

**HAMILTON COUNTY FAIR  
HORTICULTURE SCHEDULE  
August 10 – 14, 2016**

**Non-Professional Floral Department  
Agricultural Hall**

General Chair: Mary Gardner 459-5662  
Horticulture Co-Chairs:  
Nancy Fenton & Mary Anna Taylor

**GENERAL RULES**

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1. ONLY NON-PROFESSIONAL FLOWER GROWERS MAY ENTER CLASSES IN THIS DEPARTMENT.

2. All exhibitors must purchase a Membership (\$20.00) or Exhibitor (\$10.00) ticket, by sending their names and addresses with checks payable to the:

Hamilton County Agricultural Society  
7801 Anthony Wayne  
Cincinnati OH 45216.

3. Entries must follow classes as listed in the schedule. All Entries to be in writing and must be registered with the Entry Clerk by 11 a.m. on both entry days so clerks may record correct information for premiums. **Use the form that will be provided** for list of entries which must include your name, address, club affiliation, if any, and your ticket number. Entry tags (to be attached to each specimen or design) and forms may be obtained in advance from the Fair Office.  
4. EXHIBITS MUST BE IN PLACE BY 11 a.m. Entries arriving after that time will not be judged and will be placed in Exhibition Only Section. Only judges and committee members allowed in exhibit area after 11 a.m.

5. Decision of the judges is final. Awards will not be given unless merited.

6. Both Horticulture and Artistic Design Entries will be received after 8:30 a.m. and be ready for judging by 11 a.m. on Wednesday and Saturday. They may not be removed before Friday at 8 p.m. and Monday from 2 – 7 p.m. (For Horticulture pick up see below, rule #11).

7. Invasive and noxious weeds may not be entered in Horticulture. A list is available at <http://www.oipc.info/>. Endangered species may be entered only if grown by the exhibitor and so stated on the horticulture entry tag or on a 3"x5" index card to be placed with the design. To see a list: [http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/Home/Rare\\_Plants/20102011RareNativeOhioPlants/tabid/22557/Default.aspx](http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/Home/Rare_Plants/20102011RareNativeOhioPlants/tabid/22557/Default.aspx)

**HORTICULTURE DIVISION RULES**

1. All potted plants and cut specimens must be grown by the exhibitor (a specimen is a single bloom, spike, stalk, stem or spray of plant material) and should be correctly labeled as to name and variety.

2. The committee reserves the right to subdivide classes. Classification chairman decides placement of exhibit.

3. Green glass bottles will be furnished for staging specimens. If entry is too large or heavy for a quart or liter bottle, exhibitor must provide a glass bottle of sufficient size to adequately support the specimen (preferably green glass). This may be the case in classes 2, 3, 15, 22f and 23. Labeled bottles are not acceptable.

4. The Wednesday and Saturday show will use the same horticulture schedule. Wednesday specimens MAY NOT be reentered on Saturday.

5. No diseased or bug infested entries will be accepted. No oiling or foreign substance allowed on foliage. No foliage permitted below the water line. (EXCEPT GLADS). Wedging material will be available.

6. Collections must be in separate containers grouped by a mat, frame, ribbon etc. Classes 21, 38, 43 and 44. This is one entry on one tag.

7. Exhibitor may make more than one entry per class if each is a different variety, type or color. Enter distinguishing characteristic (e.g. variety name) on entry tag. Classification Chairman determines placement when questionable.

8. Cut specimens will be discarded unless a colored spot sticker is affixed to the entry tag when submitting that entry. (Spots will be available at the show). Entry pick-up is Friday at 8 p.m. for the first show and Monday 2 to 7 p.m. for the second show. After the show, unclaimed ribbons may be picked up at the Fair office.

