

FLORICULTURE

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FLORICULTURE MISSION STATEMENT: The Flower Show encourages the growing and enjoyment of flowers by both novice and seasoned gardeners, by exhibitors and general public alike. It is our intent to educate by displaying an extensive variety of flower types and by having open displays allowing all to see and smell. To encourage high standards of judging at all times with qualified judges willing to communicate their expertise with all in attendance. To promote the creative use of flowers in artistic arrangements. To provide an attractive, comfortable place for fairgoers to relax and enjoy. To encourage new exhibitors with a friendly, knowledgeable, helpful staff.

JUDGES: TBA

2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(All activities listed will be in the Floriculture Building)

Wednesday, July 5 – Thursday, July 27	9am – 4pm Mon – Fri	Entry Office open in Mercantile Building to accept early entry forms. Early entry forms are encouraged. Need not pay at this time.
Friday, July 28	Noon	Fair opens to the public
Friday, July 28	1-9pm	Division 1, 1A, and 2 entries accepted
Saturday, July 29	9am	Show 1, Division 1, 1A, and 2 Judging
Tuesday, August 1	3-9pm	Division 3, 3A, and 4 entries accepted
Wednesday, August 2	9am	Show 2, Division 3,3A and 4 Judging
Sunday, August 6	10am-2pm	Entries released in Department. Please make every effort to pick up your entries during this time frame. Unclaimed entries will be held at the Entry Office Monday thru Fri of the week following fair.

Every effort will be made to follow the above schedule but due to unforeseen circumstances the schedule is subject to change.

PREMIUMS

ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

Time permitting, results will be posted in each Department throughout fair week. The **Entry Office** will be open from **July 28th through August 5th (8am to 6pm) and August 6th through 10th (9am to 4pm)**. Every effort should be made to collect your Premium Checks between these times. Premium Checks in the amount of \$399.99 or less may be cashed during that time period in the Entry Office.

All remaining Premium Checks will be mailed to you in the name and at the address provided by you on the W-9 on file. **A new W9 must be filled out if you have any changes to your name or address or if you are a first time exhibitor at the Montana State Fair.**

Entries will be welcomed from members of garden clubs and the general public. **Please note there are two different entry dates for competitive materials to be received. Please make sure of the correct date for your material.** Entries for display will be welcome at any time during the week.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All participants at Montana State Fair events are responsible for reading the GENERAL INFORMATION section of this handbook and complying with policies listed therein.
2. AGREEMENT TO ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS HEREIN STATED IS UNDERSTOOD WHEN THE EXHIBITOR SUBMITS THE ENTRY FORM.
3. All entrants must complete a W9 form at time of entry to receive any premiums.
4. Exhibitors are limited to ONE ENTRY PER CLASS unless otherwise specified.
5. All competitive entries must be in clear glass containers. Completed arrangements can be brought or table space will be made available in the Fine Arts Building for those wishing to make flower arrangements before entries close. Clear glass containers will be provided. No entries will be allowed to compete if displayed in tin cans or milk bottles.
6. Entries may be brought in at the gate near the Fine Arts Building between 3pm and 9pm on the various nights entries are due. For easier access to the building, there will be an area reserved for floral exhibitors outside the back door of the Fine Arts Building between the Fine Arts and Photography Departments. A cart will be available for use by floral exhibitors.
7. Horticulture exhibits cannot be replaced with fresh flowers until judging has been completed.
8. Judges are instructed to award prizes on individual merit. Absence of competition will not be accepted as justification for awarding a high prize to an exhibit of medium or inferior quality. After exhibits are arranged they shall be under the exclusive charge of the superintendent and no one shall touch or remove them except with consent.
9. Superintendent shall have the right to remove from the hall at any time any exhibits or parts of exhibits which have become unsightly.
10. Same exhibit cannot be shown in individual and collective exhibits.
11. Exhibits including noxious weed will be removed. Please ask when entering if in doubt.

SPECIAL AWARDS

The following awards will be presented with a gift certificate and rosette:

JUNIOR CHAMPION BLOOM

*Sponsored by **Bundi Gardens**, 4400 10th Avenue N, Great Falls*

Chosen by judge from all junior flower entries.

