

## CLASS N - FLOWERS AND PLANTS

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**A STANDARD FLOWER SHOW**  
**according to the requirements of**  
**THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF GARDEN CLUBS**  
**PREMIUMS**

Horticulture -- First, \$3.25; Second, \$2.75; Third, \$2.50  
 Spot Gardens -- First, \$10.00; Second, \$7.50; Third, \$5.00  
 Artistic -- First, \$4.50; Second, \$3.50; Third, \$3.00

All awards must be claimed at the fair at the time of release.  
**NO AWARDS WILL BE MAILED.**

**Pictures of the winners for the newspaper will be taken on Saturday and**  
**Wednesday, respectively, at 6:00 p.m. in the flower department.**  
**No make up pictures will be taken at a later time.**

**GENERAL RULES**  
**OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS OF DARKE COUNTY**  
**AND/OR**  
**MEMBERS OF THE DARKE COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GARDEN CLUBS**

The Darke County Association of Garden Clubs is not be responsible for items left after teardown and the close of the Darke County Fair. Items must be picked up on the last day unless other arrangements are made prior to the closing of the coliseum.

There are two separate schedules. Entries must be set up and completed between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 19, 2017 and Wednesday, August 23, 2017. Persons on committees may enter earlier. Entries arriving after 10:00 a.m. will be marked "Not For Competition". Closed judging will be held on both days at 11:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Only the Flower Show committee will be permitted on the floor during judging.

Entries made on Saturday, August 19, 2017 may be removed at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

**Entries made on Wednesday, August 23, 2017 may be removed on Sunday, August 27, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.**

**The following will remain in effect for 2017:**

"At the March 2, 2014 Fair Board meeting, Fair Directors approved not permitting any 2014 Fair Departments or Vendors to be released until 11:00 p.m. on the last Saturday of the fair unless another event is scheduled to take place in their area. Contact the department head for release date and time."

**Premiums will be paid on Sunday, August 27, 2017 at approximately 2:00 until 3:00 p.m.** You must be registered in order to collect premium money. Premium money not claimed can be obtained from Kim Cromwell; contact at 937-547-0899.

All entries without competition will be awarded first money, **IF**, in the opinion of the judge, said entry is worthy. One first, one second, and one third will be given in each class, if worthy.

**Note: An exhibitor may make as many entries as desired in any horticulture class, providing each is a different named variety.**

Classes may be withdrawn, combined, divided, or subdivided, if the number of entries warrants, insuring a balanced number of entries.

The exhibitors are responsible for their exhibits, but reasonable care will be taken of properties. No state conservation material may be used in any exhibit unless grown in the yard of the exhibitor.

Exhibitors shall complete top portion only of the entry tags, using own admission ticket number. Junior entries, under the age of 12, shall be filled out using the parent's admission ticket number. Exhibitors over age 12 must have their own admission ticket.

#### ARTISTIC DESIGN REGULATIONS

**Reservations must be made for all adult artistic classes by August 14, 2017. No entries will be permitted on show days that have not been reserved. Reservations must be placed with Brenda Grant at 937-547-0704.**

**All artistic designs must be done by the exhibitor.**

All plant material included in arrangements must be labeled on a 3" x 5" card provided by the exhibitor. No artificial plant materials permitted in any class. No artificially colored fresh plant materials allowed. Plant material may be obtained from any source. Painted, bleached, dried and/or preserved material may be used, but painted material should never be used in traditional designs. The use of feathers is permitted.

Fresh plant material should be included in all designs, except **dried** class 74 on Wednesday. A tan background, 30" wide by 45" high will be provided for all designs, except where noted. Exhibitors may use additional backgrounds to enhance their designs.

Accessories are permitted. However, do not rely on these accessories to tell the story of your design.

All artistic designs must fill 2/3 of the provided background (30" W x 45" H) with the design only.

**Adult Awards:**

Awards are not class specific. Multiple awards cannot be given to the same entry.

Rosettes will only be awarded to first place entries for the following awards:  
Best of Show, Most Creative, Artistic Excellence, and Best Small Design

Rosettes for the following awards will be open to any artistic entries:  
Best Use of Color and Best Interpretation

The following awards will be sponsored by Greenville National Bank on both show days:  
**Best of Show, Most Creative, Best Use of Color, Artistic Excellence, Best Small Design, and Best Interpretation**

**Louise Sheffer Award** – The family of Louise Sheffer will make a selection of a choice artistic arrangement on Saturday and Wednesday

**Superintendent Award** – The Superintendent will select an outstanding exhibit of either horticulture or an artistic design in both Saturday and Wednesday's shows. This award is sponsored by Treaty Supply of Greenville.

