

# SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR GEMS & MINERALS DEPT.

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Thanks to all of you who have entered exhibits! We've had lots of terrific entries for gems, minerals, fossils, faceting, jewelry and lapidary.

There will be cases filled with spheres, rhodochrosite, fossils, beautiful geodes, a GIA exhibit, fluorescent minerals, a select portion of the famous Rock Feast, colorful petrified wood, a rainbow array of mineral specimens, metalwork in two classes – amateur and professional – and much more.

In the individual classes, there will be plenty of faceted gems, including garnet, which is the faceted gem of the year, petrified wood, the Mineral of the Year Minerals of Africa and Madagascar entries, fossils, cabochons and carvings. Did I mention jewelry? There will be Jewelry entries in every class. You'll see an endless variety of imaginative designs featuring constructed, cast, wire-worked, enamel, chainmaking and other techniques, as well as the ever-popular Art Jewelry classes.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Entry Delivery:

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Saturday & Sunday, June 1 & 2, from 9 am to 6 pm

Opening Day of the Fair:

Wednesday, June 12

**Exhibitor Appreciation:** 

Saturday, June 15, 7-9 pm

Last Day of the Fair:

Sunday, July 7th

**Closed Days:** 

Every Monday & Tuesday

Entry Pickup:

Tuesday, July 9, 9 am to 8 pm

### **DEMONSTRATIONS AND SAND PILE "DIG FOR TREASURES" VOLUNTEERS**

We are always looking for volunteers to help kids screen for tumbled stones in the Dig for Treasure "sand pile," and to demonstrate faceting, silversmithing, fossil prep, field trip activities, etc. Please contact **Jennifer Stapp** to sign up for a two-hour shift. You will receive a free ticket to the Fair, and (we hope) a free parking pass. Free parking/bus transpo will also be available at Canyon Crest Academy this year, instead of Torrey Pines High. (Fair insiders know off-site parking is a great way to save money, and have fun... by making the Fair shuttle your first "ride" of the day!)

#### QUESTIONS? SOMETIMES WE HAVE ANSWERS! Please contact us:

Supervisor Anne Schafer at 858-586-1637 or Agate.Annie2@gmail.com Asst. Supervisor Jennifer Stapp at 858-829-1723 or cat333@gmail.com

Thanks to all of you who submitted entries, ensuring that 2024 will be another memorable Fair year!