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AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITS

Judges - TBA
Chair - Malena Perry, Mechanicsburg, PA

RULES
See General Rules, Regulations & Health Requirements online at https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/rules-regulations

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PRE-ENTERED ONLINE BY DECEMBER 1, 2020, AT THE FOLLOWING LINK:
https://pafarmae.fairwire.com/

Please visit www.farmshow.pa.gov for instructions on how to enter correctly.

NO ENTRY FEE REQUIRED
Entries made after December 1, 2020, WILL NOT be accepted

1. Any Agricultural Education student may enter this contest if they have conducted the entry as a part of the instructional program of their local Agricultural Education department and verified by the Agricultural Education instructor. (Only secondary students are eligible to compete in this department).

2. Flowers and plants entered/used for competition must be live or fresh unless noted and above the ordinary standard and quality to be entitled to an award.

3. Exhibits may be delivered beginning at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 7, 2021. Exhibits must arrive at the show by 12:00 noon on Friday, January 8, 2021.

4. No exhibitor may enter more than one article in each class.

5. The management will not undertake to return containers or be responsible for the return of exhibits. All exhibits may be claimed by the exhibitor or his representative at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 16, 2021. Any exhibit removed prior to listed times without Show Management approval will result in forfeiture of all premiums.

6. DEFINITIONS - Pedestal: A footed container; Wreath: Wreaths will be in a round shape; Wall Hanging: Design of any shape, maximum size 24” in any direction. Diameter: Always refers to OUTSIDE diameter; Fireside Basket: A wide, open-ended basket with a high handle; Novelty Container: Containers not used for normal plant production.

7. Mechanics for hanging entries must be attached to the design. If not, the entry will be disqualified. Please attach a light-colored ribbon to the hanging mechanics making it easier to find the hanger.

8. In order to maintain freshness, floral arrangements should be placed in a container or material that holds water and watered when they are entered.

9. Floral arrangements will be limited to 15” high, including the container, unless otherwise listed. Exhibits not meeting size requirements will be disqualified.

10. Entries must be pre-entered online by December 1, 2020. No on-site entries will be accepted. Please also bring entry tags of any entries that are scratched.

11. Judging will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, January 8, 2021. During judging the display space will be closed to the public.

12. Entry tags will be printed and mailed to exhibitor at the address provided with entry. Securely attach the printed entry tags to exhibits and deliver exhibits to expedite the check-in process.

13. Arrangements or displays must be of the theme and quality that should be depicted by an FFA member and/or high school student.

14. IMPORTANT! Rule 9 in Department 27 also applies.

15. Flowers are to be displayed in their natural color state - do not artificially color fresh flowers unless noted.

Section 0001

HOUSE PLANTS/DESIGNS

(Class 1 AND 3: Student’s daily plant growing journal in AET, must be included/attached. Any entry without a journal will not be evaluated.)

Class 1. Open Bulb - : may be one single bulb or a mix of spring bulbs. Container size 8”. Attach the common and scientific name(s) of the bulb(s) used

Class 2. Hanging Basket - foliage 10” basket - attach the name and variety (if known) of the plant

Class 3. Poinsettias - 6 1/2-inch pot maximum, no accessories needed, one cutting per pot

Class 4. Patio garden/planter - max 15” diameter, five plants minimum, no house plants; may include accessory/trellis, etc.

Class 5. Miniature Succulent Garden - in a teacup or mug sized container, minimum of three varieties

Class 6. Mixed herb garden - five varieties, maximum size container 12”

Class 7. Dish garden - foliage only - novelty container max size 12” diameter, 15” height max, NO baskets, fairy garden theme, accessories permitted

Class 8. Cactus garden - max 10” pot

Class 9. Air Plant design - max size 12” x 12”, minimum of three varieties of air plants

Class 10. Terrarium tropical foliage plants ONLY; Novelty container, do not use a rectangular container, smaller than 5 gal. capacity, must be covered, may include accessories.

