

“Wings of Glory”

A NGC Standard Flower Show

Presented by the Black Hills District of Garden Clubs

**Expo Center, Thurston County Fairgrounds
3054 Carpenter Rd., Lacey, WA 360-786-5453**

**Thurston, Lewis and Cowlitz County adult residents
and youth aged pre-K through 18 may enter.**

Free and open to the public during Fair hours

Public Viewing Hours

July 30, 2026	10:00 am to 9:00 pm
July 31 - August 1, 2026	10:00 am to 10:00 pm
August 2, 2026	10:00 am to 8:00 pm

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Flower Show Committee

POSITION	NAME	PHONE
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GENERAL INFORMATION AND RULES

ENTRIES: Horticulture, Design, Youth and Special Exhibits entries will be accepted between 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm on Tuesday, July 28, 2026 in the Thurston Expo Center.

ADVANCED REGISTRATION is required in Division II, III, IV, and V by Friday, July 10, 2026 (Contact Section Consultant listed below in Schedule). Every exhibit in Division II, III, IV, and V must be accompanied by a listing of the names of the plants used in the exhibit.

SPECIAL ENTRY TAGS for Open Class Floral are available from the Fair Office during office hours, the Floral Dept. Superintendent and Black Hills District Club Presidents. The online FairEntry program is also to be used. A list of the Clubs and contact information for Club Presidents can be found at www.blackhillsdistrict.com/clubs. They are to be completed in **PENCIL**.

EXHIBITORS: May be any resident in Thurston, Lewis and Cowlitz County and all members of the Black Hills District of Garden Clubs. National Garden Clubs Student Judges may enter any adult class.

Open to all judges who require credits.

Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per class, except in the Horticulture Division and the Botanical Arts Horticulture Section if each is a different species, variety, cultivar, type, or color. HB p. 25

CONSERVATION LIST: Plants on the Washington State Conservation List may not be used in this show unless grown by the Exhibitor or obtained in a legal manner. . Noxious plants are not allowed in any division. See state conservation website for a complete list.
www.nwcb.wa.gov.

FRESH PLANT MATERIAL There must be an emphasis on FRESH plant material.

NO ARTIFICIAL “PLANT” MATERIAL is permitted in any division.

REPLACING PLANT MATERIAL: Wilted plant material may be replaced each morning before 9:30 am.

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DAYS AND HOURS: The show will be open to the public at 10 am each day of the Fair from Thursday through Sunday, close at 9 pm on Thurs. 10 pm on Friday and Saturday until the end of the Fair, Sunday, at 8 pm.

CLASSIFICATION: The Classification Chairmen for each Division check exhibits for conformity to the schedule prior to judging. Final determination for conformance is the judges’ responsibility

JUDGING: Judging will take place on Wednesday July 29, 2026 at 10:00 am. The General Chairman and the Classification Chairmen for each Division are available during judging for possible consultation. They, along with the judges and clerks, are the only personnel allowed on the floor during judging.

AWARDS: This Flower Show conforms to the standards established by National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC). *The Handbook for Flower Shows* (HB), 2017 – 2nd edition, with revisions posted on the NGC website, is the authority for all issues not covered by the schedule, which is the “Law of the Show.” The handbook can be accessed free of charge at [Flower Show School Curriculum | National Garden Clubs](#) . Navigate to Required Reading, Handbook for Flower Shows.

A list of the Clubs and contact information for Club Presidents can be found at www.blackhillsdistrict.com/clubs Stickers will indicate 1st Place, exhibit must score 90 or more (Blue), 2nd place, 85 or more (red), 3rd place, 80 or more (yellow) and Honorable Mention, 75 or more (white). The decisions of the judges will be final. Any award may be withheld if the requirements are not met.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The Show Committee will strive to assure the safety of all items after arrival and placement but is not responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits.

REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS: Exhibits may be removed Sunday, August 2, 2026, after the Fair closes, between 8:00 pm–9:00 pm, and must be removed between 9:00 am -11:00 am on Monday, August 3, 2026. Please let the Superintendent know if there will be any problem in removing an exhibit.

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NON-COMPLIANCE: Those not complying with these rules forfeit all prizes and premiums.

POLICIES: The NGC exhibit policies are printed in the HB, Chapter 7, Exhibiting in the Design Division, NGC Policies and Guidelines. Specific rules are listed with each Division in the schedule and must be followed. American and other national flags are NOT permitted in the design division. Page 81 of the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows

AWARDS

The NGC Standard System of Awarding is used in all Divisions:

Only **one first-place (blue)** ribbon per class or subclass; must score 90 points or more.

Only **one second-place (red)** ribbon per class or subclass; must score 85 points or more.

Only **one third-place (yellow)** ribbon per class or subclass; must score 80 points or more.

One (1) or more honorable mention (white) ribbons as merited; must score 75 points or more.

Top Exhibitor Awards listed may be offered and awarded if merited.

REQUIREMENTS FOR NGC HORTICULTURE DIVISION TOP EXHIBITOR AWARDS

1. All plant material must be cut or container grown.
2. Exhibit must be a **blue-ribbon winner scoring 95 or more points**. Eligible horticulture exhibits will be placed on the Awards table.
3. Exhibit must be correctly named with **genus and specific epithet**, cultivar/variety if available; common name may be added.
4. Plant material must have been grown by the individual exhibitor for the required length of time (HB p. 55). See glossary in back of schedule.
5. There must be at least three Classes in each designated Section. There is no minimum number of exhibits required except that the total number must meet requirements for a Standard Flower Show (at least 20 horticulture exhibits in all).
6. Sections/Classes eligible for each award must be listed in the schedule.
7. An award must be withheld if no exhibit is worthy and/or fails to meet specific requirements for the award

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HORTICULTURE DIVISION AWARDS

TOP EXHIBITOR

DIVISION

Award of Horticultural Excellence (HB p. 40) One may be offered to the highest scoring, correctly named **blue ribbon winner exhibit, scoring 95 or above**, in the entire Horticulture Division entered by an individual. The winning exhibit may also have won another Top Exhibitor Award in the Horticulture Division. A winner of an Award of Merit, Arboreal Award and Growers Choice Award are eligible for the Award of Horticultural Excellence. **Or be a first-place blue ribbon winner not in sections designated for a Section Top Exhibitor Award, but which meet award requirements.** It is a rosette of green, orange, and blue ribbons.