**JUNIOR DIVISION:**

A 24" x 30" natural background will be provided in the Junior Division. No artistic design is to extend beyond these areas.

**Junior Awards:**

**Junior Creative Award** – best design in class 51 on Saturday and class 113 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Todd & Lindsey Henry.

**Junior Award of Elegance** – best design in class 52 on Saturday and class 114 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Cindy McCallister on both days.

**Junior Achievement Award** – best design in class 53 on Saturday and class 115 on Wednesday in both age groups will be sponsored by Darryl and MaryAnn Mehaffie on both show days.

**Junior Award of Distinction** – best design in classes 54 and 55 on Saturday will be sponsored by Erisman Aire Heating & Cooling and classes 116 and 117 on Wednesday in both age groups will be sponsored by Darke Meadows Flower Farm.

**Karlh McCallister Award** - The family of Karlh McCallister will make a selection of a choice artistic arrangement on Saturday and Wednesday

**HORTICULTURE REGULATIONS**

**As quantity is good, quality is much more important. Exhibits with large or many holes, broken stems, full-blown blooms, etc., should not be considered. If in doubt, the passing committee will make the final decision.**

Horticulture classes are open to anyone who grows plants through personal efforts for pleasure, and whose return from sales, if any, does not equal the outlay for seeds and plants.  
Material in the horticulture section must be grown by the exhibitor.

Potted and house plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least three months. The pot **cannot** exceed 12 inches in diameter (inside dimension of pot), unless otherwise stated.

An exhibitor may make as many entries as desired in any class provided each is a different color or named variety.

Any plant or specimens shown in the Saturday show shall not be entered in any manner at the Wednesday show.

Classes may be withdrawn, combined, divided, or sub-divided, if the number of entries warrants, insuring a balanced number of entries.

Speciman flowers to be exhibited for quality only. The exact count of flowers on stems is essential. Removal of side buds required, except for Plumed Celosia.

Attached foliage required unless otherwise specified in schedule. Green leaves and/or thorns below the water line may be removed. Appropriate wedging material provided by the exhibitor may be used for blocking stems or specimens in the container.

Exhibitor is to furnish own clear container for large speciman flowers - all others are provided. Only correctly named exhibits, with the variety name written on the entry tag, will be eligible for an award.

All potted plants and hanging baskets must be classified at time of entry. Hanging baskets must be hung by the exhibitor.

Any foreign material used to enhance any horticulture entry will automatically disqualify it.

#### **Adult Awards:**

**Rose of Royalty** – best exhibit in classes 10 through 18 on Saturday will be sponsored by Fry & Co and classes 78 through 86 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Spencer Landscaping.

**Best Miniature Rose** – best exhibit in classes 19 through 22 on Saturday will be sponsored by Fry & Co, and classes 87 through 90 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Spencer Landscaping.

**Award of Elegance** – best exhibit in classes 23 and 24 on Saturday will be sponsored by Fry & Co., and classes 91 and 92 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Spencer Landscaping.

**Flora** – best exhibit in classes 25 through 30 on Saturday will be sponsored by Fry & Co.

**Flora** – best exhibit in classes 93 through 95 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Miller Flowers.

**Green Thumb** – best exhibit in classes 31 through 41 on Saturday will be sponsored by Fry & Co. and classes 96 through 103 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Miller Flowers.

**Garden Grower** – best container grown exhibit in classes 42 through 50 on Saturday and classes 104 through 112 on Wednesday will be sponsored by The Ivy League.

**Exhibitor in the Junior Division must be at least 6 years of age.**

#### **Junior Awards:**

**Junior Rose of Royalty Award** – best exhibit in classes 56 through 58 on Saturday and classes 118 through 120 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Kim Cromwell on both show days.

**Junior Green Thumb Award** – best exhibit in classes 59 and 61 on Saturday and classes 121 and 122 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Donn and Charlene Thornhill on both show days.

**Junior Garden Cultivar** – best exhibit in classes 62 and 63 on Saturday and classes 123 and 124 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Becky Collins of Heritage House, Inc. on both show days.

**Junior Flora Award** – best exhibit in class 64 on Saturday and class 125 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Linda and Glenn Rehmert on both show days.

**Junior Garden Grower Award** – best container grown pot in class 65 on Saturday will be sponsored by Butterflies Junior Garden Club.

**Junior Most Innovative Award** – best culinary creation in class 126 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Tiffany Stebbins.

