

And A Mouse Cat Club presents for everyone's enjoyment:

Mittens Purr Kittens

December 16 and 17, 2023

A Twelve Ring Back to Back Cat Show and Holiday Event

Exhibition Hall, The Pavilion
Gray's Harbor Fair Grounds
32 Elma McCleary Road
Elma, Washington 98541

Judges

Saturday

AB Ellen Crockett
Port Townsend, Washington
AB Robin Austin
Earlville, Illinois
AB Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz
Edmonds, Washington
AB Laurie Schiff
Newport Beach, California
AB Lorraine Shelton
Eastvale, California
AB Susanna Shon
Las Vegas, Nevada

Sunday

AB Ellen Crockett
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AB Elaine Hawksworth-Weitz
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AB Laurie Schiff
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AB Susanna Shon
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Closing Date: December 8, 2023

Early Bird Closing Date: November 19, 2023 9:00 PM!

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Show Managers:

Kay Harvey 9048 Yelm Highway S.E.
Olympia, Washington 98513 (360) 456-8949

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Entry Clerk: Tracy Hisel

Vendor Coordinator: Maureen Clark0

Super Fun Stuff:

Juniors Cover and Catalog Art Contest: All juniors can submit artwork for the catalog cover. One piece will be selected for the catalog cover and the rest will be featured throughout the catalog and on our web page. Theme - Mittens and kittens, Winter Holidays and cats....

Educational Seminar:

We will be presenting a 2 hour educational program on Saturday afternoon/evening following the show. The Seminar may begin before 5 PM if all judging has been completed. We will be having food and light refreshments to those who attend. The fees for this is included on the summary sheet.

Basic Genetics and Embryonic Development in the Cat and the Latest Developments in New Colors and Patterns
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This will be presented by Lorraine Shelton Approved Allbreed Sponsor: Ellen Crockett

Holiday Bazaar and Christmas Market We are having a number of booths and vendors and hope to have some wonderful cat and seasonal related items available for you. Contact Maureen Clark for additional information and rates.

Candy Cane Lane We are setting up a special area in the show hall to showcase the winners, the breeds and rescue kittens and cats available for adoption. Each animal and their owner will be presented to the general public and narrated by a judge, veterinarian or experienced breeder/exhibitor. This is a real opportunity to interact with our visitors and friends.

Cat Rescues and Adoptions We have space for several rescue and adoption organizations to educate the general public and to place animals in their permanent homes. Make Christmas and the holidays special this year for some cats and kittens! Sponsorships are also available so that some of these animals can also be entered in the show and thus showcased. Send a cat to its new home with some titles too! Rescue and adoption groups check with show management about entering cats in the show.

Art Contests Juniors Art Contest and Open Art Contest We are having three art contests. Two will be limited to the Junior Exhibitors - the Junior Catalog Cover and catalog art and the Junior Art show and Contest.. The other one, the Open Art show and Contest, is open to anyone who wishes to enter. You do not have to be present to win in these shows. The Juniors' art show is free unless you mail your entry in. We will arrange return of your entry for a small fee. Winners will be selected by ballot by the spectators and entrants in the cat competition. Juniors may also have their works entered in all three art shows. Various media will be allowed in the art show events - sculpture, painting, fabric arts,

photography. Contact the show manager if you have any questions. Prizes will be awarded in both Juniors and Open categories. The themes are Kittens and Mittens, Cats in Winter and General Seasonal art.

Homemade Cookie and Candy Contest Bring your favorite cookies and holiday candies to the show and determine which the judges think is the best one. There will be a committee of judges for both cookies and candies. We will have prizes for both!

Photo wall We will have a photo wall where you can take some holiday photos. We may just have a visit from that jolly old elf from the North Pole also!

Photographer We hope to have a photographer at the show. We have been in contact with several. Watch this space for news on the subject.

COVID Status: This show, as is any event, is subject to the regulations of the State of Washington. Masking is required. See summary for more information. These rules MAY change at any time. We will notify all exhibitors if there are new changes.

Early Bird and International Rates Early bird will be offered through November 19. The International rate will be in place the duration.

Kitten and Cat Birthdates: Kittens are between 4 and 8 months old. Cats are anything over 8 months. Neutered and spayed kittens will be shown with the kitten classes. Kittens born between April 17, 2023 and Aug 16, 2023 (Sat) April 18, 2023 and Aug 17, 2023 (Sun) Cats born on or before April 16, 2023 (Sat) and April 17, 2023 (Sun)

Juniors We will have a junior program on Sunday morning just before Judging will start in one ring, Ring Two.. Robin Austin will officiate this event. A junior discount is offered at the rate of one cat per junior exhibitor. Junior must be named on the summary sheet.

