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In cooperation with
THE NORTH GEORGIA STATE FAIR ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS TWO NGC Small Standard Flower Shows

“Fair Nights Under Stars and Stripes”

to be held at
JIM R. MILLER PARK, Exhibit Hall
2245 Callaway Road, Marietta, Georgia 30008

1 st Flower Show	2 nd Flower Show
September 24, 2026	September 30, 2026
Th-F, M: 4:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	
Sat: 10 a.m. - Midnight	
Sun: 12:30 p.m.-10 p.m.	

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Free with Fair Admission
Handicap Accessible

Schedule of Events

FIRST SHOW

SECOND SHOW

Entries:

Wed, Sept 23, 2026	Tues, Sept 29, 2026
6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	
Thurs, Sept 24, 2026	Wed, Sept , 30, 2026
8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	

Judging:

Thurs, Sept 24, 2026	Wed, Sept 30, 2026
12:30 p.m.	

Checkout Schedule:

Tues, Sept 29, 2026	Mon, Oct 5, 2026
1 p.m.- 5 p.m.	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

No early entries accepted, and no early checkouts permitted.

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“The Road to the Fair”

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September 2026

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GENERAL RULES

1. All entries for the first show must be delivered to Jim R. Miller Park, Bldg. B, and may be placed on Wednesday, September 23, 2026 between 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. or on Thursday, September 24, 2026 between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
2. All entries for the second show must be delivered to Jim R. Miller Park, Bldg. B, and may be placed on Tuesday, September 29, 2026 between 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. or on Wednesday, September 30, 2026 between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. An authorized entry card must accompany each exhibit. Entry cards are available at the Marietta Educational Garden Center, 505 Kennesaw Ave., Marietta, or at the Fairgrounds during entry periods as published. Standard National Garden Club entry cards will be used. Fill out entry cards in pencil or waterproof ink.
3. All exhibits for the first show must be removed between 1pm and 5pm on Tuesday, September 29. Exhibits in the second show must be removed between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Monday, October 5. **Nothing is to be removed before the end of the show. No Exceptions.**
4. The doors to the exhibit hall will be closed promptly at the specified deadline for the show.
5. Judging will begin promptly at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, September 24 for the first show and Wednesday, September 30 for the second show.
6. There must be an emphasis on fresh plant material. No artificial plant material may be used in any exhibit in any division (Handbook, Chapter 1, Page 2)
7. The use of plants on the State Conservation List is prohibited (<http://botgarden.uga.edu/conservation-science/georgia-plant-conservation-alliance/>). Native plants, other than those on the State Conservation List, may be exhibited in the Horticulture Division provided they are grown by the exhibitor. They may be exhibited in Educational Exhibits if they are grown or legally obtained by the exhibitor. All native plants must be labeled with common and botanical names.
8. All horticulture entries must be approved by the Horticulture Classification Committee who shall have the authority to disqualify any entries not conforming to the schedule and/or not of flower show quality. All entries in Div. III Special Exhibits, must be checked by Division Consultants who shall have the authority to disqualify any entries not conforming to the schedule and/or not of flower show quality. Final determination for conformance is the judges' responsibility.
9. Judges are asked to review the red, yellow, and white winning exhibits to determine if any or all of them scored 90 or above. An Accredited Judge is requested to sign and date all blue ribbons and 90+ entry cards. Top Award Rosettes should be signed by one Accredited Judge on the panel. They are asked to leave written comments on educational exhibits and entries not judged. The decision of the judges is final. Awards may be withheld if not merited.

10. Overall, General Show, Classification, Education/Youth, and Placement chairs are required to be in attendance during judging. Other than these Chairmen, only the Show Chair, Judges, Judges Chair, Clerks and Clerks Chair are allowed on the floor during judging.
11. The Marietta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. and the North Georgia State Fair cannot be responsible for loss or breakage of exhibit materials.
12. The show is open to any amateur grower, regardless of whether they are members of a National Garden Clubs, Inc. affiliated group.
13. *The Handbook for Flower Shows*, as updated with revisions posted on the NGC website, shall be used as authority in all points not covered by this schedule, which is the “Law of the Show”. An updated copy of *The Handbook for Flower Shows* may be downloaded from the NGC website at www.gardenclub.org. This Flower Show conforms to the standards established by National Garden Clubs.
14. No exhibitor may judge or clerk in any section in which he or she has exhibits.
15. The show will be open to the public Thursday, Friday, Monday 4 to 11 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to Midnight and Sunday 12:30-10 p.m.
16. Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per class, except in the Horticulture Division if each is a different species, variety, cultivar, type or color.

FLOWER SHOW JUDGES ARE CERTIFIED AND ACCREDITED BY NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC. AND THE GARDEN CLUB OF GEORGIA, INC.

AWARDS

National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) Standard System of Awarding will be used and NGC Top Award Rosettes may be given in Horticulture Divisions in designated classes when the exhibitor scores 95 or more and meets all requirements stated in Handbook for Flower Show is updated with revisions posted on the NGC website. NGC Youth Award Rosettes may be given to the highest scoring blue ribbon exhibit scoring 90+ in each age category.

In the Horticulture Division, a plant must be identified by its binomial name (genus and specific epithet) or its currently accepted scientific identification to be eligible for a Top Exhibitor Award. Name, address and phone must be shown on both top and bottom sections of the entry card.

Judging will be by the National Garden Clubs Standard System of Awarding. Only one blue ribbon, 1st place, exhibit must score 90 or above; only one red ribbon 2nd place, exhibit must score 85 or above; only one yellow ribbon, 3rd place, exhibit must score 80 or above; and one or more white ribbons as merited, honorable mention, exhibit must score 75 or above, may be placed in each class or sub-class. The ribbons will be placed at the discretion of the judges, whose decision is final. HORTICULTURE EXHIBITS MUST BE CORRECTLY BOTANICALLY NAMED. Awards must be withheld if not merited.

DIVISION I, NGC HORTICULTURE AWARDS

A Small Standard Flower Show must have a minimum of 5 classes and a minimum of 20 exhibits in the overall Horticulture Division.

The Award of Horticultural Excellence (green, orange and blue rosette) (Handbook, Page 40) may be awarded to the highest scoring, correctly named exhibit of fresh plant material receiving a Blue Ribbon in Division I – Horticulture (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 40), with a score of 95+, including exhibits in sections not offering a Top Exhibitor Award.

Awards of Merit (orange rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 41) may be awarded to the highest scoring named exhibits of fresh cut non-arboreal plant material – one in each of the following sections:

SHOW 1

Rosa (roses), Div. 1, Sec. A, Classes 1-20
Dahlias, Div.1, Sec. B, Classes 21-39
Bulbous Plants – flowering, Div. 1, Sec. C, Classes 40-47
Perennials - flowering, Div. 1, Sec. G, Classes 76-98
Herbs – Div. 1, Sec. I, Classes 112-127

SHOW 2

Bulbous Plants – foliage, Div. 1, Sec. D, Classes 48-53
Annuals – flowering, Div.1, Sec. E, Classes 54-70
Annuals – foliage only, Div.1, Sec. F, Classes 71-75
Perennials – foliage, Div. 1, Sec H, Classes 99-111
Vines, Div 1, Sec. J, Classes 128-136

Two Arboreal Awards, per show, (two shades of green rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 40-41) may be awarded to the highest scoring named exhibit of fresh plant materials in Division I, Sections K&L. One will be awarded to Shrubs, Sec. K (classes 137-166) and another to Trees, Sec. L (classes 167-183)

Two Grower's Choice Awards (dark green rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 41) for the highest scoring exhibits in

SHOW 1

Div.1, Section M Container-grown plants, Flowering/Colorful Bracts (classes 184-200)

Div. 1, Section O Container-grown plants, Foliage Plants (classes 206-222)

SHOW 2

Div. 1, Section P Container-grown plants, Mixed Planting (classes 223-225)

Div. 1, Section Q Hanging Container-grown Plants (classes 226-233)

One Collectors Showcase Award, per show, (brown and green rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 41) may be awarded to the highest scoring exhibit in Division I, Section R, Collections, (classes 234-236).