Thurston County Fair Awards (HB p. 26 rev 2025) include the Lily Award, the Glad Award, the Vine Award, the Rose Award, the Gourmet Award, the Harvest Award and People’s Choice Awards.

SECTION

Arboreal Award (HB p. 40-41) One award may be offered and awarded to the highest scoring **blue ribbon winner, scoring 95 or above**, correctly named exhibit, meeting all Section requirements in **Section J and K**. It is a rosette of green ribbons.

SECTION

Awards of Merit (HB p. 41) Four awards may be offered and awarded to the highest scoring **blue ribbon winner, scoring 95 or above**, correctly named exhibit, meeting all Section requirements in **Sections A, B, C, D, E and N**. It is a rosette of orange ribbons.

SECTION

Grower’s Choice Awards (HB p. 41) Two awards may be offered and awarded to the highest scoring **blue ribbon winner, scoring 95 or above**, correctly named exhibit, meeting all section requirements in **Section G and Section H**. It is a rosette of dark green ribbons.

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SECTION

Thurston County Fair awards (HB p. 26 rev 2025) may be offered and awarded for the correctly named exhibit, meeting all section requirements in the following sections: **The Lily Award, Section B. The Glad Award, Section G. The Vine Award, Section H. The Rose Award, Section I. The Gourmet Award, Section M. The Harvest Award, Section M. The People’s Choice Awards** to be awarded to the public’s choice of favorite design and horticulture piece each day.

REQUIREMENTS FOR NGC DESIGN DIVISION TOP EXHIBITOR AWARDS

1. Exhibit must be the highest scoring blue-ribbon winner scoring 95 or more.
2. Schedule must designate the award’s special requirements, classes eligible, and number of exhibits required per Class.
3. There must be a minimum of three Classes with at least four exhibits in each Class (twelve designs) for each award offered.
4. No Section can be eligible for more than one Top Exhibitor Design Award.
5. All general and design award requirements must be met for each award offered. Judges must withhold the award if no exhibit meets the requirements.

DESIGN DIVISION AWARDS TOP EXHIBITOR

DIVISION

Award of Design Excellence (HB p. 42) One may be offered to the highest scoring blue ribbon winner, scoring 95 or above, exhibit in the entire Design Division entered by an individual. It is a rosette of gold ribbons. Maximum of 4 exhibits per class.

SECTION

Designer’s Choice Award (HB p. 42) one award may be offered and awarded to the highest scoring blue ribbon winner, scoring 95 or above, entered by an individual, meeting all Section requirements in Section B. Classes 4, 5, 6 and 7. It is a rosette of purple ribbons. Maximum of 4 exhibits per class.

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Table Artistry Award (HB p. 43) 1 award may be offered and awarded to the highest scoring blue ribbon winner, scoring 95 or above, entered by an individual, meeting all Section requirements in Section A, Classes 1,2, and 3. It is a rosette of burgundy ribbons. Maximum of 4 exhibits per class.

YOUTH AWARDS (HB p. 44) TOP EXHIBITOR

SECTION

Youth Top Exhibitor Award. One award for each Section: Horticulture and Design is offered to the highest scoring, blue ribbon exhibit, scoring 90 or above, no minimum number of exhibits required. It is a rosette of red, white, and blue ribbons.

BOTANICAL ARTS (HB p. 44) TOP EXHIBITOR AWARDS

SECTION

Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts Award. One may be offered and awarded to the highest scoring blue ribbon winner, scoring 95 or above, entered by an individual, meeting all Section requirements in Division V, Section B, Classes 18, 19 and 20. Maximum 4 exhibits per class. It is a rosette of navy blue ribbons.

WSFGC Horticulture Awards

Betty Belcher Horticulture Award. Offered in Sections A – F for the highest scoring horticulture exhibit. It is a rosette of green and brown ribbons.

Marva Lee Peterschick Arboreal Flowering Shrub/Tree Award.

Offered in Section J for the highest scoring flowering shrub or tree. It is a rosette of lime green.

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WSFGC Design Awards

Carolyn Erickson All Fresh Design Award. Offered to the most outstanding design, scoring 95 or above, using all fresh plant material, which must dominate, in a Section of the Design Division of an NGC Standard Flower Show, Sections A and B. It is a rosette of hot pink ribbons.

Ellen B. Swenson Flower Arrangement Award. Design must score 95 or above and be selected from the Top Exhibitor Awards in the Design Division. It is a rosette of turquoise ribbons.

Phyllis Danielson Table Setting Awards. Awarded for the most outstanding blue ribbon exhibit scoring 95 or above in a Table Section of a Standard Flower Show. **Section A.** It is a rosette of purple and red ribbons.

WSFGC Education Award

Carol Klingberg Educational Award. Offered to the highest scoring educational exhibit. This is a rosette of yellow ribbons.

WSFGC Artistic Craft Award

JoAnn Goldman Artistic Craft Award. Offered to the highest scoring artistic craft in Division V, Section B, Classes 18, 19 and 20.

EDUCATIONAL AWARDS (HB p. 43)

TOP EXHIBITOR

DIVISION

Educational Top Exhibitor Award. One award may be offered to the highest scoring blue ribbon exhibit, scoring 95+, entered by one or more exhibitors, or organization. It is a Rosette of brown and white ribbons.



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TOP EXHIBITOR

SECTION

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WSFGC Recycling Award

Recycling Award. One award offered throughout the show to an individual (1.) or group (2.) showing the best use of recycled items transformed into a meaningful part of an exhibit or staging. Must score 90 or above. It is a rosette of blue and green ribbons. (See Show Chairman for green recycling card to have your exhibit considered for nomination.)

