

## DEPARTMENT P—FLORAL DESIGN

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#### Flower Arrangements

Superintendent: Wanda Curl & Master Gardeners

Pre Entry Forms Due: Friday, July 31, 2009

Arrival: 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. & 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on

Tuesday, August 4, 2009

Judging: Wednesday August 5, 2009

**Exhibit Pick up: Sunday, August 9, 11 AM to 2 PM**



BEST OF SHOW, JUDGES CHOICE AND SUPERINTENDENTS CHOICE  
RIBBONS WILL BE AWARDED

### RULES, REQUIREMENTS, & TIPS

1. All general rules of the fair apply in this department.
2. Exhibitor must grow horticulture exhibits specimens, Division 644 thru 687.
3. Plant material for flower arrangements, Division 632 thru 634, does not have to be grown by exhibitor.
4. Exhibitors of arrangements are encouraged to keep plant materials in fresh condition. Replace, or have someone replace wilted flowers and material. After judging, showmanship starts and continues throughout the fair. Assistants will freshen water regularly. We cannot provide space or facilities to store extra plant materials or items.
5. Exhibitors should provide clear glass containers for horticulture specimens.
6. Clerks shall place all horticulture exhibits. Assisted by a clerk, arrangers shall place arrangements.
7. Only accredited judges will be used.
8. One entry is allowed per class. Please refer to the following tips.
9. The presence of insects, disease, and damage caused by insects and disease shall disqualify entry. Because our clerks cannot always catch problems when exhibits are entered and placed, the exhibitor is responsible for carefully grooming and being sure his entries are free of insects, disease and damage. Good conditioning is necessary and important.
10. To hold specimens upright, bridge with clear plastic wrap, in container allowing ample space for water. (Loosely roll plastic wrap in a rope and gently pack it around plant stems at point fitting into mouth of container). Floppy specimens such as vines, etc. may be tied to small bamboo sticks or dowels, then braced upright with bridging.
11. Only fresh plant material (cut flowers and/or foliage) may be exhibited in horticulture classes. Horticulture specimens cannot be treated in any manner, but disbudding is required for some classes.
12. Horticulture exhibits include one (1), or three (3) specimens per class, the number are given. Unless specified, foliage is required for all specimens.
13. Gather flowers when temperatures are cool in mornings or evenings.
14. Place stems immediately in cool water.
15. Many fresh cut flowers should be conditioned by placing container in a

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- cool place overnight.
16. To increase water uptake, use a sharp knife-cutting stem on a slant. Crush woody stems for at least 2 inches and stand in water overnight.
  17. Chrysanthemums and roses must be quickly placed in tepid water 95-105F, same temperature to activate yeast. Protect with paper wrapping and place in refrigerator overnight.
  18. Gladioli florets should be evenly spaced along stock at least 1/3 in bud, 1/3 just opening, and 1/3 fully open. About 60% of the stem should be flower head.
  19. Condition dahlias and poppies by dipping cut end of stems into boiling water to a depth of 2 inches, keep immersed for 10 seconds. Then place in cool water. An alternative is to sear cut stems with flame. Use a paper collar of cardboard shield and protect foliage and blooms when conditioning flowers in boiling water, and direct flame away from bloom.
  20. Annuals, include marigolds, asters, bachelor's buttons require only immediate lacing in water overnight.
  21. Horticulture specimens must be named correctly. Botanical names are not required.
  22. Hollyhock stalks must be immediately immersed in warm water as they are cut. This starts the conditioning process. Then, split stems 4 or 5 inches from cut ends.
  23. Condition delphinium overnight in cold water in a cool place. They can be wrapped in paper and placed in refrigerator (if shelves are removed) overnight.
  24. Stems should reach deeply to bottom of container if possible. Remove only what foliage is submerged in water.
  25. Exhibitors must place their arrangements in position desired for judging.
  26. Because of space and attractiveness of show, it shall be necessary to move arrangements. **ALL ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE EASY TO MOVE.** Securely fasten all elements such as accessories, containers, etc. Care will be taken to replace each arrangement as exhibitor originally faces it. When arrangements include freely placed or standing accessories, all elements must be secured upon a solid base.
  27. Unless specified in class description, do not use accessories in arrangements. An accessory is anything added to plant material, container, base, or in background. If used do not make accessory the focal point.
  28. Do not place U.S. Flag (or flag symbols) within plant material, water, or container. The U.S. Flag can be used in an appropriate stand, placed beside the arrangement.
  29. Unless stated in the class description, all arrangements shall not exceed, including base, a width of 18 inches, and depth of 16 inches.
  30. There are four acceptable categories of plant materials described as follows:
    - Dried Plant Material. Naturally growing, air dried, or dried in borax, sand, or silica-gel, or freeze-dried preserving natural colors and characteristics.
    - Treated Plant Material. Naturally growing and treated with glycerin, antifreeze, color preservative, stained, dyed or colored using food

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coloring, for example.

Fresh Plant Material. Naturally growing, fresh cut, and cannot be treated.

Native Plant Material. Must be collected in a legal manner. Cannot be treated

31. Do not use artificial flowers or plant materials in arrangements, or silk, plastic, paper, wax fruit, etc.
32. Exceptions by the judge can be made when there is no competition represented.

