2023 MARYLAND STATE FAIR - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2023

Time	Event	Location
11am – 3pm	Open Farm & Garden Christmas Trees & Beer Entries Received	Farm & Garden Bldg.
4pm	Open Farm & Garden Christmas Trees Judged – CLOSED TO PUBLIC	Farm & Garden Bldg.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am	Open Beer Entries Judged	Farm & Garden Bldg.
12pm - 8pm	Open Home Arts Entries Received (Sections A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, L, M & N)	4H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
12pm - 8pm	Open Home Arts Entries Received (Sections Section M – First Baking Show)	4H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
3pm - 8pm	Open Farm & Garden First Flower Show Entries Received – Potted Plants	Farm & Garden Bldg.
3pm - 8pm	Open Farm & Garden Entries Received (Sections A through G)	Farm & Garden Bldg.

MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am - 7pm	Open Home Arts Entries Received (Sections A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, K, L, M & N)	4H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
9pm - 7pm	Open Home Arts Entries Received (Sections Section M – First Baking Show)	4H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
9am - 7pm	Open Farm & Garden First Flower Show Entries Received – Potted Plants	Farm & Garden Bldg.
9am - 7pm	Open Farm & Garden Entries Received (Sections A through G)	Farm & Garden Bldg.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023

Time	Event	Location
8am	Open Farm & Garden Entries Judged (Sections A-D, F and G)	Farm & Garden Bldg.
2pm - 8pm	4-H/FFA Entries Received (Divisions L, M, N, P, Q, R, S, T)	4H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
2pm - 8pm	4-H/FFA Entries Received – Eggs (in Poultry Division)	4H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023

Time	Event	Location
Noon - 9pm	4-H/FFA Livestock Entries Received Beef, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Steers	Respective Barns
4pm - 9pm	4-H/FFA Entries Received for Thursday's 4-H/FFA Horse Show only	Horse Show Ring

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023

Time	Event	Location
7am - 9pm	4-H/FFA Meat Goat Entries Received	
7am - 9pm	JABGA and Open Boer Goat Entries Received	
7am – 9am	4-H/FFA Sheep and Swine Entries Received	
7am - 12pm	4-H/FFA Beef and Dairy Steer Entries Received	
8am	Open Beef Cattle stalls available	Cow Palace
9am	4-H/FFA Sheep and Swine entries must be in place	Swine/Sheep Barn
9am	4-H/FFA Horse & Pony Show – SENIOR Western Show	Horse Show Ring
10am	4-H/FFA Sheep Exhibitor Orientation	South Cow Palace Ring
10:30am	Market Lamb Weigh-in (following exhibitor orientation)	Cow Palace Scales
11:00am	4-H/FFA Swine Exhibitor Orientation	Swine Show Ring
11:30am	4-H/FFA Market Hog Weigh-in	Swine Barn Scales
Noon	4-H/FFA Beef, and Dairy Steers must be in place	Cow Palace
1pm	4-H/FFA Tractor Operators Safety Event – Written	Track Infield
2pm	4-H/FFA Tractor Operators Safety Event – Practical Exam/Driving Event	Track Infield
3pm	4/H/FFA Beef Exhibitor Orientation	Swine Show Ring
3:30pm	4-H/FFA Dairy Steer, Beef Steer and Commercial Heifer Weigh-in (following swine)	Cow Palace Scales
4pm-8pm	4-H/FFA Entries received for Poultry Show	South End Cow Palace
5pm	Gates open to public	Entrances
5pm - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
6pm	4-H/FFA Market Lamb Show	South Cow Palace Ring
7pm - 10pm	4-H/FFA Entries received for Friday's 4-H/FFA Horse Show only	Horse Stable
9pm	4-H/FFA Meat Goats, must be in place and checked-in	Sheep Barn

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 2023

Time	Event	Location
7am – 9am	JABGA & Open Boer goats received	
8am - 10am	4-H/FFA Entries received for Poultry Show	South End Cow Palace
9am	4-H/FFA Horse & Pony Show – JR & INT Western Show	Horse Show Ring
10am	4-H/FFA Poultry Show	South End Cow Palace
10am	4-H/FFA Sheep Showmanship	South Cow Palace Ring
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
Noon	4-H/FFA Beef Showmanship	Cow Palace
Noon	4-H/FFA Meat Goat Exhibitor Orientation	Sheep Ring
1pm	4-H/FFA Meat Goat Weigh-in	Swine Barn Scales
5pm	4-H/FFA Meat Goat Show - Showmanship Breeding	Sheep Ring
5pm	Open Beef Cattle must be in place and checked-in	Cow Palace
6pm	4-H/FFA Market Swine Show	Swine Ring
6pm	4-H/FFA Dairy Steer Show	Cow Palace
7pm	4-H/FFA Costume Animal Parade (following Dairy Steer Show)	Cow Palace
7pm - 10pm	4-H/FFA Entries received for Saturday's Horse Show only	Horse Stable