**Junior Showcase Award** – best exhibit in class 66 on Saturday and class 127 on Wednesday will be sponsored by Sue Bowman of HER Realty on both show days.

### **Saturday Entries**

#### **THEME - "BUCKET LIST"**

#### **SECTION 1 - ADULT ARTISTIC**

1. "Walk the Great Wall of China" – Stretch design, background provided 45" x 45".
2. "Snorkeling at the Great Barrier Reef" – Creative, Underwater design.
3. "Party on Bourbon Street" – Creative, Designer's choice.
4. "A Walk Through a Japanese Garden" – Oriental design, one row form front view from the Ohara School of Ikebana.

5. "Tournament of Roses Parade" – Traditional design.
6. "Hula in Hawaii" – Designer's choice.
7. "Breakfast in Bed" – Breakfast tray for one.
8. "Touring Micro Breweries" – Miniature design, 5" and under in any dimension.
9. "Bubbles in the Fountain" – Small design, 5" but less than 12" in any dimension.

### HORTICULTURAL DIVISION Saturday's Entries

ROSE SHOW SPECIMEN. Stem length should be in proportion to the size of the bloom. Foliage should be adequate in size for the stem and bloom - at least 2 sets of 5 leaflets. Any stem on stem will be disqualified. Roses will be judged at the most nearly perfect phase of their possible beauty, usually 1/2 to 3/4 open unless otherwise specified.

#### SECTION 2 - ADULT HORTICULTURE

10. Hybrid Tea Rose, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached.
11. Hybrid Tea Rose, named, full-blown, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached, centers must show.
12. Floribunda & Polyantha, named, one spray, any color, naturally grown, foliage attached.
13. Grandiflora, named, one spray or one disbudded bloom, any color, foliage attached.
14. Climbers, David Austin English Roses, Old Garden Roses, and/or Landscape Roses, named, one spray or one disbudded bloom, any color, foliage attached.
15. Knock Out roses, named, one spray or one disbudded bloom, any color, foliage attached.
16. Any new variety for year 2016 – 2017 for classes 10 through 15, named.
17. Fragrance class, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached. To be judged on fragrance, not form.
18. Standard Rose Bouquet, 3 different varieties, named, disbudded, foliage attached.
19. Miniature Rose, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached in water pick.
20. Miniature Rose, named, one spray, naturally grown, any color, foliage attached in water pick.
21. Miniature Rose, fragrance class, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached. To be judged on fragrance, not form.
22. Mini Flora Rose, named, any color, foliage attached.
  - a. One bloom, disbudded
  - b. One spray
23. Miniature Roses  
3 of a kind, uniform, named, one bloom per stem in exhibitor's own container.
24. Blooming Miniature Rose Bowl  
One miniature bloom, named, any color, floating in a container provided.

#### SECTION 3 – ANNUALS & PERENNIALS

(Exhibitor to furnish own clear glass container for large specimens)

**NOTE: EFFECTIVE IN 2014, THE FOLLOWING SPECIMENS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED AS CUT SPECIMENS: Geraniums, Geranium blooms, Canna blooms, Coreopsis, Petunias, Snapdragons, Impatiens, Pansies, Violas, Rose of Sharon, and any vine.**

25. Zinnias, dwarf, named, one bloom, any color, any variety, 2 sets of attached leaves.
26. Zinnias, bi-color, named, one bloom, any color, any variety, 2 sets of attached leaves.
27. Zinnias, pompon, named, two blooms, any color, 2 sets of attached leaves. **Not under one inch in diameter.**
28. Zinnias, medium size, named, one bloom, any color, 2 sets of attached leaves.
29. Zinnias, Giant flowered Dahlia type, named, one bloom, any color, 2 sets of attached leaves.
30. Zinnias, Cactus type, named, one bloom, any color, 2 sets of attached leaves.
31. Gladiolus, named, one stem, disbudded, with or without marking.  
One spike to be 1/3 stem, 2/3 flowerhead.
32. Rudbeckia, named, one bloom, disbudded, any variety, foliage attached.

