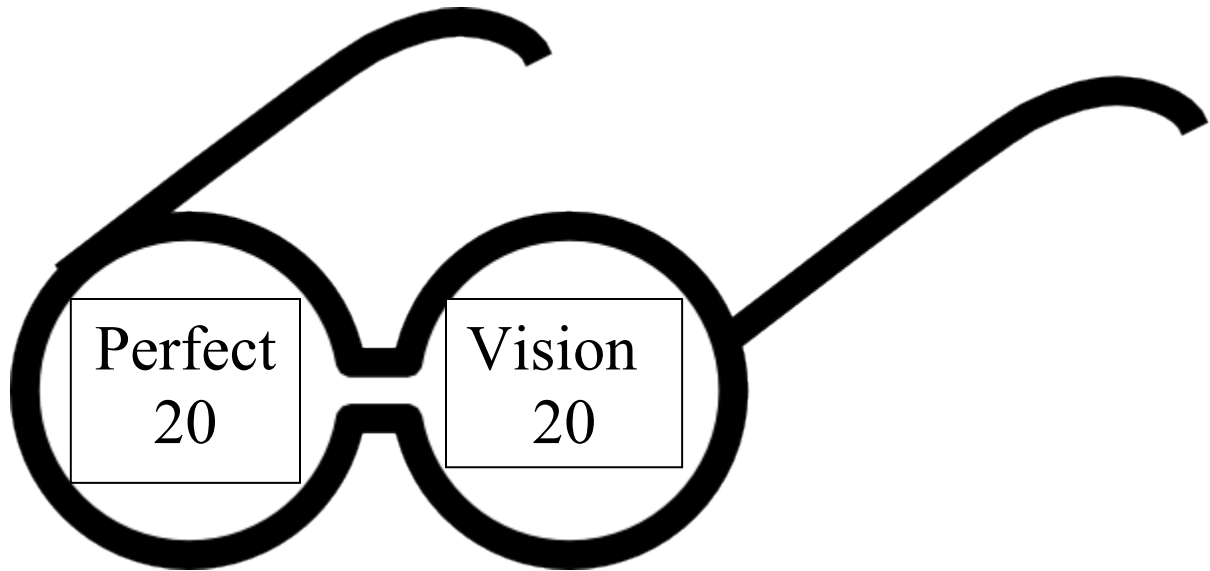


National Garden Clubs, Inc. presents



A National Garden Club Flower Show

A Petite Horticulture Specialty Flower Show

Gay Austin, President
National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Open- May 12, 2020 from 12 pm to 7 pm
May 13, 2020 from 9 am to 5 pm

Closing at 5 pm on May 13, 2020

Free admission
Open to the public

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NOTE: FINAL SCHEDULE TO BE POSTED by 1/1/2020

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Committee Chairmen

National Garden Club President- Gay Austin (gaylaustin@gmail.com)
2020 Convention Chairman- Kitty Larkin

General Chairman: David Robson (drobson@illinois.edu)

General Rules

1. This Petite Horticulture Specialty Flower Show conforms to the standards established by National Garden Clubs, Inc. *The Handbook for Flower Shows* 2017 Edition (HB), with revisions printed in *The National Gardener* magazine, is the authority for all issues not covered by the Schedule, which is the Law of the Show. Petite horticulture is naturally small growth, or those designated as dwarf or miniature varieties or cultivars by nurseries and plant societies. (HB pg. 61)
2. Exhibitors must be members of a National Garden Clubs, Inc. Entries are open to all garden club members, except for entries in Division II Education, Section A which are open to only International Affiliates.
3. Preregistration with consultants is required for Collections, Displays, and Educational exhibits. Registration may be online.
4. Entry cards are available from the Entries Chairman, () from January 2, 2020 to May 1, 2020, or purchase on line at www.gardenclub.org, National Garden Clubs Member Services.
5. Entry cards should be completed in advance with waterproof ink, pencil, labels or typed. (HB page 57)
6. Exhibitors are required to bring a list of all entries with the required entry tag information on the day of the show.
7. Entries will be received Sunday, May 10th from 5:00 to 9:00 pm and Monday, May 11th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Judging will begin promptly at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 11th. Only required show personnel will be allowed in the show area during judging.
8. The show will be open for viewing on Tuesday, May 12th from 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm and on Wednesday, May 13th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.
9. Exhibits shall be removed promptly at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, May 13th. If any exhibitor is unable to return at that time to remove personal property, the exhibitor is responsible for making arrangements to have someone remove the property in a timely fashion.
10. There must be an emphasis on FRESH plant material. No artificial plant material is permitted in any exhibit in any division.
11. The General Chairman and Classification Chairman will be permitted in the show room during judging.
12. The Classification Chairman checks exhibits for conformity to the schedule prior to judging. Final determination for conformance is the judges' responsibility.
13. All exhibits must be approved by the Classification Chairman/Committee, whether in Horticulture, Botanical Arts Horticulture, Education or Photography. Entries that do not conform to the schedule or *HB* requirement will be disqualified.