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2023

Time	Event	Location
7:30 – 11:30am	Open Farm & Garden Second Flower Show Entries Received – Gladiolus & Dahlias	Farm & Garden Bldg.
8am	Open Farm & Garden Wine Judging	Farm & Garden Bldg.
8am	4-H/FFA Entries Received for Rabbit & Cavy Shows	South End Cow Palace
9am	4-H/FFA Beef Heifer Show	Cow Palace
9am	4-H/FFA Horse & Pony Show- JR & INT English Show	Horse Show Ring
10am	4-H/FFA Rabbit Meat Pen Show	South End Cow Palace
10am	4-H/FFA Rabbit & Cavy Show to follow Rabbit Meat Pen Show	South End Cow Palace
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
10am - 3pm	4-H/FFA Presents!	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg. Stage
Noon	Open Farm & Garden Second Flower Show Entries Judged – Gladiolus & Dahlias	Farm & Garden Bldg.
Noon	JABGA Goat Show	Sheep Ring
2pm	4-H/FFA Swine Showmanship	Swine Ring
2pm	Maryland State Libraries Summer Reading Awards Ceremony	Cow Palace
6pm	4-H/FFA Market Goat Show	Sheep Ring
7pm	4-H/FFA Beef Steer Show	Cow Palace
7pm - 10pm	4-H/FFA Entries received-Sunday's 4-H/FFA Horse Show Only	Horse Stable

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am	Open Red Angus Show (time subject to change)	Cow Palace
9am	Open Hereford & MD State Hereford Show (time subject to change)	Cow Palace
9am	4-H/FFA Shepard's Lead Contest	South End Cow Palace
9am	4-H/FFA Breeding Swine Show	Swine Ring
9am	4-H Robotics Contest	Back Lower Level Grandstand
9am	4-H/FFA Horse & Pony Show- SR English Show	Horse Show Ring
9am - 4pm	4-H Robotics Showcase	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
11am	Open Charolais Show (time subject to change)	Cow Palace
10am	Open Boer Goat Show	Sheep Ring
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
11am	4-H/FFA Sheep Breeding Show	South End Cow Palace
12:30pm	Open Angus followed by MD State Angus Show (time subject to change)	Cow Palace
12:30pm	Open AOB Beef Cattle Show (time subject to change)	Cow Palace
1:30pm - 3:30pm	4-H/FFA Presents – Tailgate Throwdown!	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg
2pm	Open Shorthorn Super Regional Show (time subject to change)	Cow Palace
3:30 - 7pm	4-H/FFA Presents!	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg
4pm	Open Supreme Champion Beef Cattle Drive	Cow Palace
4pm	4-H/FFA Swine Exhibits Released	Swine Barn
5pm	4-H/FFA All-Star Showmanship	Cow Palace
6pm	Open Boer Goats Released	Cow Palace
6pm	Open Beef Cattle Released	Cow Palace
6pm	JABGA Exhibits Released	Cow Palace
6pm	4-H/FFA Sheep Exhibits Released	Cow Palace
6pm	4-H/FFA Meat Goats Released	Sheep Barn
8pm	4-H/FFA Beef Released	Cow Palace

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023

Time	Event	Location
7pm	Maryland State Fair Youth Livestock Auction	Cow Palace

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am - 1pm	Open Dairy Cattle Entries Received	Cow Palace

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30, 2023

Time	Event	Location
8am – Noon	Open Dairy Cattle Entries Received	Cow Palace
Noon	Open Dairy Cattle must be in place	Cow Palace
3pm	Open Sheep Pens available	
3pm - 8pm	Open Home Arts Entries Received (Section M – Second Baking Show)	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
4pm – 8pm	Open Farm & Garden Third Flower Show Entries Received – Fresh Flowers	Farm & Garden Bldg.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am	Open Jersey Show	Cow Palace
9am	Open Welsh Pony Show	Horse Show Ring
9am – 9pm	Open Sheep Pens available	Sheep Barn
10:30am	Open Brown Swiss Show	Cow Palace
Noon	Hog pens available for ABA show	Swine Barn
Noon	Open Sheep pens available	Sheep Barn
2pm	Open Milking Shorthorn Show	Cow Palace
2pm	Open Red & White Holstein Show	Cow Palace
5pm	Gates open to public	Entrances
5pm - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
7pm	Open Holstein Futurity	Cow Palace

