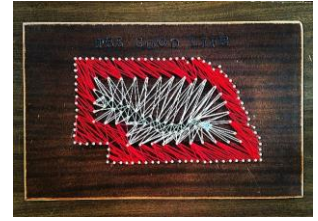
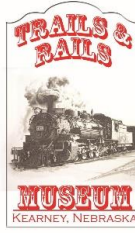


# 2<sup>nd</sup> annual “150 Nails” Contest



Definition of ‘nail’: ‘a long, thin piece of metal that is sharp at one end and flat at the other end and that is used chiefly to attach things to wood’ (according to <http://www.merriam-webster.com>). That being said, you may use any size you want to. This is your idea, your art. Be as creative as you can. You are encouraged to be creative with the other material(s) used (i.e. Styrofoam, cement, clay, wood, embroidery hoops, cork, etc.). The items pictured above are examples of entries from the 2017 ‘150 Nails’ Contest.

## Criteria:

1. Participants may use any materials plus exactly 150 nails (No more and no less than 150)
2. Finished item must be no larger than 3 foot long by 3 foot wide by 3 foot tall
3. Finished item must be portable without falling apart (Your finished piece will be handled/moved a couple of different times)

## Group Divisions:

- A. 11 years old and under by June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- B. 12-17 years old by June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- C. 18 years old and older by June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- D. Partnered- this group may have ONE entry designed and created by TWO people from any group.  
(Example: One person from Group A could partner with one person from Group C)

***Enter your piece with the completed entry form to the Trails & Rails Museum office between the dates of May 29<sup>th</sup> and June 6<sup>th</sup> of 2018.*** There will be a \$5 entry fee, which must be paid when the registration form and item are delivered to Trails & Rails Museum. Entries will be accepted during regular business hours of Monday-Saturday 10 am-6 pm or Sundays from 1-5 pm. All entries must be in by 6 pm Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. Anyone is eligible to enter. You are welcome to participate no matter your age, location, or level of trade. Items can be realistic or abstract. \*Non-winning entries from previous year(s) are eligible to be entered again. Participants are strongly encouraged to double-check the criteria to make sure their piece qualifies to enter.

You may start anytime and practice as often as you like. Only one entry per person may be submitted.

All pieces will be unveiled during the 2018 Wagons West Celebration, Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> from 10 am-1 pm. The winners will be announced at the Celebration. All pieces will remain on display for the summer of 2018 and may be picked up after Labor Day during regular business hours with a photo I.D. or a guardian’s photo I.D. Non-summer hours are Monday-Friday from 1-5 pm.

Judges will review submitted items based on the following criteria: were only 150 nails used (if they can’t tell, the honor system will be used), the size requirement, originality, and the completed registration form and \$5 were submitted on time. Judge tips: count out 150 nails prior to starting and please make a note on the registration form if there is anything less-than-obvious that may help the judges.

The community will have a chance to vote on their favorite piece. Community voting will be allowed starting at the 2018 Wagons West Celebration, right after the judge’s choices have been announced, and will end at 6 pm the Friday before Labor Day Weekend. The votes will be tallied and announced the week after Labor Day. The staff pick will also be announced that week.

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Prizes: The Grand Prize will be \$75 in each category. The 'Community Choice' and 'Staff Pick' will win 150 quarters (quarters because we are dealing with metal). Prizes are gratefully sponsored by an anonymous donor and by BD Construction.

Copyright Rules: Any items that depict copyrighted images will be rejected. (i.e. do not depict characters from television shows, movies, video games, or books). Participants should use their own ideas.

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## Registration Form-Bring this completed form along with your \$5 and your item to be entered.

Name of Participant: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of Participant: \_\_\_\_ Name of Parent/Guardian, if under 18: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street, City, St., Zip): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Which Group Division are you entering? Please circle one:

**Group A:** 11 years old and younger

**Group B:** 12-17 years old

**Group C:** 18 years old and older

**Group D:** Partnered

Title of Piece being entered: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the "150 Nails" Contest? \_\_\_\_\_

Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\* \_\_\_\_\_ Initial here saying you understand your name and a picture of you and/or your item may be used in publicity by BCHS/Trails & Rails Museum.

\*Initial one of the following two statements:

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial here that you will pick up your item after Labor Day 2018 during regular hours and before Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, or they will be automatically donated to Trails & Rails Museum. The Museum then has the right to do as they wish with the piece.

OR

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial here that you do not want your item back and we may do whatever we feel is necessary with it.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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For office use: date rec'd: \_\_\_\_ amt. rec'd: \_\_\_\_ ck,cash,Paypal staff intls: \_\_\_\_ Item#: \_\_\_\_\_

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