Scale of Points for Recycling Award

Originality	25
Design	15
Functionality	20
Craftsmanship and Technique	25
Distinction	15
Total	100

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HORTICULTURE RULES AND CLASSES

- A. The NGC exhibit policies are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 6, Exhibiting in the Horticulture Division. (See glossary in this schedule for rules for length of time for possession of horticulture exhibits)
- B. The rules for a single species cut or container-grown specimens are listed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows* or its supplement, *Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging*.
- C. To receive an NGC Top Exhibitor Award, the exhibitor must identify his/her entry by its binomial name or currently accepted scientific designation. Consult the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 6, or *Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging*. See the glossary in the schedule.
- D. Entry cards are to be filled out in advance if possible. Cards are to be typed, written using waterproof ink, labels, or pencil.
- E. Cut specimens should not have foliage below the water line, except for *gladiolus*.
- F. If a plant is considered a flowering plant, it should be exhibited as a flowering specimen. Foliage plants may flower but should be exhibited as foliage plants if they are grown for their leaves.
- G. Specimens with a class designation in the schedule may not be entered in the ‘Section N, Any Other Horticulture Exhibit’ class.
- H. The Horticulture Classification Committee Chairman and/or General Show Chairman are free to subdivide classes by color, form, size, cultivar, variety, or other distinguishing characteristics.
- I. The Scales of Points for Horticulture are in Chapter 14 of the *Handbook for Flower Shows*.
- J. All plant material must be fresh and have been grown by the exhibitor.
- K. Exhibitor shall supply their own clear, colorless, and clean glass containers, appropriate in size to their specimen.
- L. Exhibitor will supply their own clear plastic film for wedging if needed. This is the only type of wedging allowed.

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M. Clear glass marbles supplied by the exhibitor may be used in the container for the purpose of anchoring only.

N. Double potting is permitted. Container no larger than 12” diameter or 12” on any side, and no greater than 10 pounds.

SCALES OF POINTS FOR JUDGING HORTICULTURE

All Cut or Container-Grown Horticulture Specimens.
(Arboreal, Flowering, Foliage, Fruit/Vegetable/Nuts)

Conformance	5
Plant Identification	5
Peak of Perfection	
Form	20
Color	20
Maturity/Size	20
Condition/Blemishes	15
Grooming and Staging	
Grooming	10
Staging	5
Total	100

Combination Plantings and Gardens

Conformance	5
Plant Identification	5
Labeling	5
Peak of Perfection	
Form	10
Color	10
Condition	10
Show-worthy Size	5
Overall Effect	30
Creative/Distinctive	5
Grooming	10
Staging	5
Total	100

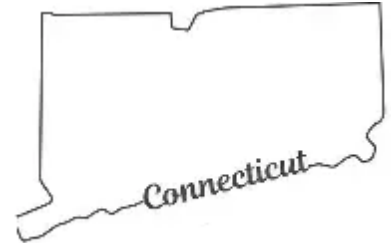
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DIVISION I

HORTICULTURE - "Golden Eagle"

Horticulture Entry Chairman/Consultant: Debbie Ripley 360-280-5814

Eligible for Award of Horticultural Excellence
Eligible for the Betty Belcher Horticulture Award
(More awards listed in Sections)



Section “A” – ANNUALS -

"Connecticut"

Eligible for Award of Merit

Class:

1. *Antirrhinum majus* (Snapdragon) one spike
2. *Calendula officinalis* (Calendula) three stems
 - a. same color
 - b. mixed colors
3. *Callistephus chinensis* (China Aster) three stems
 - a. same color
 - b. mixed colors
4. *Centaurea cynus* (Bachelor's Button) three stems
 - a. same color
 - b. mixed colors
5. *Cosmos* - 3 stems
 - a. same colors
 - b. mixed colors
6. *Dianthus* (Carnations) - three stems
7. *Godetia* (Clarkia) - three stems
8. *Gypsophila elegans* (Baby's Breath) - one stem
9. *Helianthus* (Sunflower) one stem or spray
10. *Helichrysum bracteatum* (Strawflowers) - three stems
 - a. same color
 - b. mixed colors
11. *Lathyrus odoratus* (Sweet Peas) - six stems
12. *Lavatera trimestris* (Lavatera) - one spray
13. *Limonium sinuatum* (Statice) - three stems
 - a. same color
 - b. mixed colors

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14. *Nigella* (Love-in-a-Mist) - one spray
15. *Petunia x hybrida* (Petunia hybrids) - one spray
 - a. single
 - b. double
 - c. ruffled
 - d. other
16. *Rudbeckia hirta* (Gloriosa Daisy) - three stems
17. *Salpiglossis sinuata* (Painted-tongue) - one spray
18. *Schizanthus pinnatus* (Poor-man’s Orchid) – one spray
19. *Tagetes* (Marigolds)
 - a. *T. erecta* (African or American) - one stem
 - b. *T. patula* (French) - three stems
 - c. Any other *Tagetes* - one stem if tall, three stems if small
20. *Tropaeolum majus* (Nasturtiums) - three stems
 - a. Singles
 - 1) same color
 - 2) mixed colors
 - b. Doubles
 - 1) same color
 - 2) mixed colors
21. *Viola* (Pansy) - three stems
22. *Zinnia*
 - a. Small flowered (under 1 1/2”) - three stems
 - b. Large flowered - one stem
23. Any other garden grown annual not listed.

No roadside flowers will be accepted in this Class.

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Section “B” - PERENNIALS FROM FLESHY ROOTS - “Delaware”

Eligible for Award of Merit

(Bulbs, corms, rhizomes, tubers other than Gladiolus and Dahlias)

Class

1. *Agapanthus* (Lily-of-the-Nile) - one stem
2. *Allium* (Garlic/onion Seed Head) - one stem if large, three if small
3. *Alstroemeria* - one spray
4. *Crocsmia* (Montbretia) - three stems
5. *Hemerocallis* (Daylily) - one scape
6. *Lillium* (Lily) - one stem
7. Begonia (Tuberous Begonia) - one bloom, stem 1” to 2” long
8. Any other perennial from fleshy roots not listed.



