or online:

- "Public Speaker's Handbook" [https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hpublications/files/2015/10/2\\_PublicSpeakersHnd.pdf](https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hpublications/files/2015/10/2_PublicSpeakersHnd.pdf)
- "4-H Public Speaking Opportunities - A Parent's Handbook" [https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hpublications/files/2015/10/6\\_PublicSpeaking.pdf](https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/wi4hpublications/files/2015/10/6_PublicSpeaking.pdf), or a publication called "Let's Demonstrate", available at the Extension Racine County Office.

#### Racine County Fair Entries:

Department 31, Division 2 – Written Word, Class No. 1 Poem, Class No. 2 Short Story, Class No. 3 Essay

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## Photography – Class E

Entries will be judged, face-to-face, between 1:00-4:00p.m.

- Photos must be mounted on poster board, 11"x14".
- Please do NOT use photo corners to attach photos. Use rubber cement or photo mounting spray.
- You may submit **two (2)** entries, plus one additional entry related to the festival theme.
- Include your name, grade, and club on the back of each entry.
- Photos in collections should be no larger than 4"x6" each.
- Enlargements must be at least 5"x7" but no larger than 8"x10".
- Photography will be judged based on technical quality, composition and storytelling ability.
- Photos should **not** have captions. The photo should tell a story on its own.

### Entry Descriptions

You may have 2 entries, plus one additional entry related to the theme. Your entries may be 2 collections, 2 enlargements, or 1 of each. Photos may be color or black and white.

1. Collection of 4 photos – 4 pictures of the same subject or object, or 4 photos that go together or have the same theme
2. Enlargement – any subject
3. Theme: **"SPRING INTO ACTION"** (photos may be black & white or color, an enlargement or group of 4)

### Racine County Fair Entries:

Department 20:

[https://www.racinecountyfair.com/files/ugd/bf893d\\_51ec01b0af384ac9a710526c1546db24.pdf](https://www.racinecountyfair.com/files/ugd/bf893d_51ec01b0af384ac9a710526c1546db24.pdf)

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## Computers – Class F

Use your computer to communicate about the theme, ***“SPRING INTO ACTION.”*** You may also construct your entry to promote 4-H, a favorite project or other event.

**Entries will be judged face-to-face, between 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

- Wi-Fi access is available. Please bring your own laptop if a computer display is required.

### Entry Descriptions

You may submit up to three entries, but only one exhibit per entry number.

1. Create a flyer on the computer that provides information on you, 4-H, another youth organization, or the Racine County Fair. A flyer consists of an 8.5" x 11" sheet of paper printed on one side.
2. Create a 4-page newsletter that includes graphics. Print the 4 pages, back-to-back on 8½" x 11" sheets of paper.
3. Create a multi-media presentation. Include a printout of the presentation for display. The original, uninterrupted presentation should take no longer than 10 minutes.
4. Create a trifold, 6-panel brochure that includes graphics. The original paper size must be 8½" x 11" and the brochure must have text or graphics on all six panels.
5. Create an original piece of art on the computer.
6. Create a design. Examples include, but are not limited to, a landscape, garden, home, building or CAD-CAM design.
7. Create and print a word cloud with at least 50 words, describing a topic.
8. Create and print a 12-page, computer-generated scrapbook. Each page should measure 8½" x 11".
9. Create an animation using an online website or software program (Claymation, animated cartoon, etc.).
10. Take a digital video clip, save it to the computer and edit the video. You must share the original video, as well as the edited version. The completed video should be no longer than 5 minutes.
11. Create a website for your 4-H club, 4-H project or other youth organization.
12. Create a single page ad.
13. Use programming language to perform a task – include a printout of the result of the program.
14. Build a computer and install the operating system.
15. Create an item using 3-D Printing, including a diagram of model with support structures.

### Racine County Fair Entries:

Department 21: [https://www.racinecountyfair.com/files/ugd/bf893d\\_422fa8435b8344e28dc04b14938673fb.pdf](https://www.racinecountyfair.com/files/ugd/bf893d_422fa8435b8344e28dc04b14938673fb.pdf)



## Creative Art – Class G

Entries will be judged face-to-face, between 1:00-4:00 p.m.

### Entry Descriptions

You may submit up to three entries, but only one exhibit per entry number.

