

Flowers

General Rules and Information

General

Classes are open to all residents of Southern Maryland.

Entries will be received on the **Monday of Fair Week from 12 noon to 8:00 pm, only.**

Judging will begin at 10:00 am on Tuesday of Fair Week. Judges reserve the right to reclassify any entry they feel is improperly classes. **The decision of the judges is final.**

Exhibitors are encouraged to bring their best entries. Exhibitors must be sure all entries are exhibited in top notch condition. This includes inspecting cut flower and sprays carefully and inspecting container grown plants for cleanliness (including the container), unsightly leaves or stems and insects.

Exhibitors are encouraged to inconspicuously mark personal property with name and address. The flower department will exercise the utmost care, but cannot be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits or containers.

In order to expedite the entry process, please arrive prior to 7:00 pm if you have more than 10 entries. The entry process can also be expedited if exhibitors fill out all entry tags and entry forms before coming to the fairgrounds on entry day. Entry tags and forms can be picked up at the fairgrounds.

Entries must be removed on the Monday following Fair Week between noon and 8:00 pm. Entries cannot be removed before that Monday. Exhibitors who do not claim their entries and premiums that day forfeit any premiums.

Exhibitors may enter only one entry in any class or subdivision of a class, unless otherwise specified.

The Fair Board Flower Committee reserves the right to combine or subdivide classes as to color, species, variety in size if warranted by the number of entries.

Container grown plants and arrangements which received Champion ribbons at last year's Fair cannot be entered in this year's show.

Division I – Cut Flowers

All cut flower entries must have been grown by the exhibitor and must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least three months prior to the Fair.

Foliage is encouraged.

1st - \$3 2nd - \$2 3rd - \$1

Section 24 – Roses

Hybrid Tea Rose (one bloom)

1. Pink
2. Red
3. White or Near White
4. Yellow
5. Apricot
6. Bi-Color
7. Any other color not listed

Floribunda Rose (one spray- more than 3 blooms)

8. Pink
9. Red
10. White or Near White
11. Yellow
12. Apricot
13. Bi-Color
14. Any other color not listed

Miniature Rose (one spray – more than 3 blooms)

15. Pink
16. Red
17. White or Near White
18. Yellow
19. Apricot
20. Bi-Color
21. Any other color not listed

Section 25 – Dahlias

Dahlia, over 8" in diameter (one bloom)

1. Purple
2. Yellow
3. White
4. Pink
5. Red
6. Bi-Color

7. Ball
8. Any other color not listed

Dahlia, 4" – 8" in diameter (one bloom)

9. Purple
10. Yellow
11. White
12. Pink
13. Red
14. Bi-Color
15. Ball
16. Any other color not listed

Dahlia, under 4" in diameter (one bloom)

17. Purple
18. Yellow
19. White
20. Pink
21. Red
22. Bi-Color
23. Ball
24. Any other color not listed

Section 26 – Bulbs and Tubers

Gladiolus (one spike)

1. Single color
2. Bi-Color
3. Miniature, any color

Caladium Leaf (one leaf)

4. Caladium Leaf

Cannas (one spike)

5. Cannas

Any other Bulb or Tuber (one bloom, spike, or leaf)

A maximum of two per exhibitor

6. Any other Bulb or Tuber, not listed

Section 27 – Celosia (Cockscomb)

Celosia (Cockscomb), Crested (one spike)

1. Red
2. Rose
3. Any other color not listed

Celosia (Cockscomb), Plume/Feathered (one spike)

4. Red
5. Rose
6. Any other color not listed

Section 28 – Annuals

Ageratum (one spike)

1. Ageratum

Cosmos (one bloom)

2. Red
3. Pink
4. Purple
5. White
6. Bi-Color
7. Any other color not listed

Impatiens (one spray)

8. Red
9. Pink
10. Orange
11. White
12. Purple
13. Bi-Color
14. Any other color not listed

New Guinea Impatiens (one spray)

15. Red
16. Pink
17. Orange

18. White
19. Purple
20. Bi-Color
21. Any other color not listed

Marigolds, small flowered, under 3" in diameter (one spray)

22. Orange
23. Yellow
24. Bi-Color
25. Any other color not listed

Marigolds, large flowered, 3" and over in diameter (one spray)

26. Orange
27. Yellow
28. Bi-Color
29. Any other color not listed

Petunia (one bloom)

30. Red
31. Pink
32. White
33. Purple
34. Bi-Color
35. Any other color not listed

Scarlet Sage (one stem)

36. Red
37. Any other color not listed

Snap Dragon (one stem)

38. Any single color
39. Any Bi-Color

Zinnia, over 4" in diameter (one bloom)

40. Red
41. Pink
42. White
43. Purple
44. Orange
45. Yellow

46. Any other color not listed

Zinnia, 2"- 4" in diameter (one bloom)

47. Red

48. Pink

49. White

50. Purple

51. Orange

52. Yellow

53. Any other color not listed

Zinnia, under 2" in diameter (one bloom)

54. Red

55. Pink

56. White

57. Purple

58. Orange

59. Yellow

60. Any other color not listed

Vinca (one spray – more than 4 blooms)

61. White

62. Rose

63. Lavender

64. Any other color not listed

Geranium (one bloom)

65. Geranium (one bloom)

Begonia (one stem)

66. Pink

67. Red

68. White

69. Any other color not listed

Coleus

70. Coleus

Gerber Daisy

71. Gerber Daisy

Any Other Annual (one bloom or stem)

72. Any Other Annual, not listed above

Section 29 – Perennials

Perennial Aster (one spray)

1. Perennial Aster

Black-eyed Susan (one bloom)

2. Black –eyed Susan

Daisy (one bloom)

3. Daisy
4. Shasta

Nasturtium (one stem)

5. Nasturtium

Ornamental Grass (one stem)

6. Ornamental Grass

Sedum (one stem)

7. Sedum, one stem

Gallairdia

8. Gallairdia

Baby's Breath (one spray)

9. Baby's Breath

Any Other Perennial (one bloom or spray)

A maximum of two entries per exhibitor is allowed in this class.