CHAMPION BLOOM OF SHOW

*Sponsored by **Herman's Flowers**, 1426 14th Street SW, Great Falls*

Chosen by judge from all flower entries.

CHAMPION DAISY OF SHOW

*Sponsored by **Flower Farm**, 1500 5th Avenue SW, Great Falls*

CHAMPION ROSE OF SHOW

*Sponsored by **Electric City Conservatory**, 1415 5th Avenue N, Great Falls*

GRAND CHAMPION AWARDS

Cash prizes and rosette

CHAMPION ARRANGEMENT

*Sponsored by **Rainbow Garden Club** Chosen by judges from all designs entered.*

JUNIOR CHAMPION ARRANGEMENT

*Sponsored by **Rainbow Garden Club***

EXHIBITOR TIPS!

- Exhibits are judged on the following basis: size – 25%; stem and foliage – 10%; color – 25%; quality of material – 40%.
- Cutting and hardening of plant material – If plant material is to hold up through the exhibition period, it must be cut no later than the day before it is to be exhibited. Cutting should be done about 4pm, since at that time there is the greatest amount of sugar in the leaves, and as soon as the flowers are plunged in water, they take up enough to overcome any apparent temporary wilting. Plunging stems in water at 110° F is usually best, then set in a cool room out of any draft and let the water cool to room temperature. This enables the flowers to regain their turgidity and last much longer.
- Cut stems cleanly at an angle with a sharp knife and place at once in deep water. Flowers should be kept in deep water 8-12 hours or overnight. All foliage that is below the waterline should be removed. Foliage to be used in arrangements, such as hosta, vegetable leaves, canna, peony, etc. should be immersed in water overnight. Foliage should be clean; any broken, diseased or disfigured foliage or petals should be removed.
- Flowers or branches with wood stem, such as Phlox, Stocks, Chrysanthemums, etc. should be split, crushed or pounded before being placed in deep water. Dahlias should be picked at daybreak with long stem, placed first in cold water and then in hot water and placed in a dark, cool place during the day.
- An exhibitor should pay close attention to grooming all exhibits by removing all dirt, spray residue and dead leaves and blooms. No plant shine should be used on foliage or blooms.
- A few definitions to help exhibitors:
 - o Bloom – Individual flower, a solitary flower on one stem.
 - o Spray – Portions of plants with a number of flowers on one stem.
 - o Spike – A flower structure with flowers stemless on a common lengthy stalk.

DIVISIONS

DIVISIONS/CLASSES

SHOW 1

1A HOUSEPLANTS
1 FLORICULTURE
2 ARTISTIC DESIGN

SHOW 2

3A HOUSEPLANTS
3 FLORICULTURE
4 ARTISTIC DESIGN

DIVISION 1A (SHOW 1) and 3A (SHOW 2): HOUSEPLANTS

REGULATIONS:

1. Division 1 classes are eligible for judging in Show 1 only.
2. All entries must include class code. Use separate form for each show.
3. Judging is open to the public and exhibitors are encouraged to attend this highly educational session.
4. In all classes, judging will be done on the basis of the condition and appearance of the plants, as well as the selection and harmony of the container (how well the container suits the plant or plants).
5. **NOTE: CLASS NUMBERS ARE THE SAME FOR BOTH DIVISION 1A (SHOW 1) AND DIVISION 3A (SHOW 2). PLEASE INSERT 1A OR 3A IN BLANK SPACE. Example FL-1A-1 or FL-3A-1**

ENTRY FEE: \$1.25 per class

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$3; 2nd - \$2; 3rd - \$1

CLASSES:

FOLIAGE PLANTS – A single plant in its container

FL-___-1 Ivy

FL-___-2 Ferns

FL-___-3 Succulents

FL-___-3a Cacti

FL-___-4 Any other

FOLIAGE PLANTS WITH FLOWERS – A single plant in its container

FL-___-5 Violets – single

FL-___-6 Violets – double

FL-___-7 Violets – miniature

FL-___-8 Any other, indoor

HANGING PLANTS – A single plant in its container (hanging)

