



FLORICULTURE

2021 Virtual Show

KEY DATES

Entries Close Date
Friday, April 23, 2021

Photos of entries emailed to:
entries@scfair.org
no later than
Friday, April 23, 2021

Entries Displayed Online
June 17-20, 2021

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The 2021 Floriculture Competition will be a virtual show. All entries will be online and exhibitors will be uploading photos at that time, rather than bringing them to the fair. All items will be judged from the photo provided. Entries will be viewed by the public on our website from June 17-20.

Exhibits in most Floriculture departments must be grown by the exhibitor within the county, except in classes for Arrangements, Amateur Gardens and Wheelbarrow Planting.

All classes are limited to residents of Solano County and the neighboring counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, Sacramento, Sonoma and Yolo unless specified in an individual division or class.

There are **NO** limits on the number of items an exhibitor may enter per class.

No exhibitor shall receive more than two cash awards in any one class using the American judging system.

CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS DEPT. 300

Entries Close: Friday, April 23

Entry Fee: \$2.00 per entry per class

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Judging System: American
1st through 3rd Ribbons per class

SPECIAL AWARDS
Best of Division
Rosette & \$25 Award
Best of Show
Rosette & \$50 Award

SPECIAL RULES & INFORMATION

1. All plant material must be grown by the exhibitor.
2. Potted plants and hanging baskets must be in the exhibitor's possession not less than 3 months.
3. All specimens should be correctly labeled. Specimen plants must be of

show quality in regards to maturity or show size, and in relation to their type.

4. Flowers and plant material should be well hardened and groomed.
5. Use of tin cans or aluminum foil wrapped containers is not acceptable. No accessories, artificial flowers, fillers, wiring or dressing are permitted.
6. Plants with visible insects or disease will be disqualified.

Score Card for Judging Container Grown Plants	
Cultural Perfection	30%
Size – according to variety	30%
Grooming	10%
Color, form, substance, or texture of bloom & or foliage	15%
Nomenclature botanic and common name identification	15%
TOTAL	100%

DIVISION 301 – CONTAINER PLANTS

Class

1. Flowering Plants (Must be in bloom)
2. Topiary
3. Foliage
4. Hanging Foliage
5. Ferns & Ornamental Asparagus
6. Produce Plants (Vegetables)
7. Cacti
8. Succulents
9. Any Other Not Listed

RULES FOR PLANTERS

1. Species **must be growing in planters**, not in pots set in planters.
2. Each planter must contain three or more different varieties of plants.
3. No figurines or ceramic animals allowed.
4. Planters will be judged on their design, condition, and the compatibility of plants with the light and moisture requirements.

DIVISION 310 – PLANTERS

Class

1. Dish Garden (*uncovered*) not to exceed 10" in diameter
2. Terrarium (*covered*) not to exceed 10" in diameter
3. Bonsai (*Small - Six (6) to eighteen (18) inches high or wide*)
4. Bonsai (*Large - Over (18) inches high or wide*)
5. Window Boxes (*No to exceed – Length – 24 inches, width – 8 inches and height – 7 inches*)

ARRANGEMENTS DEPT. 301

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Judging System: American
1st through 3rd Ribbons per class

SPECIAL AWARDS
Best of Division
Rosette & \$25 Award
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SPECIAL RULES & INFORMATION

1. Material used need not be grown by exhibitor.
2. All Local and State rules are applicable.
3. Bases and mats permitted with all exhibits and accessories permitted in all classes unless otherwise stated.
4. Plant material on the State Conservation list may not be exhibited.
5. All entries must contain fresh plant material, unless otherwise specified. Fresh plant material includes flowers, foliage, branches, fruits, vegetables and succulents.
 - Fresh plant material must not be sprayed, dyed, painted, etc.
 - Fruits and vegetables must not be cut open.
6. Dried materials may be treated (e.g., sprayed, waxed, painted, dyed, etc.) **Imitation or artificial plant materials (including silk flowers) will not be permitted unless otherwise specified.**
7. In Advanced and Masters Divisions, exhibitors desiring special background must provide support for same.
8. No arrangements to occupy more than approximately 2 feet of table space, except horizontal classes.
9. Flowers and plant materials should be well conditioned and groomed.
10. Few requirements are given in order to allow full scope of imagination.

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11. Titles for each class are simply to stimulate your imagination and should not be taken literally.
12. Use of clay or other sticky materials to anchor any portion of a design to shelves or table shall cancel any award made. **All constructions and backgrounds must be self-supporting.**

13. DIVISION CATEGORIES

- **NOVICE:** Person who has won less than 10 blue ribbons in any organized flower show. **A novice may enter Novice, Amateur, or Advanced divisions.**
- **AMATEUR:** Person who has won 10 to 15 blue ribbons in any organized flower show, and is not, or has not been engaged in flower arranging as a teacher or lecturer, or operated as a commercial enterprise. **An amateur may enter Amateur or Advanced divisions.**
- **ADVANCED:** An amateur who has won more than 15 blue ribbons may enter Advanced or Masters Divisions.
- **MASTER'S DIVISION:** Open to advanced arrangers, student judges, accredited judges, instructors and lecturers.
- **PROFESSIONAL FLORIST:** Open to persons or organizations conducting an established business or allied with a florist.

DIVISION 315 – NOVICE / AMATEUR

Class

1. **Solano Fair is on the Air** – Designer's Interpretation. Colorful fresh flowers in arrangement.
2. **Picnic** – Floral design incorporating the use of a small to medium lunch box or picnic basket.

DIVISION 316 – ADVANCED

Class

1. **Solano Fair is on the Air** – Designer's Interpretation. Colorful fresh flowers in arrangement
2. **Wine Country** – Topiary – red, purple, and orange flowers – wood or dry vine for line.