33. Sunflowers, named, **not to exceed 7"**.
  - a. Yellow
  - b. Bi-Color
  - c. Any other color
34. Buddleia Butterfly Bush, named, one stem, disbudded, any color.
35. Dahlia, disbudded, foliage attached.
  - a. Decorative, named, one bloom, any color
  - b. Cactus, named, one bloom, any color
  - c. Ball, named, one bloom, any color
36. Hosta, named, one leaf, any color. **Mature Exhibits only.**  
**Each leaf is to be measured at its widest width.**
  - a. Miniature – Less than 2" at widest width (may be displayed in a water pick)
  - b. Small – 2" – 3" at widest width
  - c. Medium – 3" – 5" at widest width
  - d. Large – over 5" at widest width
  - e. Giant – over 9" at widest width
37. Elephant Ear – Named, one leaf. Exhibitor must furnish own container for large exhibits (container must be weighted). Not to exceed 24" in **leaf** length.
38. Herbs Culinary, three different varieties, named, in one vase.
39. "Freaked by Nature" – Named, one stem. Flower exhibits that have been fasciated or distorted by nature. Can be with or without foliage.
40. Annuals, named, foliage attached any variety not listed in either show schedule. Please see note of unacceptable specimens.
  - a. One round form, disbudded
  - b. One spray
  - c. One spike
  - d. Any new 2017 variety
41. Perennials, named, foliage attached, any cultivated variety not listed in either show schedule. Please see note of unacceptable specimens.
  - a. One round form, disbudded
  - b. One spray
  - c. One spike
  - d. Any new 2017 variety

#### **SECTION 4 - POTTED PLANTS (Mature Exhibits only)**

**NOTE: Pot not to exceed 12" in diameter (inside dimension)**

42. Succulents, Named, Miniature, one variety. Container to be 6" and under in any dimension.
43. Succulents, Named, one large variety.
44. Succulents, 3 or more varieties, named.
45. Begonias, named.
46. Blooming Container Plants, single variety, named.

#### **SECTION 5 - HANGING BASKETS**

**NOTE: Pot not to exceed 12" in diameter (inside dimension)**

47. Begonias, named.
48. Spider Plant
49. Blooming Plants, single variety, named.
50. Wandering Jew

#### **SECTION 6 - JUNIOR ARTISTIC**

51. "College Bound"– Alfresco tailgate with accessories. Limit 4. **Special class**
52. "New York, New York" – Creative design, Black and White. Background 30" W x 40" H.  
Limit 4. **Special class**

53. "Cancer Awareness" – Fresh design, color will depict a different cancer, listed on a 3" x 5" card.
- Ages 6 – 11
  - Ages 12 – 18
54. "That Special Occasion" – Lantern centerpiece using designer's choice of materials.
- Ages 6 – 11
  - Ages 12 – 18
55. "Keeper of the Garden" – Bowling bowl yard art. To be judged on creativity
- Ages 6 – 11
  - Ages 12 – 18

### SECTION 7 - JUNIOR HORTICULTURE

**NOTE: EFFECTIVE IN 2014, THE FOLLOWING SPECIMENS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED AS CUT SPECIMENS: Geraniums, Geranium blooms, Canna blooms, Coreopsis, Petunias, Snapdragons, Impatiens, Pansies, Violas, Rose of Sharon, and any vine.**

56. Rose, Miniature, named, any color, foliage attached.
- One disbudded bloom
  - One spray
57. Knock Out roses, named, one spray or one disbudded bloom, any color, foliage attached.
58. Rose, Hybrid Tea, Grandiflora, Floribunda, etc, named, one disbudded bloom or one spray, any color, any variety, foliage attached.
59. Any new 2017 plant variety.
60. Zinnias, pompon, named, two blooms, disbudded, any color, 2 sets of attached leaves.  
**Not under one inch in diameter.**
61. Zinnia, Medium to Large flowered, named, one bloom, disbudded, any color, 2 two sets of attached leaves.
62. Sunflower, named, one stem, any color, disbudded. **NOT TO EXCEED 7"**.
63. Hosta, named, one leaf, any color. **Mature Exhibits only.**  
**Each leaf is to be measured at its widest width.**
- Miniature – Less than 2" at widest width (may be displayed in a water pick)
  - Small – 2" – 3" at widest width
  - Medium – 3" – 5" at widest width
  - Large – over 5" at widest width
  - Giant – over 9" at widest width
64. Annuals and perennials, named, any variety not listed in either show schedule. Please see note of unacceptable specimens.
- One round form, disbudded
  - One spray
  - One spike
65. Container Grown Plants
- Annuals/Perennials – 3 or more varieties, named.
  - Succulents – 3 or more varieties, named.
66. Vertical Garden – Freestanding, any plant material. **Special Class.**

### SECTION 8 - INVITATIONAL

67. Invitational created by members of the Wildflower Garden Club.

### SECTION 9 - ADULT EDUCATION

68. "Frisly Fronds"

Cathy Detrick

### Wednesday Entries THEME - "BUCKET LIST"

### SECTION 10 - ADULT ARTISTIC

69. "Travel the Mississippi River" – Fantasy Flow design, background provided 45"x 45".