FL-___-9 Ivy

FL-___-10 Ferns

FL-___-11 Philodendron and pothos

FL-___-12 Flowering plant, indoor

FL-___-13 Flowering plant, outdoor

FL-___-14 Any other

DISH GARDENS

FL-___-15 A collection of plants growing in an open container

TERRARIUMS

FL-___-16 A collection of plants growing in a closed container or a container open on top

CONTAINER GARDENS – PLANTERS

FL-___-17 A collection of growing, blooming patio plants (ex. Petunias, geraniums, etc.) in a single container

FL-___-18 A collection of fruit or vegetable producing plants in a single container

FL-___-19 A single outdoor plant in its container, blooming

FL-___-20 A single outdoor plant in its container, fruit or vegetable

DIVISION 1: FLORICULTURE 1 (SHOW 1) and FLORICULTURE 3 (SHOW 2)

REGULATIONS:

1. Judging is open to the public and exhibitors are encouraged to attend this highly educational session.
2. All flowers in these entries must be grown by exhibitor. Stem count must be correct. Foliage should be shown as much as possible with the exhibit but **NO FOLIAGE SHOULD BE UNDER WATER**. Please name varieties whenever possible. No plant shine should be used on blooms or foliage.
3. All entries must include class code. Use separate form for each show.
4. **NOTE: CLASS NUMBERS ARE THE SAME FOR BOTH DIVISION 1 (SHOW 1) AND DIVISION 3 (SHOW 2).**
PLEASE INSERT 1 OR 3 IN BLANK SPACE. Example FL-1-1 or FL-3-1.

ENTRY FEE: \$1.25 per class

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$3; 2nd - \$2; 3rd - \$1

CLASSES:

DAISIES – Three stems disbudded with some foliage

FL-___-1 Gloriosa, double, bi-color

FL-___-2 Gloriosa, double, solid color

FL-___-3 Gloriosa, single, bi-color

FL-___-4 Gloriosa, single, solid color

FL-___-5 Shasta, fully double

FL-___-6 Shasta, single

FL-___-7 Gaillardia, solid color

FL-___-8 Gaillardia, bi-color

FL-___-9 Any other

GLADIOLUS – One spike with side shoots removed; each displayed separately; dead flowers removed. Flower size of 3.5" or more (correct proportion is 1/3 stem, 1/3 flowers, 1/3 buds). Color determined by the color of the back of the petals. Spent blossoms should be groomed off.

FL-___-15 White

FL-___-16 Green

FL-___-17 Yellow

FL-___-18 Orange

FL-___-19 Salmon

FL-___-20 Pink

FL-___-21 Red

FL-___-22 Rose

FL-___-23 Lavender

FL-___-24 Violet

FL-___-25 Smokies

MINIATURE GLADIOLUS – One spike with side shoots removed; each displayed separately; dead flowers removed.

Flower size of 3.5" or more (correct proportion is 1/3 stem, 1/3 flowers, 1/3 buds). Color determined by the color of the back of the petals. Spent blossoms should be groomed off.

FL-___-30 White

FL-___-31 Green

FL-___-32 Yellow

FL-___-33 Orange

FL-___-34 Salmon

FL-___-35 Pink

FL-___-40 Smokies

LILIES – one stalk

FL-___-50 Trumpet (funnel flowers)

FL-___-51 Upright – Asiatic

FL-___-52 Reflex (recurved flowers)

FL-___-53 Bowl

FL-___-54 Upright – Oriental

FL-___-55 Oro – Pet Lily Tree

DAY LILIES – one stalk

FL-___-55 Bicolor

FL-___-60 Lemon Yellow

FL-___-61 Orange

FL-___-62 Pink

FL-___-63 Melon – apricot

FL-___-64 Darks

FL-___-65 Gold

FL-___-66 Any other color

FL-___-67 Miniature

FL-___-68 Miniature Bicolor

PETUNIAS

- FL-___-75 Double, 3 blooms, same color
- FL-___-76 Double, 3 stems, same color, with foliage
- FL-___-77 Single, 3 blooms, same color
- FL-___-78 Single, 3 stems, same color, with foliage
- FL-___-79 Giant, ruffled or fringed, 3 stems, with foliage
- FL-___-80 Waves three stems
- FL-___-81 Million Bells three stems

HYBRID TEA ROSES – One stem with foliage attached. Flower should be at least half open at time of judging. Disbudded.

