

**The Minnesota Hosta Society
Proudly Presents**

*“One for the Record,
Two for the Show”*



A Hosta Show

At

**Bachman's Heritage Room
6010 Lyndale Avenue S.
Minneapolis, MN**

Saturday & Sunday, June 30 - July 1, 2018
Show Open to Public 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm each day

This event is a non-accredited show.

1. Anyone who wishes to exhibit may do so.
2. **Entries will be received from 2: P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Friday, June 29 and from 7:30 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. on Saturday, June 30. Entries received after 9:30 A.M. will be placed in the non-competitive exhibit area. People's Choice voting will begin at 12:00 noon on June 30 and will continue on July 1 until 3:00 PM. All entries must remain in place until 4:00 P.M. on July 1. Entry tags, awards and leaves may be claimed from 4:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. on July 1. Awards will be provided to winners after People's Choice voting closes at 3:00 pm on July 1. Entries remaining after 4:30 P.M. will be disposed of by the Staging Committee. Gift cards will be awarded in Division I, II, III. First, Second and Thirds places.**
3. All registered cultivars and species shall either be listed in the current year's AHS Hosta Show 2018 Classification List or have had registration data recorded in an official publication of The American Hosta Society by the date of the show in order to be considered registered for show purposes.
4. Entry tags must be properly completed by the exhibitor. Incorrect entry tag information will be corrected by the Classification Chair, if possible, or returned to the exhibitor for correction. Entries may be disqualified by the chair, at its discretion, if misnamed or if displaying extreme damage or signs of disease. **Classification information on the entry tag should be based on the current 2018 Classification List only.** Current Classification Lists will be on hand at the show or may be found at The American Hosta Society website, www.hosta.org.
5. Division I - Horticulture, Division II - Container Grown Hosta, Division III - Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect, and Division IV - Educational Displays will be eligible for entry by exhibitors. There are no limits on the number of entries an exhibitor may enter in each division.
6. In Division I, cut leaf entries will be displayed according to the Show Divisions for Sections and Classes listed on Page 4 and as indicated in the 2018 Classification List.

Ballots will be provided for the attendees of the Hosta Show to vote for their favorite exhibit and a ballot box will be provided for collection of completed ballots. Completed ballots must be received by 3:00 pm on July 1 in order to count. The winning entry will be the entry receiving the most votes and its exhibitor will be awarded the **People's Choice Award**.

7. Care will be taken, but no responsibility shall be incurred by any person, group, or organization for accidents, ages, injuries, thefts, omissions or commissions of any kind or nature from this show.

8. **Division I – Horticulture (Cut-leaf) Rules**

Containers will be provided by the Minnesota Hosta Society.

Bloom scapes are not permitted in this division.

Sections I – V (Registered Cultivars and Species), XI (Youth Exhibits) and XII (Unregistered Named Cultivars) require **ONE** leaf per entry. Sections VI – X require **TWO** leaves per entry. Sports shall be indicated on the entry tag as "Sport of (Name of Cultivar)." Seedlings shall be indicated on the entry tag as "Seedling (Hybridizer's Identifying Number)."

**DIVISION II – CONTAINER GROWN
HOSTA**

**Section I – Container Displays Not exceeding a Total Height or Width of 18 Inches
Section II – Container Displays with Height or Width of Greater Than 18 Inches**

**DIVISION III – TROUGH/CONTAINER GARDENS ARRANGED
FOR EFFECT**

**Section I – Concrete Composite
Section II – Ceramic, Terra Cotta, Bronze and Other Metals
Section III – Plastic and Other Man-Made Materials
Section IV – Natural Materials, Stone, Wood, Baskets, etc.**

DIVISION IV – EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

Educational displays must pertain to hostas.

DIVISION V – NON-COMPETITIVE

EXHIBITS

SHOW AWARDS

MHS Awards ‘The People’s Choice’ – Awarded to the top vote getters in Divisions I, II, III as entered by show attendees on the designated ballot entered in the ballot box during designated voting times. (See Show Rule No. 2)

SHOW COMMITTEE

**Show Co-Chairs
Awards Chair
Classification Chair
Placement Chair
Public Education Chair
Publicity Chair
Set-Up and Dismantling Chair**

SHOW DIVISIONS

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE (Cut-leaf)

Section I – Giant-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section II – Large-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section III – Medium-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section IV – Small-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section V – Miniature-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section VI – Giant-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section VII – Large-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section VIII – Medium-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section IX – Small-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section X – Miniature-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section XI – Youth Exhibits of Registered Cultivars and Species
Displayed in Alphabetical Order
Section XII – Unregistered Named Hosta Cultivars
Displayed in Alphabetical Order

Entries in Sections I-X are to be displayed using the following

Color Classes: Class 1 – Green (All Shades)

Class 2 – Blue (All Shades)

Class 3 – Yellow (All Shades)

Class 4 – White Margined

a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center

b. Green to Blue

Center Class 5 – Yellow

Margined

a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center

b. Green to Blue

Center Class 6 – Green or

Blue Margined

a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center

b. Green to Blue Center (distinct from

margin color) **Class 7 – Streaked or Mottled**

Class 8 – Others (including early season variants)

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

THE MINNESOTA HOSTA SOCIETY

The Minnesota Hosta Society (MHS) is affiliated with The American Hosta Society. It publishes four newsletters each year and meets four times a year at places announced in the newsletter. It sponsors this Hosta Show and garden tours each year. All memberships are on a calendar year basis. Dues are \$20 per individual or family per year. Commercial memberships and advertising are also available. Send inquiries regarding membership to:

