



4-H & FFA FLOWERS - PLANTS

JUNIOR, INTERMEDIATE, AND SEINIOR DIVISIONS

Awards sponsored by: Cattail River Garden Club, Heather Manges, Howard County EAC, In loving Memory of Janet Greisman, The Bower Family and The Bradley Family

Ribbon: Grand Champion; Champion Jr, Int. and Sr.; Champion Jr, Int. and Sr. Arrangement (Class 1-8); Champion Jr, Int, and Sr Potted Plants (Class 9–14); Champion Jr, Int., Sr. Specimen (Class 15-24); Champion Jr, Int. and Sr. Live Dahlia (Class 25-28)

Premiums: 4.00 3.50 3.00 2.50 2.00

Must be enrolled in Flower or Horticulture Project to exhibit in the department.

1. All rules from 4-H & FFA Department Rules apply.
2. All flowers and dahlias **must be grown by 4-H'er**, except for Classes 10, 11, and 12, where they may be purchased. Plants for pots and terrarium classes may be purchased individually, but must show evidence of establishment and cultivation by the 4-H'er.
3. All entries are to be ready for showing, i.e. in a clean container, fresh and free of insects and disease. Exhibits entered with insect infestation or disease will be disqualified and discarded or quarantined at the discretion of the department chairman and 4-H Staff to prevent contamination of other entries.
4. All exhibits must be securely inserted into their containers, and must be stable.
5. Entry tags must be securely tied with string, elastic string, or elastic bands to the bottle neck or container, or attached to a florist stick or craft stick and stuck firmly into the pot or arrangement. **Adhesive tape may NOT be used except on terrariums!**
6. Potted plants, dish gardens, herb pots and terrariums must have been planted in the displayed container by the 4-H'er at least 3 months prior to entry. Exhibits may not weigh more than 20 pounds. Please note size limits in individual classes. Suitability of containers in these classes will be considered by judges.
7. No facilities are available for hanging containers.
8. Potted plants, dish gardens, and herb pots may be entered only once; **different entries must be prepared for each year.**

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9. Exhibit specimens in classes 15 -28, excluding Class 23. All entries must be displayed in a CLEAR GLASS vase or GLASS LABEL FREE beverage bottle. Water bottles or bottles with peeling labels are not permitted. The department has a supply of display vases for gladioli or giant dahlias. Exhibitors are responsible for transferring their specimens to these vases. All specimens must have stems at least 3" long.

CLASSES:

1. Arrangement - Not under 3" and not over 6"
2. Arrangement - Not Under 6"
3. Dried Arrangement (home dried)
4. Arrangement of Artificial Flowers (purchased)
5. Corsages (fresh, purchased flowers) - Individual flower
6. Corsages (fresh, purchased flowers) - Spray type
7. Live Christmas Decoration or Arrangement
8. Arrangement with the most unusual container
9. Potted Plants (1 best specimen) - House Plant - Container not to exceed 10" in diameter or height.
10. Potted Plants - Begonia - Container not to exceed 10" diameter or height.
11. Potted Plants - African Violet - Container not to exceed 8" diameter.
12. Dish Garden (at least 3 plants) - Foliage house plant - Container not to exceed 12" diameter.
13. Dish Garden (at least 3 plants) - Cacti and/or succulents - Container not to exceed 12" diameter.
14. Terrarium (with cover or lid) Maximum size (10 gallons)
15. Specimens - Petunia (3 blooms)
16. Specimens - Marigold (3 blooms)
17. Specimens - Black-eye Susan (3 blooms)
18. Specimens - Gladiolus (1) in a tall stable vase or bottle
19. Specimens - Zinnia (1)
20. Specimens - Cockscomb (plume)
21. Specimens - Cockscomb (celosia)
22. Specimens (5 different annual/perennial combination in a glass soft drink bottle or stable glass container.
23. Specimen Potted Herb, specimens of 3 varieties planted in herb jar or pot. Maximum container diameter 9", not including side "ports".
24. Specimen - Rose - 1 bloom (Must be labeled with type, i.e. hybrid tea, floribunda, miniature, English, etc.

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25. Dahlia (in glass bottle) - Giant large or medium 6" or more in diameter, 1 bloom, must be disbudded (in glass container)
26. Dahlia (in glass soft drink bottle) - Medium 2-6" in diameter, 1 blooms, must be disbudded
27. Dahlia (in glass soft drink bottle) - Small 2" in diameter, 1 blooms, must be disbudded
28. Dahlia (in glass soft drink bottle) - Foliage (judged only when there is no bloom entered by exhibitor)