



## Horticulture Show

Open to All Gardeners, Adult and Youth

### Registration:

Deadline: August 30 for Landscape Design; September 14 for all other Divisions

Register online at [www.etstatefair.com](http://www.etstatefair.com), click the Competition button, and then choose Horticulture. The Register link is near the bottom of the page in Items.

### Landscape Design Contest:

Submission of Design Plans – September 14

Set-up on the grounds – Wednesday, September 19, 9:00 to 1:00

### Floral Cup Competition:

Check-in and Orientation – Thursday, September 27, 2:00 p.m. – Harvey Convention Center

Competition begins at **2:45 p.m.**

### Check-in of Other Entries:

Friday, September 28, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

### Judging of Other Entries:

Friday, September 28, 2:00 p.m. – Only Judges, Chairman, and Clerks may be present for judging.

### Release of Entries:

Monday, October 1, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

### Committee

Anne Brown, Chair

Katherine Adams

Greg Grant

Megan Brundett

Cati Heikkinen

Christine Fincher

Tina Rosenbalm

### Volunteers:

Contact Emily to volunteer: [eingram@etstatefair.com](mailto:eingram@etstatefair.com) 903-597-2501

### Divisions

Potted Plants

Dish Gardens

Repurposed Containers

Functional Tables

Cut Specimens

Fruits, Nuts, Vegetables

Floral Cup Competition

Landscape Design Competition

## General Rules

- See each division for specific rules for that division and rules related to ownership.
- Check-in and set-up of plants and tables will occur during the designated time.
- Entries are released on Monday after the Fair closes (10/1) between 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Any entry not claimed by 12:00 p.m. will become the property of ETSF.
- All entries must remain on display throughout the show.
- All plant material must be fresh and grown by the exhibitor.
- Exhibitor must bring flower show entry card, neatly printed in pencil, for each entry.
- Individuals and groups who do not have access to these through a garden club or other horticulture organization, may pick-up from the East Texas State Fair prior to September 20, or should bring information printed to transfer to an official entry card at check-in. See information below.

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FLOWER SHOW			DATE
DIVISION	SECTION	CLASS No.	ENTRY No.

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VARIETY OR CLASS NAME

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EXHIBITOR \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB \_\_\_\_\_

1st	2nd	3rd	Honorable Mention
EXHIBIT SCORED 90+			

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DIVISION	SECTION	CLASS No.	ENTRY No.

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VARIETY OR CLASS NAME

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Binomial or scientific classification (You may also include common name)

Name of person submitting entry

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Club or Group Name, if applicable

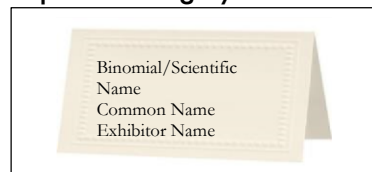
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- Please bring a folded index card with the following information printed largely in black ink to be displayed with the entry after judging:

Plant binomial name or scientific identification

Common name

Exhibitor Name



- Classes may be divided, combined, determined or cancelled at the discretion of the committee and judges if the number of entries warrant.
- Clean and groom all plants and containers. Be sure that they are free from diseases, insects, and spray residue. Be sure that leaves and trash have been removed from surface of soil.
- All horticulture must be of excellent quality. The Committee may refuse to display below standard specimens or material that has been oiled or dressed.
- In Potted Plants, Cut Specimens and Fruits, Nuts, & Vegetables divisions, individuals may enter only one item of a single variety. Multiple entries may be submitted in each category as long as they are not the same type.
- Entries representing a group are accepted in Functional Tables and Container Plants for all age groups and Potted Plants and Fruits, Nuts & Vegetables for youth.
- During the show, exhibitors may enter the grounds between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. by prior scheduling with Fair Staff to water and groom plants. This must be scheduled at check-in of entries.
- Every precaution will be taken in the handling and exhibiting of work; however, the East Texas State Fair will not be responsible for loss or damage, which may occur from any cause. Submission of entries implies acceptance of all conditions stated in these rules.
- The decision of the judges is final.
- There are no entry fees in any division.