Linda Butwinick – Membership Secretary
5604 Park Place Drive, Shoreview, MN 55126
MHS website: www.mnhosta.org

THE AMERICAN HOSTA SOCIETY

Membership in The American Hosta Society offers participation in all national activities including a National Convention; two issues of *The Hosta Journal*, each with nearly 100 pages, many interesting and informative articles, and dozens of color and black-and-white pictures which detail all national, regional, and local hosta society activities; and one *Online Hosta Journal* issue each year. Dues are \$30 individual and \$34 family membership per year (U.S.). Membership is on a calendar year basis. Send inquiries regarding membership to:

Sandie Markland – AHS Membership Secretary
P.O. Box 7539, Kill Devil Hills, NC
27948 AHS Web site –
www.hosta.org

REGION 5 – MIDWEST REGIONAL HOSTA SOCIETY (AHS Region 5)

The Midwest Regional Hosta Society (MRHS) is considered region 5 of the American Hosta Society and encompasses the nine Midwestern states of Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin. It distributes two newsletters and it offers two meetings annually, a Winter Scientific Meeting in January and a summer regional convention hosted by a local society. For more information, please contact:

Glenn Herold – Region 5 Director
W69N984 Washington Avenue, Cedarburg, WI 53012
MRHS website: www.midwesthostasociety.org

“From Plant to Head Table”

Guideline for Hosta Cut Leaf Show Preparations

I. WHICH PLANTS DO I SELECT FOR EXHIBITION?

Choose only mature plants, 3-5 years old and having 3+ divisions
Choose plants that are visually appealing
Choose plants that expand the cultivar base
Choose those selected from a previous garden overview conducted several days before the show. Check the Show schedule for the maximum number of entries allowed and select 2-3 more leaves than that number to allow for accidents.

II. WHICH PLANT PARTS WILL GIVE THE BEST LEAF (EXHIBIT THE STANDARD)?

Become familiar with what is the leaf standard for that particular hosta (classification list, registration books, other reference materials)
Choose those leaves that emerge first for plants with Sieboldiana and Fortunei backgrounds. These leaves represent the most mature leaves.
Choose the center leaves in plants with Sieboldii backgrounds, based on continuous growth. Select those mature leaves that best match the leaf dimensions listed in the classification list. A leaf that is larger than that size may represent a well grown plant but will not do as well as a leaf meeting the leaf size standard.

III. WHAT TECHNIQUES WORK BEST IN HARVESTING LEAVES

Choose only leaves with no visible damage, including no tears, blemishes or major pin holes. Choose only leaves that show symmetry. Choose the largest leaf example of a leaf if in doubt. Make your final decision and selection at the preparation table. Cut your selection with a sharp knife and with as long a petiole(stem) as possible Always cut two leaves that are most alike when exhibiting seedlings/sports. This is a show rule and must be followed.

IV. WHAT GUIDELINES SHOULD BE FOLLOWED IN GROOMING MY LEAVES

Immerse the entire leaf in cool water at least overnight and ideally for up to 24 hours. This may result in no shower or bath for the exhibitor the day of the show. Use liquid soap, cotton balls, Qtips to clean all surfaces
Use extreme care when cleaning blue leaves and use nothing more than water washing. The loss of the bloom on a blue leaf due to overcleaning will result in major scoring deductions. Don't forget to clean all leaf surfaces, including the backside and the petiole.

V. HOW SHOULD LEAVES BE TRANSPORTED TO THE SHOW?

Select an appropriate size pail with sufficient water (4-5 Inches) Carefully place Your leaves in the pail, making sure that the leaves don't touch one another, and the petioles are supported and don't rub on the edge of the pail. Make sure you label your leaves, so you can identify them later. Plan to arrive early at the show site; staging takes time.

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VI WHAT GUIDELINES ARE USED IN PREPPING AND STAGING LEAVES

Select a bottle in proportion to the leaf being exhibited. Bottles come in small, medium and large sizes. (The Show provides the bottle)

Place cotton batting around the petiole at the mouth of the bottle, making sure that cotton batting or cotton balls firmly support the leaf and does not meet the water.

Position the Petiole so that it is in contact with the water, but present as much of the petiole above the cotton batting as possible. The leaf is judged from the cotton on up.

Avoid “Easter Bunny” look when staging seedlings and sports. Make sure that leaves can be viewed together in their entirety and do not overlap or hide one. Remember, once you bring your leaf to the classification table and turn it over to the show Classification Chair, you will not be allowed to touch the entry or make any adjustments to it. Make sure it is to your liking before you turn it in.

VII. WHAT PAPERWORK NEEDS TO BE COMPLETED FOR MY ENTRIES?

Each exhibitor needs to fill out a show registration sheet with an assigned exhibitor number and a listing of all your show entries. Each Show entry must have a properly completed entry tag attached to the neck of the bottle with a rubber band.

Properly Completed Entry tags, include the following information:

- Exhibitor name and address
- Classification information including: Division, Section and Class
- Leaf size as listed in the classification listing
- Hosta Variety, starting with H. followed by the properly spelled cultivar name enclosed in single quotes. Example: H. ‘Victory’

A stick-on address label with the exhibitor’s name may be used, as long as it is of a size that doesn’t cover up other information. Both the top and bottom portions of the tag must be filled out completely and with the same information. Do not fold up the bottom portion of the tag; this is done by the show classification after the entry information is checked to make sure it is correct and properly classified.