

# Let The Good Times Roll June 4-8, 2025 35th District Agricultural Association



# Agriculture-Horticulture

From produce and grains to sculptures and food art – Tioga Hall is a must stop on your trip to the Fair!

#### FEATURES EXHIBIT | Ag Commodity of Merced County

Get ready to dig into what makes Merced County grow! This special exhibit shines a spotlight on the ag stars of our region—think livestock, dairy, poultry, and the crops that keep our community thriving. From farm to table, you'll discover the behind-the-scenes stories of how local agriculture feeds families, fuels the economy, and connects us all. Come explore, learn, and see why ag is at the heart of Merced County!

#### **Master Gardeners**

Come consult with the experts! Master gardeners will be at the Fair every evening until 10 p.m. answering your plant and bug questions. Need to bring in a plant or bug to have them look at it? No problem, bring it with you – just make sure it is in a sealed container or bag!

#### **Harvest Characters**

Let your imagination run wild! Create your own Harvest Character using any type of produce or combination of produce. Think outside the box and use paper, fabrics, buttons or whatever it is needed to bring your character to life.

#### **Scarecrow Contest**

These scarecrows will either make you laugh or have you running for the hills in fear! It'll be a great place to come and get some early ideas for Halloween! Adults, families or groups, and businesses will compete to win the judges' votes. Stop by and let us know which scarecrow you think should win!

#### **Melon Decorating**

Exhibitors will use their imagination to create a festive, fabulous fair melon – only limited by their talents and materials (no cutting or puncturing). Melons are judged on creativity, originality and quality of color. With melons of all shapes and sizes, this exhibit is sure to engage the entire family!

#### Mr. or Mrs. Potato Head

It's Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head to you! Adults and kids compete for the grand prize of creating the best Mr. or Mrs. Potato Head using any potato of your choice – just make sure it's real! Both adults and children will be competing for the grand prize in this category.

#### **Tallest Weed**

Think your weeds are out of control? Well, you haven't seen anything until you get a glimpse of the tallest weeds at the Fair! It gives a whole new perspective on your own weeds.

#### **Hay Growers**

Exhibitors compete to show who can grow the best quality of hay in Merced County. Judges will be observing Alfalfa, Oat Hay and Winter Forage in hopes of finding the top bales.



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### Yard Art – Farm Junk Sculptures

One person's trash is another person's treasure, and that's exactly what these exhibitors found! Check out what these exhibitors found lying around and made it into a work of art. Advanced artists and amateurs, young and old, will create sculptures of any medium in hopes of taking home the People's Choice Award.

"We're proud to continue showcasing the incredible agriculture of our region in this building. From the crops and commodities grown right here in Merced County to the creative displays that highlight our community's talents, the Agriculture and Horticulture exhibits truly capture the spirit of our local ag industry. It's a meaningful way to honor the roots that keep this region growing strong."

- Teresa Burrola, CEO, Merced County Fair