

THE ANNUAL NEBRASKA 2008 WHITE HOUSE EASTER EGG ARTISTRY CONTEST CRITERIA

For the past 14 years the White House has asked the American Egg Board (AEB) to coordinate a display of decorated eggs during the Easter season. The tradition was started by Hillary Rodham Clinton, and continues with the Bush Administration. As in the past, the display will consist of one egg from each state in the country, as well as the District of Columbia. Annually, each state selects an artist for this prestigious honor.

All eggs submitted for the Nebraska contest will be on display at the **University of Nebraska State Museum (Morrill Hall) (14th & U Streets)** on the UNL City Campus, in Lincoln, Nebraska from **August 21 through October 1, 2007** for public viewing and public judging.

Criteria for the contest includes:

- Each egg should be decorated to represent some special feature(s) of the state of Nebraska. Eggs cannot be a duplicate of previous years' winners.
- Previous Nebraska winning artists ARE eligible to enter the contest.
- An amateur or professional artist who is a Nebraska resident should decorate the egg.
- Egg MUST represent some special feature(s) of Nebraska.
- Only one egg entry per artist.
- Only a USDA **GRADE A LARGE CHICKEN EGG** with the contents removed, is to be utilized. *(No ostrich, duck, goose or quail eggs are eligible).*
- The **small end** of the egg must be facing upwards.
- Eggs must be **freestanding**, without a base, stand or hanger. A stand will be provided for displaying the egg. The egg MUST be able to stand on the holder provided, not hanging on a hook, or the *egg will be disqualified*. The overall size of the egg should NOT detract or infringe on a neighboring eggs when displayed.
- Decorating medium and technique are entirely up to the artist's discretion.
- One winning egg will be selected by the most votes received from public judging.
- The winning artist will be required to make two duplicate copies of the winning egg.
- The winning egg from the state of Nebraska will be sent to the American Egg Board for the 2008 White House Easter egg display, where it then becomes property of the White House.
- Decorated eggs **NOT** selected for the 2008 White House Easter Egg Artistry Contest become the property of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Poultry and Egg Division, unless the artist requests return of decorated egg, at the time of contest entry.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING EGG ENTRY IS AUGUST 20, 2007

Decorated eggs **must** be postmarked and received on or before August 20, 2007 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. No late entries will be accepted. Eggs can be delivered or mailed to:

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- The official entry form below **must** accompany entry.
- Winner will be notified by October 5, 2007.
- For egg decorating tips, please refer to the American Egg Board's web site at: <http://www.aeb.org/KidsAndFamily/eastereggs/decorating.htm>
- To view photos of this year's *White House Easter Egg Display for 2007*, visit the White House's web site at: www.whitehouse.gov/easter/2007/eggsbystate/index.html
- To view photos of entries from last year's *Nebraska* contest for the 2007 *White House Easter Egg Artistry* display, visit the Poultry & Egg Division's web site at: www.nebraskapoultry.org/photos/egg/07contest.htm
- Questions regarding rules, regulations or delivery of egg entry should be directed to Mary Torell at the address above.

(The Poultry & Egg Division reserves the right to refuse, deny or reject any egg entered in this contest).

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EASTER EGG ARTISTRY CONTEST ENTRY FORM**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____
_____ Zip Code _____

Daytime phone number:_(____)_____ E-mail Address _____

____ Yes, I would like to have my egg entry returned if it is not selected, for the 2008 White House Easter Egg Artistry Contest.

____ No, I **DO NOT** wish to have my egg entry returned after the contest.

Artist's description of egg scene, including the art medium used: _____

Contest Criteria Information May be Reproduced

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