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2016  
& SATURDAY AUGUST 13, 2016**

**ANNUALS**

1. Aster one stem disbudded
2. Celosia (Cockscomb) plume type, one stem disbudded, (see rule #3)
3. Celosia (Cockscomb) crest type, one stem disbudded, (see rule #3)
4. Cleome one stem – remove brown seed pods
5. Coleus one stem, without bloom
  - a. predominately red
  - b. predominately green
  - c. predominately yellow
  - d. any other
6. Geranium one stem with foliage
7. Impatiens single type, one spray
  - a. white
  - b. orange
  - c. red
  - d. purple
  - e. pink
  - f. New Guinea
  - g. any other
8. Impatiens double type, one spray
9. Marigold tall carnation type, one bloom disbudded
  - a. white or near white
  - b. yellow
  - c. gold
  - d. orange
10. Marigold large flowered, dwarf type
  - a. white or near white
  - b. yellow
  - c. gold
  - d. orange
11. Marigold single petaled, French type, one spray

12. Marigold double French type, one spray

- a. yellow
- b. orange
- c. red / gold blend
- d. any other

13. Petunia one stem with foliage

- a. single
- b. double
- c. fringed
- d. any other

14. Snapdragon

15. Sunflower on stem, maximum length 18" (see rule #3)

16. Zinnia one bloom disbudded, 3" across and over

- a. dahlia flowered
- b. cactus flowered
- c. any other type

17. Zinnias one bloom disbudded, from 2" up to 3"

- a. dahlia flowered
- b. cactus flowered
- c. any other type

18. Zinnias one bloom disbudded up to 2"

19. Annual Flower not listed. Must be named

- a. solitary form – one stem, one flower
- b. spike
- c. spray
- d. other

20. Annual Foliage - must be named

- a. vines (maximum length 24")
- b. herb
- c. other

21. Annual Collection, including annual bulbs, corms, tubers and rhizomes. One stem each of five different correctly named annuals separate containers. (See rule #6)

- a. flowers
- b. foliage, other than Herbs. (see Class 43)

**ANNUAL BULBS, CORMS, TUBERS & RHIZOMES**

22. Caladium one leaf

- a. red predominating
- b. green predominating
- c. white predominating
- d. pink predominating
- e. miniature
- f. elephant ears (see rule #3)

23. Dahlia disbudded 8" across and over (see rule #3)

24. Dahlia disbudded from 6" up to 8"

25. Dahlia disbudded from 4" up to 6"

26. Dahlia disbudded from 2" up to 4"

27. Dahlia up to 2"

- a. one stem disbudded
- b. one spray

28. Gladiolus one spike, laterals removed, size by measurement of first floret, may be subdivided by color

- a. Giant/large – 4½" and over
- b. medium – 3½" but less than 4½"
- c. small /mini– less than 3½"

29. Annual bulb, corm, tuber or rhizome, NOT listed

- a. flower, one stem
- b. foliage, one stem

**PERENNIALS**

- 30. Chrysanthemum any color
  - a. single stem disbudded
  - b. spray
- 31. Daisy type
  - a. Shasta
    - 1. single stem disbudded
    - 2. spray
  - b. Black eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia*)
    - 1. single stem disbudded
    - 2. spray
  - c. Coneflower (*Echinacea*)
    - 1. single stem disbudded
    - 2. spray
- 32. Hardy Fern one frond
  - a. Maidenhair
  - b. Christmas/leather
  - c. Japanese painted
  - d. any other hardy fern
- 33. Ornamental Grass
  - a. one blade
  - b. one stem with seed head
  - c. one stalk
- 34. Hosta foliage - one mature leaf  
Measure from base to tip X width at widest part
  - a. Dwarf- less than 2 square inches
  - b. Miniature – 2 to less than 6 square inches
  - c. Small – 6 to less than 30 square inches
  - d. Medium – 30 to less than 64 squares inches
  - e. Large - 64 to less than 120 square inches
  - f. Giant – 120 square inches or greater
- 35. Ivy one stem not to exceed 24”
  - a. green
  - b. variegated
  - c. any other
- 36. Perennial Flower not listed, must be named
  - a. solitary form - one stem, one flower
  - b. spike
  - c. spray
  - d. vine
  - e. other
- 37. Perennial Foliage not listed, must be named
  - a. vine, maximum length 24”
  - b. herb
  - c. other
- 38. Perennial Collection – including perennial bulbs, corms, tubers and rhizomes. One stem each of five different correctly named perennials in separate containers. (see rule #6)
  - a. flowers
  - b. foliage, other than Herbs. (see Class 43)

**PERENNIAL BULBS, CORMS, TUBERS & RHIZOMES**

- 39. Hemerocallis (Daylily) one scape not disbudded
- 40. Lilium
- 41. Lycoris (Magic Lily)
- 42 Any perennial bulb, tuber, rhizome or corm not listed, must be named
  - a. foliage, one stem
  - b. flower, one stem