DIVISION II, NGC DESIGN AWARDS (Check number formatting)

One Award of Design Excellence per show (gold rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, age 42) may be awarded to the highest scoring exhibit in Design, Division II - Sections A (Classes 1-3) and B (classes 1-3) with four exhibits in each class.

One Designer's Choice Award, per show, (purple rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 42) may be awarded to the highest scoring exhibit in Design, Division II - Section A (classes 1-3) with four exhibits in each class.

DIVISION III, NGC YOUTH HORTICULTURE AWARDS

A total of three NGC Youth Top Awards (red, white and blue ribbons rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 44) may be awarded, if merited. No minimum number of exhibits required. Winning exhibits must be the highest scoring exhibits scoring 90 or above. ONE award may be given in each of the following age categories:

Junior (pre-school through age 7) Class 1, A-1, B-1; Class 2, A-1, B-1; and Class 3 a Intermediate (ages 8 through 12) Class 1-A-2, B-2; Class 2, A-2, B-2; and Class 3 b High School (ages 13 through 18) Class 1, A-3, B-3; Class 2, A-3, B-3; and Class 3 c Winning exhibits must be submitted by a single exhibitor.

NGC ADDITIONAL AWARDS

The Sweepstakes Award (green and white rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 46) will be given to the exhibitor winning the most blue ribbons in the overall show with all divisions eligible. Red ribbons will be counted in case of a tie.

RECOGNITION AWARDS

Award of Appreciation (orchid rosette) (Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 45) to be determined by the Show Committee, may be offered in the Educational Division IV, Section A, Class 1, Exhibits 1-3 for non-judged exhibits. No restrictions on the number offered.

LOCAL AWARDS

The Olen R. Morgan Jr. Horticulture Award will be given to the exhibitor winning the most blue ribbons in Vegetables, Fruits & Gourds and Oddities (Sections S, T, and U). The winner's name will be engraved on a brass plate to be affixed to the permanent award displayed at the Marietta Educational Garden Center. This award will be offered in the **first show only**.

The Ima Bentley Award will be awarded to a member of the Marietta Council and The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc., receiving the most blue ribbons in the entire show. In case of a tie, red ribbons will be counted. This award is presented by the Marietta Council of Garden Clubs., Inc. in honor of Mrs. Ima Bentley who was instrumental in the organization of the Marietta Educational Garden Center. This plaque will be engraved with the winner's name and remain in the Garden Center. This award will be offered in the **second show only**.

One Master Gardener Award will be awarded to an identified Cobb County Master Gardener who has entered the highest scored specimen in the classes of Bulbous Plants - Flowering (Section C), Annuals Flowering (Section E), Herbs (Section I), or Shrubs (Section K). This award will be offered in the **first show only**.

The North Georgia State Fair Association may give a special award for all of those listed above, if merited.

DIVISION I HORTICULTURE RULES

1. Entries must be accompanied by a complete entry card showing the exhibitor's full name, address, and phone. Cards should be filled out in advance in pencil or waterproof ink. **Please fill out the top and bottom of each entry card.** This is necessary to check ribbons when counting for sweepstakes. Refer to Handbook Chapter 6 for a correctly filled out entry card. Entry cards are available from the Marietta Educational Garden Center, 505 Kennesaw Ave., Marietta, or at Jim R. Miller Park during entry intake times as published. Horticulture entries are open to any amateur gardener. Please use the cardstock entry form and do not print the entry card on paper.
2. Horticulture entries must be fresh plant material grown by the exhibitor and must be correctly named with its binomial name or currently accepted scientific identification to be eligible to win a Top Award. It is not required that the botanical name be underlined. **Exhibitors may make more than one entry in any horticulture class, provided each entry is a DIFFERENT species, variety, cultivar, type or color. A clean and transparent glass container, with no lettering on it, of appropriate proportion must be furnished by the exhibitor for all cut specimens. The container may be clear or green.** (Exceptions may be made for unusually large specimens as necessary for stability but ballast should be non-descript stones or glass marbles.) All perishable exhibits (Sections S & T) must be on a paper plate with the exception of any large items, and specimens should be covered with plastic wrap or similar fly-proof material. Use a zip-lock bag whenever possible. Plates will be provided by the show committee (list color). The Horticultural Committee will discard decaying exhibits as necessary. Judges may unwrap any exhibit to handle during judging.
3. All container-grown plants must have been grown by the exhibitor for at least 90 days prior to the show. Double potting is permitted but the inner pot must not be visible. Exceptions: Combination plantings such as terrariums or planters must have been grown together for at least six (6) weeks. The maximum container size is 18" in diameter. See Section N regarding the size of hanging containers.
4. Cut annuals, biennials, and perennials must have been in exhibitor's possession from seeds, cuttings, or immature plants and grown to maturity. Bulbous blooms must have been in the exhibitor's possession from planting of bulb, corm, tuber, rhizome or it must have been cared for as a mature plant for at least 90 days.
5. No exhibitor may judge or clerk in any section in which he or she has entries.
6. Any plant or plants entered in the first show **cannot** be entered in the second show.
7. All entries shall be submitted to and approved by the classification committee which shall have the authority to disqualify any entry not conforming to the schedule and/or of inferior quality. Horticultural entries may only be placed on the show floor by the placement committee or classification committee. with the exception of collections which must be placed by the exhibitor in the 2' X 2' X 4' space provided by the show committee.