Section “C” – FLOWERING PERENNIALS – “Georgia”

(Other than fleshy rooted under Section “B” above)

Eligible for Award of Merit

Class

1. *Achillea* (Yarrow) - three stems
2. *Aster* - one spray
 - a. *A. frickartii*
 - b. *A. novi-belgii* (Michaelmas Daisy)
 - c. Other garden asters
3. *Chrysanthemum* (Daisies)
 - a. *C. maximum* (Shasta Daisy) - three stems
 - b. *C. coccineum* (Painted Daisy, Pyrethrum) - three stems
 - c. *C. frutescens* (Marguerite) - one spray
 - d. Other early garden mums
4. *Delphinium* - one spike



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5. *Gypsophila paniculata* (Baby’s Breath) - one stem
6. *Limonium latifolium* (Statice) - one stem
7. *Phlox paniculata* (Phlox) - one scape
8. *Physalis alkekengi* (Chinese Lantern) - one stem
9. Any other flowering perennial

Section “D” - FOLIAGE PERENNIALS - "Maryland"

(other than fleshy rooted under Section B. above)

Eligible for Award of Merit

Class

1. *Artemisia* – one stem
2. *Hosta* - three leaves
 - a. same variety
 - b. three varieties, one leaf each, card with names attached to entry card
3. *Phormium tenax* (New Zealand Flax) one leaf, may exceed 30”
4. *Senecio cineraria* (Dusty Miller) - one stem
5. Any other perennial grown primarily for foliage



Section “E” - ORNAMENTAL GRASSES "Massachusetts"

(may have plumes, may exceed 30” to show gracefulness)

Eligible for Award of Merit

Class:

1. Bamboo – one stem cut no more than 36” long
 - a. Clumping
 - b. Running
2. *Carex* (Sedge) - five stems, length appropriate to variety
3. *Miscanthus sinensis* (Eulalia Grass) – five stems, length appropriate to variety
4. Any other grass-like perennial



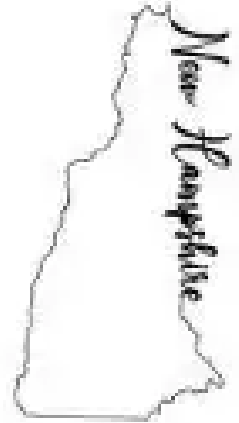
Note: Pampas grass (*Cortaderia selloana*) will not be accepted because it is on the Washington State noxious weed list.

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Section “F” - DAHLIAS - “New Hampshire ”

Dahlias must

1. have only one bloom per stem
2. have at least one pair of leaves (stem must be long enough for leaves to be above bottle rim)



SINGLE ENTRIES - One stem each variety

Class

1. Bloom over 10”
2. Bloom 8” to 10”
3. Decorative.
 - a. Bloom 6” to 8”
 - b. Bloom 4” to 6”
4. Cactus
 - a. Bloom 6” to 8”
 - b. Bloom 4” to 6”
5. Waterlily
6. Ball (over 3 1/2”)
7. Other types not listed above (peony, anemone, collarette, single, orchid, novelty, etc.)

MINIATURE ENTRIES - three stems each variety

8. Miniature (under 4”) Decorative
9. Miniature (under 4”) Cactus
10. Mini balls (2” to 3 1/2”)
11. Pompoms (2” and under)

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Section “G” – GLADIOLUS - "New Jersey "

Note: Gladiolus are entered with attached leaves, preferably two for balance (leaves may be under water). The length of the stem should be in good balance to the blooms and very straight. The spike should have about one-third tight buds, one-third showing color, and one-third open blooms. Wedging with plastic wrap, Styrofoam or any other unobtrusive material is encouraged so that the spike stands as straight as possible. (Plastic wrap available from show committee.)



The show committee will sub-divide Gladiolus by color before judging.

1. Miniature - under 2 1/2” - one spike
2. Small - 2 1/2” to 3 1/2” - one spike
3. Medium - 3 1/2” to 4 1/2” - one spike
4. Large - 4 1/2” to 5 1/2” - one spike
5. Extra-large - 5 1/2” or larger - one spike
6. Three spikes of same size, same or mixed colors

Section “H” – VINES - "New York"

Vines should be between 12” and 24” long

Class

1. *Clematis*
 - a. deciduous
 - b. evergreen
2. *Fatshedera*
3. *Hedera* (Ivy)
4. *Humulus* (Hops)
5. *Hydrangea anomala* (Climbing Hydrangea)
6. *Lonicera* (Honeysuckle)
7. Any other vining plant grown for summer interest

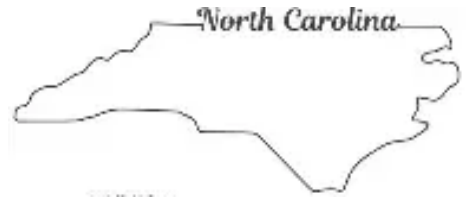


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Section “I”. - ROSES - “ North Carolina ”

Class:

1. *Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora*,
 - a. one stem, one bloom per stem without side buds
 - b. spray, not disbudded, three or more florets
2. *Floribunda*, one spray
3. Climbing Rose, one spray
4. *Polyantha*, one spray
5. *Rugosa or Hybrid Rugosa*, one stem
6. David Austin English Rose, one stem
7. Miniature Rose
 - a. one stem, disbudded
 - b. one spray
8. Any other Rose
 - a. one stem
 - b. one spray



Section “J” - FLOWERING SHRUBS & TREES “Pennsylvania ”

Eligible for the Arboreal Award

Eligible for the Marva Lee Peterschick Arboreal Flowering Shrub/Tree Award

One branch not less than 12” or more than 30” long is permitted.
(must be in bloom)

Class:

1. *Cotinus coggygria* (Smoke Tree)
 - a. Green
 - b. C.c. ‘Purpureus’ (Purple)
2. *Fuchsia* - cut branch
3. *Hibiscus syriacus* (Rose of Sharon)



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4. *Hydrangea* - bloom will be sub-divided by color
 - a. Big Leaf (*macrophylla*)
 - b. Panicle (*Paniculata*) cone-shaped
 - c. Lace cap (*Serrata*)
 - d. Oakleaf (*Quercifolia*)
 - e. Any other type *Hydrangea*
5. *Magnolia grandiflora* - with bloom
6. Any other flowering shrub/tree in bloom

Note: *Buddleia davidii* (Butterfly Bush) will not be accepted because it is on the Washington State noxious weed list.