70. "Visit the Pyramids" – Creative, Angular design.
71. "Gambling in Vegas" – Creative, Designer's choice.
72. "Climbing Mount Fuji" – Oriental, Freestyle from the Ohara School of Ikebana.
73. "Touring Napa Valley Vineyards" – Traditional design, incorporating fruit.
74. "Safari in the Serengeti" – Dried design, designer's choice.
75. "Traveling with American Pickers" – Traditional, Medium design, background provided 30" x 40".
76. "Live in a Tiny House" – Miniature design, 5" and under in any dimension.
77. "On the Beach at Seychelles Island" – Small design, 5" but less than 12" in any dimension.

### HORTICULTURAL DIVISION Wednesday's Entries

ROSE SHOW SPECIMEN. Stem length should be in proportion to the size of the bloom. Foliage should be adequate in size for the stem and bloom - at least 2 sets of 5 leaflets. Any stem on stem will be disqualified. Roses will be judged at the most nearly perfect phase of their possible beauty, usually 1/2 to 3/4 open unless otherwise specified.

#### SECTION 11 - ADULT HORTICULTURE

78. Hybrid Tea Rose, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached.
79. Hybrid Tea Rose, named, full-blown, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached, centers must show.
80. Floribunda & Polyantha, named, one spray, any color, naturally grown, foliage attached.
81. Grandiflora, named, one spray or one disbudded bloom, any color, foliage attached.
82. Climbers, David Austin English Roses, Old Garden Roses, and/or Landscape Roses, named, one spray or one disbudded bloom, any color, foliage attached.
83. Knock Out Roses, named, one spray or one disbudded bloom, any color, foliage attached
84. Any new variety for year 2016 – 2017 for classes 78 through 83, named.
85. Fragrance Class, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached. To be judged on fragrance, not form.
86. Standard Rose Bouquet, 3 different varieties, named, disbudded, foliage attached.
87. Miniature Rose, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached in water pick.
88. Miniature Rose, named, one spray, naturally grown, any color, foliage attached in water pick.
89. Miniature Rose, fragrance class, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached  
To be judged on fragrance, not form
90. Mini Flora Rose, named, any color, foliage attached.
  - a. One bloom, disbudded
  - b. One spray
91. Miniature Roses  
3 of a kind, uniform, named, one bloom per stem in exhibitor's own container.
92. Blooming Miniature Rose Bowl  
One miniature bloom, named, any color, floating in a container provided.

#### SECTION 12 – ANNUALS & PERENNIALS

(Exhibitor to furnish own clear glass container for large specimens)

**NOTE: EFFECTIVE IN 2014, THE FOLLOWING SPECIMENS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED AS CUT SPECIMENS: Geraniums, Geranium blooms, Canna blooms, Coreopsis, Petunias, Snapdragons, Impatiens, Pansies, Violas, Rose of Sharon, and any vine.**

93. Coleus, named, any variety, naturally grown. **Bloom and/or seed head must be removed.**
94. Caladiums, named, any color, one stem large variety. **Mature exhibits only.**
95. Celosia, named, one stalk, any color, foliage attached.
  - a. Plumed, naturally grown
  - b. Crested, disbudded



- c. Wheat celosia
  - d. Any color over 8", measured from end to end, foliage optional. Exhibitor must provide own container and it must be weighed.
96. Everlastings, fresh naturally grown.
- a. Globe Amaranth, one spray, any color
  - b. Globe Amaranth, two blooms, any color
  - c. Statice, one spray, any color
  - d. Artemisia, named
  - e. Russian Sage
  - f. Any other named everlasting
97. Marigolds, dwarf, named, two blooms, any color, foliage attached.
- a. Single
  - b. Double
98. Marigolds, large flowered, named, one bloom, any color, disbudded, foliage attached.
99. Ornamental Grasses, named, any variety, naturally grown.  
Mature Exhibits only. **Not to be over 36" in height.**
- a. Small grasses, 3 stems (same grass) in one container (including Carex, Helictotirch, Imperata, etc.).
  - b. Medium grasses, 3 stems (small grass) in one container (including Chasmenthium, Elymus, Panicum, Pennesitum, etc.).
  - c. Large grasses, 1 stem in one container (including Arundo, Erianthus, Miscanthus, Ornamental Corn, etc.).
  - d. Grass like cultivars – Small, 3 stems (rushes, sedges, unusual cultivars).
  - e. Grass like culitvars – Large, 1 stem (Cyperus Papyrus, Cyperus altermifolius, unusual cultivars)
100. "Freaked by Nature" – Named, one stem. Flower exhibits that have been fascinated or distorted by nature. Can be with or without foliage.
101. Any flower grown from a bulb, tuber, corm, or rhizome not listed anywhere else in the schedule, foliage not required. (Ex. Calla Lily, Gerber Daisy, etc.)
102. Annuals, named, foliage attached, any variety not listed in either show schedule. Please see note of unacceptable specimens
- a. One round form, disbudded
  - b. One spray
  - c. One spike
  - d. Any new 2017 variety
103. Perennials, named, foliage attached, any cultivated variety not listed in either show schedule. Please see note of unacceptable specimens.
- a. One round form, disbudded
  - b. One spray
  - c. One spike
  - d. Any new 2017 variety

