

FLORICULTURE**Entry Fees**

Per Potted Plant	\$ 5.00
Per Herb	\$ 5.00
Per Arrangement	\$ 5.00
Cut Flowers	\$2.00/flower

Age Groups

JUNIOR	13 years of age and younger
YOUTH	14-18 years of age
OPEN	19 years of age and older

I. Schedule

- A. **Location** - Drop-off and pick up (Receiving) will be located in the Creative Arts Building.)
- B. **Entry form and fee deadline** - Wednesday, July 17, 2024, by 4:00 p.m.
- C. **Online Only entry deadline** - Monday, August 5, 2024 by midnight
- D. **Drop-off (Receiving)** - Wednesday, August 21, 2024, 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- E. **Judging** - Closed to the public
- F. **Judging Results** - Judging results will be posted online, on Monday, August 26th at 5:00 p.m. Results will not be given before this time/date.
- G. **Pick up (Release)** - Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

II. Entry Requirements (these requirements are in addition to the *2024 Colorado State Fair General Competition Requirements* as well as the *General Entry/Fine Arts 2024 Competition & Entry Requirements*)

- A. One entry per class unless otherwise specified.
- B. All entries in the Floriculture Department must have been grown by the exhibitor or have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least three months.
- C. A saucer must accompany all potted plants.
- D. Premiums are awarded based on the condition of the plant, not the size, and are awarded at the Judge's discretion.
- E. All items in the Department are judged the same day they are received. Efforts will be made to water the entry.

III. FLORICULTURE DIVISIONS AND CLASSES**Artistic Arrangements****Division 0091**

Classes 0001 – 0007

The exhibitor need not grow flowers that will be used in arrangements. All accessories are used at the exhibitor's risk. Silk, dried, or fresh flowers may be used to create all flower arrangements.

Premiums

1st – \$15.00 2nd – \$10.00 3rd – \$5.00

Best of Show Rosette from Colorado State Fair Authority in each group

Classes

0001. *Colorado Natives* - Any arrangement using Colorado's natural plants in an appropriate container. No size limit.
0002. *Themed "The Colorful Colorado State Fair"* - Create an arrangement showcasing the theme "The Colorado State Fair". Your arrangement can include silk, dried, or fresh flowers. Any add-ons are welcome. Use any container. No size limit.
0003. *Colorado's Agriculture* - Any arrangement using silk and/or fresh flowers and greenery that reflects the importance of agriculture in our state using an appropriate container. No size limit.
0004. *Fairyland* - Use a piece of driftwood for your container. Driftwood should be no larger than 2' x 2'. Create a magical scene that mesmerizes, incorporating silk, dried, or fresh flowers, and any other "fairy" items.
0005. *Mason Jar* - Creatively arrange your flowers (real or artificial) in a mason jar (any size or color mason jar).
0006. *Carnival* - Create a carnival-inspired arrangement using silk and/or fresh flowers and greenery. Use an appropriate container. No size limit.
0007. *Keep It Simple* - An arrangement not over 5 inches tall or 5 inches wide in a container of your choice, all dried and/or treated plant material; no plastic or silk plant material; no accessories.

Potted Plants

Division 0092

Classes 0051 - 0078

Premiums

1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$10.00 3rd - \$5.00

Best of Show Rosette from Colorado State Fair Authority in each group

Classes

- | | |
|--|---|
| 0051. Begonia, flowering (tuberous) | 0063. Hoya |
| 0052. Begonia, flowering (fibrous) | 0064. Euphorbia |
| 0053. Coleus | 0065. Arrow Head |
| 0054. Spathiphyllum (Peace Lily) | 0066. Jade |
| 0055. Sansevieria (any type) | 0067. Cactus |
| 0056. Ivy, any plant having Ivy as part of
common name (name variety) | 0068. Succulent, plant, any other, label
variety |
| 0057. African Violet | 0069. Flowering, plant, any other, label
variety |
| 0058. Dracaena | 0070. Foliage plant, any other, label variety |
| 0059. Philodendron (solid leaf) | 0071. Boston Fern |
| 0060. Christmas Cactus | 0072. Orchid |
| 0061. Pothos | |
| 0062. Spider | |

GARDENS - shall consist of at least two varieties of plants, cacti, vegetables, etc. in a single container and be portable.

Classes

- 0074. Cactus Garden
- 0075. Foliage Garden
- 0076. Fern Garden
- 0077. Ornamental Vegetable Garden
- 0078. Fairy Gardens

Herbs

Division 0093

Classes 0101 - 0122

Herbs must be growing in a pot, and the pot must have a saucer. Only one herb plant to a pot.