# Division Rules

## DIVISION: POTTED PLANTS

Provide a card with plant giving botanical and common names for the plant Containers should be no larger than 12" wide or tall. (See #7 in General Rules)

### Awards:

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in each class – Ribbons  
Best of Category in each section - Rosette  
Best of Division in each section - Rosette

### Sections:

Section A – Adult entries – Open to All Adult Gardeners  
Section B – Youth entries (ages 18 and under)  
Section C – Youth Group – School Class

### Potted Plant Rules

- All plant material must be fresh and have been grown by the exhibitor.
- No combination of plantings allowed in this Division, except in Category 12.
- All plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least 90 days for adult exhibitors and 35 days for youth exhibitors prior to the show.
- Containers should not exceed 12" wide or tall (inside measurement).
- Plant must have clear, plastic saucer underneath container to prevent leakage, and saucer must be wide enough and deep enough to hold any water overflow.
- Each entry is to be labeled by its binomial name or currently accepted scientific identification. Common name may also be given. Solicit Committee help if needed.
- In no instance should the container detract from the plant being displayed. Double pot if desired, being sure that the inner pot is not visible.
- Hanging and draping plants may be displayed on hanging racks provided by the show, or draped on table.
- No accessories are permitted in potted plants. Unobtrusive staking is permitted where needed, but training mechanics must be removed.
- No group entries are accepted in this Division, except in instances where a school class has grown the plant as a class project.

### POTTED PLANTS – SCORECARD FOR JUDGING

Plant Identification (labeling, conformance)	10
Peak of Perfection	
Form	20
Color	20
Maturity/Size	20
Condition/Blemishes	15
Grooming	10
Staging	5
TOTAL	100

Classes in each category will be determined based on the entries received in the show. Exhibitors may enter as many entries as desired in each category, but may not enter more than one of a specific variety of plant in each category.

**01 – CATEGORY: POTTED UPRIGHT FOLIAGE PLANTS**

Examples: Maranta (prayer plant), Philodendrons, Chinese Evergreen, Dracaena, Fiddleleaf Fig, Dieffenbachia, Zeezee Plant, etc.

**02 – CATEGORY: FERNS**

Examples: Boston, Japanese Painted Fern, Maidenhair, Tassel, Rabbit's Foot

**03 – CATEGORY: FLOWERING PLANTS**

Examples: Anthurium, Chrysanthemum, Gloxinia, Hibiscus, Impatiens, Pelargonium (geranium), Spathiphyllum (Peace Lily)

**04 – CATEGORY: BEGONIAS**

Examples: Everblooming (fibrous), Rex, Tuberous (example: beef steak)

**05 – CATEGORY: CACTI**

Examples: Christmas Cactus, Golden Barrel Cactus, Crown of Thorns, Pincushion Cactus

**06 – CATEGORY: GENESRIADS**

Examples: Single African Violets, Double African Violets, Aeschynanthus (Lipstick Plant), Streptocarpus (Cape Primrose), etc.

**07 – CATEGORY: FOLIAGE VINES OR TRAILERS**

Examples: Spider or Airplane Plant, English Ivy, Grape Ivy, Swedish Ivy, Wandering Jew, etc.

**08 – CATEGORY: ORCHIDS**

Examples: Cattleya, Cymbidium, Phalaenopsis, Paphiopedilums

**09 – CATEGORY: SUCCULENTS**

Examples: Agave, Aloe, Yucca, Jade, Hen and Chicks, Desert Rose, Kalanchoe, Snake Plant

**10 – CATEGORY: Herbs**

Examples: Basil, Chives, Dill, Mint, Oregano, Sage, Thyme

**11 – CATEGORY: Any Other Potted Plant**

**12 – CATEGORY: Combination Planting – Potted Plant containing at least 3 different plants**

## **DIVISION: DISH GARDENS**

A notecard should be provided with a drawing indicating plant names.

