



Category 8 Horticulture

Horticulture | Special Rules:

1. Exhibits will be registered during the following hours: Wednesday, October 26th and Thursday, October 27th, from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. Exhibitors will need to come to the fair office to be directed to the building where the Arts and Crafts will be checked in.
2. Judging will take place on October 28th using the Modified Danish System.
3. Exhibits may be picked up on Monday, November 7th between 9am and 12pm, and Tuesday, November 8th between 2pm and 5pm. No entries may be picked up without a receipt (issued at time of entry). Any premiums awarded will be mailed to the recipients within a reasonable time frame by the fair. Any article not claimed by November 8th at 5 p.m. will become property of the Florida Gateway Fair Board. Florida Gateway Fairgrounds is not responsible for any missing or damaged items. Please come to the fair office to be directed where to pick up your item(s).

NO ENTRY FEES REQUIRED. Open to all amateur gardeners of all ages.

Entries: There will be a maximum of three entries per person in each class. Entries in all divisions and classes must fit within the maximum surface area of 36" x 36". There is no height limitation up to approximately 10 feet. No obscene or illegal materials will be permitted in the designs or displays.

Perishables: The show committee reserves the right to remove and/or dispose of exhibit materials that deteriorate beyond show quality during the duration of the show.

Criteria for judging the entries are listed in the Rules of each Class.

Rules for Class BBB - Harvested or Cut Plant Materials

Plant materials must have been grown or collected by the exhibitor and displayed neatly, arranged, and presented in a container such as a basket, tray, plate, etc. Potentially perishable entries (fresh fruit, pumpkins, etc.) must include a waterproof tray or pot liner.

LOT Numbers for this Class

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| 1: Fruit (3) | 3: Nuts (3) |
| 2: Vegetables (3) | 4: Miscellaneous harvest materials, fresh, dried, cut, large specimens. |

Creative presentation and appearance of container will affect final scores.

Class CCC - Living Plants

All plants must have been grown by exhibitor for at least three (3) months and be of exhibition quality. They must be cleaned groomed and free of disease. Creative presentation and appearance of container will affect final scores. All plant entries must include a waterproof tray or pot liner. Living plants will be indoors for the duration of the show. While most plants should do fine for the short period of the show, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor to make provisions for watering special need plants as required while on exhibit.

Each plant exhibit must be labeled with the common and botanical name (if known).

LOT Numbers for this Class

- 1: Foliage plants (including ferns, palms, house plants)
- 2: Flowering plants
- 3: herb plants (culinary or medicinal)
- 4: Succulents
- 5: Vegetable plants
- 6: Fruiting plants
- 7: Mixed collections (living arrangements, container gardens)
- 8: Miscellaneous growing techniques (bonsai, terrariums, hydroponics)

JUDGING AND AWARDS

Judging will take place on Friday, October 28th, by an impartial panel of judges. All exhibits will be anonymous during the judging period.

Ribbons will be awarded in all classes and cash awards paid only to blue ribbon entries. Being the sole exhibit in a class does not guarantee a blue ribbon. Entries are judged on their own merit for initial ribbon placement. No premium will be awarded when exhibit is regarded as unworthy.

All checks for premium monies awarded in connection with the fair shall be negotiated by the recipient/payee within 60 days from the date of the check; time being of the essence. If the recipient/payee shall belong to the fair and the recipient/payee shall be deemed to have made an unconditional and irrevocable gift of said monies to the fair.

A BEST OF CLASS award will be chosen from the blue-ribbon winners in each class, accompanied by a \$10.00 premium. From the BEST OF CLASS in each given division a BEST OF SHOW will be chosen, accompanied by a \$25.00 premium. From the BEST OF SHOW winners one (1) BEST OVERALL will be chosen, accompanied by a \$50.00 premium. *Rules are subject to change.*