Premiums

1st - \$15.00 2nd - \$10.00 3rd - \$5.00

Best of Show Rosette from Colorado State Fair Authority in each group

Classes

Culinary Herbs

- | | |
|----------------|---------------------|
| 0101. Thyme | 0107. Dill |
| 0102. Rosemary | 0108. Fennel |
| 0103. Parsley | 0109. Summer Savory |
| 0104. Basil | 0110. Chives |
| 0105. Oregano | 0111. Marjoram |
| 0106. Chervil | 0112. Lemongrass |
| | 0113. Bay |

Other Herbs

- 0120. Medicinal Herb (label variety)
- 0121. Fragrance/Scented Herb (label variety)
- 0122. Herb Garden (must consist of at least two herbs in a single container and be portable), label varieties

Cut Flowers

Division 0110

Classes 0150 - 0176

Colorado State Fair Authority will provide a container. Cutting and conditioning flowers for show - specimens should be cut in late afternoon or early morning. Cut the stem several inches longer than required with a sharp knife, on a slant, for the greatest intake of moisture. Place the container of water in a cool, dark place that is free of drafts before bringing it to show.

Definitions

Blooms - one individual flower with stem and foliage

Stem - the principal axis of a plant

Spike - a lengthened flower cluster (e.g., gladiolus)

Spray - a main stem with side branches and several blooms

Premiums

1st - \$6.00 2nd - \$4.00 3rd - \$2.00

Sweepstakes Rosette from Colorado State Fair Authority in each group

Classes

0150. Aster, 3 stems

0151. Cosmos, 3 blooms

0152. Celosia (plumed)

0153. Celosia (cockscomb)

0154. Chrysanthemum, 1 spray

0155. Daisy: Gloriosa (1 stem), Shasta (3 stems) - exhibitor may enter 1 of each variety in Class 0155, only

0156. False Dragonhead

0157. Irish Bells, 1 stem

0158. Helianthus, largest seed head

0159. Helianthus: Common Sunflower (in bloom, 1 stem) Other than Common (in bloom, 1 stem) - exhibitor may enter 1 of each variety in Class 0159, only

0160. Marigold (carnation), 1 flower

0161. Marigold (Chrysanthemum-flowered) 1 bloom

0162. Marigold (dwarf type), 3 blooms

0163. Nasturtiums, 3 blooms

0164. Rose (tea), 1 bloom

0165. Rose (floribunda), 1 spray

0166. Rose (grandiflora), 1 spray

0167. Petunias, single, 3 sprays

0168. Petunias, double, 3 sprays

0169. Phlox

0170. Gladiolus, 1 spike - exhibitor may enter up to 6 spikes, of different colors, in Class 0170
Gladiolus, only

0171. Snapdragon, 3 spikes

0172. Zinnia, dahlia type, 1 bloom

0173. Zinnia, button type, 3 blooms

0174. Zinnia, cactus type, 1 bloom

0175. Liatris

0176. Any other bloom not previously mentioned

Division and Class Special Awards

Junior, Youth & Open Sweepstakes - a rosette will be awarded in Junior, Youth & Open Cut Flowers to the exhibitor accumulating the most total points based on the following formula:

1st = 3 points 2nd = 2 points 3rd = 1 point

In the event of a tie, the winner will be the exhibitor 1) with the least number of entries 2) with the most competition in classes.

Dahlia Show

More than one dahlia may be entered in a class as long as they are different varieties. . Dahlias should be de-budded and show a pair of true leaves, not spur leaves.

Definitions

Large Blooms - all Dahlias, which normally produce flowers that exceed 4 inches in diameter.

Dahlias over 4 inches in diameter.

Miniatures - all dahlias, which normally produce flowers that do not exceed 4 inches in diameter.

Dahlias are smaller than 4 inches in diameter.

Types

Formal Decorative Dahlias - ray floret flat, partially revolute, or partially involutes. Petals are uniform and regularly arranged, tending to recurve toward the stem.

Informal Decorative Dahlias - ray floret twisted, curled, or wavy, imparting a petal that is not flat.

Petals may be partially revolute with their arrangement irregular.

Straight Cactus Dahlias - ray floret revolute for more than one-half their length; pointed, with a pronounced curvature of petals toward the center of the flower head.

Semi-Cactus Dahlias - ray floret broad at the base, straight, incurved, or recurved with ray floret revolute for up to one-half of their length.

Incurved Cactus - ray floret revolute for more than one-half their length; pointed, with a pronounced curvature of petals toward the center of the flower head.

Laciniated - the split or lincination should be in proportion to the ray floret length. There should be an overall twisting in the area of the split involute or revolute ray floret, to give an overall fringed effect.

Ball - full double flowers, ball-shaped or slightly flattened at the face, the ray floret blunt, rounded or indented, involute for most of their length, full involute for about one-half their length, and normally displayed in a spiral arrangement.

Miniature Ball - same as Ball Dahlias, differing in size.

Pompon Dahlia - fully double flowers similar to Ball Dahlias but more globular and smaller in size; the ray floret involute for the whole of their length and fully involute for more than half their length.

Water lily - bloom should be fully double and symmetrical, the side view should be flat to saucer-shaped in arrangement, and the layer of floret should be openly faced to give a

delicate appearance. The center should be closed and dome-shaped, breaking gradually four to seven rows of fully developed outer florets. Outer floret should be broad and slightly cupped. Bloom position preferred 45 degrees.

Peony - open-centered Dahlia with two or more rows of ray floret surrounding the disc flowers. Ray florets adjacent to the disc flowers may be smaller, twisted, and/or curled.