Section “K” SHRUBS & TREES "Rhode Island "

Other than flowering. Grown for summer interest due to foliage color or bold form. One branch not less than 12” or more than 30” long is permitted.

Eligible for the Arboreal Award

Class:

1. *Acer* (Maple)
 - a. *A. rubrum* Scarlet
 - b. *A. nigrum* (Box Elder)
 - c. *A. palmatum* (Japanese)
 - d. Any other maple (named)
2. *Aucuba japonica* (Japanese Aucuba)
 - a. spotted
 - b. colored margins
 - c. green
3. *Berberis thunbergii* (Barberry - Japanese)
 - a. green
 - b. red
 - c. other
4. *Fatsia* - one leaf



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5. *Ginko*
6. *Mahonia* (Oregon Grape)
7. *Nandina*
8. Any other shrub/tree grown for summer interest because of color, texture or berry.

Section “L” - CONTAINER-GROWN PLANTS – FLOWERING "South Carolina "

Container-Grown Plants - Flowering and Combination

Note: Container grown plants must have been grown by the exhibitor for at least three months. Exceptions: multiple plantings, such as planters, dish gardens, etc. must have been grown together, by the exhibitor, for at least six (6) weeks. Exhibits shall be subdivided by variety and color. The Show Committee will sub-divide as needed before judging. Due to space limitations, the container may be no larger than 16” in diameter.



If a plant is considered a flowering plant, it should be exhibited as a flowering specimen. Foliage plants may flower, but it should be exhibited as a foliage plant if they are grown for their leaves.

Class1 Flowering

- a. Begonia
 - (1) *B. semperflorens* (Wax)
 - (2) *B. tuberhybrida* (Tuberous)
- b. Fuchsia
- c. *Orchidaceae* (Orchid)
- d. *Pelargonium* (Geranium)
 - (1) *P. domesticum* (Martha Washington)
 - (2) *P. hortorum* (common geranium, includes variegated, fancy-leafed or colored-leafed)
 - (3) *P. peltatum* (Ivy)
 - (4) *P. tomentosum* & others (scented)

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- e. *Saintpaulia* (African Violet)
 - (1) single (2) double (3) trailing (4) Mini
- f. Any other flowering container-grown plant - in bloom

Class: 2 Foliage

- a. Begonia - Fibrous-rooted
 - (1) *B. masoniana* (Iron Cross)
 - (2) *B. rex-cultorum* (Rex)
- b. Cactus
 - (1) single plant
 - (2) two or more cacti - 1 container
- c. *Crassula argentea* (Jade plant)
- d. Sedums and succulents, one variety
- e. Any other container-grown foliage plant not listed above

Section “M” – EDIBLES – “Virginia”

Stem length in proportion to exhibit, uniformity important

Exhibits to be displayed in clear bottle with water, provided by the exhibitor. Unobtrusive clear wedging permitted.

Class: 1. Herbs

- a. *Allium* (Chives) - ten blades
- b. *Aloysia triphylla* (Lemon Verbena) - one stem
- c. *Artemesia dracuncululus* (French Tarragon) - one stem
- d. *Borago officinalis* (Borage) - one stem
- e. *Coriandrum sativum* (Coriander) - three stems
- f. *Lavandula angustifolia* (Lavender) - five stems
- g. *Melissa officinalis* (Lemon Balm) - three stems
- h. *Mentha* (Mint) - includes Pennyroyal - one stem
- i. *Ocimum basilicum* (Basil) – one stem



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- j. *Origanum* (Oregano & Marjorams) - three stems
- k. *Petroselinum crispum* (Parsley) - one stem
- l. *Rosmarinus officinalis* (Rosemary) – one stem
 - a. Prostrate
 - b. Upright
- m. *Salvia officinalis* (Sage) – one stem
- n. *Thymus* (Thyme) – three stems same variety
- o. Any other named cut herb, number and length appropriate to variety.

Note: Common Fennel (*Foeniculum vulgare*) is considered a noxious weed and will not be accepted. Exception: The variety *Foeniculum vulgare azoricum* known as ‘bulbing’ fennel is permissible.

Class 2: Fruits & Vegetables

FRUITS

Should be clean and fresh, wiped, but not washed or polished.

Other than berries, displayed on a foam tray, provided by the show committee.

- a. Berries - approximately 1/2 cup, shown in wrapped plastic glass
- b. Tree fruit - three specimens each variety, named

VEGETABLES

In general, uniformity (same size, shape, color) in multiple specimen exhibits is desired.

- c. Corn - three ears - trim shank to 1” from base, remove husk on 1/3 of each ear
- d. Rhubarb - three stems, pulled, not cut, with 1” leaf on stalk. Displayed on a foam tray, provided by the show committee.

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SALAD FIXINGS

- e. Cucumber - three of a variety
- f. Lettuce - one head, cleaned and groomed, may be washed, on Styrofoam tray lightly covered with plastic wrap (tray and wrap provided by the Show Committee)
- g. Tomatoes - clean with soft cloth
 - 1) Large - one tomato
 - 2) Medium (Patio-type) - three specimens
 - 3) Small (cherry-type) - six specimens
 - 4) Cluster of small tomatoes (cherry, pear, etc.) with 1/3 showing color, 1/3 some color, 1/3 green
- h. Pepper - three specimens
 - 1) Green 2) Other

SQUASH - 1” stem attached, wipe clean gently

- i. Crookneck - 4” to 8” long, three specimens
- j. Pumpkin
 - 1) Large - one 2) Mini - three
- k. Spaghetti squash - one
- l. Zucchini
 - 1) Small/medium - 4” to 8” long, three specimens
 - 2) Large - one specimen
- m. Other squash, number depending on size of variety