**HERBS**

- 43. Collection of one stem each of five different correctly named herbs in separate containers (rule #6)
- 44. Collection of one stem each of three different mints correctly named in separate containers (see rule #6)

**CUT BRANCHES**

- Specimens limited to 24” length
- 45. Holly
  - 46. Hydrangea (in bloom)
  - 47. Berried branch not listed
  - 48. Flowering branch not listed
  - 49. Branch grown for foliage
  - 50. Needled evergreen

**JUNIOR EXHIBITORS – 17 OR YOUNGER**

- 51. Cut stems
  - a. annual
  - b. perennial
  - c. bulb
  - d. foliage
- 52. Potted plants maximum width of pot, 12 inches
  - a. flowering (in bloom)
  - b. foliage
  - c. cacti and succulents
  - d. combination plantings (3 or more different plants)

**ROSES**

- 53. Single flowering Hybrid Tea
- 54. Rose Hybrid Tea, one bloom disbudded
- 55. Rose Grandiflora
  - a. one stem disbudded
  - b. one spray
- 56. Rose Floribunda or Polyantha one spray
- 57. Rose Climbing, one lateral stem, limit 20”
- 58. Rose Miniature
  - a. one stem disbudded
  - b. one spray
- 59. Rose other
  - a. shrub (includes "knockout" roses)
  - b. old garden rose
  - c. other
- 60. Rose Collection – One stem each of five different correctly named varieties in separate containers (see rule #6)

Premiums for Classes 1 through 60  
1st \$1.50 2nd \$1.00 3rd \$.50

(\$1.00 Extra for Junior Awards, Classes 51 & 52)

**INDOOR POTTED PLANTS**

Classes #61, 62, 63, and 64a must be in a 12” pot or smaller and must have been in the care of the exhibitor for the last three months. Pot should be sufficient in size to hold plant in a correct position. Double potting allowed. Classes #64b, 65 and 66 must be in a 20” pot or smaller and have 3 or more different plants growing together in the exhibitor’s possession for at least six weeks. Bonsai not accepted. All plants must be identified.

- 61. African Violet. Single crown only
  - a. single
  - b. double
  - c. other
- 62. Flowering plant in bloom
- 63. Plant grown primarily for its foliage
- 64. Cacti or succulent
  - a. single plant
  - b. combination planting of 3 or more different plants in one container
- 65. Combination Planter/Dish Garden (*accessories permitted*)
- 66. Terrarium (*accessories permitted*)

Premiums for Classes 61 Through 66:  
1st \$2.50 2nd \$2.00 3rd \$1.50

**OUTSIDE HANGING PLANTERS, PATIO CONTAINERS, WINDOW BOXES**

Class #67, #68, and #69 (one plant) must have been in the care of exhibitor for 3 months. Combination Hanging Planter #70, Patio Container #71 and Window Box #72 is a combination of 3 or more different plants, must have been in the care of the exhibitor for at least 6 weeks. Hanging planters will be staged with soil at eye level; plant material must not touch the floor. All plants must be identified.

- 67. Hanging planter with blooming plant
- 68. Hanging planter with foliage plant
- 69. Hanging planter with cactus or succulent
- 70. Combination hanging planter, three or more cultivars
- 71. Patio Container (outdoor plants), foliage must not touch the floor
  - a. traditional
  - b. creative
- 72. Window Box – Maximum Width 30” May Use Plastic Liner to Exhibit

Container Rule #1. All plants should be correctly labeled as to name and variety. (Genus and species). All Combination planters, (Classes 64b, 65, 66, 70, 71, and 72) should include a list of the plants included.

Premiums for Classes 67-72  
1st \$5.00 2nd \$4.00 3rd \$3.00 4th \$2.00

This Show Will Be Judged by Nationally Accredited Flower Show Judges

**BEST OF SHOW will be selected from the blue ribbon winners.**

One Best in Show Rosette will be awarded in the Annual Classes 1-29, Perennial Classes 30-42, Cut Branches Classes 45-50, Juniors Classes 51-52, Rose Classes 53-60, Containers Classes 61-72.