- FL-___-84 Lavender
- FL-___-85 Red
- FL-___-86 Pink
- FL-___-87 Yellow
- FL-___-88 Orange
- FL-___-89 White
- FL-___-90 Any other color not listed

SPECIAL ROSES

- FL-___-95 Floribunda, one stem with foliage, do not disbud
- FL-___-96 Grandiflora, one stem with foliage
- FL-___-97 Rose, named with foliage (attach name)
- FL-___-98 Group of three roses: a bud showing color, one half open and one full open with foliage; all same color, 3 separate stems
- FL-___-99 Rose Bowl – one rose blossom displayed in a bowl with foliage included but not attached. May use own bowl. Clear water only, no artificial materials.
- FL-___-100 Miniature rose, one stem with foliage attached, disbudded.
- FL-___-101 Miniature rose, one spray with foliage attached, do not disbud.
- FL-___-102 Old Garden rose, one stem with foliage

GIANT ZINNIAS – One flower, over 4", disbudded with foliage. Each displayed separately.

- FL-___-110 Yellow or orange
- FL-___-111 Pink shade
- FL-___-112 Dark pink or rose
- FL-___-113 Red or scarlet
- FL-___-114 Lavender or violet
- FL-___-115 White
- FL-___-116 Bicolor

MEDIUM ZINNIAS – One flower, 2-4", disbudded with foliage. Each displayed separately.

- FL-___-120 Yellow or orange
- FL-___-121 Pink shade
- FL-___-122 Dark pink or rose
- FL-___-123 Red or scarlet
- FL-___-124 Lavender or violet
- FL-___-125 White
- FL-___-126 Bicolor

SMALL ZINNIAS – One flower, under 2", disbudded with foliage. Each displayed separately.

- FL-___-130 Yellow or orange
- FL-___-131 Pink shade
- FL-___-132 Dark pink or rose
- FL-___-133 Red or scarlet
- FL-___-134 Lavender or violet
- FL-___-135 White
- FL-___-136 Bicolor

ZINNIAS COLLECTION – Three stems displayed together.

- FL-___-140 Large zinnias – over 4" blooms, single color
- FL-___-141 Large zinnias – over 4" blooms, mixed color
- FL-___-142 Medium zinnias – 2-4" blooms, single color
- FL-___-143 Medium zinnias – 2-4" blooms, mixed color
- FL-___-144 Small zinnias – under 2" blooms, single color
- FL-___-145 Small zinnias – under 2" blooms, mixed color
- FL-___-146 Cactus or Feathered Zinnias, single color
- FL-___-147 Cactus or Feathered Zinnias, mixed color

DAHLIAS – One stem, disbudded with foliage (1 set of true leaves) attached.

- FL-___-150 Giant flower, over 8", formal or informal decorative
- FL-___-151 Giant flower, over 8", cactus or semi-cactus
- FL-___-152 Large flower, 6-8", formal or informal decorative
- FL-___-153 Large flower, 6-8", cactus or semi-cactus
- FL-___-154 Medium flower, 4-6", formal or informal decorative
- FL-___-155 Medium flower, 4-6", cactus or semi-cactus
- FL-___-156 Miniature flower, 2-4", formal or informal decorative

DAHLIAS, continued

- FL-___-157 Miniature flower, 2-4", cactus or semi-cactus
- FL-___-158 Ball, over 3 ½"
- FL-___-159 Ball, 2-3 1/2"
- FL-___-160 Pompom, under 2"
- FL-___-161 Collarette, single or orchid
- FL-___-162 Seedling (annual)

MISCELLANEOUS – Collections should be uniform in color and size.

