



Ontario Horticultural Association - District 5

2025 Annual General Meeting

Saturday April 26th, 2025

Flower Show rules



1. The show room is open at 7:00 am. All entries will be accepted between 7:00 and 9:00 am. Entries may be removed after 3:00 pm.
2. The competition is open to members of District 5 Societies. Each Society is allowed a maximum of two entries per horticultural class and one entry per design class. Design spaces must be reserved.
3. All entries will be judged according to Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards, 2nd ed. 2019. Refer to this guide for information.
4. The decision of the Judges and Show Chair are final.
5. **TAGS** Please ensure both sides are completed, including both your name and your society's name. Completing both sides is essential for accurate record keeping and points tallying.
6. Houseplants must have been grown by the exhibitor for at least 3 months prior to the show and be entered without a cachepot.
7. The exhibitor must supply containers for all horticultural exhibits. Inconspicuous wedging of cut specimens is permitted.
8. In design classes, only fresh or dried material may be used. Painted and/or artificially coloured plant material may be used unless stated otherwise in the schedule. No artificial plant material may be used.
9. Accessories are permitted with all designs. Wiring and taping of flowers is permitted if it does not show. Otherwise, points are deducted.
10. We reserve the right to change the class and/or section number on the entry tag if we find the entry is incorrectly entered.
11. Classes may be subdivided if deemed necessary.
12. Space allocation for designs is 24"/61cm wide and 24"/61cm deep.
13. Ribbons are awarded for all classes.
14. "Best in show" and "Judges' Choice" will be awarded in sections A, B/C, and D.
15. "District 5 Design Certificate" will be awarded to the Society with the highest points in design.
16. "District 5 Horticultural Certificate" will be awarded to the Society with the highest combined points in the Horticultural classes.
17. "Dave & Bev Money Certificate" will go to the Society with the highest combined points in Horticulture and Design.

Please contact Lucia Herwig at Lsherwig@gmail.com or 416-265-2329 to reserve your floral design entry space by Wednesday April 16th, indicating the class you are entering and your Society/Club.



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Division I: Horticultural

Section A Houseplants

Maximum pot size 8"/20 cm. No cachepots.

Class 1. Amaryllis – 1 cultivar, 1 pot

Class 2. Cactus – 1 cultivar, 1 pot

Class 3. Orchid - identify type and named if possible - 1 pot

Class 4. Pelargonium (Geranium) grown for flowers – 1 cultivar, 1 pot

Class 5. Saintpaulia (African Violet) - single crown, 1 cultivar, 1 pot

Class 6. Succulent (other than cactus) - 1 cultivar, 1 pot

Class 7. Any other Houseplant, grown for bloom or fruit - 1 cultivar, 1 pot

Class 8. Any other Houseplant, grown for foliage – 1 cultivar, 1 pot

Class 9. Any other houseplant not mentioned above - 1 pot

Class 10. Plant grown from a cutting propagated less than 12 months ago – 1 pot

Section B Cut Specimens

Class 11. Branch, flowering, forced or fresh cut, not to exceed 30"/76cm.

Class 12. Helleborus – 1 stem, named if possible.

Class 13. Any other herbaceous perennial – 1 bloom or stem

Section C Bulbs, Corms, Tubers, Rhizomes

Class 14. Chionodoxa (Glory of the snow) – 1 cultivar, 3 stems

Class 15. Crocus – 1 stem

Class 16. Eranthis hyemalis (Winter aconite) – 3 stems

Class 17. Fritillaria imperialis – 1 stem

Class 18. Muscari (Grape hyacinth) – 3 stems

Class 19. Hyacinth - 1 stem

Class 20. Iris reticulata (Netted iris) – 1 stem

Class 21. Narcissus, any variety – 1 scape

Class 22. Puschkinia – 1 cultivar, 3 stems

Class 23. Tulip, any variety – 1 stem, can have 0, 1 or 2 leaves

Class 24. Any other flowering bulb, corm, rhizome or tuber – 1 stem



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Division II: Design

Section D Design – Scarborough

- Class 25. A multicultural community – a small, pavé design
- Class 26. Golden Mile – a horizontal line design
- Class 27. Guild Park and Gardens – a design incorporating a sculptural element
- Class 28. Our farming heritage – a design incorporating vegetables
- Class 29. Scarborough Bluffs – a cascade design
- Class 30. Toronto Zoo - a design
- Class 31. Bomb girls (WW2 munitions) – a miniature design

DEFINITIONS

Small (OJES p. 150) A design from 14cm to 25.4 cm (5½" to 10") and which must not exceed 25.4 cm (10") in height, width, and depth, including any container, base and /or accessories.

Pavé (OJES p.147) A technique of placing groups of plant material that have been cut short close together to form undulating mounds of colours, textures, shapes and sizes. Any plant material, e.g. flowers, foliage, cut stems, fruits, vegetables, moss etc., may be used. In jewellery making pave is a term that refers to setting stones so close together that no metal shows.

Miniature (OJES p. 145) A design with maximum dimensions of no more than 12.7 cm (5") in height, width and depth including any container, base and/or accessories.

Cascade (OJES p.133) A curvilinear design featuring arched lines radiating from the insertion point found in the upper quadrant of the design. Emphasis is on the downward flow of plant material.