8. The Horticulture Classification Committee, Overall Chair and/or General Chair are free to subdivide to no fewer than three exhibits per class or sub-class, by color, form, size, cultivar, variety, and/or other distinguishing characteristics. Sub-dividing of classes after initial placement will be done by the Classification Chair and/or by others assigned by the Classification Chair.
9. All horticulture should be well groomed (free of dust, spray residue, leaf shine, and should show no insect damage or insects). Arboreal specimens must be cut branches and are not to exceed 30" from tip to cut end and should have several nodes and an apical tip. Cut specimens should not have foliage below the water line, with the only exception being *Gladiolus* (Handbook, Chapter 6, Page 59). Wiring is not allowed except with trained plants.
10. The Scales of Points for Horticulture in the Handbook for Flower Shows Chapter 14, will be used in judging. (Scales of Points available upon request).
11. Judges must sign and date all blue-ribbon winning entry cards, Top Award Rosettes, and any entry cards for exhibits scoring 90+ which must also include the notation '90+'. All Rosettes must be signed by one Accredited Judge on the panel.
12. **All specimens must be positioned in the best possible pose.** Wedging material may be used in the neck of the horticulture container to hold specimens in a proper pose and must be neat and inconspicuous. (Handbook, Chapter 6, Page 56). Foam "peanuts", cotton, or plastic wrap may be used as wedging material (provided by committee). Larger specimens requiring heavier containers may be weighted with colorless glass marbles, adding weight to the container to prevent tipping. The stem should still be visible. Weighting is subject to approval of the Horticulture Classification Chair. All exhibits must be staged and ready for judging by 12:00 p.m.
13. The NGC exhibit policies are printed in the Handbook for Flower Shows, Chapter 6, Exhibiting in the Horticulture Division.
14. The rules for a single species cut or container-grown specimen are listed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows* or its supplement, *Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging*.
15. If a plant is considered a flowering plant, it should be exhibited as a flowering specimen. Foliage plants may flower but should be exhibited as foliage plants if they are grown for their leaves.
16. Specimens with a class designation in the schedule may not be entered in the 'Any Other Worthy Specimen' class.
17. The Marietta Council of Garden Clubs, Inc. and North Georgia State Fair cannot be responsible for loss or breakage of materials. Please do NOT use family heirloom containers.

ROSE SECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. All amateur rose growers are eligible and invited to make entries in the show with the exception of the Judges of this section and their families.
2. All roses entered for competition must have been grown in a private outdoor garden by the exhibitor. Each entry must be correctly named and classed.
3. See General Rules number one (1) regarding the time of Placement.
4. Entries in each class will be staged alphabetically according to variety. **Exhibitors may make as many entries as desired in each class, provided they are different cultivar, type, or color.**
5. Climbing sports of bush-type roses will be exhibited in the appropriate class for the bush rose.
6. Each entry is required to have a minimum of two sets of leaves, each with five leaflets. (*Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging*, Pages 156-159)
7. Hybrid Tea roses, Classes 5, 6, 7, 14 & 15, must be exhibited **disbudded**. Evidence of recent disbudding will be severely penalized. If side buds are present, the entry will be disqualified. Single type Hybrid Teas, Class 8, must be exhibited as naturally grown.
8. Hybrid Teas and single bloom Grandifloras should be 1/2 to 3/4 open, with well- formed centers. Single bloom Floribundas should be exhibited in the most perfect phase of beauty for each variety, which may vary from 1/3 open to full bloom. Progressive stages of bloom are desired in sprays of Floribundas, Polyanthas, and clustered Miniatures and minifloras. Multiple bloom Grandifloras ideally are exhibited with each individual bloom at 1/2 to 3/4 open. Progressive stages of bloom here are undesirable and will be penalized. Climbers, Old Garden Roses, Shrub Roses, and Single Hybrid Teas should be exhibited naturally grown. The length of stem should be pleasing proportion to the size of the bloom.

HORTICULTURE

“America Salute”

Eligible for the Award of Horticultural Excellence

SECTION A – ROSA (Rose)

“This Land is your Land”

Eligible for the Award of Merit – Show 1

- Class 1:** Climbers
- Class 2:** *Floribundas* (one stem one bloom)
- Class 3:** *Floribundas* and *Polyanthas* (one multiple bloom spray)
- Class 4:** Old Garden Roses (introduced before 1867)
- Class 5:** Hybrid Teas and *Grandifloras* (one stem one bloom)
- Class 6:** Hybrid Teas and *Grandifloras* (one multiple bloom spray)
- Class 7:** Hybrid Teas and *Grandifloras* fully open (one stem one bloom)
- Class 8:** Single Hybrid Teas (5-12 petals)
- Class 9:** Miniatures and miniflora (one stem one bloom)
- Class 10:** Miniatures and miniflora (one multiple bloom spray)
- Class 11:** Single Miniatures and miniflora (one stem one bloom, 5-12 petals)
- Class 12:** Fully open Miniatures and miniflora
- Class 13:** Shrub Roses
- Class 14:** Three or more Hybrid Tea or *Grandifloras*, same variety
- Class 15:** Three or more Hybrid Tea or *Grandifloras*, different varieties
- Class 16:** Three or more *Floribunda* or *Polyantha* sprays, same or different varieties
- Class 17:** Three or more Miniatures or miniflora, same variety
- Class 18:** Three or more Miniatures or miniflora, different varieties
- Class 19:** Three or more Miniature or miniflora sprays, same or different varieties
- Class 20:** Any container-grown rose

SECTION B – DAHLIAS

“Born in the USA”

Eligible for the Award of Merit – Show 1

(See sketches on pages TBD)

Dahlias may be entered as single specimens, or groups of three or five (same variety) and will be sub-divided as possible before judging.

Dahlia specimens must include one set of leaves.

Class 21 – FORMAL DECORATIVE

- a. Giant over 10”
- b. Large 8-10”
- c. Medium 6-8”
- d. Small 4-6”
- e. Miniature up to 4”

Class 22 – INFORMAL DECORATIVE

- a. Giant over 10”
- b. Large 8-10”
- c. Medium 6-8”
- d. Small 4-6”
- e. Miniature up to 4”

Class 23 – SEMI-CACTUS

- a. Giant over 10”
- b. Large 8-10”
- c. Medium 6-8”
- d. Small 4-6”
- e. Miniature up to 4”

Class 24 – STRAIGHT CACTUS

- a. Giant over 10”
- b. Large 8-10”
- c. Medium 6-8”
- d. Small 4-6”
- e. Miniature up to 4”

Class 25 – INCURVED CACTUS

- a. Giant over 10”
- b. Large 8-10”
- c. Medium 6-8”
- d. Small 4-6”
- e. Miniature up to 4”

Class 26 – LACINIATED

- a. Giant over 10"
- b. Large 8-10"
- c. Medium 6-8"
- d. Small 4-6"
- e. Miniature up to 4"

Class 27 – BALL

- a. Over 3.5"
- b. Miniature 3-3.5"

Class 28: ANEMONE

Class 29: COLLARETTE

Class 30: MIGNON SINGLE up to 2"

Class 31: NOVELTY FULLY DOUBLE

Class 32: NOVELTY OPEN

Class 33: ORCHID

Class 34: ORCGETTE

Class 35: PEONY

Class 36: POMPON up to 2"

Class 37: SINGLE

Class 38: STELLAR

Class 39: WATERLILY

SECTION C -- BULBOUS PLANTS –Flowering
(Including tubers, tuberous roots, bulbs, corms, and rhizomes)
"Living in America"

Eligible for Award of Merit – Show 1

Eligible for Cobb Master Gardener Award – Show 1

Class 40: *Begonia*, tuberous (Specimen bloom)

Class 41: *Canna*

- a. Flower on stalk, no leaves
- b. Flower on stalk, with leaves

Class 42: *Gladiolus* (with minimum two leaves)

- a. 1 spike
- b. 3 spikes

Class 43: *Hedychium* (ginger)

Class 44: *Iris*

Class 45: *Lilium* (lily) (minimum 3 open blooms)

Class 46: *Lycoris* (Spider lily)

Class 47: ANY OTHER WORTHY NAMED BULBOUS PLANT – Flowering

SECTION D -- BULBOUS PLANTS –Foliage Only
“America”

Eligible for Award of Merit – Show 2

Ballast for large jars may be used and should be non-descript stones or glass.