10. Any Other Perennial, not listed above

Section 30 – Flowering Shrubs and Berried Shrubs *No Evergreens*

Butterfly Bush

1. White
2. Purple
3. Rose
4. Other

Rose of Sharon

5. Rose of Sharon

Pyracantha

6. Pyracantha

Hydrangea

7. Hydrangea

Any Other

A maximum of two per exhibitor

8. Any Other Flowering Shrub
9. Any Other Berried Shrub

Division II – Container Grown Plants

All container grown plants entries must have been grown by the exhibitor and must have been in the exhibitors possession for at least three months prior to the Fair.

Section 31 – African Violets

1st - \$5 2nd - \$3 3rd - \$1

African Violets - container size under 8"

1. Lavender or Purple
2. Blend/Bi-Color
3. Pink or Red
4. White
5. Any other color not listed

African Violets – container size 8" and over

6. Lavender or Purple
7. Blend/Bi-Color
8. Pink or Red
9. White
10. Any other color not listed

Section 32 – Plants

To be considered in a "flowering" category, plant should be blooming at the time of judging.

Tropical Plants

1. Foliage, container size under 8" in diameter
2. Flowering, container size under 8" in diameter
3. Foliage, container size 8" and over in diameter
4. Flowering, container size 8" and over in diameter

Cactus or Succulent

5. Container size under 8" in diameter
6. Container size 8" and over in diameter

Hanging

7. Flowering, container size under 8" in diameter
8. Flowering, container size 8" and over in diameter
9. Foliage, container size under 8" in diameter
10. Foliage, container size 8" and over in diameter
11. Berried, container size under 8" in diameter
12. Berried, container size 8" and over in diameter

Stand Alone

13. Flowering, container size under 8" in diameter
14. Flowering, container size 8" and over in diameter
15. Foliage, container size under 8" in diameter
16. Foliage, container size 8" and over in diameter
17. Berried, container size under 8" in diameter
18. Berried, container size 8" and over in diameter

Dish Garden (3 or more types)

19. Container size under 8" in diameter
20. Container size 8" and over in diameter
21. Any other plant (one entry per exhibitor)

Propagation (must be labels with exhibitor number, species name, date started, and propagation method used)

22. Seed
23. Stem Cutting
24. Leaf
25. Layering – Air (Marcotting)
26. Layering – Simple (Trench)

Division III

All arrangements must have been made by the exhibitor. Plant material used in arrangements does not have to be grown by exhibitor. Accessories are permitted in arrangements as needed to strengthen the artistic effect or to carry out a theme. Accessories should be subordinate to design.

- Fresh plant material to be used in arrangements may include flowers, foliage, fruit branches, berries, and vegetables in fresh condition unless otherwise specified. All plant material must be thoroughly conditioned and groomed to retain proper freshness. **Cut** fruit and vegetables are prohibited. Wilted or unsightly material must be replaced. If not, the Flower Committee will remove the material.
- Dried plant material is any material from which the water has been removed.
- Treated plant material is any material that has had the surface, texture, color, or substance changed, yet is recognizable as plant material. The change is affected by the application of any substance or agent such as wax, dye, paint, shellac, lacquer, oil, flocking, plastic, spray, dip-dyed, etc. preserved (glycerinized), skeletonized, or bleached. Treated dried material may be used in any design or class of the Flower Show.

Section 33

1st - \$6 2nd - \$4 3rd - \$2

Arrangement, container diameter under 8"

1. Silk Flowers
2. Fresh Flowers
3. Dried Flowers
4. Fresh and Dried Materials
5. Silk and Dried Materials

Arrangement, container diameter 8" and over

6. Silk Flowers
7. Fresh Flowers
8. Dried Flowers
9. Fresh and Dried Materials
10. Silk and Dried Materials

One-Sided Arrangement, container diameter under 8"

11. Silk Flowers
12. Fresh Flowers
13. Dried Flowers
14. Fresh and Dried Materials
15. Silk and Dried Materials

One-Sided Arrangement, container diameter 8" and over

16. Silk Flowers
17. Fresh Flowers
18. Dried Flowers
19. Fresh and Dried Materials
20. Silk and Dried Materials

Section 34 – Special Occasions

Corsage

1. Silk Flowers
2. Fresh Flowers
3. Dried Flowers
4. Fresh and Dried Materials
5. Silk and Dried Materials

Bridal Bouquet

6. Silk Flowers
7. Fresh Flowers
8. Dried Flowers
9. Fresh and Dried Materials
10. Silk and Dried Materials

Section 35 – Home Décor

Entries must include flowers and will be judged on arrangement of flowers.

1. Wreath
2. Swag

Division IV – Floral Arrangements

Section 36 – Themed Arrangements

1st - \$12 2nd - \$11 3rd - \$10

Themed Arrangement Requirements

- A. Flowers and/or materials do not have to have been grown or dried by the exhibitor. Flowers can be silk, fresh, and dried.
- B. Display may be no larger than 24x24x24.
- C. Props are welcome, but may not exceed above size requirements.

Themes

1. Mardi Gras – An arrangement that captures the spirit of Mardi Gras
2. Sports theme arrangement
3. Special Occasion
4. Fair – An arrangement that celebrates the Calvert County Fair.
5. Vineyard – An arrangement that captures a vineyard theme.
6. International – An arrangement that exhibits an international theme.