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

Time	Event	Location
8am – Noon	Jr. Swine Show Check-in	Swine Barn
9am	Open Holstein Show	Cow Palace
9am	Open Welsh Pony Show	Horse Show Ring
10am	Jr. Swine must be in place	Swine Barn
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
Noon	Open Sheep must be in place	Sheep Barn
Noon	Open Ayrshire Show	Cow Palace
1:30pm	Open Guernsey Show	Cow Palace
2pm	All Open Sheep Must be checked in	Sheep Barn
3pm	4-H/FFA Dairy stalls available	Cow Palace
3pm	All Crossbred gilt weigh cards due	Swine Barn
4pm	Open Supreme Dairy Cattle Show	Cow Palace
4pm - 7pm	4-H/FFA Second Flower Show entries received	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
5pm	Swine Showmanship (Sr., Int., Jr., Novice)	Swine Ring
5pm	Black Friday Open Sheep Show – Black Lincoln, Black Border Leicester	South Cow Palace Show Ring
7pm	Maryland Dairy Princess Contest	Cow Palace

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2023

Time	Event	Location
8am	4-H/FFA Horticulture Judging Contest	Vista Room – Admin. Bldg
8am – 2pm	4-H/FFA Dairy entries received	Cow Palace
8am – 3pm	4-H/FFA Dairy entries received	Cow Palace
8:30am	4-H/FFA Dairy Judging Contest (Registration @ 8am)	Cow Palace
8:30am	4-H/FFA Poultry Judging Contest	Show Pavilion
8:30am	4-H/FFA Rabbit Judging Contest	Show Pavilion
9am	4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest	Cow Palace
9am	Open Draft Horse & Mule Show – Confirmation, Cart & Hitch	Horse Show Ring
9am	Open Sheep Show – White Border Leicester, Natural Color, White Lincoln, Other White Wool	South Cow Palace Show Ring
9am – Noon	ABA Open Show check-in	Swine Barn
10am	All Open Show Swine must be in place	Swine Barn
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
10am – 1pm	4-H/FFA Presents!	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
Noon	Open Dairy Cattle Release	Cow Palace
1pm – 2pm	All Open Swine Show entries must be weighed	Swine Barn
1pm - 3pm	4-H/FFA Horticulture Communication Event	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg Stage
2pm	4-H/FFA Dairy must be in place	Cow Palace
3pm	4-H/FFA Dairy Cattle Exhibitor Orientation	South Cow Palace Show Ring
3pm	All Cross and Purebred barrow weigh cards due	Swine Ring
3pm	Junior ABA Gilt Show (Berkshire, Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Landrace, Poland China, Spot, Tamworth, Yorkshire, Cross)	Swine Ring
4pm	4-H/FFA Judging Awards Program (Rabbit, Poultry & Horticulture)	Cow Palace
5pm	Horse Pulling Contest – Miniature	Horse Show Ring
6pm	4-H/FFA Judging Awards Program (Livestock & Dairy)	Cow Palace
7pm	Open Sheep – Junior Regional Event	South Cow Palace Show Ring
7:30pm	Horse Pulling Contest – Light Teams & Minis	Horse Show Ring

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am	Open Sheep Show- Suffolk, Southdown, Shropshire, Dorper, Other Meat Breeds & Tunis	Sheep Ring
9am	Open ABA Berkshire Show – Sale to start 2hrs following conclusion of show	Swine Ring
9am	Open Draft Horse & Mule Show – Under Saddle, Cart & Hitch	Horse Show Ring
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
Noon	4-H/FFA Dairy Cattle Showmanship	Cow Palace
Noon	Open Wool Sheep Released	Sheep Barn
2pm	Open ABA Berkshire Barrow Show	Swine Ring
3pm	4-H Fashion Review	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg
3pm	Open Hereford Show	Swine Ring
5pm - 7pm	4-H Top Chef! Challenge	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
6pm	Exhibits Released – Open ABA exhibitors	Swine Barn
7:30pm	Horse Pulling Contest – Heavy Teams	Horse Show Ring

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am	Open Sheep Show – Hampshire, Dorset, Cheviot, All Other Hair Breeds	Sheep Ring
9am	Junior Barrow Show – Chester White, Duroc, Hampshire, Hereford, Poland China, Spot, Tamworth, Yorkshire, Cross	Swine Ring
9am	4-H/FFA Dairy Show – All Breeds	Cow Palace
9am	Open Youth Performance & Fitting & Showing Show (riders 17 and under)	Horse Show Ring
	Open Shetland Pony Show (following fitting and showing)	Horse Show Ring
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
2pm	The Hellen Burns Smyth Award Ceremony	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
6pm	4-H/FFA Dairy Cattle Released	Cow Palace
8pm	Junior Hogs Released	Swine Barn
8pm	Open Sheep Released	Sheep Barn