Class 48: *Alocasia* (African mask) – one leaf

Class 49: *Caladium* – one leaf

Class 50: *Canna* – one leaf, no flower

Class 51: *Colocasia* (elephant ear), one leaf, minimum length 30 inches from rim of the container (to keep foliage from drooping, place cut end in very warm water immediately upon cutting and leave in water.)

Class 52: *Colocasia* (elephant ear), one leaf, maximum length 30 inches from rim of the container (to keep foliage from drooping, place cut end in very warm water immediately upon cutting and leave in water.)

Class 53: ANY OTHER WORTHY NAMED BULBOUS PLANT – Foliage Only

SECTION E --ANNUALS -- Flowering
(including colorful bracts)
“American Girl”

Eligible for Cobb Master Gardener Award – Show 1

Eligible for Award of Merit – Show 2

Class 54: *Celosia argentea* (cockscorn)

- a. 1 spray, plumosa, medium-tall, (plumed, feathered) any color
- b. 3 sprays, plumosa, medium-tall, (plumed, feathered) one or more colors
- c. 1 spray, plumosa, dwarf, (plumed, feathered) any color
- d. 3 sprays, plumosa, dwarf, (plumed, feathered) one or more colors
- e. 1 stem, cristata, medium-tall, (crested) any color
- f. 3 stems, cristata, medium-tall, (crested) one or more colors
- g. 1 stem, cristata, dwarf, (crested) any color
- h. 3 stems, cristata, dwarf, (crested) one or more colors
- i. 1 stem, spicata, (slender, linear) any color
- j. 3 stems, spicata, (slender, linear) any color

Class 55: *Cleome* (spider flower)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 56: *Cosmos* (Cosmos)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 57: *Euphorbia* (snow on the mountain)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 58: *Gomphrena* (globe amaranth)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 59: *Helianthus annuus* (sunflower)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 1 spray, dwarf variety
- c. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 60: *Helichrysum* (strawflower)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 61: *Impatiens* (balsam, sultana, touch-me-nots)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 62: *Lantana camara* (does not include 'Miss Huff')

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 63: *Pelargonium* (geranium) flowering

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 64: *Pentas* (Egyptian star flower)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 65: *Petunia* (Petunia) (3 blooms, two sets of leaves)

- a. 1 spray (bloom size under 3 1/2 inches)
- b. 3 sprays (bloom size under 3 1/2 inches), same variety
- c. 1 spray (bloom size over 3 1/2 inches)
- d. 3 sprays (bloom size over 3 1/2 inches), same variety
- e. 1 spray (trailing variety)

Class 66: *Plectranthus verticillatus* (Swedish ivy) flowering

Class 67: *Salvia* – (Salvia - annual only)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 68: *Tagetes* (marigold)

- a. 1 bloom, large flowering, African type *T. erecta*, bloom 3-1/2" to 5"
- b. 3 blooms, large flowering, African type, one variety
- c. 1 bloom, double-flowered French type *T. patula*, bloom 1-2"
- d. 3 blooms, double-flowered French type, one variety
- e. 1 spray, single-flowered French type *T. patula*, bloom 1-2"
- f. 3 sprays, single-flowered French type, one variety
- g. 1 spray, single-flowered, flat, *T. tenuifolia*, bloom up to 2" across
- h. 3 sprays, single-flowered, flat, one variety
- i. Any other not listed

Class 69: *Zinnia* (Zinnia)

- a. 1 bloom, large flowering, bloom over 4 inches
- b. 3 blooms, large flowering, one variety
- c. 1 bloom, medium flowering, bloom 1 1/2 to 4 inches
- d. 3 blooms, medium flowering, one variety
- e. 1 bloom, baby or pompon, under 1 1/2 inches
- f. 3 blooms, baby or pompon, one variety
- g. Any other not listed

Class 70: ANY OTHER ANNUALS, Flowering

- a. 1 spray, variegated foliage
- b. 3 sprays, variegated foliage, same variety
- c. 1 bloom or spray, any other type
- d. 3 blooms or sprays, any other type, same variety

SECTION F – ANNUALS, Foliage only

“Our Country”

Eligible for Award of Merit – Show 2

Class 71: *Coleus* no flowers

- a. 1 spray, sun variety, foliage only
- b. 3 sprays, same sun variety, foliage only
- c. 1 spray, shade variety, foliage only
- d. 3 sprays, same shade variety, foliage only

Class 72: *Pelargonium* (geranium) no flowers, unscented

Class 73: *Plectranthus* (Swedish ivy) no flowers

Class 74: *Ricinus* (castor bean, no seeds)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 75: ANY OTHER ANNUALS – Foliage only, 1 stem

SECTION G – PERENNIALS, Flowering

“Stars and Stripes Forever”

Eligible for the Award of Merit – Show 1

One Specimen or Spray as Naturally Grown

Class 76: *Aster* (spray- minimum 5 open flowers)

- a. 1 spray, any type
- b. 3 sprays, any type, one variety

Class 77: *Begonia* (wax Begonia)

Class 78: *Chrysanthemum*, single disbudded bloom or spray

- a. 1 bloom, reflexed
- b. 1 bloom, intermediate
- c. 1 bloom, incurved
- d. 1 bloom, single
- e. 1 bloom, anemone
- f. 1 spray, pompon
- g. 1 spray, any other variety

Class 79: *Conoclinium coelestinum* (ageratum, mist flower)

- a. 1 spray
- b. 3 sprays, same variety

Class 80: *Coreopsis* - Coreopsis

Class 81: *Datura*

Class 82: *Gaillardia* - Gaillardia

Class 83: *Gerbera jamesonii*

- a. single
- b. double

Class 84: *Hosta* – flower scape only

Class 85: *Hibiscus moscheutos* (rose or marshmallow)

Class 86: *Hylotelephium spectabile* – Sedum, flowering

Class 87: *Lantana camara*– Lantana ‘Miss Huff’

Class 88: *Leucanthemum* – white daisy

Class 89: *Monarda* – (bee balm)

Class 90: *Penstemon* – (beardstongue)

Class 91: *Phlox* - Phlox

Class 92: *Rudbeckia* – (coneflower)

Class 93: *Salvia* – Salvia (perennial only)

Class 94: *Solidago* – (goldenrod)

Class 95: *Tricyrtis* – (toad lily)

Class 96: *Verbena* - Verbena

Class 97: Any other worthy named seeded or berried perennial

Class 98: Any other worthy perennial, flowering

SECTION H – PERENNIALS, Foliage only

“Color Me America”

Eligible for Award of Merit – Show 2

One Specimen or Spray as Naturally Grown

Class 99: *Ajuga*, entire plant, exhibited in low container with roots in water

- a. green
- b. bronze
- c. variegated

Class 100: *Aspidistra* (cast iron plant)

- a. one leaf, green
- b. one leaf, variegated

Class 101: *Cortaderia* (pampas grass), maximum length 30 inches from rim of container

Class 102: *Cyperus* (umbrella palm), one stem, maximum length 30 inches from rim of container

Class 103: *Equisetum* (horsetail), one stalk, max length 30 inches from rim of container