14. The decision of the judges will be final. Any award may be withheld if no exhibit meets the specific requirements for that award.
15. Native plant materials may be used in any division if labeled with botanical names and grown by the exhibitor or obtained in a legal manner, and so marked. Endangered and Invasive Plant Lists for Wisconsin can be found at <https://dnr.wi.gov>.
16. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per class, except in the Horticulture Division and Botanical Arts Horticulture Section provided each exhibit is botanically different.
17. The Flower Show Committee will strive to insure the safety of all exhibits after arrival and placement, but is not responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits.

Awards

1. The Standard System of Awarding will be used: (HB pg. 5) only one first place (blue) ribbon per class or sub-class, must score 90 or more; only one second place (red) ribbon per class or sub-class, must score 85 or more; only one third place (yellow) ribbon per class or sub-class, must score 80 or more; one or more honorable mention (white) ribbons, must score 75 or more. All exhibits which have earned a score of 90+, but have not won a blue ribbon, shall have their entry cards marked with a 90+ signed by an NGC Accredited Judge who served on the judging panel, and receive a 90+ sticker.
2. To offer a Division Award, each division must include two or more sections.
3. To offer a Section Award, each section must have a minimum of three specific classes.
4. Exhibits eligible for a Division Award include all Section Top Exhibitor Awards and all first place, blue ribbon winners not in sections designated for a Section Top Exhibitor Awards, but which meet award requirements of a blue ribbon scoring 95 + and botanically named with current designation.
5. Presentation of Special Recognition Awards: May 13 – 4:30 pm.

Division I- Horticulture

Award of Horticultural Excellence is offered to the highest scoring blue ribbon winner and correctly named exhibit in the entire Horticulture Division. A rosette of green, orange, and blue ribbons.
Handbook for Flower Shows (HB) pg. 40. Eligible Sections- A – J

Award of Merit is for all cut non-woody specimens including vines. A rosette of orange ribbons.
(HB pg. 41) Eligible Sections- A, B, D

Arboreal Award is for cut or container-grown trees or shrubs. Cut specimens may not compete with container-grown specimens. Cut portions of vines are not eligible. Cut specimens must be no more than 18 inches in length, include an apical tip, central leader and several nodes. A rosette of green ribbons.
HB pgs. 40-41. Eligible section- F

Collector's Showcase Award is for collections and displays. Each section must consist of three or more of all collections or all displays. Each specimen within the exhibit must score 95 points or more; scores for the specimens are not averaged. A rosette of brown and green ribbons. HB pg. 41. Eligible Sections- I, J

Grower's Choice Award is for all container-grown plants (single, multiple, self-multiple and combination plantings). Combination plantings never compete with single, multiple, or self-multiple container-grown specimens in the same section. This includes foliage, flowering, fruit or vegetable specimens. A rosette of dark green ribbons. HB pg. 41. Eligible Sections- C, E, G, H

"State" Competition Award is for Horticulture Displays and Botanical Arts- Garden. A group of two or more clubs from each state must compete for the award. Entry card states the name of the state garden club and the state president's name. A section must consist of a minimum of four exhibits in one class designated in the schedule. A rosette of light blue ribbons. HB pg. 43. Eligible Section- K