- FL-___-163 Asters, double, 3 stems
- FL-___-164 Begonia, one flower, double tuberous, detach side flowers
- FL-___-165 Calendulas, yellow, 3 stems, disbudded
- FL-___-166 Calendulas, orange, 3 stems, disbudded
- FL-___-167 Carnation, 3 stems with foliage
- FL-___-168 Cosmos, 2 sprays
- FL-___-169 Delphiniums, 1 stem, all side shoots removed
- FL-___-170 Dianthus, 3 stems with foliage
- FL-___-171 Geranium, 1 bloom, stem, no foliage
- FL-___-172 Geranium, Martha Washington, 1 bloom, stem, no foliage
- FL-___-173 Helianthus (variety of sunflower), 3 stems
- FL-___-174 Hosta leaf – one leaf
- FL-___-175 Larkspur, annual, 6 stems, all flowers
- FL-___-176 Marigolds, large flowers, over 3", 3 stems
- FL-___-177 Marigolds, medium flowers, 2-3", 3 stems
- FL-___-178 Marigolds, small single flowers, under 2", 6 stems, same color
- FL-___-179 Marigolds, small double flowers, under 2", 6 stems, same color
- FL-___-180 Nasturtiums, 3 stems
- FL-___-181 Ornamental grasses short three stem
- FL-___-182 Ornamental grasses tall three stem
- FL-___-183 Pansies, 3 flowers, under 1", without foliage
- FL-___-184 Pansies, giant, 3 flowers, over 1", without foliage
- FL-___-185 Violas, 3 flowers, under 1", without foliage
- FL-___-186 Phlox, annual, 3 stems, all flowers
- FL-___-187 Phlox, perennial, 1 stem with foliage
- FL-___-188 Snapdragons, 1 color, 3 spikes
- FL-___-189 Snapdragons, mixed colors, 5 spikes
- FL-___-190 Stocks, 3 stalks
- FL-___-191 Sunflowers, 2 stems, any color
- FL-___-192 Sweet Peas, perennial, 6 stems, all flowers same color
- FL-___-193 Sweet Peas, annual, 6 stems, all flowers same color
- FL-___-194 Sweet Peas, annual, 6 stems, mixed colors
- FL-___-195 Sweet Peas, collection of 5 stems each variety, same color, displayed separately
- FL-___-196 Sweet William, 3 stems
- FL-___-197 Verbena, 3 stems
- FL-___-198 Any annual flower not listed herein. Please name when possible. Class may be divided if judge so warrants. Exhibitor may enter more than one in this class if each entry is different.
- FL-___-199 Any perennial flower not listed herein. Please name when possible. Class may be divided if judge so warrants. Exhibitor may enter more than one in this class if each entry is different.

JUNIOR CLASS HORTICULTURE – Open to all junior exhibitors age **18 and under**. Entries must be grown by exhibitor.

- FL-___-200 Geranium, 1 single bloom, stem, no foliage
- FL-___-201 Marigolds, giants, flowers over 2", 3 stems
- FL-___-202 Marigolds, small, flowers under 2", 3 stems, same color
- FL-___-203 Petunias, single, 3 blooms
- FL-___-204 Petunias, double, 3 blooms

JUNIOR CLASS HORTICULTURE, continued

FL-___-205 Pansies, 3 stems without foliage

FL-___-206 Any other, 3 stem display of same flower

DIVISION 2: ARTISITIC DESIGN (SHOW 1)

REGULATIONS:

1. Judging is open to the public and exhibitors are encouraged to attend this highly educational session.
2. Flowers used in designs need not be grown by the exhibitor. Fresh plant material must be used in all classes unless otherwise stated. Dried materials permissible in all lots as line material.
1. Accessories permitted in all classes. No artificial flowers permitted and no fresh food in arrangements or as props. Fruits and vegetables allowed.
3. Greens should remain their natural color and do not have to be sprayed to match a monochromatic color scheme.
4. No noxious weeds permitted.
5. Novice classes are designed for beginning flower arrangers and/or exhibitors that have won less than 6 blue ribbons in this division. These classes will not be policed but will count on the exhibitor's own integrity to move into the open classes when they have exceeded these class requirements.

ENTRY FEE: \$1.25 per class

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$3; 2nd - \$2; 3rd - \$1

CLASSES:

ARTISTIC DESIGN—Open; in all categories, designer's interpretation using appropriate containers and/or accessories.

