

2009 ROCKBRIDGE REGIONAL FAIR HORTICULTURE SHOW

DATES: Wednesday, July 15 through Sunday, July 19

July 15 4PM-8PM
July 16 11AM-9PM
July 17 11AM-9PM
July 18 11AM-9PM

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General Rules and Regulations:

1. Entry is open to any non-professional gardener. Garden club membership is not required.
2. A specimen, single stem or spike or spray may include attached foliage. A spray is a branch consisting of several blooms, buds and leaves.
3. **All Horticulture entries must be brought to the Appomattox Mezzanine-Anderson Coliseum between 10:30 AM-12:30 PM on Wednesday, July 15.**
4. Judging will begin promptly at **1:30 PM on Wednesday, July 15.** Only judges and clerks will be allowed in the exhibition area during judging. The judges decisions are final.
5. Exhibitor's name should be placed on the bottom of all containers. The Flower Show Committee will exercise all care, but cannot be responsible for loss or damage to containers or for personal injury.
6. Native plants on the 1979 Virginia Conservation list may not be used unless grown by exhibitor and so labeled.
7. **The Handbook for Flower Shows**, published by the National Council of State Garden Clubs, 1997 edition is the authority. The standard System of Awards will be followed and the point count required for awards is as follows: one blue (90 or above), one red (85 or above) may be given in each class or subclass. More than one yellow (80 or above), one white (75 or above) may be given if merited.
8. **ALL ENTRIES MUST REMAIN IN PLACE UNTIL 9:00 PM ON SATURDAY, JULY 18 AND MUST BE REMOVED NO LATER THAN 3PM SUNDAY, JULY 19.**

DIVISION I-HORTICULTURE

Horticulture Rules

1. All specimens must be fresh and grown by the exhibitor.
2. Container grown plants must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for not less than three (3) months.
3. ALL HORTICULTURE SPECIMENS MUST BE LABELED WITH THE CORRECT BOTANICAL OR COMMON NAME, VARIETY OR CULTIVAR, WHEN POSSIBLE.

There will be a staff of Master Gardeners on hand to help all exhibitors with classification.

4. The Classification Committee may subdivide classes by cultivar/variety and/or color at the close of entries.
5. No oiling, dressing or surface treatment of foliage is permitted.
6. A blossom should be in proportion to its stem. More than one (1) entry per class may be made by an exhibitor, provided **each** is of a different cultivar, variety or color.
7. All horticulture classes are open to any amateur grower.
8. The **exhibitor must furnish clear glass containers in proportion** to size of the exhibit (to prevent tipping) for cut specimens. It is important to provide containers that have no lettering or decorations to distract from the beauty of the specimen. Cotton, Styrofoam or twig wedges may be used in the neck of the container as wedging material for support of the specimen if necessary. Leafless stems of boxwood may also be used. No foliage beneath the water level of the display bottle is allowed as **STEM MUST BE VISIBLE FOR JUDGING**. All specimens must be pest and disease free.
9. Length of each exhibit should be in accordance with the growth habit, but may not exceed 30" from cut end to tip of specimen.
10. Scale of points: Unless otherwise noted in individual classes, the judges will use the Scale of Points on page 10 in the Handbook for Flower Shows, 1997 Edition.
11. All entries must be checked by the Classification Committee before being taken to the Entry Chairperson. Entry cards will be available during exhibit registration and must include the name of the specimen as described (#3) above and the exhibitor's name and address.

Horticulture Awards:

1. The Award of Horticultural Excellence may be awarded to the named exhibit of fresh plant material judged to be the finest in the entire Show. It must be a blue ribbon winner scoring 95 points or more. It is a rosette of green, orange and blue ribbons. A Gift Certificate from The Potting Shed will be given to the winner of the Horticultural Excellence.
2. The Award of Merit may be awarded to a named blue ribbon winner scoring 95 points or more in Section B (Perennials/Biennials). It is a rosette of orange ribbons. A Gift Certificate from the Jefferson Florist and Greenhouse will be presented to the winner of the Award of Merit.
3. The Arboreal Award may be awarded to a named blue ribbon winner scoring 95 points or more in Section H (Trees and Shrubs). It is a rosette of two shades of green ribbon. A Gift Certificate from Boxerwood Gardens will be presented to the winner of the Arboreal Award.
4. The Sweepstakes Award may be awarded to the the exhibitor winning the largest number of horticulture blue ribbons. In the case of a tie, red ribbons will be used to determine the winner. The Sweepstakes Award is a rosette of green and white ribbons. A Gift Certificate from Fancy Hill Nursery and Greenhouse will be given to the winner of the Horticultural Sweepstakes Award.

Fair Horticulture Show Entry Classes

DIVISION 1

SECTION A-ANNUALS

CLASSES

1. Celosia
2. Coleus
3. Cosmos
4. Dusty Miller
5. Geranium
6. Impatiens
 - a. common
 - b. New Guinea
7. Marigold
8. Petunia
9. Salvia
10. Sunflower
11. Zinnia
12. Any other annual

SECTION B

PERENNIALS & BIENNIALS

13. Achillea (yarrow)
14. Balloon flower (Platycodon)
15. Coreopsis (Tickseed)
16. Echinacea (Coneflower)
17. Gallardia (Blanket Flower)
18. Hemerocallis-Daylily
 - a. Single
 - b. Double
 - c. Miniature
19. Hosta (leaf only)
20. Perovskia (Russian sage)
21. Phlox
22. Shasta daisy
23. Veronica
24. Vinca (Periwinkle)
25. Any other Perennial

SECTION C
ROSES

26. Hybrid Tea
27. Floribunda
28. Old Fashioned Shrub
29. Climbing
30. Miniature

SECTION D-BULBS, CORMS & TUBERS

31. Dahlias
32. Gladiolus
 - a. Single
 - b. Double
 - c. Variegated
 - d. Miniature
33. Liliium
 - a. Asiatic
 - b. Oriental
 - c. Any other
34. Any other bulb, corm or tuber

SECTION E- CULINARY HERBS

35. Basil
36. Chamomile
37. Dill
38. Marjoram
39. Mint
40. Monarda
41. Oregano
42. Parsley
43. Rosemary
 - a. Upright
 - b. Creeping
44. Sage
45. Thyme
 - a. Upright
 - b. Creeping
 - c. Variegated
 - d. Any other
46. Chives
47. Any other culinary herb

Section F- AROMATIC HERBS

48. Artemisia
49. Lavender
50. Lemon Balm
51. Santolina

SECTION G- VINES

52. Clematis
53. Honeysuckle
54. Hyacinth Bean
55. Moonflower
56. Any other vine

SECTION H- TREES AND SHRUBS

(Exhibit must not exceed 30" from the specimen tip to the cut end, but must be a minimum of 12" from tip to cut end)

57. Flowering Shrub
 - a. Buddleia
 - b. Crape Myrtle
 - c. Hydrangea
 - d. Any other flowering shrub

SECTION H-CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

(No hanging baskets-maximum diameter of container is 8". Double potting is permitted)

59. African Violet
60. Begonia
61. Ferns
62. Geraniums
63. Succulents
64. Any other container grown plant