### SECTION 13 - POTTED PLANTS (Mature Exhibits Only)

**NOTE: Pot not to exceed 12" in diameter (inside dimension)**

104. Potted Table Ferns. Ex. Button, Maidenhair, Fluffy Ruffles (**NO** Boston Fern or Kimberly Queen).
105. Any other Ferns. Ex. Kimberly Queen, Staghorn, etc. (**NO** Boston Fern or Macho Fern)
106. Fairy Garden – Plants named. **Not to exceed 24" overall.**
107. Vertical Gardens – Named. To be free standing. **Not to exceed 24" overall.**
108. Scented Geraniums, named.
109. Any foliage plant.

### SECTION 14 - HANGING BASKETS

**NOTE: Pot not to exceed 12" in diameter (inside dimension)**

- 110. Boston Ferns
- 111. Any other ferns
- 112. All green foliage plant

**SECTION 15 - JUNIOR ARTISTIC**

113. "Overnight at the Cabin in the Woods" – Alfresco tailgate with accessories. Limit 4.  
**Special class.**
114. "Breakfast with Mickey at Disney" – Exhibitional Table Picture, Type 2. Background 30" W x 40" H. Limit 4. **Special class.**
115. "Baking with Grandma" – Still life design.  
a. Ages 6 – 11  
b. Ages 12 – 18
116. "Sanibel Island" – 11" x 14" Art Canvas incorporating seashells.  
a. Ages 6 – 11  
b. Ages 12 – 18
117. "Magnolia Market – Fixer Upper" – Decorated 12" x 20" shutter using designer's choice of materials.  
a. Ages 6 – 11  
b. Ages 12 – 18

**SECTION 16 - JUNIOR HORTICULTURE**

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118. Rose, Miniature, named, any color, foliage attached.  
a. One bloom, disbudded  
b. One spray
119. Knock Out Roses, named, one spray or one disbudded bloom, any color, foliage attached.
120. Rose, Hybrid Tea, Grandiflora, Floribunda, etc, named, one disbudded bloom or one spray, any color, any variety, foliage attached.
121. Any new 2017 plant variety.
122. Coleus, named, any variety, naturally grown. **Bloom and/or seed head must be removed.**
123. Herbs Culinary, three different varieties, named, in one vase.
124. Ornamental Grasses, named, any variety, naturally grown.  
**Mature Exhibits only. Not to be over 36" in height.**  
a. Small grasses, 3 stems (same grass) in one container (including Carex, Helictotirch, Imperata, etc.).  
b. Medium grasses, 3 stems (small grass) in one container (including Chasmenthium, Elymus, Panicum, Pennesitum, etc.).  
c. Large grasses, 1 stem in one container (including Arundo, Erianthus, Miscanthus, Ornamental Corn, etc.).  
d. Grass like cultivars – Small, 3 stems (rushes, sedges, unusual cultivars).  
e. Grass like cultivars – Large, 1 stem (Cyperus Papyrus, Cyperus alternifolius, unusual cultivars)
125. Annuals and perennials, named, any variety not listed in either show schedule. Please see note of unacceptable specimens.  
a. One round form, disbudded  
b. One spray  
c. One spike
126. Edible Creations – People and/or animals crafted from vegetables and/or fruit.
127. Hens & Chicks Container Garden in a recycled/salvaged container. **Special Class.**

**SECTION 17 - INVITATIONAL**

128. Invitational created by members of the Wildflower Garden Club.

**SECTION 18 - ADULT EDUCATION**

129. "Frilly Fronds"

Cathy Detrick

## HISTORY OF THE DARKE COUNTY FAIR FLOWER SHOWS

The first garden club involvement in a fair flower show (as listed in the Darke County Fair Premium Books) occurred in the year of 1952. The next year a theme was chosen with a chairman from the garden clubs in charge. Artistic flower arrangements were added to the schedule with a growing list of horticulture in 1953.

