



**Snohomish County**  
**Parks and Recreation**  
*Evergreen State Fairgrounds*

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## **Artwork Announced for the 109th Evergreen State Fair**

**Monroe, Wash., February 16, 2017** – Snohomish County’s Evergreen State Fair is one of the oldest and most popular traditions to celebrate the end of summer in the region. So why is it talked about in February? Because many exhibitors, artists, and superintendents are already planning, designing, and creating what they will enter for the fair based on the design of the annual fair theme.

The 2017 theme, “Harvest the Memories,” was inspired by the many generations of traditions that have been created at the fairgrounds while highlighting the original purpose of the fair—celebrating agriculture. Many departments at the fair have a special ribbon awarded to exhibitors who excel at incorporating the annual fair theme into their submission. So this year as you visit the fair to create memories with your loved ones, take a special look at the quilts, photos, foods, floral arrangements, barn décor, and other exhibits to see how the annual fair theme is represented. And if you’re feeling extra daring, try entering an item of your own!

This year’s artists of the annual fair theme are Nathan and Katherine Yoder from Edmonds, WA. To view more artwork from the artists, visit <http://yondrstudio.com> or <https://society6.com/katherineyoder>. For more information about the Evergreen State Fair visit <http://www.evergreenfair.org/>.



### **About Snohomish County Parks and Recreation / Evergreen State Fairgrounds**

Located in Monroe, Washington Since 1949, the 193-acre Evergreen State Fairgrounds is home to the Evergreen State Fair which attract hundreds of thousands of visitors each year. The Fairgrounds includes several permanent facilities which are used year-round for Northwest horse shows, trade shows, swap meets, auto races and more. The Gary D. Weikel Events Center (a 36,000 square foot multi-purpose building); the Evergreen Speedway with its paved oval track, is the only NASCAR venue in Washington and has a 7,000-seat covered grandstand; a clear-span sporting arena that can seat 4,000, two RV areas with dump stations, and a variety of other permanent exhibition facilities.

Mark your calendars for next year's fair, August 24 – September 4, 2017. The 2017 Fair Theme will be, "Harvest the Memories." For more information on the fairgrounds, fair and to see the entire photo gallery please visit [www.EvergreenFair.org](http://www.EvergreenFair.org),

### **Mission and Values of the Evergreen State Fairgrounds**

The mission of the Evergreen State Fairgrounds, as a multi-purpose event facility, is to enrich the area's quality of life by providing educational, entertainment, recreational, agricultural, commercial and social activities for the benefit of the residents and businesses of Snohomish County and surrounding communities.

Integral to our mission, the Evergreen State Fairgrounds is committed to:

- Providing a first-class venue for community celebrations and events
- Showcasing and promoting the area's agriculture, commerce, technology and culture
- Supporting the visitor and tourism industry
- Offering a safe, clean and accessible environment for everyone
- Providing outstanding customer service
- Operating in a fiscally-responsible manner

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