CRUCIFEROUS VEGETABLES - generally one head, remove outer leaves only

- n. Broccoli
- o. Cabbage
 - 1) green 2) red
- p. Cauliflower
- q. Kohlrabi - three specimens, same variety, - 2 - 2 1/2” diameter – cut tap root 1/2” below ball, trim leaf petioles to 2”
- r. Kale *Brassica oleracea* – three leaves

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ROOT CROPS - less soil adheres if dug in dry weather

- s. Beets - three specimens, same variety, 2” diameter ideal, trim tops to 1 1/2”, remove small side roots but do not remove tap root. Brush or wash to remove soil
- t. Carrots - three specimens, same variety, remove side roots, trim tap root to 1/2” diameter, trim tops to 2”
- u. Onions
 - 1) Dry - three specimens, same variety. Do not remove outer scales, cut top to 1/2”
 - 2) Green - six specimens, same variety. Remove loose skin, cut tops 4” to 5” above white, trim roots to 1/2”
- v. Garlic
 - 1) Regular - three bulbs
 - 2) Elephant - one bulb
- w. Potatoes - brush off soil gently, wash only if necessary, three specimens each variety, must be named
 - 1) white 2) red 3) yellow 4) any other potato

LEGUMES - six specimens same variety each class

- x. Beans
- y. Peas
- z. Snap peas

ANY OTHER VEGETABLE not mentioned above will be entered under the closest variety with entry tags marked “X”

Section “N” - ANY OTHER HORTICULTURE EXHIBIT not listed above in any class

“13 Original Colonies”

(With consideration to available space and Horticulture Chairman approval)

Eligible for an Award of Merit

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DIVISION II

FLORAL DESIGN

“Bald Eagle”



American and other national flags are NOT permitted in the design division. Page 81 of the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows.

DESIGN RULES AND CLASSES

- A. The NGC exhibit policies are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 7, exhibiting in the design division, NGC policies and guidelines.
- B. Design Advanced Entry, please register your design by July 10, 2026 with the Section Consultant.
- C. Some plant material is required for all entries. Plant materials and non-plant materials permitted and not permitted in the Design Division are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 7. The handbook can be accessed free of charge at [Flower Show School Curriculum | National Garden Clubs](#) . Navigate to Required Reading, Handbook for Flower Shows.
- D. All plant material used in the design must be identified on a 3” x 5” card provided by the exhibitor and included with the entry card.
- E. The exhibitor is required to conform to the stated descriptions and limitations of the design type if named in the class and must be the work of one exhibitor.
- F. Rules for Design Types, Advanced Design Types, Table Designs, and Table Appointments are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 7.
- G. Designer is on his/her honor that the design being entered has not been previously entered or judged in an NGC Standard Flower Show.
- H. The Scales of Points for Design are in Chapter 14 of the Handbook for Flower Shows.
- I. Design classes consist of 4 (four) exhibits.

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J. The Designer has the freedom to choose Traditional or Creative Style with any Design listed unless restricted by the Schedule.

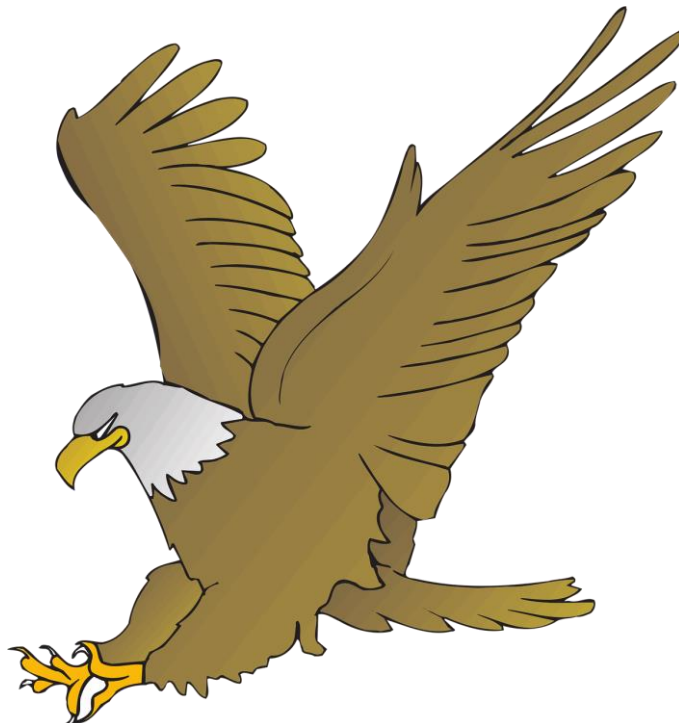
K. American and other national flags are NOT permitted in the design division. Page 81 of the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows.

L. Plant material need not have been grown by exhibitor.

M. If Designer is unable to fulfill the assignment, it is the Designers responsibility to find a replacement.

SCALE OF POINTS FOR JUDGING DESIGNS

Conformance to Design Type	7
Conformance to all other schedule requirements	7
Design (Elements and Principles)	48
Selection of Components	8
Organization of Components	8
Expression	8
Distinction	14
Total	100



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Design Entry Chairman/Consultant:

JoAnne Sandell 206-291-6195

Section “A” - “Freedom For All”

Section Consultant: Debbie Spiller 206-755-3616

Eligible for the NGC Table Artistry Award

Eligible for the Carolyn Erickson All-Fresh Design Award

Eligible for the Phyllis Danielson Award

Table Designs

Refer to Glossary on pages 38-39 and Design Rules on pages 27-28.

Class:

1. **“Freeman’s Farm ”** –Exhibition Table Design staged on open black pedestal 36” tall, with 20”round top. Design to be viewed from all sides.
2. **“Yorktown”** – Lunch Buffet Table for 4 staged on 6’ table covered in black. Exhibitor may add other table covering. Floral design required.
3. **“Brandywine”** – Romantic dinner for two staged on 34” square card table provided by the show committee. Exhibitor to provide table covering. Floral design required.