Anemone - Dahlias with one or more rows of ray floret surrounding a center of elongated tubular disc floret. The disc floret should be fully developed and present adorned, pincushion appearance.

Collarette - open-centered Dahlia with a single row of uniform, evenly-spaced, compound ray floret in a flat plain surrounding the disc flowers. The petaloids surrounding the disc are less than one-half the length of the ray floret.

Single - open centered Dahlias with a single row of uniform evenly spaced ray floret in a flat plain surrounding the disc flowers.

Mignon Single - same as Single Dahlia except with a diameter of up to two inches.

Orchid - open centered Dahlias with a single row of uniform, evenly-spaced, ray floret in a flat plain surrounding the disc flowers. The ray florets are involute for two-thirds or more of their length and fully involute for at least one-third of their length.

Novelty - Dahlias with characteristics differing from the present classifications. The two kinds of Novelties, one with open centers and the other with closed centers should be judged against all kinds.

Open Cut Dahlias Large Blooms

Division 0111

Classes 0250 - 0329

Premiums

1st - \$6.00 2nd - \$4.00 3rd - \$2.00

Best of Show Rosette from Colorado State Fair Authority in each group

Classes

Exhibit shall consist of 1 bloom, Formal Decorative

0250. White

0251. Yellow

0252. Orange

0253. Red

0254. Lavender

0255. Purple

0256. Pink

0257. Blended

0258. Bi-Color

0259. Variegated

Exhibit shall consist of 1 bloom, Informal Decorative

0260. White

- 0261. Yellow
- 0262. Orange
- 0263. Red
- 0264. Lavender
- 0265. Purple
- 0266. Pink
- 0267. Blended
- 0268. Bi-Color
- 0269. Variegated

Exhibit shall consist of 1 bloom, Straight Cactus

- 0270. White
- 0271. Yellow
- 0272. Orange
- 0273. Red
- 0274. Lavender
- 0275. Purple
- 0276. Pink
- 0277. Blended
- 0278. Bi-Color
- 0279. Variegated

Exhibit shall consist of 1 bloom, Semi-Cactus

- 0280. White
- 0281. Yellow
- 0282. Orange
- 0283. Red
- 0284. Lavender
- 0285. Purple
- 0286. Pink
- 0287. Blended
- 0288. Bi-Color
- 0289. Variegated

Exhibit shall consist of 1 bloom, Incurved

- 0290. White
- 0291. Yellow
- 0292. Orange
- 0293. Red
- 0294. Lavender
- 0295. Purple
- 0296. Pink
- 0297. Blended

- 0298. Bi-Color
- 0299. Variegated

Exhibit shall consist of 1 bloom, Laciniated

- 0300. White
- 0301. Yellow
- 0302. Orange
- 0303. Red
- 0304. Lavender
- 0305. Purple
- 0306. Pink
- 0307. Blended
- 0308. Bi-Color
- 0309. Variegated

Exhibit shall consist of 1 bloom, Ball

- 0310. White
- 0311. Yellow
- 0312. Orange
- 0313. Red
- 0314. Lavender
- 0315. Purple
- 0316. Pink
- 0317. Blended
- 0318. Bi-Color
- 0319. Variegated

Exhibit shall consist of 1 bloom, Miscellaneous (Miscellaneous includes—Waterlily, Peony, Anemone, Collarette, Single, Mignon, Orchid, Novelty)

- 0320. White
- 0321. Yellow
- 0322. Orange
- 0323. Red
- 0324. Lavender
- 0325. Purple
- 0326. Pink
- 0327. Blended
- 0328. Bi-Color
- 0329. Variegated

Open Cut Dahlias Miniature Blooms

Division 0112

Classes 0340 – 0349

Premiums

1st – \$6.00 2nd – \$4.00 3rd – \$2.00

Best of Show Rosette from Colorado State Fair Authority in each group

Classes

0340. White

0341. Yellow

0342. Orange

0343. Red

0344. Lavender

0345. Purple

0346. Pink

0347. Blended

0348. Bi-Color

0349. Variegated

Open Cut Dahlias Pompom

Division 0113

Classes 0350 – 0359

Premiums

1st – \$6.00 2nd – \$4.00 3rd – \$2.00

Best of Show Rosette from Colorado State Fair Authority in each group

Classes

0350. White

0351. Yellow

0352. Orange

0353. Red

0354. Lavender

0355. Purple

0356. Pink

0357. Blended

0358. Bi-Color

0359. Variegated

Open Dahlia Arrangements

Division 0114

Classes 0365 – 0367

Premiums

1st – \$15.00 2nd – \$10.00 3rd – \$5.00

Best of Show Rosette from Colorado State Fair Authority in each group

Classes

0365. "The Colorful Colorado State Fair"— Small design 18 inches or less in all directions using miniature dahlia blooms to reflect the "The Colorful Colorado State Fair"

0366. Mountain Majesty — An arrangement (any size) depicting the majestic Colorado mountains

0367. Colorado Sunset — A horizontal arrangement incorporating the colors of a Colorado sunset