Education Division II

Educational Top Exhibitor Award is for an educational exhibit that may be the work of an individual or club. One award may be offered. A minimum of two educational exhibits designated as eligible must be present. A rosette of brown and white ribbons. HB pgs. 43 and 44. Eligible Sections- L, M

Botanical Arts Division III

Botanical Arts Horticulture Award – Each section must consist of at least three classes; at least twelve exhibits are required in all classes combined. The exhibit must be the work of one individual. A rosette of light brown ribbons. HB pg. 44. Eligible Section- N

Botanical Arts Garden Award- One award may be offered per show. A minimum of two realistic gardens (not a fairy garden or diorama) designated as eligible must be present. Gardens may be actual or temporarily staged in the show room. The garden may be the work of one or more individuals or an organization. A rosette of light green ribbons. HB pg. 45. Eligible Section- O

Botanical Arts Photography Award- Each section must consist of at least three classes with at least four exhibits in each class. The exhibit must be the work on an individual. Photographs must relate to NGC goals and objectives. A rosette of black and white ribbons. HB page 45. Eligible Sections - N

Special Recognition Awards

"The President's Award" – A special award chosen by the NGC President

DIVISION I: Horticulture Rules

1. The NGC Exhibit Policies are printed in the HB pg. 55; Exhibiting in the Horticulture Division.
2. The rules for a single species cut or container-grown specimen are listed in the HB or its supplement *Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging* (HE&J)
3. In order to receive an NGC Top Exhibitor Award, the exhibitor must identify her/his entry by its binomial name or currently acceptable scientific designation. (HB, Exhibiting in the Horticulture Division)
4. Entry cards are to be filled out in advance, if possible. Entry cards should be typed, written in waterproof ink, label or pencil. Refer to the HB pg. 57 for a correctly filled out entry tag.
5. Cut specimens should not have foliage below water line except for *Gladiolus*.
6. If a plant is considered to be a flowering plant, it should be exhibited as a flowering specimen. Foliage plants may flower, but should be exhibited as foliage plant if they are grown for their leaves.
7. Specimens with a class designation in the schedule may not be entered in the "Any Other Worthy" class.
8. The Horticulture Classification Committee Chairman and/or General Chairman are free to subdivide classes by color, form, size, cultivar, variety or other distinguishing characteristics.
9. The Scales of Points for Horticulture are listed on HB pgs. 129 and 130
10. The sponsoring organization will furnish containers and wedging for cut specimens, except for Collections, Displays, and Division II Education.
11. Additional requirements, such as number of stems or leaves, may be found in HE&J, available through National Garden Clubs Member Services.
12. All plant material must be fresh and have been grown by the exhibitor.
13. The period of ownership required prior to the Show is in HB page 55.
Container-grown plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession at least 90 days. Cut annuals, perennials, and biennials must have been in exhibitor's possession from seeds, cuttings, or immature plants for at least 90 days. Corms, bulbs, tubers and rhizomes must have been in exhibitor's possession for at least 90 days. Combination plantings (dish gardens, planters, terrariums) must have been in exhibitor's possession for at least for 6 weeks. Troughs must have been grown together for at least 6 months. Arboreals must have been in exhibitor's possession for at least six months.
14. The maximum size for container-grown plants is listed with the Section descriptions.
15. Double-potting is permitted. (inner pot cannot be visible)
16. Classification Committee has the authority to sub-divide classes as necessary.

17. The required number of specimens per exhibit, stem length, sets of leaves, size restrictions, staging, etc. will be stated in each section or class.

18. Plant material may not be altered by the application (treatment) of oil, commercial “shine” products, etc. that may artificially change the natural color and texture.

