National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) Contest Information

View a complete list of contest rules at [www.angus.org/njaa](http://www.angus.org/njaa).

**All-American Certified Angus Beef® Cook-Off**
Sponsored by the American Angus Auxiliary and the NJAA.
Entry Deadline is May 15.
Enter online at [www.angus.org/njaa](http://www.angus.org/njaa)
*Limited to one entry per category and age division per state.*

**NJAA/Angus Journal Photography Contest**
All photographs must be postmarked by May 15. LATE ENTRIES NOT ACCEPTED. All photos must be mounted on 10 x 14-inch black foam core.

**NJAA Graphic Design Contest “NEW TOPICS”**
The 2013 Graphic Design Contest entry theme is as follows:
- *Intermediate theme:* Design a flyer promoting the Green Coats: Coast to Coast program.
- *Senior theme:* Design a flyer promoting the Angus Ambassador program.

**Entries must be postmarked by May 15.**

**NJAA Writing Contest “NEW TOPICS”**
The junior topic is: Who or what has sparked your interest to become active in the NJAA, and why?
The intermediate topic is: Explain how your involvement in leadership programs is vital to your success in the NJAA and in life?
The senior topic is: As you evaluate the current issues in the beef industry and the information available to you as an Angus breeder where do you see the breed in 5 years?

**Entries must be postmarked by May 15.**

**NJAA Poster Contest**
Turn entries in at the show office during the NJAS by 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 6 (see schedule). DO NOT mail entries to the American Angus Association office. This contest is only available to the junior division.

**Video Contest**
Topic: Produce a commercial that promotes the National Junior Angus Association.
**Entries must be postmarked by May 15.**

**NJAA Public Speaking Contest “NEW TOPIC”**
A typewritten, double-spaced outline of all speeches should be mailed to our office and must be postmarked by May 25. LATE ENTRIES NOT ACCEPTED.

The 2013 senior speech topic is: Discuss the current cow inventory and its impact on the beef industry.

**NJAA Career Development Contest**
A contest created for the intermediate and senior divisions only.
**The Intermediate Division has been split into two age divisions**
- *Intermediate A:* Ages 14&15
- *Intermediate B:* Ages 16&17
- *Senior:* Ages 18-21

Job descriptions and resumes are due in the office by May 25 (postmark date).

**NJAA Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest**
Sign-up deadline at the NJAS is 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 6.

**NJAA Team Sales**
Sign-up deadline at the NJAS is 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 6.

**NJAA Team Fitting**
Sign-up deadline at the NJAS is 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 6. Please see list of complete rules on the website, [www.njaa.info](http://www.njaa.info)

**NJAA Cattle Judging Contest**
Sign-up deadline at the NJAS is 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 6.

**Quiz Bowl**
Sign-up deadline at the NJAS is 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 6.

**NJAA Scrapbook Contest**
Scrapbooks should be turned into the show office during the NJAS by 12:00 noon on Saturday, July 6 (see schedule). DO NOT mail entries to the American Angus Association office.

**NJAA Coloring Session**
The coloring session is offered to youth ages 9 and under. Pictures of cows, barns, tractors, etc. will be available for those that are too young to show their cattle, but still want to participate in the NJAS. Please encourage your junior to join in on the NJAS fun! It’s a great way for them to build friendships within the NJAA.

**NJAA Best State Herdsmanship Contest**
Judged over the duration of the show based on appearance of the cattle, aisle, bedding signs, equipment and personnel. Awards will be presented in five size divisions.

**Sweepstakes Contest**
Awarded to the state with the highest point accumulation from participation in contests and cattle competitions. Awards will be presented in two size divisions.

**NJAS Mentoring Program**
This is an opportunity for junior Angus members to utilize their experience at the NJAS to assist first- and second-time exhibitors at this event. It gives juniors of all ages the chance to meet and interact with members from different states. Older juniors who have attended multiple NJAS are encouraged to volunteer to serve as mentors.
National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest
Kansas City, MO • July 5-11, 2013

The first National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest was held at Keeneland Race Course in Lexington, Kentucky in conjunction with the 1967 American Angus Breeder’s Futurity. Since 1974, the Contest has been moved to coincide with the National Junior Angus Show, but the idea is still the same – the best showmen in the country compete for the title of “Champion Angus Showman”. To be eligible to compete in the contest, participants must qualify by placing first or second in their respective state junior showmanship contest. Each contestant in the national contest receives a specially designed photo plaque and a cash award. The top five showmen also receive silver Revere bowls and added prize money. The contest is a grand opportunity to meet other showmen and learn new techniques of showmanship.