Show Hours: Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM Check in at 9:00 AM

Sunday 9 AM to 4:30 PM Check in at 8:00 AM

Anyone leaving before the scheduled times or before judging is completed must get show manager approval to retain any awards.

Show Hall: Our show hall is the Exhibition Hall, The Pavilion at the Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds 32 Elma McCleary Road, Elma, Washington. It is heated - but generally cool at this time of year. Wear layers and warm footwear and bring extra blankets for your cats.

Hotels: The official show hotel is the **Guest House Inn and Suites in Montesano**. Address and phone: 100 Brumfield Avenue, Montesano, Washington 98563, (360) 249-4424. They have given us a special rate of \$99 per night plus tax and a special pet rate of \$10.00 per cat per night. To get that rate - call the hotel directly. They also will honor reservations made directly over any made by a third party. There are only two ADA rooms and only a few more on the ground floor. Most of the rooms are on the second floor and there is no elevator. This motel is about 12 miles from the show hall.

Walter's Lodge and Suites 208 E. Main, Elma, WA 98541 (360) 482-2541 This is an older set of cabins and a main house. It has been recently remodeled and they allowed cats the last show. It is about 2 miles from the show hall.

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The Stay Beyond Inn hotel near the fairgrounds has not agreed to take cats. Make your reservations there AT YOUR OWN RISK! If that situation changes we will announce it on the various social media outlets and on the show calendar.

There are hotels in Olympia, Lacey, and Tumwater that do accept cats. We will add some of those to the show calendar as well. Please check with the individual hotels to determine if they accept cats.

Recreational Vehicles: There are RV hookouts - very basic - on the fairgrounds. They have 20 amp and 30 amp service so you may need a connector. The water may not be turned on if it has been very cold. There is a fee for parking RV's on the property

Supplies and Cat Food: Litter will be provided. If you will need litter at a hotel - please let us know. Please bring your own cat boxes and dishes. Bring your own cat food and dishes for water and food.

Airports: The closest airports are Seattle Tacoma International (SeaTac) (SEA) and Portland International (PDX). SeaTac is approximately 2 hours away. Portland is approximately 2 and a half hours. There is a commercial shuttle service available from SeaTac.

Food: There will be people food available in the show hall. There is also a Starbucks and a couple of fast food places near the show hall. There are a few restaurants in the area as well. We will break for lunch to allow people to obtain food and beverages. We will have a coffee bar.

Clerks and Stewards: Please indicate on the summary sheet if you are willing to clerk or steward. Assignments will be made once entries close. Compensation will be made at the end of the judging day.

Benching: Double cage size is 21 inches deep, 42 inches long, and 21 inches high. All wire cages must be covered on three sides, back and top. You will want to bring a blanket and bedding for your cat to be comfortable. One adult cat or two kittens allowed per single cage space.

All exhibitors will be assigned benching. Benching requests MUST clearly indicated on the summary sheet and we will honor those requests as best we can. No benching positions can be changed without the permission of the show management.

TICA Scoring: This show is scored for TICA Regional and International Awards and titles. All shows at this time are back to regular scoring. Individuals who reside in isolated areas will have their cats scored for titles under isolated status. The rest will be regular scoring.

Registrations: All cats and kittens must be registered in order to qualify for regional and international awards. They will be allowed to be shown if they show that they have applied for registration or if it can be documented that they can be registered.

Health: This is a Non-Vetted Show. All entries should be vaccinated against Feline Enteritis, Rhino and Calici Virus and test negative for FELV. Rabies vaccination is required in the State of Washington. It is advised that you bring your rabies vaccination records. Application of the law is subject to the enforcement by the reporting officer. All cats must have all claws, front and back clipped. If not they can be disqualified by the judges. Adult household pets must be neutered or spayed. Any cats showing evidence of fleas, ear or fur mites, fungus or illness will be removed from the show hall. In case of disqualification by a veterinarian, the TICA rules require all other entries owned or agented by the responsible exhibitor will forfeit their place in the show hall and must be removed as well.

Show Rules and Liability: This cat show is licensed, sanctioned and scored by The International Cat Association. It is subject to their Bylaws, Show Rules and Breed Standards. Those are available from the TICA Executive Office at P.O. Box 2684, Harlingen, Texas 78551 as well as being posted on the TICA Website <http://www.tica.org> . By entering the show all exhibitors agree to abide to the decisions of the Show Committee and the Judges. And A Mouse Cat Club, its members, TICA, the Grays Harbor County Fair Grounds, its staff and representatives will be held harmless for any damages, claims, losses, etc. of/to any exhibitor and his/her entries.