The flower department has seen seven fair board superintendents in sixty five years. Harold Snider, Gilbert Lease, Ed Buchy, Doyle Greenhoff, Darryl Mehaffie, Bill Rhoades, Dave Niley and Ed Erisman.

Flower Shows began in the current Fine Arts building with one show being held on Tuesday. In 1958 it became two flower shows held on the first Saturday of the fair and the following Wednesday. The flower show of 1954 earned the prestigious honor from The Ohio Association of Garden Clubs, Inc. as Best County Fair Flower Show in the state of Ohio. The garden club members over the years have worked hard to keep this honor and have obtained it numerous times throughout the years. Having outgrown half of the Fine Arts building, the flower department was moved to the northeast section of the basement of the coliseum in the middle '50's. Educational programs were started in 1957, "in front of bleachers and over a loud speaker system" on perennial culture, films on trees, rose culture, violet culture and flower arranging which has continued in some form since. After the southeast area of the coliseum basement became available the flower department was expanded to the present east half of the coliseum basement. The exhibitors of the flower shows have always been open to Darke County residents or members of the Darke County Association of Garden Clubs.

Over the years, many garden clubs have helped in staging the flower shows; Green Thumb, Redbud, Petal Pushers, Sunny Hours, Wayne Trail, Cardinal, Chatter. Arcanum and Versailles Garden Clubs, Treaty Towne African Violet, Ladybug, Wildflower, Sun and Fun, Woodland Trails, Sunburst, Toadstools, Dew Drops, Nightingale, Garden Girls, and the Butterflies Junior Garden Club. Of the clubs listed, only two adult clubs and one junior club are currently active.

In 2016, the flower department had the following number of entries received: On Saturday, (adult) 51 artistic arrangements, 763 horticulture exhibits and Juniors, 56 artistic arrangements with 266 horticulture exhibits. On Wednesday, the adults had 49 artistic arrangements and 681 horticulture exhibits, while the Juniors had 53 artistic arrangements and 324 horticulture exhibits.

In summary, in the past sixty-five years, the Darke County Agriculture Society and exhibitors have shown support to make the Darke County Fair Flower Show as successful as it has been every year and plans are in place to continue the effort to be recognized as one of the top fair flower shows in the State of Ohio.