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### DESIGN DIVISION RULES

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2. "Dried" designs (#79 & #97) require ALL dried plant material. Dried material may be treated (painted, glycerined etc.) in any way. Dried designs must be new this year.
3. "Designer's Choice" applies to the type of plant material (fresh and/or dried).
4. Fresh fruits and vegetables may be purchased but must not be cut.
5. Contrived flowers of recognizable plant material are permitted.
6. Religious symbols used must be displayed in a respectful manner and in accordance with policies of local religious organizations.
7. American flags and other national flags, landscape or scenes, and living members of the animal kingdom are not permitted.
8. The committee reserves the right to place exhibits for best staging. Classification Chairman will check your entry for conformance before you leave.
9. The Committee cannot be responsible for damage to, or loss of, properties. Address label on underside of container is recommended.
10. Entry tag stubs must be presented for removal of exhibits Friday evening after 8 pm and Monday afternoon from 2-7 pm.
11. TABLES: All items on tables must remain for the duration of the show. All components are used at your own risk. Do not use flatware.

DESIGN DIVISION  
AGRICULTURAL HALL  
WEDNESDAY, August 10, 2016

"HURRY, HURRY, HURRY!"

Classes 76-84 do not require a reservation:

76. "THE TICKET BOOTH" - All green design, including container and base (if used), using all fresh plant material
77. "THE TIGHTROPE WALKER" - Horizontal design, Designer's Choice
78. "THE CHINESE POLE" - Design in the Oriental manner showing water, all fresh plant material
79. "THE RINGMASTER" - Creative design using all dried plant materials
80. "TRAVELING THE RAILS" - Design using roadside material, Designer's Choice
81. "THE JUGGLERS" - Design incorporating fruit and or vegetables, Designer's Choice
82. "THE CLOWN CARS" - CHILDREN'S CLASS - Enter age group on tag.
  - a. 8 years and younger
  - b. 9 years and older
83. "THE FLEA CIRCUS" - Designer's Choice, not to exceed 5" in any dimension
84. "SHALLOW DIVING" - Designer's Choice, not to exceed 3" in any dimension

Classes 85-91 require reservation, please call listed consultant for each class:

- \*85. "THE FUN HOUSE" - MIRRORED ALCOVE - Free standing, no larger than 10" high by 8" wide, reflected on all sides. Designer's Choice. Mirrored alcove provided. By reservation, call Hilda Meier 931-5606.
- \*86. "THE BROKEN HEARTED CLOWN" - FRAME - Frame furnished is 10" high by 8". Designer's Choice. By reservation, call Kathy Skinner 521-1559.
- \*87. "THE BALLOON SELLER" - PEDESTAL - Design will be placed on an 18" black circular disk atop a 14" black cube in front of white lattice covered with white blinds. All fresh plant material. By reservation, call Barb Weninger 574-1277.
- \*88. "A THREE RING CIRCUS" - EXHIBITION TABLE - Type I - Designer's choice of materials. Background is 36" high, 28" wide and 20" deep. Requires a decorative unit (think centerpiece). By reservation, call Deanna Douce 931-3941.
- \*89. "COTTON CANDY" - FUNCTIONAL TRAY for one, using all fresh plant material. Requires appointments for one setting, decorative unit (centerpiece), placemat or cloth. Table is 32" square covered with a white tablecloth to the floor. No background. By reservation, call June Reisinger 931-8705.
- \*90. "THE CONSESSION STAND" - FUNCTIONAL TABLE for four. Dinner for 4. Table is 60" diameter, covered with a white

tablecloth to the floor. Designers may use their own cloth. All fresh plant material. By reservation, call Barb Rizzi 761-0816.

### ARTISTIC CRAFTS DIVISION

\*91. "CIRCUS POSTER" – Pressed Flower Circus Poster, framed and wired for hanging. Design not to exceed 24" x 24". By reservation, call Bev Mussari 891-4043.

Those classes marked with an asterisk (\*) require reservations. On one ticket, an exhibitor may enter one of each of these classes. If repeated calls still do not reach any reservation consultant listed, please call Mary Gardner, Deanna Douce or Deborah Wyght.

One Best of Show will be awarded in each of the following groups: Classes #76-78, Classes #79-81, Junior #82, Miniature and small designs #83-86, Tables #89-90, and Best of Pedestal and Exhibition table. (#87 & #88)

Pick up time is Friday after 8 p.m.

