

HORTICULTURE DIVISION RULES AND AWARDS

1. The Horticulture Division is open to any amateur gardener with the exception of Section J. The Challenge Class (Class 59) is open to Branford Garden Club members only.
2. All entries must be fresh and have been grown by the exhibitor and have been in his or her possession for 90 days, except for combination plantings, which must have been growing together and in the exhibitor's possession for a least six (6) weeks.
3. More than one entry per class or sub-class may be made by the same exhibitor provided each is of a different genus, species, cultivar, type, size or color.
4. All entries should be correctly and fully labeled giving genus (group of plants), species (related to common ancestry) and cultivar (variation derived through horticultural means) or variety (naturally occurring trait or variation), or using the currently accepted scientific identification. Example: Black Knight butterfly bush: *Buddleia davidii* 'Black Knight'. Top awards cannot be given to unnamed entries.
5. Containers for cut specimens will be provided by the Flower Show Horticulture Committee. Wedging material will also be provided.
6. Container grown plants should be shown in clean, clay or neutral colored plastic pots.
7. Entries may be made at the Van Wilgen's Garden Center, North Branford, CT.
Thursday, September 16, 2010 - 12:00—6:00 PM
Friday, September 17, 2010 - 7:00—9:00 AM

Horticulture Awards from the National Garden Clubs, Inc. may be given at the discretion of the judges:

The Award of Merit (rosette of orange ribbons) may be given in Sections: A, B, C, D and H to a named Blue Ribbon winner scoring 95 points or more. Only one in each Section may be given.

The Award of Horticultural Excellence (rosette of green, orange and blue ribbons) may be given to the named Blue Ribbon winner judged to be the finest in the entire Horticulture Division.

The Grower's Choice Award (rosette of dark green ribbons) may be given in Sections F and G to a named Blue Ribbon winner scoring 95 points or more. Grower's Choice Award is restricted to container-grown plants and combination plantings.

The Arboreal Award (rosette of green ribbons in two shades) may be awarded in Section E to the Blue Ribbon winner scoring 95 points or more. Only one may be given.

The Club President's Award may be given to the winners of the Club Challenge Class, Section J, and is awarded by the President of the Branford Garden Club.

The suggested scale of points to be used appears on pages 297-302 of the *Handbook for Flower Shows* (2007 Revised Edition).

DIVISION II—HORTICULTURE

“BLOOM WHERE YOU ARE PLANTED”

SECTION A – PERENNIALS-BIENNIALS Eligible for the Award of Merit

Class 1. Aconitum	1 stem
Class 2. Allium	1 stem
Class 3. Anemone	1 stem
Class 4. Aster	1 spray
Class 5. Chelone	1 stem
Class 6. Clematis	Maximum length 24"

Class 7. Dendranthemum (Chrysanthemum)	1 spray
Small- 2" and under	
7a) Medium- Between 2"-3"	
7b) Large- 3" and over	
Class 8. Dicentra	1 stem
Class 9. Echinacea	1 stem
Class 10. Eupatorium	1 spray
Class 11. Gaillardia	1 stem
Class 12. Geranium	3 stems
Class 13. Helianthus	1 stem
Class 14. Hemerocallis (Specimens with opening buds may be exhibited during remainder of show.)	1 stalk
Class 15. Hosta	1 large leaf or 3 small leaves
Class 16. Nipponanthemum	1 spray
Class 17. Ornamental Grasses	3 stems
Over 20"	
17a) Under 20"	
Class 18. Perovskia	1 stem
Class 19. Phlox	1 stem
Class 20. Physostegia	1 stem
Class 21. Rudbeckia	1 stem
Class 22. Sedum	1 stem
Class 23. Tricyrtis	1 stem
Class 24. Any Other Named Perennial	1 specimen

SECTION B-ANNUALS

Eligible for the Award of Merit

Class 25. Celosia	1 stem
Class 26. Cleome	1 stem
Class 27. Cosmos	1 stem
Class 28. Marigold	
28a. French	1 spray
28b. African	1 stem
Class 29. Sunflower	1 stem
Class 30. Zinnia	1 stem
Class 31. Any Other Named Annual	1 specimen

SECTION C - BULBS, CORMS, TUBERS, RHIZOMES

Eligible for the Award of Merit

Class 32. Begonia-Exhibitor provides own clear, glass, low container to float bloom.	
Class 33. Caladium	3 leaves
Class 34. Dahlia-Large forms must have been disbudded.	1 stem
Class 35. Any Other Named Bulb, Corm, Tuber or Rhizome	1 specimen

SECTION D – ROSES

Eligible for the Award of Merit

Class 36. Hybrid Tea (must have been disbudded)	1 bloom
Class 37. Polyantha	1 spray
Class 38. Any Other Named Rose	1 bloom or spray

SECTION E – TREES AND SHRUB

Eligible for the Arboreal Award

Class 39. Flowering Shrubs or Trees	1 branch not to exceed 20"
a. Abelia	
b. Buddleia	
c. Caryopteris	
d. Daphne	
e. Hydrangea	
f. Viburnum	
g. Any Other Named Flowering Shrub or Tree	
Class 40. Broad-leaved Evergreen Shrubs or Trees	1 branch not to exceed 20"
a. Leucothoe	
b. Pieris	

- c. Rhododendron 1 truss with buds
- d. Any Other Named Broad-leaved Evergreen
- Class 41. Fruited or Berried Shrubs or Tree 1 branch not to exceed 20”
 - a. Callicarpa
 - b. Ilex
 - c. Any Other Named Berried or Fruited Shrub or Tree
- Class 42. Needled Evergreens 1 branch not to exceed 20”
 - a. Juniperus
 - b. Cedrus
 - c. Chamaecyparis
 - d. Any Other Named Needled Evergreen

SECTION F – CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

Eligible for Grower's Choice Award

- Class 43. Plants in Flower
 - a. Pots under 6”
 - b. Pots 6” and over
- Class 44. Plants Grown for Foliage
 - a. Pots under 6”
 - b. Pots 6” and over
- Class 45. Combination Plantings (Pots 12” and over)
 - a. Planter with compatible plants grown for sun
 - b. Planter with compatible plants grown for shade
 - c. Herbs

SECTION G – CACTI AND SUCCULENTS Eligible for Grower's Choice Award

- Class 46. Cacti
- Class 47. Succulents
- Class 48. Planter (A combination of alike or dissimilar cacti or succulents)

SECTION H – VEGETABLES AND FRUITS Eligible for the Award of Merit

To be displayed on plates provided by the show committee

- Class 49. Eggplant 1 large – 3 small
- Class 50. Peppers (Stem trimmed to 3/4") 3 large – 5 small
- Class 51. Potatoes 3 large – 5 small
- Class 52. Squash (1” stem attached) 1 large – 3 small
- Class 53. Tomatoes (stem side down) 3 large – 5 small
- Class 54. Any Other Named Vegetable 1 large – 3 small
- Class 55. Fruit 3 large – 12 small

SECTION I-GARDEN GROWN HERBS

- Class 56. Lavender 3 stems
- Class 57. Rosemary 3 stems
- Class 58. Any Other Named Herb 3 stems

SECTION J – CHALLENGE CLASS – CLUB MEMBERS ONLY –

Eligible for the Club President’s Award

- Class 59. A Tisket, A Tasket, A Delectable Hanging Basket- Any combination of plants with similar cultural requirements, with one restriction: at least one of the plants must be edible or produce something that is edible. Hanging baskets will be supplied by Challenge Class Chair.
 - a. A combination of plants compatible with sun
 - b. A combination of plants compatible with part sun/shade