National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest Rules

1. Supervision of the National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest will be under the direction of the Junior Activities Department of the American Angus Association and will be held each year at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). This year’s contest will be held July 9 & 11, in Kansas City, Missouri.

2. Contestants must be a junior, life or regular member of the American Angus Association PRIOR to participating in their state contest.

3. Contestant’s birth date must be from January 1, 1992 through December 31, 1998.

4. Contestants, by entering, agree to abide by the rules herein set forth, including any changes that may be deemed necessary for the best interests of the contest, the contestants, and the herds furnishing animals.

5. ANY CONTESTANT WHO HAS PARTICIPATED IN ANY OF THE PREVIOUS NATIONAL JUNIOR ANGUS SHOWMANSHIP CONTESTS IS AUTOMATICALLY INELIGIBLE FOR ENSUING NATIONAL SHOWMANSHIP COMPETITION.

6. To be eligible, each contestant and alternate must presently own registered Angus.

7. Entries will be limited to two contestants from each state or province. All states/provinces should select two alternates in case one or both of the winners is unable to participate. Names of the contestants and alternates must be submitted to the Junior Activities Department of the American Angus Association no later than May 15, 2013 if their name is to appear in the program.

8. The names of the contestants must be submitted by the secretary of the state/provincial Angus Association in the state or province to be represented or a state junior Angus association advisor. Selection of the contestants is the responsibility of the adult and/or junior state/provincial Angus Association.

9. The heifers used by the contestants will be heifers provided by exhibitors at the NJAS. Heifers will be groomed by the owner of the heifer being used, not the contestant. In the preliminaries, contestants will use heifers that were selected by AAA officials. In the final round, the top 15 contestants will select a junior yearling heifer to use, but heifers will be switched at least once in the show ring. AAA officials will be on hand to assist the contestants with the selection of a heifer to use, if needed.

10. Preliminary classes will be established, not to exceed fifteen (15) in any one class.

11. Contestants are required to wear a white collared shirt, black or dark blue pants, and a show harness.

12. Contestants will be judged on the following by a panel of experienced showmen.

A. Skill, handling and response of the animal to the contestant.

B. Use of equipment by contestant during the contest.

C. General appearance of the contestant.

D. Showing courtesy and sportsmanship.

E. Ability to follow instructions during the contest.

13. The basis for judging will not include the individual excellence of the heifers shown by the contestants.

14. Premiums will be provided by the American Angus Association and the Angus Foundation. The top five places will receive a silver Revere bowl provided by the American Angus Auxiliary. The first place showmanship award is named the "Dean Hurlbut Showmanship Award". Premiums are as follows:

First - $350
Second - $250
Third - $175
Fourth - $125
Fifth - $100
Sixth through remaining places - $75.

15. Special awards will be given to the finalists selected by the official judges.

16. THE AMERICAN ANGUS ASSOCIATION IS NOT HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS.
AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS
All applications are available by contacting the Junior Activities Department or on the Web site www.angus.org/njaa and/or the Angus Foundation at www.angusfoundation.org.

OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AWARD (OLA)

The OLA was designed to recognize one outstanding NJAA member each year at the American Angus Association Annual Banquet. This award is available only to members of the NJAA who are 14 years of age or older as of January 1 of the current year. This prestigious award is based upon the leadership that has been exhibited by the nominee through their Angus and various other activities as presented in their report form. The OLA recipient will receive an award presented by the NJAA and a check for $500 from the Angus Foundation. The application is due May 1.

ADVISOR OF THE YEAR

Behind every successful junior Angus group are dedicated advisors. Each year at the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) one advisor or advisor team is given special recognition by being named “Advisor of the Year.” State junior Angus associations may nominate an advisor that they feel has been instrumental in the success of their association and the development of its members as active, responsible and enthusiastic individuals. Nominations are due March 1.

NATIONAL JUNIOR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The American Angus Association established a National Junior Recognition Program in 1972. It has been successful in providing an opportunity for young Angus breeders to become nationally recognized for continued achievement. This program is based on activities over a junior member’s entire career. There are three levels of recognition; Bronze, Silver, and Gold. Bronze and Silver Awards can be earned at any age. The Gold Award, however, will be given only during the last year of eligibility as a junior member. Winners of the various levels receive a specially designed pin, cast in the metal of the respective award (Bronze, Silver, or Gold).