1. Create a children's book with illustrations: hand-drawn or computer graphics.
2. Create a scrapbook of a 4-H trip, family trip, special event or any other topic.
3. Create an original drawing or painting (16" x 20" maximum size).
4. Create an original sculpture or 3-D art.
5. Create art in any other medium, as long as it tells a story.
6. Create a book review shoebox diorama.
7. Theme: ***"SPRING INTO ACTION"***

### Racine County Fair Entries:

Department 18 Arts & Crafts:

<http://www.racinecountyfair.com/wp-content/uploads/Department-18-Cultural-Arts-Crafts-2020-Final.pdf>

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## Performing Arts – Class H

All types of talent are welcome! Performances do not need to be musical.

- You may participate in one group and/or one individual entry. Please submit a separate registration for each.
- **Please limit *INDIVIDUAL* entries to no more than 5 minutes. Please limit *GROUP* entries to no more than 10 minutes.**
- **Performances will be judged between 1:00-4:00p.m.** You will be assigned an *approximate* time to perform and notified of that time prior to the Festival. Note that performance times are subject to change. Please arrive at least 30 minutes before your scheduled performance.
- Score sheets will be distributed during the Awards Ceremony.
- The "Best of Show" entry will receive a special award.
- **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!**
- Please email 4h.commartsfest@gmail.com if you need to use a piano. If possible, please provide your own keyboard.
- Please **upload audio files to support your performance no later than 8 a.m. on Friday, April 1, 2022:** <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1F0WZGKTOsSKUREi802SkBKQEJ3Yy7o1Y?usp=sharing>
  - This will give the Union Grove High School (UGHS) team time to program your files into their systems.
  - File names should include the performer's last name.
  - Audio files must be in the .mp3 OR .acc format. If your files are NOT in one of those two formats, you need to convert the file(s) to one these two formats before submitting.
  - While UGHS can accept video for projection, the use of video files for sound files is not allowed. Video can take a fair amount of time to load into the system due to their size.
  - All presenters are solely responsible for obtaining any licensing or rights to any and all material they are presenting in the UGHS Performance Center.
  - For back up, please also bring a USB jump drive with your files clearly labeled and in the correct order for playback. UGHS can also accept CD's of audio files as long as they are .mp3 OR .acc formats. Please note UGHS uses a computerized playback system, and will require time to download your files into our system before we can play them back.
  - UGHS can accommodate one personal audio play back device at a time. We will provide a 1/8" or mini plug to attach to your device to our system. You are responsible for any and all adapters that may be needed to connect your device to our sound system, as they only provide the one input as listed above. If you are unsure if your device is compatible with our sound system, then we would recommend that you bring your files on a USB drive.
  - Use of technical equipment is restricted to properly trained UGHS staff and students. UGHS staff reserves the right make final decision on volume levels in our Performance Center.

**Entry descriptions are:**

1. Vocal Music
2. Instrumental Music
3. Dance
4. Drama or Skit (exs: group skits, club Cloverbud project skits, individual monologues, etc.)
5. Novelty or Clowning (ex: juggling, hula hoop, karaoke, or other stage talent)

**Racine County Fair Entries:**

Department 18 Arts & Crafts, Division 9 Drama, Division 10 Music, Division 15 Clowning, Division 16 Puppetry:  
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## BEST ALL-AROUND COMMUNICATOR AWARDS

- Open to CPAF participants Grade 3 and up exhibiting in a minimum of three of the following classes: Poster, Creative Writing, Demonstrations, Speaking, Photography, Computers, Creative Art.
- Recognizes outstanding achievement supporting a single theme in multiple classes.
- Performing Arts entries are NOT eligible for consideration.
- Select three exhibits from three DIFFERENT eligible classes (Performing Arts excluded) that best showcase your communication skills AND represent a single theme.
- Two All-Around Communicator awards MAY be given: one for the event theme, ***“Spring into Action,”*** and one for an original theme. Original themes must be specified prior to competition.

## THE AWARDS CEREMONY

The following awards will be presented following the judging:

- All Cloverbud (K5-2<sup>nd</sup> grade) participants will receive a special ribbon and gift for participating. Cloverbuds are not eligible for cash prizes or Spotlight ribbons based upon State 4-H policies.
- In all other age categories, each entry will receive a blue, red, or white ribbon. In addition, cash prizes will be awarded in the following classes: Demonstrations, Speaking (Speeches, Dramatic Readings, Public Service Announcements) blue=\$4, red=\$3, white=\$2.
- Spotlight ribbons will be awarded at the judges’ discretion in all areas with participants 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and older. Each Spotlight winner will also receive \$5.
- In Performing Arts, "Best of Show" will receive a special award.
- Two All-Around Communicator awards will be given: one for the event theme, ***“SPRING INTO ACTION,”*** and one for an original theme.