FL-2-1 "Keepin' It 406"—Designer's interpretation of the 2017 Montana State Fair Theme

FL-2-2 "A Little Bit of Sunshine"—Design using a color scheme of yellow, gold, and orange

FL-2-3 "Wind in the Willows"—Design must portray motion

FL-2-4 "Cool Water"—Design featuring open water

FL-2-5 "Itsy Bitsy"—Miniature design not to exceed 5" in any direction

FL-2-6 "Double Trouble"—Design featuring two containers

FL-2-7 "Going on Holiday"—Travel themed design

FL-2-8 "It's Good to Remember"—Memorial design

FL-2-9 "Be Our Guest"—Party themed design

FL-2-10 "House of Mirrors"—Design featuring at least one mirror

FL-2-11 "Taking Flight"—Vertical design

FL-2-12 "On the Trail"—Designer's choice

FL-2-13 "Novice on the Trail"—Designer's choice

FL-2-14 "As Tall as the Trees"—Design incorporating wood

JUNIOR ARTISTIC DESIGN – YOUTH CLASS (Exhibitors 12-18 years of age)

ENTRY FEE: none

FL-2-15 "Family Time"—Designer's choice

FL-2-16 "Going on a Picnic"—Design of assorted plant material, fruits, and/or vegetables

FL-2-17 "My Hometown"—Designer's choice

JUNIOR ARTISTIC DESIGN – YOUTH CLASS (Exhibitors **under** 12 years of age)

ENTRY FEE: none

FL-2-18 "Family Time"—Designer's choice

FL-2-19 "Going on a Picnic"—Animal created of assorted plant material, fruits, and/or vegetables

FL-2-20 "My Hometown"—Designer's choice

DIVISION 4: ARTISITIC DESIGN (SHOW 2)

REGULATIONS:

1. Judging is open to the public and exhibitors are encouraged to attend this highly educational session.
2. Flowers used in designs need not be grown by the exhibitor. Fresh plant material must be used in all classes unless otherwise stated. Dried materials permissible in all lots as line material.

3. Accessories permitted in all classes. No artificial flowers permitted and no fresh food in arrangements or as props. Fruits and vegetables allowed.
4. Greens should remain their natural color and do not have to be sprayed to match a monochromatic color scheme.
5. No noxious weeds permitted.
6. Novice classes are designed for beginning flower arrangers and/or exhibitors that have won less than 6 blue ribbons in this division. These classes will not be policed but will count on the exhibitor's own integrity to move into the open classes when they have exceeded these class requirements.

ENTRY FEE: \$1.25 per class

PREMIUMS: 1st - \$3; 2nd - \$2; 3rd - \$1

CLASSES:

ARTISTIC DESIGN—Open; in all categories, designer's interpretation using appropriate containers and/or accessories.

- FL-4-1 "Star Light, Star Bright"- Design featuring a star
- FL-4-2 "Happy Campers"-Themed design featuring an outdoor pastime
- FL-4-3 "Montana Sunset"-Designer's choice
- FL-4-4 "My Hometown"-Designer's choice
- FL-4-5 "I Wish I Was Fishing"-Design featuring open water
- FL-4-6 "Add Some Flavor"-Design featuring herbs
- FL-4-7 "Let's Celebrate"-Holiday theme design
- FL-4-8 "Novice Let's Celebrate"-Holiday theme design
- FL-4-9 "Good Old Days"-Design incorporating antiques
- FL-4-10 "It's All Fun and Games"- Design featuring game piece(s)
- FL-4-11 "I am Thankful for..."-Designer's choice
- FL-4-12 "Grandma's Quilt"-Interpretive design showing imaginative use of color and materials
- FL-4-13 "Rock Hound"-Design featuring rocks
- FL-4-14 "Birds of a Feather"-Design incorporating feathers

JUNIOR ARTISTIC DESIGN – YOUTH CLASS (Exhibitors 12-18 years of age)

ENTRY FEE: none

- FL-4-15 "Going to the Circus"-Designer's choice
- FL-4-16 "Creepy Crawlies"-Creature created of assorted plant material, fruits, and/or vegetables
- FL-4-17 "Fly Away"-Designer's choice

JUNIOR ARTISTIC DESIGN – YOUTH CLASS (Exhibitors **under** 12 years of age)

ENTRY FEE: none

- FL-4-18 "Going to the Circus"-Designer's choice
- FL-4-19 "Creepy Crawlies"-Creature created of assorted plant material, fruits, and/or vegetables
- FL-4-20 "Fly Away"-Designer's choice