CRYSTAL AWARD

The Crystal Award is sponsored by the American Angus Auxiliary and awarded to the highest placing male and female junior Angus member in all the contests held at the NJAS.

SILVER PITCHER

The American Angus Auxiliary awards the top placing male and female exhibitors at the NJAS with a Silver Pitcher. Points are awarded in each of the following categories: steer, cow-calf, owned heifer, bred-and-owned bull, and bred-and-owned heifer.

AMERICAN ANGUS AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIPS

The American Angus Auxiliary awards scholarships annually to five young men and five young women who have demonstrated exceptional participation and achievements in Angus projects, school, community and church, and superior character. Coordination and administration of this scholarship program lies with the Auxiliary. Applications are available from your state Angus Auxiliary, the American Angus Auxiliary Scholarship Chairwomen and www.angusauxiliary.com. The winners are announced at the NJAS.

COLVIN SCHOLARSHIP

Developed in 1999 as Louis M. "Mick" Colvin retired from the CAB executive director position, this scholarship recognizes his role in making dreams a reality and inspiring others to be their best. Colvin directed the beef brand for more than 20 years. This scholarship benefits tomorrow’s leaders who are involved in their communities and the beef industry. Scholarships will go to the top applicants based on activities and scholastic achievement, communication skills—essay and verbal and reference letters. For more information, visit the Web site www.certifiedangusbeef.com.

CAB/NJAA SCHOLARSHIP

One scholarship is awarded to a current or former member of the NJAA who is pursuing a degree in animal science, meat science, food science, ag communications or a related field. The scholarship recipient is announced at the NJAS and receives a $1,000. The scholarship, first awarded in 1990, is a grant for which no equivalent work is required. CAB/NJAA Scholarship applications are due May 1 and can be accessed at www.angusfoundation.org. (NOTE: This application is separate from the Angus Foundation’s general scholarship application for undergraduate students referenced above.)

ANGUS FOUNDATION UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Angus Foundation will award general scholarships to young men and women actively involved in the Angus breed who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in higher education. Students in all academic degree fields of study are encouraged to apply. These one-year awards will consist of 2-$5,000 scholarships in honor of Richard L. Spader, former Executive Vice President of the American Angus Association, and numerous $3,000 and $1,000 scholarships. Applicants at one time must have been a NJAA member and must currently be a junior, regular or life member of the American Angus Association, and cannot have reached their 25th birthday prior to January 1 of application year. Awards are announced at the NJAS. Angus Foundation Undergraduate Student Scholarship Program applications are due May 1.

Applications may also be considered for other undergraduate named scholarships like the Woodlawn Farms Angus Scholarship, Joseph and Ruby Schaff/Schaff Angus Ranch Scholarship, Roscoe L. Richardson Memorial Scholarship, etc. depending on the applicant meeting the eligibility criteria set forth by the donor and Angus Foundation for those respective named scholarships. Past applicants and recipients of Angus Foundation general scholarships can continue to apply for named scholarships. For more information about the Angus Foundation’s Undergraduate Student Scholarship Program and to obtain an application, visit www.angusfoundation.org.

ANGUS FOUNDATION GRADUATE STUDENT DEGREE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:

To further foster the advancement of education, youth and research, the Angus Foundation will award five general graduate student scholarships to young men and women actively involved in the Angus breed and who are pursuing an advanced degree in higher education. These $5,000 scholarships will be one-year awards. The graduate student scholarship can only be applied to advanced degree studies. Applicants at one time must have been a NJAA member and must currently be a junior, regular or life member of the American Angus Association. Strong preference and priority will be given to applicants pursuing advanced degrees related closely to the beef industry.

Applications may also be considered for other undergraduate named graduate student scholarships depending on the applicant meeting the eligibility criteria set forth by the donor and Angus Foundation for those respective graduate student scholarships. Past applicants and recipients of Angus Foundation general graduate scholarships and named graduate student scholarships can continue to apply for named scholarships. For more information about the Angus Foundation’s Graduate Student Scholarship Program and to obtain an application, visit www.angusfoundation.org. Deadline for application is May 1.

DISCLAIMER: Depending on level of funds available, respective scholarships referenced above and any other scholarship administered by the Angus Foundation may or may not be awarded each year.