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NOW IS THE TIME TO PRE-REGISTER YOUR FAVORITE CREATIONS ON-LINE TO COMPETE FOR RIBBONS AND PRIZES AT THE 137th MY MD STATE FAIR PRESENTED BY TOYOTA MORE THAN A FAIR, WE'RE A CULTURE...Friendly CompetitionCULTURE!

TIMONIUM, MD – More Than A Fair, We're A Culture...Friendly CompetitionCULTURE! Now is the time to pre-register on-line to compete for ribbons and prizes at the 137th MY Maryland State Fair presented by Toyota. The Fair offers more than 3,000 competition classes for 4-H/FFA members and/or Open Class (general public) to enter. The 2018 Premium Catalog, complete with competitions, schedules, rules, regulations and entry forms, is now online.

To enter your favorite cow, quilt, flower, tomato, or other creation **go to www.marylandstatefair.com and follow the easy instructions.** All 4-H, Home Arts, Farm & Garden, and Open Class Livestock entries may be entered on-line. Or, print out all entry forms (except 4-H) and mail. Entries must be postmarked and mailed to the Maryland State Fair by **11:59 PM on July 31, 2018.** 4-H/FFA members may only enter their exhibits on-line at www.marylandstatefair.com by **11:59 PM on July 31, 2018.** **Only Open Class livestock and horse entries require an entry fee** that may be made with a credit card on the secured web site.

"Our goal is to make entering the Fair less time consuming and much more convenient," said Maryland State Fair CEO Andy Cashman. If an exhibitor does not have access to a computer, they may access the Maryland State Fair Internet site via a computer at the local library.

More Than A Fair, We're A Culture! The 137th MY Maryland State Fair presented by Toyota is a fun and educational destination complete with daily exhibits, presentations and entertainment sure to captivate visitors of all ages. No other event provides so much food, fun, family entertainment, and education for so little. The Maryland State Fair, located in Timonium in Baltimore County, starts with **M&T Bank presents Fox-45FAMFest Preview Night with Ridemania, on Thursday, August 23 from 5 PM – 9 PM in the State Fair Park. Midway rides, games and food areas open until 11 PM. Exhibit Halls, Barns, Midway Rides, Food, Games, and more open Friday, August 24 through Monday, September 3, 2018.** General Fair hours are Monday through Friday, Noon to 10 PM, Saturdays, Sundays, 10 AM – 10 PM and Labor Day Monday, 10 AM to 8 PM.

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Hear live national and local entertainment during the M&T Bank Presents LIVE! OnTrack! Concert Series, featuring celebrated new Country artists **Chase Bryant** and **Chris Lane** on August 24; and, Rock band **Smash Mouth** on August 25; Legendary Classic Rockers **Jefferson Starship** on September 1; and, Country music sensation **Chris Janson** on September 2. Concerts begin at 7:30 PM, in the **LIVE! OnTrack!** Infield.

Enjoy **thrills & chills on the Midway** and **tame rides in Kiddie Land** play fun, **Fair games**, and taste a **feast of Fair and farm foods**, Monday-Thursday, 12 Noon-close and Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays & Labor Day, Monday, 10 AM–close.

Explore **The 4-H/Home Arts, Farm & Garden Buildings, and The Exhibition Hall** for thousands of the best-of-the-best of Maryland creations and exhibits, Monday – Friday, 12 Noon – 10 PM, Saturdays and Sundays, 10 AM – 10 PM, and Labor Day Monday 10 AM – 8 PM. **The Mosner-Miller Museum/DNR Building** closes daily at 8 PM.

See all kinds of **livestock and horses in the Cow Palace, Barns, Show Rings and Birthing Center**. Early risers are welcome to arrive early to attend the livestock and horse shows in the various livestock barns, buildings and show rings. Go to www.marylandstatefair.com for 4-H and Open Class Show schedules.

Experience **Live Thoroughbred Horse Racing**, Friday, August 24 – Sunday, August 26 and Friday, August 31 – Monday, September 3. Post Time: 1 PM. Also enjoy Simulcast Horse Racing daily in the Grandstand and OTB.

Participate in **agriculture education activities** at **U-Learn Farm, U-Learn Food & Fiber, The Birthing Center**, the **Innovation Station, Horseland, Nature Play Space**, and more at various times throughout the Fair.

Admission to the Fair is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors (62 and older) and \$5 for children (6-11). Children five-years-old and younger are admitted free. Rides are individually priced. Limited parking on the Fairgrounds is available on a first-come, first-served basis for \$5. Taking the Light Rail is recommended. Uber and LYFT drop-off and pick-up areas in the Deereco Road Park & Ride Lot. Visit www.marylandstatefair.com.

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