



FLOWER SHOW RULES

ENTRIES

- Competition is open to all members in good standing of Streetsville Horticultural Society.
- Exhibitors must fill out their own entry forms for each exhibit. Entry forms are available on the website or at the show. Completed Entry Forms must be placed with the exhibit.
- Competitors are assigned a *Competitor Number* which must be entered on the Entry Form.
- One entry per exhibitor is permitted in each CULTURAL and DESIGN class unless otherwise stated.
- Each exhibitor may enter up to 3 entries per HORTICULTURE class, provided each entry is of a different Cultivar.
- If two or more exhibitors share the same garden and wish to compete in the same CULTURAL class they must enter different Cultivars. The Cultivars must be named.
- Exhibitors are responsible for placing entries in the proper classes. Flower Committee and Show Chair may assist.
- In 'Any Other' categories, Exhibitors are not allowed to enter a flower for which a specific category already exists. For example, in the May Show you would not be able to enter a Primula in an 'any other perennial' class if classes for Primulas were contained in the Schedule.
- **AOV** – means "Any other Variety".
- A **Bud** showing colour is considered a bloom.
- **Bloom** - an individual flower, one to a stem, no sign of a bud.
- **Cultivar** –Forms of plants originated and maintained only in cultivation, which when reproduced retain their distinguishing features. eg Petunia, "Sugar Daddy"; Geranium, "Cardinal"; Rose, "Peace".
- **Spray** - portion of a plant, or a plant's side shoots with a number of flowers on one stem.
- **Stalk/stem** - a main plant structure which supports flowers, buds, leaves or fruit.
- **Truss** - a compact cluster of flowers or fruits growing from one stem
- **Variety** - Named variations of plant species. e.g. *Colchicum autumnale* is a fall flowering bulb, typically having a pink bloom, *Colchicum autumnale var. album* is a naturally occurring white flowered variation.
- All entries are to be as stated in the SHS Show Schedule, and in accordance to size in keeping with OHA Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards for Horticulture and Floral Design, Publication #34.
- Entries will be disqualified if not in accordance with the description of the Class.
- Where a definite number is called for, NO MORE or NO LESS shall be entered.
- The use of protected or endangered native plants will disqualify the exhibit.

- Exhibitors must supply their own appropriate containers.
- Fruit, berries and vegetables must be displayed on a plain white paper plate or doily supplied by the Exhibitor. Single entries of large vegetables may be displayed directly on the exhibit table.
- Entries must be on the table by the stated time – **7:15 p.m.** deadline. This will be strictly enforced.
- Entries must be left on the Exhibit Tables until **9:15** p.m. or until the show Convener releases the Exhibits. Disregard of this requirement will result in disqualification of entries.
- Only Exhibitors, and Flower Committee members and are allowed in the Exhibit area during placement of entries.
- Only Judges and Flower Committee members are allowed in the Exhibit area during judging.
- *"Best in Show"* and *"Judges Choice"* are at the discretion of the Judge.
- Decisions of Judge(s) will be final.
- **Failure to comply with the above rules will result in disqualification.**

HORTICULTURAL DIVISION

- ONLY Exhibitors or Show Committee members may move entries in the Cultural Section for staging purposes.
- All cultural exhibits are to be grown by the entrant and must have been in their possession for 90 days minimum.
- A house plant may be shown in different monthly shows until it wins a First Prize and may not be shown again for one year from that win.
- Classes with a large number of Entries may be subdivided by the Show Chair on the day of the show. Each class should have a minimum of 3 entries.
- Horticultural specimens are exhibited on neutral coloured tables.

DESIGN DIVISION

- Designs can be moved **ONLY** by the Exhibitor.
- Only Exhibitors and show Chairs and Clerks are allowed in the show area prior to judging.
- No artificial plant material may be used.
- Plant material can be from any source. No soil is permitted in floral design.
- Accessories may be used but should be subordinate to design.
- Designs are exhibited on a neutral coloured table; space allotted is 24" wide x 30" deep. Height is unlimited.
- A "MINIATURE" is a small-scale design which does not exceed 5" in any direction including the container, base and accessories.
- A "SMALL DESIGN" is from 5.5" and must not exceed 10" in any direction including container, base and accessories.
- NOVICE - a member is considered a novice until they have won 5 firsts in the Novice Design category

POINTS AWARDED FOR CULTURAL AND DESIGN:

1st **5** points
 2nd **4** points
 3rd **3** points
 Honourable Mention **2** points
 Entry **1** point
 Best in Show **20** points
 Judge's Choice **20** points

FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

Each year during our Annual General Meeting in November, recognition is given to members involved in Flower Shows or Horticultural pursuits.

☆ ***Horticultural Service Award***

For outstanding work done for Horticultural Service.

☆ ***Horticultural Life Member***

For work done for Streetsville Horticultural Society and Horticulture in general.

☆ ***Elizabeth Colley Award for Designer of the Year***

Design entrant who receives the most points in design.

☆ ***Best Over All – Horticulture and Design Award***

Design entrant who receives the most combined points in total for Horticulture and Design.

☆ ***Joseph Boles Horticultural Award***

Horticulture entrant who receives the most total points for the year.