### CLASS # 108 – CLUB COMPETITION "UNDER THE BIG TOP"

Design is a Vignette, "a functional section of a room, terrace, patio, etc." Staged on one quarter of a raised stage in the center of the hall. Four clubs may compete. Container plants and/or other plant material are allowed but the exhibit MUST include a floral design. Items must fit on a 4' deep by 8' long area of the stage. Back - ground staging is a natural wood lattice divider 4'8" high and 8' long, may be covered or draped, staged back to back with another entry. Design will be judged on Wednesday, but will remain up until Monday. By reservation, call Mary Gardner 459-5662.

### DESIGN DIVISION AGRICULTURAL HALL SATURDAY, August 13, 2016

### "THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH"

Classes 92-100 do not require a reservation:

92. "THE TATTOOED LADY" – All foliage design, no pods, berries, etc. All fresh plant material.

93. "THE MAN ON STILTS" -Vertical design, Designer's Choice.

94. "THE DUNKING BOOTH" –Underwater Design, All fresh plant material.

95. "THE KNIFE THROWER" -Design in an antique type container, Designer's Choice.

96. "THE CONTORTIONIST" –One design using two containers, Designer's Choice.

97. "CAMELS ON PARADE" -Creative design. All dried plant materials.

98. "CIRCUS ANIMALS" –CHILDREN'S CLASS (enter age group on tag). Made from fresh or dried fruits or vegetables  
a. 8 years or younger  
b. 9 years or older

99. "POPCORN" - Designer's Choice, not to exceed 5" in any dimension.

100. "PEANUTS" - Designer's Choice, not to exceed 3" in any dimension.

Classes 101-107 require reservation, please call listed consultant for each class:

\*101. "THE FLAME SWALLOWER" - MIRRORED ALCOVE - Free standing, no larger than 10" high by 8" wide, reflected on all sides. Designer's Choice. Mirrored alcove provided. By reservation, call Joy Packer 825-5686.

\*102. "STEP RIGHT UP" -FRAME - Frame furnished is 10" high by 8". Designer's Choice. By reservation, call Kathy Skinner 521-1559.

\*103. "THE FLYING TRAPEZE" - STILL LIFE -using an alcove that is 40" high, 24" wide at back, and 18" deep (wings are approximately 15" deep), painted white on a white covered table. Additional draping and underlay permitted. Designer's choice of materials. By reservation, call Mary Gardner 459-5662.

\*104. "THE ELEPHANT WALK" – EXHIBITION TABLE – Type II – Designer's choice of materials. Background is 36" high, 28" wide and 20" deep. Requires plant material in the total exhibit, but not in a container. By reservation, call Deanna Douce 931-3941.

\*105. "I LOVE THE CIRCUS" –FUNCTIONAL TABLE for two, all fresh plant materials. Table is 32" square covered with a white tablecloth to the floor. No background. Under cloth with some overhang. By reservation, call Lois Bruck 853-2860.

\*106. "BAREBACK RIDERS" – FUNCTIONAL BUFFET for four or more. Table is 60" diameter, covered with a white

tablecloth to the floor. Designers may use with their own cloth. Designer's choice of materials. By reservation, call Sally Veigel 541-2341.

### ARTISTIC CRAFTS DIVISION

\*107. "CLOWN FACE"- A mask decorated with all natural materials. Should be wired for hanging, not to exceed 18" x 18". Fresh and/or dried plant material (BUT NOT ARTIFICIAL). By reservation, call Bev Mussari 891-4043.

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**THERE WILL BE NO PICK UP ON SUNDAY EVENING. Pick up time is Monday from 2 to 7 p.m.**

This show will be judged by Nationally Accredited Flower Show Judges

### DESIGN PREMIUMS:

Classes 76-84 & 91-99: \$3.00 \$2.50 \$2.00 \$1.50

Mirrored Alcoves (85&101) and Frames (86&102): \$4.00 \$3.00 \$2.50 \$2.00

Artistic Crafts (91 & 107): \$5.00 \$4.00 \$3.00 \$2.00

Pedestals (87), Alcoves (103), Club Vignette (108) and all Tables (88-90, 104-106): \$10.00 \$9.00 \$8.00 \$7.00

### Scale of Points

1st place, blue ribbon – 90 pts or more

2nd place, red ribbon – 85 or above

3rd place, white ribbon – 80 or above

4th place, pink ribbon – 75 or above