



FUN!

NOVELTY CONTEST

@ 16th Annual Lorain County Fair Fiddle Contest

Saturday, August 25th, 2018



Check-In & Registration: 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm Contest: 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Description & Rules

- Novelty instruments are any instrument EXCEPT fiddle, guitar, banjo, or mandolin.
- Any ACOUSTIC instrument suitable for an old-time dance is welcome – the usual suspects like harmonica, bass, cello, accordion, dobro, dulcimer, autoharp, spoons, washboard, zither, bones, kazoo, jug, saw, etc. (no drums).
- Unaccompanied or up to 2 accompanists. (See separate “Backup” guidelines.)
- Contestants will play any 1 tune of their choice (2 if time allows) - bluegrass, old-timey, folk, or other related genres are acceptable (please, let's not argue about this, you know what we mean).
- The audience is the judge (after being prompted to consider musical ability – rhythm & timing, clarity & tone, and difficulty level) and the best audience response (applause, hoots, joyful screaming, fainting, etc.) determines the outcome.
- In the event of a tie, contestants will play another tune of Choice.