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2026 Daysheet Contest Rules & Regulations

1. Employees, volunteers and immediate family of Explore Edmonton Corporation (EEC) and other organizations involved are not eligible to submit.
2. Participants must fit and follow the following criteria:
 - a. be aged 8-12 years old at the time of submission.
 - b. All designs must be the contestants own work and not copied or traced from other sources
 - c. It must reflect a rodeo or western theme & must include “Canadian Finals Rodeo” or “CFR”
 - d. Each Participant may submit only one design
 - e. Any drawing materials, crayons, markers, pencil crayons, etc. are allowed, but no digital artwork
 - f. Late entries will not be accepted and judging decisions are final
 - g. By entering, participants agree that the organization may use, reproduce, and display the artwork for promotional purposes
 - h. Winners will be contacted using the information provided on the entry form
 - i. If including text, event name, date, etc., it must be clear and easy to read
 - j. Artwork should be completed by the child with no help from adults or those out of the competition guidelines
3. The competition is open to all amateur artists.
 - i. Contest is intended for non-professional youth artists
 - ii. Does not hold a booking agreement with a professional organization that is or will be paid a fee for securing employment in the entertainment field. Artists cannot have a current contract with a major, national, or multi-national publishing company.

b. b) Definition of Professional Organization: Any management company with more than one full-time staff member.
4. Applications will open on June 8, 2026, and close at 4 p.m. MST on July 13, 2026
5. Applications will be only accepted online at WWW.CFR.CA
6. Applicants are limited to entering the competition one (1) time.
<https://zfrmz.com/v4exRZkNV0gLoSKVkl8u>
7. Entries must be submitted with parent/guardian permission and Consent for use of child’s name/artwork via the online submission; by entering, parent/guardian agrees to contest rules and use of artwork.
8. All submitted applications will be judged by a panel of judges and will select the top 5 finalists to move forward to the social media finals, where the followers and fans of Canadian Finals Rodeo will vote via poll for their favorite piece to determine the winner. Encourage your family and friends to follow & vote!
9. The Top 5 selected finalists will be contacted by the organizers by August 10, 2026.





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10. The winner of the competition will be required to drop off or mail their original artwork by September 1 to the Edmonton EXPO Centre, to be properly scanned to ensure the integrity of the details and artwork. This Artwork will be returned via mail to the owner by November 1, 2026. Alternatively, families will have the option to scan the artwork themselves and provide it to the competition organizers.
11. Any Art not suited for a family audience will be disqualified. Explicit language, swearing or suggestive pictures will result in disqualification.
12. Judging on technique will be based Creativity & Design, Theme & Connection, Effort & Detail, Neatness & Presentation, and Use of Space
13. Judges will make their decision based on 20 Creativity & Design, 20 percent Theme & Connection, 20 percent Effort & Detail, 20 percent Neatness & Presentation, and 20 percent Use of Space for a maximum total of 100 percent during the semifinal judging and then the online portion will be up to social media user/Canadian Finals Rodeo follower discretion. Any questions or comments are to be directed to Explore Edmonton organizers.
14. Verbal contact will not be permitted between participants, their representatives or the judges at all levels. Failure to comply may result in disqualification.
15. EEC reserves the right to make any final decisions on all matters as well as the right to change, alter, and/or rearrange parts or all of these competition rules and regulations at any time.
16. By submitting an application, Participants grant EEC (or its agents), by itself or with any person, the right to use, print, disclose, reproduce or otherwise publish the Participants' personal information, pictures or recordings, including, but not limited to, the Participants' name, statements, any picture, form of art, including the art entry (the "Materials"), in any form or publication or display, for any purpose, including, without limitation, for use in advertising, promotion and trade in newspapers and other publications, radio and television broadcasts, film releases and interactive media worldwide, by or on behalf of EEC, without further compensation to the Participant or any further authorization by the Participant.
17. The Participant waives all moral rights in and to the Materials and agree to release and hold harmless EEC, and the City of Edmonton from and against any and all claims based on publicity rights, defamation, invasion of privacy, copyright infringement, trade-mark infringement or any other intellectual property related cause of action.
18. The final winner will be announced on Canadian Finals Rodeo Social media, and will be contacted by the contest organizers via the contact information on the art submission form.
19. The winner will go on to have their artwork & credit featured as the day sheet cover for Saturday October 10, 2026, Family Matinee performance, additionally tickets to the performance will be provided to the winner and their immediate family members.



Judging Criteria

1. Creativity & Design – 20 points

We're looking for fun, creative ideas!

- Is the artwork unique and different?
- Did the artist use their imagination?

2. Theme & Connection – 20 points

Does the artwork show rodeo spirit? The design should clearly connect to rodeo and the Canadian Finals Rodeo.

- Does the artwork reflect rodeo events, western lifestyle, or traditions (like cowboys, horses, barrels, etc.)?
- Can we clearly tell it's about the **Canadian Finals Rodeo**?

3. Effort & Detail – 20 points

Show us your best work!

- Does the artwork look like time and care was put into it?
- Are there details that make the drawing more interesting?

4. Neatness & Presentation – 20 points

Make it clean and easy to see!

- Is the artwork neat and easy to understand?
- Is the colouring done carefully?
- If there are words, are they easy to read?

5. Use of Space – 20 points

Fill the page in a great way!

- Does the design use most of the page?
- Is it nicely balanced (not too empty and not too crowded)?