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Section “B” – “Life & Liberty”

Section Consultant: Sharon McKissick 360-556-5571

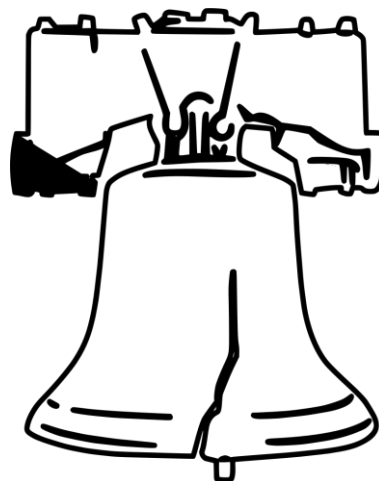
Eligible for the NGC Designers Choice Award

Eligible for Carolyn Erickson All Fresh Design Award

Designers Choice-All fresh OR all dried OR a combination of plant material. Refer to Glossary on pages 38-39 and Design Rules on pages 27-28.

Class:

4. **"Fly Like An Eagle"** Tubular Design staged on open black box sitting on floor, 34" H x 20" W x 14" D, provided by the show committee.
5. **"Wind Beneath My Wings"** –Transparency design staged on 24" of a 6' x 30" table draped in black. Staging panel allowed.
6. **"Come Fly With Me"** – Creative line design staged on 24" of a 6' x 30" table draped in black. Staging panel allowed.
7. **"The Eagle and the Hawk"** Multi-rhythmic design staged on 24" of a 6' x 30 table draped in black. Staging panel allowed.



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DIVISION III

EDUCATIONAL

“Harpy Eagle”

Education Entry Chairman/Consultant: Suzann Stahl 360-791-7422

Eligible for the Educational Award

Eligible for the Carol Klingberg Award

Eligible for the Recycling Award

EDUCATION RULES AND EXHIBITS

- A. Educational exhibits may be the work of more than one individual or organization unless a Student Judge, or an Accredited Judge is seeking exhibiting credit for preparing an educational exhibit.
- B. An exhibit must occupy a minimum of eighteen (18) square feet of surface area.
- C. Scale of points for Educational Exhibits is listed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 14.
- D. Exhibits are competitive, and have been pre-registered.
- E. Each exhibit will have ½ of a 6' x 30" table covered in black provided by the show committee.
- F. Some plant material recommended but not required.
- G. Please refer to rule 16 in General Rules regarding photographs of people, *Handbook for Flower Shows* chapter 8.

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SCALES OF POINTS FOR JUDGING EDUCATIONALS EDUCATIONAL VALUE

Interest to viewer	25
Clear, concise presentation	15
Adequate signage, readable	10
Conforms to NGC Objectives	10

STAGING

Craftsmanship/techniques	10
Distinction	10
Creativity and Expression	20
Total	100

Exhibits:

- 8. Eagle Migration:** “Paths of migration taken”
- 9. Eagle Preservation:** “How are Eagles protected and their population increased?”
- 10. Fun Facts About Eagles:** “For Kids of All Ages”



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DIVISION IV

YOUTH EXHIBITS

“White Tailed Eagle”

Youth Entry Chairman/Consultant-all Youth Sections:

Chris Hill 360-259-4420

Youth Exhibits are grouped as follows:

Junior - Preschool through age seven

Intermediate - Ages eight through twelve.

(ADV) High School – Ages 13 through 18

- A. All Horticulture exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor, though plants could be part of a family garden or yard.
- B. Container-grown plants must have been in the possession of the youth exhibitor for a minimum of sixty (60) days.
- C. Combination plantings must have been grown together for at least three (3) weeks.
- D. Youth Exhibits are evaluated using the adult Horticulture, Design, and Botanical Arts Scales of Points.
- E. The NGC Standard System of Awarding is used to judge all Youth Exhibits.
- F. The NGC exhibit policies are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 9, exhibiting in the youth and sponsored groups division. All NGC policies and rules apply.
- G. Entry cards for Section A will be filled out by exhibitor in advance. They are available in the Fair office.
- H. Entry cards for Section B will be done by the Youth Entry Chairman/Consultant
- I. Section B – No artificial plant material allowed. Plant material must be listed on a 3x5 white card.
- J. The entry card with sticker may be exchanged for ribbons in the Fairground Office at the end of the fair (Youth entries only.)

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Section “A” Horticulture - “Loyalists”

Open to all youth age groups

Class:

11. Potted Plants indoor or outdoor, 8” max

12. Cut Flowers

Staged by the show committee in age groups on an 8’ table.

Notes: a. & b. – Bring your horticulture entry in water in a clear beverage bottle of appropriate size with label removed. Leaves should be removed from the stem that is in the water.

- a. Flowering annuals (annual plants complete their life cycle within one growing season, typically, from spring to fall)
- b. Flowering perennials (plants that persist for many growing seasons; generally, the top portion of the plant dies back each winter and regrows the following spring)
- c. Garden Produce - Show committee will provide foam plates to display exhibits
- d. Container grown plant material-container not to exceed 8” in diameter.



Section “B” Design–“Patriots”

Open to all youth age groups. Limited to 4 entries for each age group.

Class:

13. “Plumage” - Design in a mug, not to exceed 12” in any direction. Craft feathers allowed. Staged on a 15” square of table draped in black, provided by the show committee.

14. “Feather the Nest” Plaque, no larger than 9” x 12” staged on a 15” square of table draped in black, provided by the show committee. Displayed on easel, provided by the show committee.



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DIVISION V

BOTANICAL ARTS

“Stellar’s Sea Eagle”

Entry Chairman / Consultant: Suzann Stahl 360-791-7422

Refer to Glossary on pages 38-39 and Design Rules on pages 27-28.

- A. All Botanical Arts Artistic Craft exhibits must contain some plant material.
- B. No artificial plant material is permitted in any exhibit.
- C. The Scale of Points for judging Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts are listed in Chapter 14 of the *Handbook for Flower Shows*.
- D. A 3” x 5” card listing all plant material used must accompany the entry card.
- E. The rules for Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 10.
- F. One entry per exhibitor per class.
- G. 4 Exhibits per class.