19. The Scales of Points for Horticulture are in Chapter 14 of the HB.

Scales of Points

All Cut or Container-Grown Horticulture Specimens and Collections

(Arboreal, Flowering, Foliage, Fruit/Vegetable/Nuts)

Criteria	Value (points)
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

Combination Plantings and Gardens

Criteria	Value (points)
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

Scales of Points

Displays

Criteria	Value (points)
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

Educational Exhibits

Criteria	Value (points)
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/Expression	20
Total	100

Botanical Arts- Horticulture

All Cut or Container-Grown Horticulture Specimens and Collections

(Arboreal, Flowering, Foliage, Fruit/Vegetable/Nuts)

Criteria	Value (points)
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

Photography

Criteria	Value (points)
Conformance	5
Interpretation of Class Title	10
Composition	25
Artistry/Creativity	25
Technical Achievement	25
Distinction/Impact (Wow Factor)	10
Total	100

DIVISION I: HORTICULTURE (Petite specimens only)

“Here’s Lookin’ At You!”

(All Sections eligible for the Award of Horticultural Excellence HB, pg. 40)

Section A. Geophytes- Cut Specimens from bulb, corm, rhizome, tuber “Eye Balls”

Eligible for Award of Merit . Single stem not to exceed 8 inches in length.; Classes 1-3 and 5 no attached leaves

Class 1. *Crocus*

Class 2. *Iris*

Class 3. *Narcissus*

Class 4. *Tulipa*-with one leaf

Class 5. Any other worthy geophyte

Section B. Flowering Annuals- cut “Easy on The Eyes”

Eligible for the Award of Merit Single stem not to exceed 8 inches in length.

Class 1. *Begonia*- with foliage sufficient to clothe the stem

Class 2. *Tagetes*- with 3 leaves

Class 3. *Thunbergia*- with foliage sufficient to clothe the stem

Class 4. *Zinnia* – with foliage sufficient to clothe the stem

Class 5. Any other worthy flowering annual

Section C. Flowering Container-Grown “Rose-Colored Glasses”

Eligible for Grower’s Choice Award HB pg. 41 Container size no larger than 4 inches in diameter and height.

Class 1. Orchids

Class 2. *Rosa*-flowers ½ to 1½ inches in diameter

Class 3. *Saintpaulia* (African violet) single crown except for trailers

Class 3a. Semi-miniature- 10-20 blooms

Class 3b. Miniature- 6-12 blooms

Class 3c. Micro-mini- as few as 3 blooms

Class 4. Any other worthy flowering container-grown specimen

Section D. Flowering Perennials- cut “Eye Candy”

Eligible for the Award of Merit HB pg. 41 Single stem not to exceed 8 inches in length.

Class 1. *Bellis* (English Daisy)

Class 2. *Dianthus*

Class 3. *Phlox*

Class 4. Any other worthy flowering perennial

Section E. Foliage Container-Grown- “Green Eyes”

Eligible for the Grower’s Choice Award HB pg. 41 Container not to exceed 4” in diameter and height.

Class 1. *Aucuba japonica*

Class 2. *Caladium*

Class 3. Fern

Class 4. *Heuchera* (Coral Bells)

Class 5. *Hosta*

Class 3a. Small- < 3 inches across or < 30 square inches

Class 3b. Miniature- < 6 square inches

Class 6. *Plectranthus* (Coleus)

Class 7. Any other perennial grown for foliage

Section F. Arboreals/cut- foliage/flowering/fruited/coned “Beautiful Sight”

Eligible for the Arboreal Award. Single branch, not to exceed 18 inches from tip of specimen to cut end. Must include several nodes, central leader, and an apical tip. HB pgs. 40, 41

Class 1. Deciduous Shrub

Class 2. Deciduous Tree

Class 3. Evergreen Shrub

3a. Broadleaf Evergreen

3b. Needled Evergreen

Class 4. Evergreen Tree

4a. Broadleaf Evergreen

4b. Needled Evergreen

Section G- Combination Plantings

“Perception”

Eligible for Grower’s Choice Award HB pg. 41. All petite specimens to be individually numbered with corresponding numbers and botanical names listed on a 3 x 5 plant identification card.

To pre-register an exhibit contact Combination Plantings Chairman, Mickie Marquis

Class 1. Dish Gardens- not to exceed 8 inches in diameter

1 a. Flowering

1 b. Foliage

Class 2. Planter- not to exceed 8 inches in diameter

2a. Flowering

2b. Foliage

Class 3. Terrarium- not to exceed 8 inches in diameter

3a. Flowering

3b. Foliage

Class 4. Kokedama- not to exceed 5 inches in diameter; exhibitor to provide staging; multiple plants

4a. Flowering

4b. Foliage

Section H. Succulent Container-Grown Plant

“Poke in the Eye”

Eligible for Grower’s Choice Award HB pg. 41 Container size no larger than 6 inches in diameter.