Class 104: *Fern*, any evergreen, maximum length 30 inches from rim of container

Class 105: *Fern* any deciduous, maximum length 30 inches from rim of container

Class 106: *Hosta* – cultivar name required

- a. Green (all shades)
 - 1. Small leaf, under 6” wide
 - 2. Large leaf, 6” wide and over
- b. Blue (all shades)
 - 1. Small leaf, under 6” wide
 - 2. Large leaf, 6” wide and over
- c. Yellow (all shades)
 - 1. Small leaf, under 6” wide
 - 2. Large leaf, 6” wide and over
- d. Margined/Variegated
 - 1. White Margin/Green Center
 - 2. Green Margin/White Center
 - 3. Gold Margin/Green Center
 - 4. Green Margin/Gold Center
 - 5. Gold & White
- e. Splashed, streaked or other
 - 1. Small leaf, under 6” wide

2. Large leaf, 6" wide and over

Class 107: *Hylotelephium* – Sedum, foliage only

Class 108: *Phalaris* (ribbon grass), maximum length 30 inches from rim of container

Class 109: *Phyllostachys* (bamboo), maximum length 30 inches from rim of container

Class 110: *Stachys* – (lamb's ear) no flowers

Class 111: ANY OTHER WORTHY PERENNIAL, foliage only

SECTION I – HERBS

"Living in the USA"

Eligible for Award of Merit – Show 1

Eligible for the Cobb Master Gardener Award – Show 1

Class 112: *Aloysia triphylla* (lemon verbena) single specimen

Class 113: *Anethum graveolens* (dill) single specimen

Class 114: *Artemisia* (wormwood)

Class 115: *Foeniculum vulgare* (fennel)

Class 116: *Lavandula* (lavender) single specimen

Class 117: *Mentha* (mint) single specimen

Class 118: *Nepeta* (catnip) single specimen

Class 119: *Ocimum* (basil) single specimen

Class 120: *Origanum vulgare* (oregano) single specimen

Class 121: *Pelargonium* (scented geranium) single specimen

Class 122: *Petroselinum* (parsley)

Class 123: *Salvia rosmarinus* (rosemary) single specimen

Class 124: *Salvia officinalis* (sage) single specimen

Class 125: *Thymus* (thyme)

Class 126: Any flowering type

Class 127: ANY OTHER WORTHY named single specimen

SECTION J – VINES

"American Pie"

SPECIMEN NOT TO EXCEED 18 INCHES

FROM TIP TO CUT END, must have apical (growing) tip

Vines may be inconspicuously staked

Eligible for Award of Merit – Show 2

EVERGREEN VINES

Class 128: *Hedera* (miniature ivy)

Class 129: *Hedera* (large leaf ivy)

Class 130: *Rubus hayata-koidzuma* (creeping raspberry)

Class 131: Any other worthy named evergreen vine

DECIDUOUS VINES

Class 132: *Clematis*: blooming

Class 133: *Stephanotis* (jasmine): blooming

Class 134: *Lonicera* (honeysuckle): blooming

Class 135: ANY OTHER WORTHY named flowering deciduous vine

Class 136: ANY OTHER WORTHY named deciduous vine

SECTION K - SHRUBS

“Philadelphia Freedom”

Eligible for Arboreal Award – Show 1 & Show 2
Eligible for the Cobb Master Gardener Award – Show 1

Branches not to exceed 30 inches in length from tip to cut end
and have several nodes and an apical tip.

BROAD-LEAVED SHRUBS

Class 137: *Abutilon*

Class 138: *Abelia*

Class 139: *Aucuba*

a. green

b. variegated

Class 140: *Berberis* (barberry)

Class 141: *Buxus* (boxwood)

Class 142: *Buddleia* (butterfly bush)

Class 143: *Callicarpa americana* (Beautyberry)

Class 144: *Cleyera japonica*

Class 145: *Eleagnus*

a. green

b. variegated

Class 146: *Euonymus*

a. green

b. variegated

Class 147: *Gardenia*

Class 148: *Hibiscus rosa-sinensis* (tropical Hibiscus) in flower

Class 149: *Hydrangea*, in flower

- a. Variegated foliage
- b. Non-variegated foliage

Class 150: *Hypericum* (St. John's wort)

Class 151: *Ilex aquifolium* (English holly)

Class 152: *Ilex cornuta* (Chinese holly)

Class 153: *Ilex crenata* (Japanese holly)

Class 154: *Ilex opaca* (American holly)

Class 155: *Ilex vomitoria* (Yaupon holly)

Class 156: *Ilex* (Holly), any other named variety

Class 157: *Illicium*

a. *I. floridanum*

b. *I. parviflorum*

Class 158: *Mahonia* (Oregon grape holly)

Class 159: *Nandina* (heavenly bamboo)

Class 160: *Osmanthus* (tea olive)

Class 161: *Prunus* (cherry laurel)

Class 162: *Pyracantha*

Class 163: *Viburnum*

Class 164: ANY OTHER WORTHY named non-variegated or variegated foliage specimen

Class 165: ANY OTHER WORTHY named flowering specimen

Class 166: ANY OTHER WORTHY named seeded or berried specimen

SECTION L – TREES

“My Country Tis of Thee”

Eligible for Arboreal Award – Show 1 & Show 2

**Branches not to exceed 30 inches in length from tip to cut end
and have several nodes and an apical tip.**

(Conifers do not require bottles and may be displayed flat on tables)

NEEDLE LEAVED

Class 167: *Abies* (fir)

Class 168: *Cedrus* (cedar)

Class 169: *Chamaecyparis* (false cypress)

Class 170: *Cryptomeria*

Class 171: *Cupressocyparis leylandii* (cypress)

- Class 172: *Juniperus* (juniper)**
- Class 173: *Juniperus pfitzeriana* (Pfitzer juniper)**
- Class 174: *Pinus* (pine)**
- Class 175: *Taxus* (yew)**
- Class 176: *Thuja* (arborvitae)**
- Class 177: *Thujopsis* (false arborvitae)**
- Class 178: *Tsuga* (hemlock)**
- Class 179: ANY OTHER WORTHY named needle-leaved tree**

OTHER TREES

- Class 180: *Acer* (maple)**
- Class 181: *Cercis* (redbud)**
- Class 182: *Magnolia***
- Class 183: ANY OTHER WORTHY named specimen**

SECTION M – CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

“American Heart”

FLOWERING/COLORFUL BRACTS PLANTS

Eligible for Grower’s Choice Award – Show 1

Double potting is permitted but the inner pot must not be visible. Trailing plants may be raised from the table surface by use of an inverted pot supplied by the exhibitor. Maximum container size is 18” interior diameter.