DIVISION 317 – MASTERS

Class

1. **Bountiful Harvest** – Floral design incorporating the use of a small to medium lunch box or picnic basket.
2. **Sunny** – Vertical design using gold and glitter.

DIVISION 318 – PROFESSIONAL FLORIST

Class

1. **Color Magic** – Expressive design, very bold and strong, designer's complete choice on materials and accessories.

DIVISION 319 – OPEN CLASS MINIATURES

Open to all

Class

1. **Summertime** – A miniature not to exceed 5 inches in height or width for plant material and a smaller vase.

DIVISION 320 – DESIGNER'S CHALLENGE

Open to All

Class

1. **Carnival** (Spectacular)
Complete choice and freedom of choice of materials and accessories – 5 inches or taller.

BOUQUETS TO ART

DEPT. 302

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Judging System: American
1st through 3rd Ribbons per class

SPECIAL AWARD
Best of Show
Rosette & \$50 Award

SPECIAL RULES & INFORMATION

1. Create an arrangement to complement an art piece.
2. Artwork must be in a table top stand frame, no larger than 8 ½ x 11 inches.
3. Artwork may be a photo of a master artist's work or an original.
4. The arrangement should complement the art piece.
5. Fresh flowers, foliage, fruit, dry materials and prop accessories may be used. No artificial or silk flowers or foliage.

6. Arrangements will be displayed next to artwork and be judged on the artistic and creative relationship of the Bouquet to Art.
7. Refer to DeYoung Museum "Bouquets to Art" for Inspiration.

DIVISION 321 – BOUQUETS TO ART

Class

1. **Bouquets to Art**



CUT FLOWERS

DEPT. 303

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1st through 3rd Ribbons per class

SPECIAL AWARDS
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Rosette & \$25 Award
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SPECIAL RULES & INFORMATION

1. All plant material must be grown by the exhibitor.
2. Flowers and plant material should be well hardened and groomed.
3. Leaves which will be below water must be removed.
4. Containers for photo will be furnished by the exhibitor. Use of bottles, fruit jars, tin cans, or aluminum foil wrapped containers are forbidden.

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- Only one person in a household may enter any class.
- Plants with visible insects or disease will be disqualified.

Glossary

ANNUAL – A plant that completes its outdoor cycle of growth in one year.

BIENNIAL – A plant that normally completes its outdoor cycle of growth in two years.

PERENNIAL – A plant that lives, blooms, and seeds for more than two years. Trees and shrubs are hard wooded perennials.

HERBACEOUS PERENNIALS – A plant that lives longer than two years but which in colder climates dies back to the ground each winter.

SPIKE – A flower structure with flowers, no stem or very short stemmed, on a common lengthened stalk. Example: Gladiolus.

SPRAY – Portion of a plant with a number of flowers on one stem. Example: Cosmos and Salpiglossis.

STEM – The main ascending part of a plant. Example: Tea Rose, Carnation.

STALK – A stiff stem which may or may not branch, and with one or more flowers and buds. Example: Tall Bearded Iris.

BLOOM – Individual flowers, one blossom on a stem. Example: Exhibition Dahlias, Carnations, Roses (all disbudded).

SPECIMEN – A single plant, bloom, spike, spray, stalk or stem.

DIVISION 335 – ANNUALS

Class

- Asters – 1 spray
- Impatiens – 3 sprays
- Love in the Mist, Color – 3 spikes, Nigella Domascena
- Pansies, Any Variety – 5 blooms
- Any Other Annual (*identify*)

DIVISION 336 – PERENNIALS

Class

- Daisy – 3 stems
- Dianthus – any 3 stems
- Geranium, Any Color – 3 stems
- Hydrangea
- Any Other Perennial (*identify*)

DIVISION 337 – MINIATURE ROSES

1 stem/spray

Should not be shown disbudded

Class

- Single Bloom Miniature Rose
- Multi Bloom/Sprays Miniature Rose

DIVISION 338 – ROSES

Should not be shown disbudded

Class

- Climber and Rambler Rose
- Floribunda Rose
- Grandiflora Rose
- Hybrid Tea Rose
- Old Garden Rose

DIVISION 339 – HERBS

All must be named

Class

- Herbs – 1 spray each

DIVISION 340 – BULBS, CORMS, TUBERS

Class

- Agapanthus – 1 stalk
- Canna – 1 spike
- Dahlia - 3 blooms
- Day Lily – 1 stalk
- Any Other (*identify*)

DIVISION 341 – FLOWERING SHRUBS & VINES

All must be named

Class

- Shrub, Tree or Vine – one branch in bloom, not over 20 inches

Score Card for Judging Cut Flowers

Cultural Perfection	30%
Form, color substance, abundance of bloom	20%
Size, according to species / variety	10%
Foliage and Stem	10%
Condition	15%
Distinction of species / variety	15%
TOTAL	100%



WHEELBARROW PLANTING (New & Old Wheelbarrows) DEPT. 305

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SPECIAL AWARDS
Best of Show
Rosette & \$50 Award

SPECIAL RULES & INFORMATION

- Material used need not be grown by exhibitor.
- Exhibitor provides their own wheelbarrow.
- No commercial signs in wheelbarrow.
- All flowering material and shrubs must be growing; no cut material allowed.
- All wheelbarrows need to use a tree or trellis or something for height.
- Open to any regular non-commercial organization or individual.
- Actual arrangement is more important than extra props used.

DIVISION 374 – WHEELBARROW PLANTING

Class

- Fair Theme – “Solano Fair is on the Air”

YOUTH HORTICULTURE

Youth Horticulture is located in the Youth Solano Living section of the Guidebook.