Class 1. Cacti

Class 1a. Flowering

Class 1b. Foliage

- Class 2. Other succulents
 - Class 2a. Flowering
 - Class 2b. Foliage
- Class 3. Monstrous succulent

Section I- Collections

“View Finder”

Eligible for Collector’s Showcase Award HB pg. 41

To preregister an exhibit contact Collection Chairman, Mickie Marquis

Specimens must be of one genus, such as *Rosa*, or plants with like characteristics such as annuals, perennials, biennials, cactus, succulents, etc. Space allotted is 24 inches x 24 inches; height not to exceed 30 inches. All plants to be individually numbered in container with corresponding numbers, plant relationship and botanical names listed on a 3 x 5 plant identification card with exhibit. Staged on an elevated table top 30” in diameter. Plant material must dominate.

- Class 1. Collection of 5 or more EPIPHYTIC specimens (flowering or foliage)
- Class 2. Collection of 5 or more cut FLOWERING specimens
- Class 3. Collection of 5 or more cut FOLIAGE specimens
- Class 4. Any other worthy collection

Section J- Displays

“Myopic”

Eligible for Collector’s Showcase Award HB pg. 41

To pre-register an exhibit contact Display Chairman, Mickie Marquis

Specimens must be of one genus, such as *Rosa*, or plants with like characteristics such as annuals, perennials, biennials, cactus, succulents, etc. Space allotted is 24 inches x 24 inches; height not to exceed 30 inches. All plants to be individually numbered in container with corresponding numbers, plant relationship and botanical names listed on a 3 x 5 plant identification card with the exhibit. Exhibitor is to provide all staging to enhance plant material. Staged on an elevated table top 30 inches in diameter. Featured plant material must dominate.

- Class 1. Display of 5 or more EPIPHYTIC plants (flowering or foliage)
- Class 2. Display of 5 or more container-grown FLOWERING specimens
- Class 3. Display of 5 or more container-grown FOLIAGE plants
- Class 4. Any other worthy display

Section K. “State Competition” A Display of 7 or more specimens individually identified, provided by 2 or more member clubs, pre-registration required, staged on an elevated table top 30 inches in diameter.

Eligible for Club Competition Award. HB pg. 43

To pre-register an exhibit, contact Mickie Marquis

- Class 1. Flowering
- Class 2. Foliage
- Class 3. Kokedama
- Class 4. Any other worthy display

Division II Education **" An Eye to The Future"**

Educational Rules HB pgs. 29, 30

1. 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 education exhibit.
2. Exhibits must use at least 6 square feet; horizontal, vertical or in combination.
3. Plant material is optional.
4. Staged on a table 36" x 36" covered with a white table cover.
5. Advance registration with Educational Entries Chairman _____ at _____ is required by _____
6. The Scale of Points for Education Exhibits is listed in the HB Chapter 14.
7. The exhibits will be judged and are eligible for the Educational Top Exhibitor Award.

Educational Exhibits HB pg. 30

1. The schedule lists each exhibit individually as Exhibit 1, Exhibit 2, etc.
2. The schedule must list exhibit titles and a brief description of each exhibit.
3. Division and Section titles should relate to the overall show theme.
4. In large shows, related exhibits may be listed in sections with at least four exhibits per section.

Section A: Educational Exhibits

"My Vision – My World"

Open to International Affiliates only.

Eligible for Educational Award HB pgs. 43, 44

Educational Exhibits Chairman for Section A. Sylvia Wray

Exhibit 1. "With New Eyes" New cultivars from the southern hemisphere.

Exhibit 2. "From A Plant's Point of View" Propagation techniques below the equator.

Exhibit 3. "As Far as The Eye Can See" An overview of cultivation in South America.

Section B. Educational Exhibits "Peepers" Open to all NGC members

To enter an exhibit contact: Educational Exhibits Chairman, _____ at _____

Eligible for Educational Award HB pgs. 43, 44

Exhibit 1. "The Next Generation" Involving youth in container gardening with dwarf plants.