### PREMIUMS

1st--\$3.00

2nd-- \$2.00

3rd--\$1.00

### JUDGES CRITERIA

#### MAXIMUM

#### CRITERIA POINTS

<b>Conformance</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Design</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>Artistic Concept</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Expression</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Distinction</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

### AGE CATEGORY:

YOUTH--17 & UNDER

ADULT--18 - 54

SENIOR--55 & OVER

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### **DIVISION 632--WREATHS**

CASUAL TO ELEGANT FOR ALL SEASONS FOR ALL OCCASIONS: Each exhibit is of specified size and choice of dried, treated, fresh or native plant materials. See tips No. 33. Do not use artificial plant materials. Before decorating, securely attach a loop of wire, etc, for hanging. All exhibits will be displayed upon wall.

YOUTH	ADULT	SENIOR	CLASS
1370	4370	7370	Creative Wreath. Creative wreath of Unusual materials (i.e. Barbwire, wood, etc.) incorporate a container for flowers. May use accessories.
1371	4371	7371	Summer Wreath. Decorate with flowers and bunches of choice plant material. A base of natural materials (twigs, vines, etc. can show, but an artificial base must be completely covered). No accessories.
1372	4372	7372	Holiday Wreath. Use dried, treated, fresh or native greenery in decorating a 12" to 20" natural wreath ring of wood, grapevines, etc. Include your choice of materials such as twigs, cinnamon sticks, nuts, seeds, fruits, and cones, etc. May use accessories to depict a special holiday theme.
1373	4373	7373	Woodland Wreath. Decorated wreath with moss, lichen, cones, bark, dries mushrooms, twigs, etc. No accessories.
374	4374	7374	Herb Wreath. Use a vine, pliable twig, or fern leaf wreath for a base not over 20" in diameter. Attach bundles of fragrant herbs until nearly all that is visible is the aromatic mass of your choice herbs. No accessories.

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### **DIVISION 633—ARRANGEMENTS**

Class titles are only suggestions to help in designing arrangements. You may freely use your own interpretations of the Crook County Fair Theme.

YOUTH	ADULT	SENIOR	CLASS
1379	4379	7379	"Garden Bouquet" Mass Arrangement. Use three or more different fresh flowers with foliage. No accessories.
1380	4380	7380	"All Natural" Native dried plant material. In container covered with natural materials, i.e. moss, bark, wood etc. Line material does not have to be native. May use accessories.
1381	4381	7381	"Fair Theme Display" Arrange a display on a solid base not more than 24" high, 20" wide and 16" deep. Use fresh or dried flowers and foliage with complementary accessories to reflect the fair theme. 2009 Fair Theme: <i>"Open Spaces, Happy Faces"</i>
1382	4382	7382	"Honey, I Shrunk It All" Miniature. In a container, or on a base, use three or more plant materials including blooms, foliage or buds accurate in scale. Including container and base, arrangement must not exceed 8 " for all dimensions. If accessories are used, they must be in scale and on the base.
1383	4383	7383	"Tea Party" Use fresh flowers arranged in a tea cup with saucer. No accessories.
1384	4384	7384	"Illusion of Flight" Showing motion, use fresh flowers and foliage. Line material must be natural and may be dried.
1385	4385	7385	"Bloomless" Using fresh foliage, no looms, and accessories if desired.
1386	386	7386	"Swish Slosh" Water showing. Use all fresh flowers and foliage, and accessories if desired.
1387	4387	7387	"Blast From The Past" Arrangement Reflecting specific time (i.e. 40's 50's 60's etc.) Use fresh flowers & foliage. May use accessories.
1388	4388	7388	"Try Me Again" Dried Garden Materials. Use dried flowers (everlasting etc.), foliage and other plant materials commonly grown and cultivated in gardens, with accessories if desired.
1389	4389	7389	"Luscious Bonus" In a basket for carrying, gather fresh fruits, herbs, flowers and vegetables and arrange.
1390	4390	7390	"Herbal Delight" Using only herbs and accessories if desired.

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1391	4391	7391	"Riding High" Reflecting a county theme & Using a found container (i.e. old can, shoe, etc.) Arrange fresh flowers & foliage. May use accessories.
1392	4392	7392	"Drifting Moon" Floating Flower. In deep, glass goblet or similar vessel, float any single flower bloom, i.e., a rose, begonia, etc. no accessories. Hint: A few drops of hydrogen peroxide in water will help keep it clear.

### **DIVISION 634--INTERPRETIVE FLORAL DESIGNS**

The following seven classes, design with similar, like or comparable colors. (Examples: Yellow, yellow green, green yellow; or, blue, violet, violet red). Container must be of the same harmonious color. Clearly print arrangement title upon exhibitor's tag and securely attach it to your arrangement. See tips.

YOUTH	ADULT	SENIOR	CLASS
1397	4397	7397	Yellow
1398	4398	7398	Red
1399	4399	7399	Blue
1400	4400	7400	Orange
1401	4401	7401	Green
1402	4402	7402	Violet/Purple
1403	4403	7403	White

The next two classes, designer's choice for flowers and foliage.

YOUTH	ADULT	SENIOR	CLASS
1404	4404	7404	Black Container
1405	4405	7405	Clear Container