## DARKE COUNTY FLOWER SHOW THEME 1952-2016

- 1952 - No Theme given - Harold Snider Superintendent
- 1953 - "Ohio Sesqui-Centennial" - Mrs. Charles Bostelman, Redbud G.C., Chairman, no superintendent listed
- 1954 - "Flowers for Your Pleasure" - Mrs. Aaron Shepherd, Green Thumb G.C., Chairman, Gilbert Lease - Superintendent 1954-1961
- 1955 - "In the Good Old Summertime" - Mrs. Frank Sheffer, Redbud G.C., Chairman
- 1956 - Remember When\_\_\_\_? - Mrs. Gene Shields, Green Thumb G.C. and Mrs. Walter Rhynard, Wayne Trail - G.C., Chairmen
- 1957 - "Make Mine Country Style" - Mrs. William Brooks, Green Thumb G.C., Chairman
- 1958 - "There's No Place Like Darke County" - Mrs. Harley Christian, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairman
- 1959 - "Each Season is a Treasured Time" - Mrs. Frank Bailey, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairman
- 1960 - "Salute to Gardeners" - Mrs. Charles Herman, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairman
- 1961 - "Through the Garden Gate" - Mrs. Wallace Kimmel, Redbud G.C., Chairman
- 1962 - "Milestones" - Mrs. Glen Wills, Green Thumb G.C., Chairman, Ed Buchy Superintendent 1962-1974
- 1963 - "Beauty is Where You Find It" - Mrs. Galen Oakes, Petal Pushers G.C., Chairman
- 1964 - "Vacation Memories" - Mrs. Gene Shields, Green Thumb G.C., Chairman
- 1965 - "Darke County is the Garden Spot of The World" - Mrs. William Brooks, Green Thumb G.C., Chairman
- 1966 - "Medley of The Flowers" - Mrs. J.A. Crouse, Arcanum Garden Club, Chairman
- 1967 - "A Day In The Garden" - Mrs. Harry Kerns, Sunny Hours G.C., Chairman
- 1968 - "Living In God's Garden" - Mrs. Paul Rhoades, Versailles G.C. Chairman
- 1969 - "Come Catch A Rainbow" - Mrs. D.H. Shiverdecker, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairman
- 1970 - "Time To Remember" - Mrs. Dale Cromwell, Arcanum G.C., Chairman
- 1971 - "You've Come A Long Way, Baby, Show Your Bloomers" - Mrs. Louis Perreira, Green Thumb G.C., Chairman
- 1972 - "American Heritage" - Mrs. Frank Sheffer, Redbud G.C., Chairman
- 1973 - "Recycling" - Mrs. James Sink, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairman
- 1974 - "Our Town" - No name listed, Green Thumb Chair Club
- 1975 - "Festivals USA" - Velma Marshall, Redbud G.C., Chairman - Doyle Greenoff Superintendent 1975 - 1981
- 1976 - "Reminiscent" - Lura Rhynard, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairman
- 1977 - "Rhapsody in Color" - Judy Burns, Wildflower G.C., Chairman
- 1978 - "The Time of Your Life" - Illah Sink and Charlene Thornhill, Ladybug G.C., Chairpersons
- 1979 - "Season's Splendor" - Ruth Henry, Woodland Trail G.C., Chairperson
- 1980 - "Bloom Where You Are Planted" - Marcia Rhoades, Green Thumb G.C., Chairperson
- 1981 - "At Home in Darke County" - Treva Klipstine and Mary Helen Coppess, Redbud G.C., Chairpersons, Darryl Mehaffie Superintendent - 1981-1985; 1987 - present
- 1982 - "A Mini Trip To \_\_\_" - Treva Klipstine and Mary Coppess, Redbud G.C., Chairpersons
- 1983 - "Mother Nature's Charm" - Gladys Welbourn and Geraldine Threewits, Sun and Fun G.C., Chairpersons
- 1984 - "Yesterday's Music" - Gladys Welbourn and Geraldine Threewits, Sun and Fun G.C. Chairpersons
- 1986 - "Cotton Patch Treasurers" - Eleanor Shepherd and Marcella Sewell, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairpersons, Bill Rhoades Superintendent 1986
- 1987 - "Hometown USA" - Judy Burns and Martha Singleman, Wildflower G.C., Chairpersons
- 1988 - "Around the World in Color" - Judy Burns and Martha Singleman, Wildflower G.C., Chairpersons

- 1989 - "Ohio's Spectacles" - Carol Hosbrook and Larry Reed, Ladybug G.C., Chairpersons
- 1990 - "Scent-Sational" - Carol Hosbrook and Larry Reed, Ladybug G.C., Chairpersons
- 1991 - "Treasured Memories" - Mary Fields and Vicky Olwine, Redbud G.C., Chairpersons
- 1992 - "Cheers to Ameriflora '92" - Carol Hosbrook, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 1993 - "Summer Enchantment" - Gladys Welbourn and Geraldine Threewits, Sun and Fun G.C., Chairpersons
- 1994 - "Kaleidoscope of Color" - Gladys Welbourn and Geraldine Threewits, Sun and Fun G.C., Chairpersons
- 1995 - "Nature Is..." - Eleanor Shepherd and Marilyn Kissinger, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairpersons
- 1996 - "Let's Celebrate!" - Marilyn Kissinger and Vern Nealeigh, Wayne Trail G.C., Chairpersons
- 1997 - "Life Began In A Garden" - Martha Singleman and Brenda Grant, Wildflower G.C., Chairpersons
- 1998 - "Life's True Pleasures" - Martha Singleman and Brenda Grant, Wildflower G.C., Chairpersons
- 1999 - "Gardener's Delight" - Kim Cromwell and Charlene Thornhill, Ladybug G.C., Chairpersons
- 2000 - "Past - Present - Future" - Kim Cromwell and Charlene Thornhill, Ladybug G.C., Chairpersons
- 2001 - "Melodies of the Garden" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2002 - "America, The Beautiful" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2003 - "Ohio. . . So Much to Discover" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2004 - "Thanks for the Memories" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2005 - "Country Roads and City Lights" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2006 - "Celebrate! 150 Years and Growing" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2007 - "Games People Play" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2008 - "My Favorite Things" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson  
Dave Niley, Superintendent - 2008 - present
- 2009 - "Explore the USA" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2010 - "People, Places, and Celebrations" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2011 - "Give My Regards to Broadway" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2012 - "Diamond Jubilee" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2013 - "Our Glorious Earth" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2014 - "Serendipity" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2015 - "Garden Heaven" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson
- 2016 - "Weather or Not" - Kim Cromwell, Ladybug G.C., Chairperson