### **Awards:**

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in each class – Ribbons  
Best of Division in each section - Rosette

### **Sections:**

Section A – Adult entries – Open to All Adult Gardeners  
Section B – Youth entries (ages 18 and under)  
Section C – Adult Group (Garden Club or other Adult Group)  
Section D – Youth Group (school class or club)

### **Dish Garden Rules**

- All plant material must be fresh and have been grown by the exhibitor.
- All plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least six weeks if an adult exhibitor or three weeks if a youth exhibitor.
- Containers should not exceed 12" wide or tall (inside measurement)
- Exhibitor must use a saucer underneath to prevent leakage.
- Each plant in the entry is to be labeled by its binomial name or currently accepted scientific identification. Common name may also be given. Solicit help if needed.
- No accessories are permitted in potted plants, unless specifically indicated in the class description. Unobtrusive staking is permitted if needed, but no training mechanics.
- Group entries may be accepted in this Division if all group members have been involved in care of plants and arranging in the container.

### **DISH GARDEN – SCORECARD FOR JUDGING**

Conformance & Plant Identification, Labeling	15
Peak of Perfection	
Form	10
Color	10
Condition	10
Show-Worthy Size	10
Condition, Grooming, Staging	25
Distinction	10
 TOTAL	 100

### **Categories:**

201 – Dish Garden - a collection in a shallow dish, no larger than 6" inches deep and 12" wide, five or more plants, must be compatible, all fresh plant material. No accessories permitted – shells, rocks, figurine, etc.; may include herbs

202 – Fairy Garden - a miniature landscape in a shallow dish, no larger than 6" inches deep and 12" wide, five or more plants, must be compatible, man-made accessories may be used

## **DIVISION: REPURPOSED CONTAINERS**

Plantings are done in household items that would not normally be used for plants.

Planting may include more than one type of plant.

A notecard should be provided with a drawing indicating plant names.

### **Awards:**

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in each class – Ribbons

Best of Division in each section - Rosette

### **Sections:**

Section A – Adult entries - Open to All Adult Gardeners

Section B – Youth entries (ages 18 and under)

Section C – Adult Group (Garden Club or other Adult Group)

Section D – Youth Group (school class or club)

### **Repurposed Container Rules**

- All plant material must be fresh and have been grown by the exhibitor.
- All plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least six weeks.
- In Small Repurposed Container category, container should not exceed 12" wide or tall (inside measurement).
- In Large Repurposed Container category, container should not exceed 24" wide or tall and must be light enough to be lifted and placed on the table for display.
- Exhibitor must use some type of clear plastic underneath to prevent leakage.
- Each plant in the entry is to be labeled by its binomial name or currently accepted scientific identification. Common name may also be given. Solicit help if needed.
- No accessories are permitted in potted plants, unless specifically indicated in the class description. Unobtrusive staking is permitted, but no training mechanics.
- Group entries may be accepted in this Division if all group members have been involved in care of plants and arranging in the container.

### **DISH GARDEN – SCORECARD FOR JUDGING**

Plant Identification	5
Peak of Perfection	
Form	10
Color	10
Condition	10
Show-Worthy Size	5
Overall Effect	30
Creative/Distinction	5
Grooming	10
Staging	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

### **Categories:**

301 – Repurposed Planter, small – 12 in. or less in height or width

302 – Repurposed Planter, large – larger than 12 in. in height or width

## **DIVISION: CUT SPECIMENS**

Provide a card with specimen giving botanical and common names

### **Awards:**

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in each class – Ribbons  
Best of Category in each section - Rosette  
Best of Division in each section - Rosette

### **Sections:**

Section A – Adult entries – open to All Adult Gardeners  
Section B – Youth entries (ages 18 and under)