- Class 184: *Begonia*, cane like (including angel wing)**
- Class 185: *Begonia, semperflorens* (wax or bedding type)**
- Class 186: *Begonia*, tuberous**
- Class 187: *Bougainvillea***
- Class 188: *Bromeliad***
- Class 189: *Chrysanthemum***
- Class 190: *Euphorbia milii* (crown of thorns)**
- Class 191: *Episcia* (flame violet)**
- Class 192: *Fuchsia***
- Class 193: *Impatiens*, single**
- Class 194: *Impatiens*, double**

Class 195: *Orchid*

Class 196: *Pelargonium* (geranium)

Class 197: *Saintpaulia* (African violet)

Class 198: *Sinningia* (gloxinia)

Class 199: *Spathiphyllum* (peace lily)

Class 200: ANY OTHER WORTHY named flowering specimen, excluding *Rosa* (rose)

SECTION N – CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

“Red, White and Blue”

FRUITING PLANTS

Double potting is permitted but the inner pot must not be visible. Trailing plants may be raised from the table surface by use of an inverted pot supplied by the exhibitor. **Maximum container size is 18” interior diameter.**

Class 201: *Capsicum* (ornamental pepper, cluster or miniature pod type)

Class 202: *Capsicum* (ornamental pepper, long pod type)

Class 203: *Capsicum* (ornamental pepper, round pod type)

Class 204: *Solanum pseudocapsicum* (Jerusalem cherry)

Class 205: ANY OTHER WORTHY named fruiting specimen

SECTION O – CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

“Ragged Old Flag”

FOLIAGE PLANTS

Eligible for Grower’s Choice Award – Show 1

Double potting is permitted but the inner pot must not be visible. Trailing plants may be raised from the table surface by use of an inverted pot supplied by the exhibitor. **Maximum container size is 18” interior diameter.**

Class 206: *Aspidistra*

Class 207: *Begonia*, Cane like, (including angel wing)

Class 208: *Begonia*, Rhizomatous (including rex)

Class 209: *Bromeliad*

Class 210: *Cactus*

Class 211: *Caladium*

Class 212: *Coleus* no flowers permitted

Class 213: *Dieffenbachia*

Class 214: *Fern*

- a. *Adiantum capillus-veneris* (southern maidenhair)
- b. *Asplenium nidus* (birds’ nest)
- c. *Nephrolepis exaltata* (Boston)
 1. Common
 2. Fluffy Ruffle
- d. *Platycerium bifurcatum* (Staghorn)
- e. ANY OTHER WORTHY named Ferns

Class 215: Fern Allies

- a. *Asparagus densiflorus* (asparagus fern)
- b. *Asparagus meyeri* (foxtail fern)
- c. *Selaginella* (spike moss, rainbow fern)

Class 216: *Ficus* - rubber plant

Class 217: *Pedilantus* (devil's backbone)

Class 218: *Peperomia*

Class 219: *Philodendron*

Class 220: *Plectranthus argentatus* Silver Spurflower

Class 221: Succulents

- a. *Aloe*
- b. *Agave*
- c. *Crassula*
- d. *Echeveria*
- e. *Euphorbia*
- f. *Haworthia*
- g. *Hylotelephium* - *Sedum*
- h. *Kalanchoe*
- i. *Pachyphytum*
- j. *Sempervivum*
- k. *Stapelia*, (carrion or starfish flower)
- l. **ANY OTHER WORTHY named Succulent**

Class 222: ANY OTHER WORTHY named foliage plant

SECTION P – CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

“Rockin’ in the USA”

Combination (Mixed) Planting

Eligible for Grower’s Choice Award - Show 2

A grouping of three (3) of more botanically different plants with similar cultural requirements. Double potting is permitted but the inner pot must not be visible. Trailing plants may be raised from the table surface by use of an inverted pot supplied by the exhibitor or riser provided by the show committee. **Maximum container size is 18” interior diameter.**

Class 223: Multiple plantings, three or more varieties in containers. No accessories permitted.

Class 224: Dish Garden, three or more plants staged as a miniature landscape in low container. Accessories in scale with plants may be used.

Class 225: Terrarium, a miniature landscape grown in a glass container. Accessories in scale with plants may be used.

SECTION Q - HANGING CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

"God Bless the USA"

Eligible for Grower's Choice Award – Show 2

Class 226: Hanging container grown plant, *flowering* overall size under 10 inches in diameter, *one variety* in container

- a. *Begonia*
- b. *Pelargonium*
- c. *Petunia*
- d. **ANY OTHER WORTHY** named hanging flowering plant under 10 inches

Class 227: Hanging Container, *flowering*, overall size under 10 inches in diameter, *more than one variety* in container

Class 228: Hanging Container, *foliage*, overall size under 10 inches in diameter, *one variety* in container

- a. *Adiantum capillus-veneris* (maidenhair fern)
- b. *Coleus* (no flowers permitted)
- c. *Humata tyermannii* (rabbitsfoot fern)
- d. *Nephrolepis exaltata* (Boston fern)
- e. *Philodendron*
- f. *Platynerium bifurcatum* (staghorn fern)
- g. *Plectranthus species* (Swedish ivy)
- h. *Sempervivum*
- i. *Tradescantia albiflora* (Wandering Jew)
- j. **ANY OTHER WORTHY** named hanging foliage plant

Class 229: Hanging Container, *foliage*, overall size under 10 inches in diameter, *more than one variety* in container

Class 230: Hanging Container, *flowering*, overall size 10 inches or over in diameter, *one variety* in container

- a. *Begonia*
- b. *Impatiens*
- c. *Pelargonium*
- d. *Petunia*
- e. **ANY OTHER WORTHY** named hanging flowering plant

Class 231: Hanging Container, *flowering*, overall size 10 inches or over in diameter, *more than one variety* in container.

Class 232: Hanging Container, *foliage*, overall size 10 inches or over in diameter, *one variety* in container

- a. *Adiantum capillus-veneris* (maidenhair fern)
- b. *Coleus* (no flowers permitted)
- c. *Humata tyermannii* (rabbitsfoot fern)
- d. *Nephrolepis exaltata* (Boston fern)
- e. *Philodendron*
- f. *Platynerium bifurcatum* (staghorn fern)
- g. *Plectranthus species* (Swedish ivy)

- h. *Sempervivum*
- i. *Tradescantia albiflora* (wandering Jew)
- j. **ANY OTHER WORTHY named hanging foliage plant over 10"**

Class 233: Hanging Container, *foliage*, overall size 10 inches or over in diameter, *more than one variety* in container

SECTION R – COLLECTIONS

"Pink Houses"

Eligible for the Collectors Showcase Award – Show 1 & Show 2

- Five different specimens required.
- Each specimen must be clearly labeled with exact botanical names or genus and cultivar name.
- Exhibitors must provide a card stating plant relationships.
- The same cultivar may not be exhibited more than once.
- Each collection will be allowed a 2 ft. x 2 ft. x 4 ft. space on a white cloth-covered table.
- Exhibitors must place an entry to insure correct labeling.
- Underlay is permitted.
- Contact the classification chair to reserve space or to ask questions.

Class 234: Cut Specimens displayed in five individual clear glass bottles

(except Conifers which do not require bottles)

Class 235: Container-grown Specimens displayed on a mat

Class 236: Fruits, vegetables or nuts displayed on a placemat.