Judged by the Artistic Crafts Scale of Points

Conformance	25
Design	30
Craftsmanship/Technique	25
Distinction	20
Total	100



General requirements

All exhibits must contain some plant material. No artificial plant material permitted. Plant material must be listed.

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Section “A” Botanical Arts Horticulture
“Concord”

Section Consultant: Julie Darby 360-480-0532

Eligible for the NGC Botanical Arts Horticulture Award

Eligible for the NGC Award of Merit

Class:

15. “Princeton ” – Dried Flowers

15a: Air dried

15b: Pressed

15c: Glycerinated

16. “Lexington” – Seed Pods / Heads. Staged on 24” of an 8’ table draped in black, provided by the show committee.

17. “Monmouth” – Tall fresh grasses over 30”, 3 stems. Displayed on 8’ table draped in black, provided by the show committee. No staging panel allowed. Unobtrusive wedging permitted



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Section “B” Botanical Arts Crafts “Saratoga”

Section Consultant: Deanna Murdaugh 360-704-0623

Eligible for the Botanical Arts Artistic Craft Award

Eligible for the JoAnn Goldman Artistic Craft Award

Eligible for Recycling Award

Refer to Glossary on pages 38-39

Class:

18. **"Stars and Stripes"** – ” Decorated 5 point star, 8”H 8” W staged on 12” banana hook on table draped in black. Hook 10” from hook to table. Space allowed for each star 12” x 12”square.
19. **"Rockets' Red Glare"** –decorated rocket provided by exhibitor. Maximum 18” high displayed vertically in 15” square space on table draped in black.
20. **"Fight For Freedom"** – Decorate a toy saber, 19” long provided by the show committee. Staged lying down on table draped in black.



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GLOSSARY

Horticulture

ARBOREAL: Pertaining to trees and shrubs.

BLOOM: An individual flower, usually between 1/2 and 3/4 open.

BUD: An undeveloped flower (or leaf).

CULTIVAR: A cultivated variety of a plant.

FRESH PLANT MATERIAL: Any part severed from a living plant and in good condition.

SCAPE: A bare, leafless flower stem arising from the ground. Example: daylily, daffodil.

SPIKE: A lengthened flower cluster in which flowers are practically stemless. Example: Gladiolus, snapdragon.

SPRAY: A group of florets on a branched stem, each on its own stalk.

STEM: The major supporting structure in plants to which buds, leaves and flowers are attached at regular intervals at points called nodes.

Design

Buffet Table:

Service for four with components conveniently and logically placed for ease of self service. At least one serving piece required. A decorative unit must be included. A container grown plant alone is not a decorative unit.

Creative Line Design:

A creative design in which line direction is dominant, characterized by open silhouette, a minimum of plant material and other components. Dominant feature is the movement in any direction, either vertically, horizontally, diagonally, etc.

Designers Choice: Designers choice of all components.

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Exhibition Table:

Components relating to the service of food artistically arranged without consideration of functional placement. It may not include a completed decorative unit but must include some plant material placed artistically.

Multi-Rhythmic Design:

A creative design with emphasis on two or more rhythms in the design with one rhythm dominating.

- 1, Lines create two or more separate and distinct rhythms, each creating different pattern and movement unlike the other.
2. Lines may go in any direction, be continuous or interrupted and or crossed.

Transparency Design:

A creative design with see-through elements (translucent, diaphanous, grid-like materials etc.) integral in the design and permitting some components to be viewed through others.

Tubular Design:

A creative design having dominant cylindrical forms throughout, composed of any material. Plant material and other components complete the design (pg. 170-172 in Design by Type book)

Plaque: A design organized in a **natural** manner composed of plant material and other optional components attached to a background panel serving as a frame of reference.

Note: Floral design is the art of using plant materials and flowers to create a pleasing and balanced composition.

Botanical Arts

Dried And Preserved Specimens: No additional embellishments (dyes, glitter, spray paint or manipulation such as cutting or twisting) permitted. Materials such as Petal-Proof, Super Surface Sealer or hairspray are permitted to prevent shattering of fragile seed heads, etc.

Botanical Arts: A division in a standard flower show or specialty show that allows for additional types of Horticulture, Design and other art-like exhibits, which are not included in the regular Horticulture and Design Divisions. The Botanical Arts Division provides for additional opportunities for exhibiting and creativity.

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SCALE OF POINTS

Criteria	Value
Conformance	5
Plant Identification	5
Peak of Perfection	
Form	20
Color	20
Maturity/Size	20
Condition/Blemishes	15
Grooming/Staging	
Grooming	10
Staging	5
TOTAL	100

II. Combination Plantings and Gardens

Criteria	Value
Conformance	5
Plant Identification	5
Labeling	5
Peak of Perfection	
Form	10
Color	10
Condition	10
Show-worthy size	5
Overall effect	30
Creative/Distinctive	5
Grooming	10
Staging	5
TOTAL	100

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III. Displays

Criteria	Value
Conformance	5
Plant Identification	5
Labeling	5
Grooming	5
Peak of Perfection	
Form	10
Color	10
Maturity/Size	10
Condition	10
Design Principles	30
Creative/Distinctive	10
TOTAL	100

IV. All Designs

Criteria	Value
Conformance	
To type	7
To schedule requirements	7
Design Principles	48
Selection of Components	8
Organization of Components	8
Expression	8
Distinction	14
TOTAL	100

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V. Educational Exhibits

Criteria	Value
Educational value	
Interest to viewer	25
Clear, concise presentation	15
Adequate signage	10
Conforms to NGC objectives	10
Staging	
Craftsmanship/Technique	10
Distinction	10
Creativity and Expression	20
TOTAL	100

VI. Artistic Crafts

Criteria	Value
Conformance	25
Design	30
Craftsmanship/Technique	25
Distinction	20
TOTAL	100

VII. Photography

Criteria	Value
Conformance	5
Interpretation of Class Title	10
Composition	25
Artistry/Creativity	25
Technical Achievement	25
Distinction/Impact (WOW factor)	10
TOTAL	100

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Notes