### **Cut Specimen Rules**

- Specimen must be grown by the exhibitor and must have been cared for by and in the possession of the exhibitor for 90 days prior to the show if an adult exhibitor or 35 days if a youth exhibitor.
- Blooms must be of show quality and typical of the variety.
- Cut specimens (except Gladiolus) should not have any foliage below water line.
- A single branch, flower, spike, stem, or stalk should be submitted as appropriate for the cut specimen entered.
- For Arboreal, tall trees, the cut specimen is one stem or one branch having several nodes, not to exceed 30 inches from apical tip of specimen to the cut end.
- Containers will be provided. If an exhibitor brings his or her own container, it must be clear glass with no writing or etchings.
- Stage specimen by using clear plastic wrap around neck of container. Wedging may be visible, but must not detract from exhibit.

### **CUT SPECIMENS – SCORECARD FOR JUDGING**

Plant Identification	5
Cultural Perfection	60
Condition, grooming, staging	25
Distinction of Species or Variety	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

Classes in each category will be determined based on the entries received in the show. Exhibitors may enter as many entries as desired in each category, but may not enter more than one of a specific variety of plant in each category.

501 – CATEGORY: Arboreal, Berries

502 – CATEGORY: Arboreal, Flowers

503 – CATEGORY: Arboreal, Foliage

504 – CATEGORY: Arboreal, Fruit/Seed

505 – CATEGORY: Annuals, Flowering



506 – CATEGORY: Annuals, Foliage

507 – CATEGORY: Annuals, Fruit/Seed

508 – CATEGORY: Bulbs, Tubers, and Rhizomes

Examples: Dahlias, Calla, Bulbine, Crocosmia, Four O’Clock (Mirabilis), Oxalis, etc.

509 – CATEGORY: Perennials, Berries

510 – CATEGORY: Perennials, Flowering

511 – CATEGORY: Perennials, Foliage

512 – CATEGORY: Perennials, Fruit/Seed

513 – CATEGORY: Roses

514 – CATEGORY: Other

## **DIVISION: FRUITS, NUTS & VEGETABLES**

Provide a card with specimen giving botanical and common names

### **Awards:**

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in each class – Ribbons

Best of Category in each section - Rosette

Best of Division in each section - Rosette

### **Sections:**

Section A – Adult entries – open to All Adult Gardeners

Section B – Youth entries (ages 18 and under)

Section C – Adult Group

Section D – Youth Group

### **Fruit, Nuts and Vegetables Rules**

- Entry must be grown by the exhibitor.
- Entries must be clean and free from blemishes, insect damage, dust, spray residue.
- 1 each of pumpkins, gourds, cabbages, etc. should be displayed. 3 to 5 of other vegetables or fruits should be displayed
- Items should be uniform in size, shape, and texture.
- Items (except in Garden Harvest) should be displayed on a plate provided.
- Ripe fruit should be covered with plastic wrap to minimize attraction of insects.
- Entries in Garden Harvest should be attractively arranged in a basket, open box or container of exhibitor's choice, but no larger than 18 inches in diameter.

### **FRUITS, NUTS, VEGETABLES – SCORECARD FOR JUDGING**

Plant Identification	5
Cultural Perfection	60
Condition, grooming, staging	25
Distinction of Species or Variety	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100</b>

Classes in each category will be determined based on the entries received in the show. Exhibitors may enter as many entries as desired in each category, but no more than one of a specific variety in category.

601 – CATEGORY: Fruits

602 – CATEGORY: Gourds

603 – CATEGORY: Nuts

604 – CATEGORY: Ornamental

605 – CATEGORY: Pumpkins

606 – CATEGORY: Vegetables

607 – CATEGORY: Garden Harvest

A combination of 5 or more different varieties of fruits, nuts and/or vegetables grown in the exhibitor's garden to represent the garden displayed in basket or on tray – Example: one pumpkin, a dozen beans, four pears, a handful of nuts, etc. – your choice to represent your garden in the best possible way.