SECTION S - VEGETABLES

"Only in America"

Groups must be of one variety

See Horticulture Rule #2 for display information

Eligible for the Olen R. Morgan Jr. Award – 1st Show Only

Class 237: *Abelmoshus esculentus* (okra)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 238: *Allium cepa* (onion)

- c. Single
- d. Group of three, one variety

Class 239: *Arachnis hypogaea* (peanuts)

- a. Single
- b. Group of six, one variety

Class 240: *Capsicum* (peppers) displayed with stems attached ½-1"

A. *Capsicum annuum*

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| 1. Anaheim | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 2. Banana | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 3. Bell | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 4. Cayenne | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 5. Cherry | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 6. Cowhorn | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 7. Cubanelle | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 8. Jalapeno | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 9. Poblano | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 10. Shishito | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 11. Other | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |

B. *Capsicum baccatum*

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| 1. Bishop's Crown | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
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C. *Capsicum chinense*

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| 1. Carolina Reaper | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 2. Ghost | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 3. Habanero | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 4. Scotch Bonnet | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 5. Other | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |

D. *Capsicum frutescens*

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| 1. Tabasco | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 2. Piri Piri | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |
| 3. Other | a. One | b. Group of 5, one variety |

E. Other

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| 1. One | | |
| 2. Group of 5, one variety | | |

Class 241: *Cucumis* (melons)

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| a. Single | |
| b. Group of three, one variety | |

Class 242: *Cucumis sativus* (cucumber)

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| a. Single | |
| b. Group of three, one variety | |

Class 243: *Ipomoea batatas* (potato, sweet, culinary)

Decorative sweet potato vines must be entered in Vines Section J

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| a. Single | |
| b. Group of three, one variety | |

Class 244: *Lycopersicon esculentum* (regular or slicing tomatoes)

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| a. Single | |
| b. Group of three, one variety | |

Class 245: *Lycopersicon esculentum* (tomatoes, novelty)

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| a. Single | |
| b. Group of three, one variety | |

Class 246: *Lycopersicon esculentum* (tomatoes, heirloom)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 247: *Lycopersicon esculentum* (tomatoes, salad- under 1 inch)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 248: *Phaseolus* (beans)

- a. Single
- b. Group of six, one variety

Class 249: *Solanum melongena* (eggplant)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 250: *Solanum tuberosum* (potato, Irish)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 251: *Zea mays* (corn, white)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 252: *Zea mays* (corn, yellow)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 253: Other vegetables

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

SECTION T– FRUITS & GOURDS

“Arlington”

Groups must be of one variety

See Horticulture Rule #2 for display information

Eligible for the Olen R. Morgan Jr. Award – 1st Show Only

Class 254: *Citrullus lanata* (watermelon, stem removed)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 255: *Cucumis melo* (stem removed)

- a. cantaloupe, muskmelon
 - 1. Single

- 2. Group of three, one variety
- b. honeydew
 - 1. Single
 - 2. Group of three, one variety

Class 256: *Curcubita pepo* (pumpkin)

- a. Pumpkin, miniature (any color) up to 2 lbs.
 - 1. Single
 - 2. Group of three
- b. Pumpkin, small (any color) 2 to 5 lbs.
 - 1. Single
 - 2. Group of three
- c. Pumpkin, medium 5 to 8 lbs.
 - 1. orange
 - 2. tan
- d. Pumpkin, standard 8 to 15 lbs.
 - 1. orange
 - 2. tan
- e. Pumpkin, large over 15 lbs.
 - 1. orange
 - 2. tan

Class 257: *Curcubita* (gourd)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 258: *Curcubita* (squash)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 259: *Malus* (apple, stem attached, in natural bloom, not polished)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

Class 260: *Vitis rotundifolia* (stem attached) set of six

- a. muscadines, light, including scuppernongs
- b. muscadines, dark, including scuppernongs

Class 261: Other fruits

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety

SECTION U – ODDITIES & OTHERS

“Courtesy of the Red, White and Blue”

Groups must be of one variety

See Horticulture Rule #2 for display information
Eligible for the Olen R. Morgan Jr. Award – 1st Show Only

Class 262: *Gossypium* (cotton)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety
- c. Other

Class 263: *Helianthus* (sunflower, with seeds, no stem, in a closed plastic bag)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety
- c. Other

Class 264: *Sorghum* (Sorghum)

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety
- c. Other

Class 265: Other, including nut varieties

- a. Single
- b. Group of three, one variety
- c. Other

DIVISION II – DESIGN
Eligible for Award of Design Excellence

DESIGN RULES

1. Any amateur designer is eligible to enter the Design Division if pre-registered with the Design Consultant and Entries Chair, prior to September 13. If a designer is unable to fulfill an assignment, it is the responsibility of the designer to provide a substitute.
2. Plant material and non-plant material permitted and not permitted in the Design Division are listed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 7.
3. Rules for design types, advanced design types and table appointments are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 7.
4. Accessories, features, staging panels and underlays are permitted and to be furnished by the exhibitor. It is suggested that personal property be labeled with the exhibitor's name.
5. Judges are asked to review the red, yellow and white winning exhibits in Division II to determine if any or all of them scored 90 or above. An accredited judge must sign and

date all blue ribbons, 90+ entry cards, and Top Award Rosettes. They are also asked to leave written comments on all designs.

6. There will be three (3) classes with four (4) entries per class in each section.
7. Only one (1) exhibit is permitted by an exhibitor in each class.
8. Each design must have been created and placed by one (1) exhibitor and must not have been exhibited in previous flower shows. The exhibitor's name must appear on the entry card. Entry card to be prepared by the exhibitor and provided by committee.
9. Plant material must be listed on 3" X 5" cards, provided by the committee.
10. **Fresh material may not be treated in any manner.** Cut fruits or vegetables must be sealed unobtrusively to discourage insects, odor, and discoloration. Only dried material may be treated to alter its exterior appearance.
11. **No artificial** flowers, foliage, fruit, or vegetables are permitted. The use of plants on the State Conservation List is prohibited. Native plants, other than those on the State Conservation List, may be exhibited in the Design Division if they are grown or legally obtained by the exhibitor.
12. Please refer to the updated Handbook for Flower Shows for specific category criteria. This Handbook is available for reference at the Marietta Educational Garden Center Library, 505 Kennesaw Avenue, Marietta, Georgia, 770-427-3494, or contact Design Consultant listed.
13. Some plant material must be used in each design but need not have been grown by the exhibitor.
14. Religious symbols used must be displayed in a respectful manner and in accordance with policies of local religious organizations.
15. In order not to offend, American and other national flags may not be incorporated into any competitive designs, nor be used as underlays, swags, or the like.
16. Landscapes or scenes are not permitted in the Design Division.
17. Living members of the Animal Kingdom are not permitted in the Design Division, and taxidermal representations of the same are also not allowed.
18. Designs must be placed:
 - a. for Show One, either Wednesday, Sept. 23 between 6 and 8:30 pm, or Thursday, Sept. 24, between 8:30 and 11:30 a.m.
 - b. for Show Two, either Tuesday, Sept. 29 between 6 and 8:30 pm or Wednesday, Sept. 30, between 8:30 and 11:30 am. After the design is placed, the designer must check with the Design Consultant before leaving the building.
19. Judging begins promptly at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 24, for Show One, and Wednesday, Sept. 30 for Show Two.
20. Exhibitors are asked to consider the longevity of plant material used since the show is open to the public for five days and to construct design so that plant material will last throughout, or to refresh them before show opens to the public each day.
21. **Exhibitors are encouraged to use alternatives to floral foam.**
22. Exhibitor is required to conform to the stated descriptions and limitations of the design type if named in the class.