Exhibit 2. "Glass Gardens" Terrariums with plants with naturally small growth.

Exhibit 3. "Through A Child's Eye" Fairy gardens with miniature plants and accessories.

Division III

Botanical Arts “Distant Vision”

Botanical Arts Rules

1. All Botanical Arts Horticulture exhibits must contain some plant material that is dwarf, miniature, or naturally small specimens.
2. No artificial plant material is permitted in any exhibit.
3. The Scale of Points for judging Botanical Arts Horticulture and Photography are listed in the HB, Chapter 14 and are listed in this schedule on pgs. 9 and 10.
4. The rules for Botanical Arts Horticulture are printed in the HB, pgs. 91-93.
5. The rules for Photography are printed in the HB, pgs. 95, 96.

Section A. Botanical Arts Sections and Classes

Section A1. “Enjoying the Garden Year-Round”

Eligible for the Botanical Arts Horticulture Award, HB, pg. 44

Class 1. “Fall’s Bounty” Dried miniature gourds; 3 specimens exhibited on a round 8 inches x 8 inches black mat supplied by the flower show committee; space allotted is 14 inches x 14 inches.

Class 2. “Forever Lovely” Glycerinized arboreal specimens; 3 specimens exhibited on a round 8 inches x 8 inches black mat supplied by the committee; container supplied by exhibitor; space allotted is 14 inches x 14 inches.

Class 3. “Keeping Things Interesting” Manipulated plants; 1 specimen in container supplied by exhibitor; space allotted is 8 inches x 8 inches.

Class 4. “Preserving the Past” Pressed flowers, 5 specimens, staged on exhibitor’s 8 ½ inches x 11 inches card stock; space allotted is 12 inches x 12 inches; displayed on miniature easels provided by the flower show committee

Class 5. “Past, But Prime” Pressed foliage, 5 specimens, staged on exhibitor’s 8 ½ inches x 11 inches card stock; space allotted is 12 inches x 12 inches; displayed on miniature easels provided by the Flower Show Committee.

Section A2. “Mother’s Memories” Landscapes- Container-Grown Miniature Gardens and Dioramas exhibited on a round pedestal 30 inches in diameter with front view only.

Eligible for the Botanical Arts Horticulture Award, (*Handbook for Flower Shows* page 44)

Class 1. “In the Garden” Fairy Garden; space allotted 20” x 20”

Class 2. “Hide & Seek” Fairy Garden; space allotted 20” x 20”

Class 3. “Picture This” Diorama with background and 3-D gardening objects; space allotted is 20” x 20”.

SECTION B: Photography “Seeing is Believing”

Intended to stimulate garden/gardening interest, photographic abilities, and NGC goals and objectives. Eligible for Botanical Arts Photography Award. Photography Exhibits Chairman: Arabella Dane

Rules

1. All exhibits must relate to horticulture, gardening, or other NGC goals, objectives and/or initiatives (Landscape, conservation, civic projects, preservation, ecology, environment, etc.)
2. Images may be portrait, landscape, square or panorama orientation.
3. Images must be submitted between January 1, 2020 and March 1, 2020 to XXXXXXXX (email or website?) with a file size between 1.5M to 5M and resolutions of 300 pi for judging.
4. The Flower Show Committee will mat and display top-scoring images. Images will be displayed vertically at eye level on a neutral colored wall, display panel or stands.
5. Exhibitors are to label photographed plant material, preferably with current scientific designation where feasible.
6. Photo may be enhanced by exhibitor with cropping, filters, adjustments and or other techniques.
7. The exhibit must be the work of one individual.

Judging

1. Judging will be done by recognized photography judges.
2. Exhibits are judged by the Photography Scale of Points. (HB page 131)

Class 1. *Near-sighted* - closeup and/or macro

Class 2. *Far Sighted* - landscape

Class 3. *Astigmatic* – depicting motion

Class 4. *Color Blind*- monochrome image ((MONOCHROME: an image of black/white with grays, sepia, or an image with a single hue with related shades, tints and tones.)