

PRESS RELEASE

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Mississippi Egg Marketing Board Seeks Artists for Easter Egg Competition

The Mississippi Egg Marketing Board is seeking artists, both professional and amateur, to submit a decorative Easter egg that represents the State of Mississippi and our culture. The chosen egg will be presented to First Lady Deborah Bryant during the Easter season.

Eggs must be decorated and hand delivered to the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board located at 121 North Jefferson Street, Jackson in the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce Office Building between March 16 and March 20, 2015. Please call (601) 359-1144 to schedule delivery. Competing eggs will be on display at the Mississippi Farmers Market and the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Museum as well as online where the public can vote for their favorite. To obtain an application and guidelines, visit the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce website www.mdac.ms.gov and look under "Alerts and Announcements." Submitted eggs become the property of the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board.

Let your artistic ability showcase your vision of our state in the competition for the 2015 Mississippi Easter Egg. For additional information, please contact Jennifer Thompson at (601) 359-1144 or email jennifer@mdac.ms.gov.

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PRESENT YOUR EASTER EASTER TOMISSISSIPPI'S FIRST LADY



Easter Egg Guidelines

- Eggs should be decorated to represent some special feature (or features) of Mississippi
- Only Large Chicken eggs are to be used (contents removed). Reinforce bottom in some manner, perhaps with clear nail polish or paint that is not so vulnerable. (Watercolor would not be effective)
- Eggs should be freestanding without a base or stand
- Small end of the egg should be facing up
- No decoration on the bottom
- Eggs must be hand delivered to the MS Department of Agriculture, 121 North Jefferson Street, Jackson, MS 39201, between March 16 and March 20, 2015

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2015 MISSISSIPPI EGG ENTRY FORM

Name of Artist:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Telephone:	Cell Phone:
Brief Description of Entry:	
Brief Description of Artist:	
Grade: (If applicable)	
School: (If applicable)	
Email Address:	
I certify that I am a resident of the State of Mississippi.	
Artist Signature	Date

Note: Submitted eggs become the property of the Mississippi Egg Marketing Board and all selections and/or winners will be that of the Board. (One egg will be selected from submitted eggs and presented to First Lady Deborah Bryant.)

**Deadline for Entries is March 20, 2015
Please hand deliver between March 16 and March 20, 2015 to:
MDAC, 121 N. Jefferson Street, Jackson
Call 601-359-1144 to schedule drop off

***Winning egg will be presented to First Lady Deborah Bryant, date TBA (not open to the public).