SCALE OF POINTS FOR ALL DESIGNS

Conformance (to schedule requirements)	14
<i>Design Type (if applicable)</i>	7
<i>Conformance to all other schedule requirements</i>	7
Design Principles	48
Selection of Components	8
Organization of Components	8
Expression (interpretation of class by exhibitor)	8
Distinction (craftsmanship)	<u>14</u>
	100

DIVISION II – DESIGN

"Party in the USA"

Eligible for Award of Design Excellence

(Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 42)

SECTION A.

"Star Spangled Banner"

Eligible for the Designer's Choice Award

(Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 42)

The exhibitor has complete freedom to choose plant materials and other components within NGC policies. The design may use fresh, dried and/or treated dried plant material. Artificial plant material is never permitted.

Show 1 Entries Sept 23 6-8:30 p.m., Sept 24 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Designs to be staged using white niches 32" wide, 18" deep, and 40" high on tables 30" from the floor in Classes 1 and 2. Niches to be provided by the show committee. Underlays and staging panels, provided by exhibitors, are permitted, but **no side panels are allowed**. Class 3 tables are covered and skirted in white fabric.

CLASS 1: "What So Proudly We Hailed"

Honoring the North Georgia State Fair Queen.

A Total of Four Cascade Designs (Handbook, Chapter 7, page 73).

CLASS 2: "Whose Broad Stripes and Bright Stars".

The Line Dance at the local Barn.

A Total of Four Creative Line Designs incorporating red, white and blue (Handbook, Chapter 7, page 74).

CLASS 3: "And The Rocket's Red Glare"

Enjoy dinner under the stars watching the fireworks.

A total of Four informal table settings for two (Handbook, Chapter 7, page 76).

Designer's choice on number of components. Innovative staging is encouraged. The table is provided by the show committee. Staged on a table 35" square, 28" high (off floor). Use of expensive dishware and flatware on flower show tables is discouraged. Design space is approximately 34" wide, 34" deep and 40" high. The table will be placed against a backdrop of white fabric provided by the committee. No staging panels or side panels are allowed.

SECTION B
“God Bless America”

Eligible for the Designer's Choice Award
(Handbook, Chapter 5, Page 42)

Show 2 Entries Sept 29 6-8:30 p.m., Sept 30 8:30-11:30 a.m.

The exhibitor has complete freedom to choose plant materials and other components within NGC policies. The design may use fresh, dried and/or treated dried plant material. Artificial plant material is never permitted.

Class 1 and 2 designs are staged in white niches 32" wide, 18" deep, and 40" high on tables 30" from the floor. Niches to be provided by the show committee. Underlays and staging panels, provided by the exhibitor, are permitted, but **no side panels are allowed**. Class 3 tables are covered & skirted in white fabric.

CLASS 1: "Stand Beside Her and Guide Her"

Celebrate at the fair with 250 yrs of Freedom.

A Total of Four Still Life Designs (Handbook, Chapter 7, page 76).

CLASS 2: "Through the Night With A Light From Above"

Check out the home canned Jams and Jellies.

A Total of Four Transparency Designs (Handbook, Chapter 7, page 77).

CLASS 3: "My Home Sweet Home"

Breakfast in bed before the fair.

A Total of Four Tray Designs. (Handbook, Chapter 7, Page 76)

Designer's choice on number of components. Innovative staging is encouraged. The table is provided by the show committee. Staged on a table 35" square, 28" high (off floor). Use of expensive dishware and flatware on flower show tables is discouraged. Design space is approximately 34" wide, 34" deep and 40" high. The table will be placed against a backdrop of white fabric provided by the committee. No staging panels or side panels are allowed.

DIVISION III – Youth Division

“Yankee Doodle”

Section A: Youth Horticulture

“When the Saints go Marching In”

Eligible for Youth Award in each age category

YOUTH HORTICULTURE RULES

1. Youth exhibitors must have had possession of container grown plants for at least 60 days. Other Horticulture Division rules apply. (*Handbook for Flower Shows*, Chapter 9)
2. Each entry must be fresh plant material grown by the exhibitor. Age must be stated on the entry card, upper and lower sections. Cut specimens will be exhibited in clear glass bottles. Bottles shall be provided by the exhibitor.
3. Youth exhibits will be judged by the NGC Standard System of Awarding and the Scales of Points, Handbook, Chapter 14.

Eligible for Youth Award

A total of three NGC Top Awards may be awarded, if merited. Winning exhibits must be the highest scoring exhibits scoring 90 or above. ONE award may be given in each of the following age categories:

1. Junior (pre-school through age 7) Class 1, A-1, B-1; Class 2, A-1, B-1; and Class 3 a
2. Intermediate (ages 8 through 12) Class 1-A-2, B-2; Class 2, A-2, B-2; and Class 3 b
3. High School (ages 13 through 18) Class 1, A-3, B-3; Class 2, A-3, B-3; and Class 3 c
4. The NGC exhibit policies are printed in the Handbook for Flower Shows, Chapter 9, exhibiting in the Youth and Sponsored Groups Division.

NOTE: PLEASE STATE EXHIBITOR'S GRADE IN SCHOOL AND AGE ON ENTRY CARDS. Only exhibits by single exhibitors will be judged. Groups may enter for display only and will receive a ribbon of appreciation for participating. Do not provide addresses – only names.

Class 1: Flowering- “You are My Sunshine”

- A. Cut specimens
 1. Junior
 2. Intermediate
 3. High School
- B. Container grown specimens
 1. Junior
 2. Intermediate
 3. High School

Class 2: Foliage “American Child”

- A. Cut specimens
 - 1. Junior
 - 2. Intermediate
 - 3. High School
- B. Container grown specimens
 - 1. Junior
 - 2. Intermediate
 - 3. High School

Class 3: Fruits and Vegetables. “*On the Trail*”

- 1. Junior
- 2. Intermediate
- 3. High School

DIVISION IV - EDUCATION

“Country Roads”

EDUCATION RULES

1. Education exhibits are designed to instruct, educate, and inform the public on the goals and objectives of the National Garden Clubs Inc. (Handbook, Chapter 3, Page 29). Education exhibits are non-competitive and may be entered by the general public.
2. A minimum of 18 square feet shall be used for each exhibit. Space may be horizontal, vertical or both. Each exhibit can be staged on the floor or on half of a six-foot table provided by the Show Committee, in a space 3' wide, 2' deep and 3' high.
3. The tables will be covered in white fabric and skirted in either red or blue.
4. Background panels or underlays provided by the exhibitor may be used.
5. Exhibitors must pre-register with the General Show Chairman and should have the exhibit installed Thursday, Sept. 24 by 11:30 a.m.
6. **No artificial** flowers, foliage, fruit or vegetables are permitted. The use of plants on the State Conservation List is prohibited. The use of some fresh plant material is encouraged but is not require If plant material is used, it must be listed on a 3" x 5" card provided by the Show Committee. Native plants, other than those on the State Conservation List, may be exhibited in the Education Division if they are grown or legally obtained by the exhibitor.
7. The Educational Exhibits Scale of Points is listed in Chapter 14 of the Handbook for Flower Shows.

Section A: “Mountains Majesty”

CLASS 1: “America, the Beautiful”

- a. Exhibit 1 – Pollinator Gardens
- b. Exhibit 2 – Join a Garden Club
- c. Exhibit 3 – Protecting our Environment for the Future

Educational Exhibits will remain on display for both shows 1 and 2 and will not be judged. If merited, Awards of Appreciation will be given.