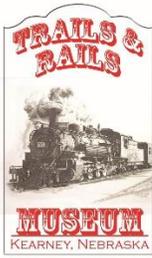


# “150 Nails” Contest



This contest will coincide with the Nebraska 150<sup>th</sup> Sesquicentennial.

Pieces will be unveiled at the Trails & Rails Museum's Wagons West Celebration Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

There are 2 categories:

Category A: Participants can only use 150 nails and only 1 other medium (i.e. glue, string, wire, a base, etc.).

Category B: Participants may use any materials plus 150 nails.

Definition of 'nail': 'a long, thin piece of metal that is sharp at one end and flat at the other end and that is used chiefly to attach things to wood' (according to <http://www.merriam-webster.com>). That being said, use any size you want to. This is your idea, your art. Be as creative as you can.

Finished item must be no larger than 3 foot long, 3 foot wide and 3 foot tall. Your finished piece will be handled/moved a couple different times, so it must be portable without falling apart. *Enter your piece with the completed entry form to the Trails & Rails Museum office between the dates of May 30 and June 7 of 2017.*

There will be a \$5 entry fee, which must be paid when the registration form and item are delivered to Trails & Rails Museum. Entries will be accepted during regular business hours of Monday-Saturday 10-6 pm or Sundays from 1-5 pm. All entries must be in by 6 pm Wednesday, June 7. Anyone is eligible to enter. You are welcome to participate no matter your age, location, or level of trade. Items can be realistic or abstract.

You may start anytime and practice as often as you like. Only one entry per person may be submitted. The Trails & Rails Museum Blacksmith Volunteers will have some sample ideas up in their shop. Visit often to see what has been added!

All pieces will be unveiled during the 2017 Wagons West Celebration, Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> from 10-1 pm. Judges will announce winners at the Celebration. All pieces will remain on display for the summer of 2017 and may be picked up after Labor Day during regular business hours with a photo i.d. or a guardian's photo i.d. Non-summer hours are Monday-Friday from 1-5 pm.

Judges will review submitted items based on the following criteria: were 150 nails used (if they can't tell, the honor system will be used), the size requirement, originality, and the completed registration form and \$5 was submitted on time.

Prizes: The Grand Prize will be \$150. One grand prize winner will be determined for each category. The runner up in each category will win 150 quarters (quarters because we are dealing with metal). Prizes are gratefully sponsored by an anonymous donor and by BD Construction.

Copyright Rules: Any items that depict copyrighted images will be rejected. (i.e. do not depict characters from television shows, movies, video games, or books) Participants should use their own ideas.

Contact information: Buffalo County Historical Society/Trails & Rails Museum, PO Box 523, 710 W. 11th St., Kearney, NE 68848 \* [bchs.us@hotmail.com](mailto:bchs.us@hotmail.com) \* (308) 234-3041 \* [www.bchs.us](http://www.bchs.us)

# Registration Form

Bring this completed form along with your \$5 and your item to be entered.

Name of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of Participant: \_\_\_\_ Name of Parent/Guardian, if under 18: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street, City, St., Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Which Category are you entering? Please circle one:

Category A: 150 Nails + 1 medium or Category B: 150 Nails + 2 or more mediums

Title of Piece being entered: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about "150 Nails" Contest? \_\_\_\_\_

Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial here saying you understand your name and a picture of you and/or your item may be used in publicity by BCHS/Trails & Rails Museum.

Initial one of the following two statements:

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial here that you will pick up your item after Labor Day 2017 during regular hours and before Friday October 6 or they will be automatically donated to Trails & Rails Museum. The Museum then has the right to do as they wish with the piece.

OR

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial here that you do not want your item back and we may do whatever we feel is necessary with it.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

For office use: date rec'd: \_\_\_\_ amt. rec'd: \_\_\_\_ ck,cash,Paypal staff intls: \_\_\_\_ Item#: \_\_\_\_\_

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