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

Time	Event	Location
3pm - 8pm	Open Home Arts Entries Received (Section M – Third Baking Show)	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg
4pm – 8pm	Entries for Fall Flower & Vegetable Show	Farm & Garden Bldg.
4pm – 8pm	Open Farm & Garden Fourth Flower Show Entries Received – Roses	Farm & Garden Bldg.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am	Open & 4-H/FFA Dairy Goat stalls available	Sheep Barn
Noon	Open Hog pens available	Swine Barn
1pm	Open Dairy Goats must be in place	Sheep Barn
4pm	Open Dairy Goats must be checked in	Sheep Barn
5pm	Gates open to public	Entrances
5pm – 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
7pm	Rodeo	Horse Show Ring

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am	Open Dairy Goat – All Breeds – SR Doe Show Only	Sheep Ring
9am	Open Hunter Breeding Show	Horse Show Ring
9am - 9pm	4-H/FFA Dairy Goat & Alpaca Entries Received	
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
1pm	Open Barrows weighed-in	Swine Barn
1pm - 5pm	Open Hogs must be checked-in	Swine Barn
2pm	Open Hogs must be in place	Swine Barn
3pm – 9pm	Open Youth Alpaca/Llama check-in	South Cow Palace
5pm – 9pm	Longhorn Entries received	Cow Palace
6pm	4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Judging	Sheep Ring
6pm	Swinemanship Show	Swine Ring

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

Time	Event	Location
8am	Open Youth Alpaca/Llama Exhibitors Mtg.	South Cow Palace Ring
9am – Noon	Longhorn entries received	Cow Palace
9am	Open Alpaca/Llama Showmanship, Obstacle & Performance	South Cow Palace Ring
9am	Open Dairy Goat – All Breeds – JR Doe Show Only	Sheep Ring
9am	4-H Dog Show entries received	Cow Palace
9am	Open Thoroughbred Hunter/Jumper Show	Horse Ring
9am	Open Swine Show – Durocs, Berkshires, Herefords, Spots, Crossbred, Chester White	Swine Ring
10am	4-H Bicycle Safety Event	North End Cow Palace
10am	4-H Dog Show – Fitting & Showmanship (all age divisions) Obedience Rally	Cow Palace
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
Noon	Longhorn Entries must be in place	Cow Palace
1pm	4-H Learn/Earn & Safety (Lawn Tractor)	North End Cow Palace
2pm	4-H Dairy Goat Orientation	Sheep Barn
4pm	4-H Small Engine Event	North End Cow Palace
4:30pm	4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Showmanship	Sheep Ring
5pm	Open Dairy Goats Released following show	Sheep Barn
5pm	4-H Electricity/Energy Event	North End Cow Palace
5pm	4-H, FFA and Open Youth Alpaca/Llama Demonstrations	South Cow Palace Ring
7pm	4-H/FFA Team Dairy Goat Fitting	Sheep Ring

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

Time	Event	Location
8:30am	4-H/FFA Alpaca/Llama exhibitor's meeting	South Cow Palace Ring
9am	4-H/FFA Alpaca/Llama show	South Cow Palace Ring
9am	4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Breeding Show (LaMancha, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, Oberhasli, Recorded Grade, Saanen, Toggenburg, AOP, Alpine)	Sheep Ring
9am	Junior Longhorn Show	Cow Palace
9am	Open Fitting and Showing/Youth Show	Horse Show Ring
9am	Open Swine Show – Poland China, Yorkshire, Hampshire, Tamworth	Swine Ring
10am - 7pm	U-Learn Farm and U-Learn Barn	Cow Palace
Noon	Open Longhorn Show (following junior show)	Cow Palace
2pm	Mini Longhorn Show (following open show)	Cow Palace
5pm	4-H/FFA All-Star Showmanship	Cow Palace
6pm	4-H/FFA Dairy Goats & Alpacas/Llamas Released	
6pm	Longhorn Cattle Released	Cow Palace
8pm	Open Hogs Released	Swine Barn
8pm – 10pm	4-H/FFA Exhibits Released	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023

Time	Event	Location
9am – 7pm	4-H/FFA Exhibits Released	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
9am – 7pm	Open Home Arts Entries Released	4-H/FFA Home Arts Bldg.
9am – 7pm	Open Farm & Garden Entries Released	Farm & Garden Bldg.