Class 11. Strawberry Pot/Jar - max size three or five pockets, rooted succulents
Miniature Landscape Design - Live foliage and natural materials are used to represent a landscape design.

A.) Container: Wooden box 24” x 24” x 5” deep open container. All plants and accessories must be within the 24” by 24” perimeter and must not exceed 22” max. overall height from the table.

B.) Class 13 and 14: Over 50% of the area must be covered with live plants, (unless otherwise specified), up to 25% of the area can be covered with natural materials and 25% of the area may be covered with accessories (may include house/building). Do not use moss. Houseplants will be used to represent landscape plants.

C.) A diagram (using graph paper or computer aided design); using appropriate landscape symbols and scale for the drawing, will be provided which will identify each plant or item in the design with numbers and symbols to represent plants. Plants used in the design and the plants represented will be identified with the scientific and common name. Ex. Dwarf Schefflera: Schefflera arboricola (representing) Red Maple: Acer rubrum.

D.) Accessories are permitted, miniature house, etc. House can be, but, does not have to be included – only indicated in some manner. All lights or electrical components must be battery powered.

Due to the number of entries in Miniature Landscape Design, three divisions have been developed. Each exhibitor may only enter one display in Miniature Landscape Design. If more than one display is entered by an exhibitor, the exhibitor’s entries will be disqualified in these classes (Classes 12-14).

Class 12. Miniature Landscape Design - Landscape display incorporating hardscaping with 25% plant material (maximum). No legos or knex blocks. Can include a patio, raised bed, water feature, etc. See General Min. Landscape rules above.


Class 14. Miniature Landscape Design - Landscape display incorporating a garden section in an arboretum. See general Miniature Landscape rules above.

Section 0002   FLORAL DESIGNS

Class 16. Topiary made with fresh flowers and foliage, maximum of 24” high by 10” wide.

Class 17. Centerpiece - Using fresh OR silk materials. Max height 15”. Theme: All American BBQ

Class 18. All Around Arrangement in a Mug - Using silk AND dried flowers - 12” ht. (including container) max. Theme: Winter

Class 19. Design For A Door - All silk materials. Max 24” completed diameter - accessories permitted. Theme: Spring

Class 20. Design a Sweet Treat with fresh flowers; may use paint or dye to change the color of the flowers: 8” max plant size.

Class 21. Fresh wreath - Christmas theme - 24” max completed diameter. Fresh evergreen to be made and decorated by students. Must include a marked hanger.

Class 22. Sheltered Design: Container no wider than 15” - using fresh flowers and foliage.

Class 23. Fibonacci Design: Nature’s perfect proportion sequence (3, 5, 8). Max size 16” in any direction.

Class 24. Bud Vase - Using fresh flowers, 9” max vase size, 20” ht. overall, Color theme: Monochromatic

Class 25. Fresh Flower design – Flower Girl, basket.

Class 26. Wrist corsage with a matching boutonniere - Theme: Prom, incorporate accent.

Class 27. Bridal bouquet - Modern style, incorporate non-traditional accent. 12” max diameter. Provide a weighted stand or vase to display bouquet.

Class 28. Table centerpiece - Theme: Valentine’s Day - using fresh flowers and creative accessories. 15” size limit in any direction.

Class 29. Hospital Arrangement - One sided, boy or girl theme, 15” max height - accessories may be incorporated. Using fresh flowers.

Class 30. Sympathy - Theme: Memorial design for cremation. Total ht. 18” max width 18”. All elements need to be securely fastened. Artificial color may be added to the flowers.

Class 31. Sympathy - Fireside Basket - see instructions above.

Class 32. Fresh Vase Arrangement - All Around with the vase embellished or customized by the designer – max height 24”.

PREMIUM SCHEDULE

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Section 0003 “Best of Show” ribbons will be awarded in the following categories:

Plant entries

33) Best of Show - Houseplant and Design Section

34) Most Creative - Houseplant Design Entry

35) Best of Show - Fresh Arrangement

36) Best of Show - Permanent Design

37) Most Creative - Floral Entry Overall