



The Ann Arbor Garden Club
Nancy Hart, President

ANNOUNCEMENT

August 6, 2003

The Ann Arbor Garden Club invites all members of area Federated Garden Clubs as well as gardeners from the general public to participate in our upcoming FLOWER SHOW entitled "It's About Time" October 10th, 2003, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor, MI. Accredited National Council Flower Show Judges will do the judging and ribbons will be awarded in all classes. Whether you have entered many flower shows or this is the first one you have ever thought about entering, do it! It will be a fun and interesting experience, we promise.

The attached Schedule defines the horticulture and design classes that will be the structure of the flower show. If you have any questions about entering your plants or specimens, please feel free to call any person listed on the schedule. The Show Chairman, Bonnie Ion, can be reached by leaving messages at 734-769-2015 or by email at bion@umich.edu.

HORTICULTURE: The basic idea is that the plant, vegetable, or fruit that you enter will be the very best you have. Please make sure that your plant does not have any bugs or diseases that could infect other entries. We will not be able to accept infected plants for entry into the show.

DESIGNS: If you would like to sign up to do a design, you will have to pre-register so that we know that we have four entries per class, no more and no less. If you sign up, we will be counting on you and you will have to get a replacement should you become unavailable. Please call Alfa Colley at 734-662-9490 to sign up to create a design for one of the classes in the show.

Even if you decide not to enter the show this time, come to the Matthaei Botanical Gardens on October 10th from noon to 6 pm and enjoy the efforts and creativity of the entrants. "It's About Time" to HAVE A FLOWER SHOW!!!! See you there!



IT'S ABOUT TIME

A Standard Flower Show Free and Open to the Public Noon to 6 pm
Friday, October 10, 2003, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens Auditorium, Ann Arbor, MI
Sponsored by the Ann Arbor Garden Club (Nancy Hart, President)

SCHEDULE FOR ENTRIES

Division I – Horticulture – Time To Harvest Call: Bonnie Ion 734-769-2015

Section A. The Free Outsiders

Grown for foliage or bloom

Class 1. Cut Annuals

Class 2. Cut Perennials

Class 3. Ornamental Grasses (max 36" sheaf)

Section C. The Structures

Show several growth nodes. Min 15"/max 30" size

Class 7. Coned Branches

Class 8. Berried Branches

Class 9. Deciduous Fall Foliage on Branch

Section B. The Potted Insiders (No Hanging)

Grown for foliage or bloom

Class 4. Potted flowering plants

Class 5. Potted foliage plants

Class 6. Any plant older than 10 years

Section D. The Harvested

1 large (over 6 inches) or 3 uniform specimens

Class 10. Fruits

Class 11. Vegetables

Class 12. Grains (max 36" sheaf)

Division II – Design – It's About Time

MUST Pre-Register by October 1

Class 1. High Time

A design staged on a 3' x 3' floor space to be viewed from all sides. Minimum height 4 feet.

Call: Alfa Colley 734-662-9490

Class 2. Watch the Clock

A design incorporating the face of a clock staged on a table space 36" wide x 30" deep.

Additional staging is encouraged.

Class 3. Thyme It Up Traditional mass design on a black skirted table space 24" w x 30" d.

Class 4. Autumn Feast A buffet table for four. Staged on table 5' w x 30" d.

Class 5. The Last Picnic

Alfresco lunch for two staged on designer's card table no larger than 36" square or round.

Class 6. Antipasto for One A tray for one. Staged on designer's tray.

FLOWER SHOW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

General Chairman	Bonnie Ion	bion@umich.edu	734-769-2015
Judges Chairman	Marie Smith	mhsrhs4950@prodigy.net	734-429-7941
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AWARDS

Award of Merit = Horticulture Sections A, B and D

Arboreal Award = Horticulture Section C

Horticultural Excellence = All Horticulture Sections

Designers Choice = Design Classes 1, 2 and 3

Table Artistry = Design Classes 4, 5 and 6

GENERAL RULES

1. All garden club and non-garden club members are invited to enter this Standard Flower Show.
2. Entries to be accepted only from 6 – 9 pm on Thursday, October 9, 2003, in the auditorium of the Matthaei Botanical Garden Conservatory in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
3. Entries cannot be removed before 6 pm on October 10, 2003 and must be removed by 8 pm that day.
4. *No artificial plants or flowers are allowed.*
5. Judging will begin at 9 am on Friday, October 10, 2003. Judges will be National Council Accredited Flower Show Judges. All decisions of the judges will be final.
6. **AWARD RULES.** The Standard System of awarding will be used in each class or subclass.

Blue ribbon scores 90 or above	Yellow ribbon scores 80 or above
Red ribbon scores 85 or above	White ribbons score 75 or above

** Ribbons are awarded only when merited.

7. Horticulture Entries

- a. Each exhibit must consist of only one type of fresh cultivar unless otherwise stated
- b. Must have been grown by the exhibitor and be presented clean and properly conditioned.
- c. Shall be no longer than 36 inches. Double potting is allowed.
- d. Entry cards filled out by the exhibitor at time of entry including common & botanical names
- e. Entries found to have diseases or insects or deemed unacceptable by the Horticulture Chairman will not be accepted for placement in the Flower Show.
- f. Exhibitors may enter many entries in each class if entries are different varieties or colors
- g. Classes will be subdivided as deemed necessary by the Classification Chairman
- h. Cut specimens are shown as one stem with attached foliage. No foliage below water line.

8. Design Entries

- a. **ADVANCED ENTRY IS REQUIRED IN ALL DESIGN CLASSES**
- b. October 1 is the deadline to register. Call Alfa Colley at 734-662-9490. Once you have signed up, we are counting on your design. Arrange for a replacement if you cannot attend.
- c. Only one entry per person is allowed in any Design class.
- d. Designs must be the work of one exhibitor and contain some plant material. *No artificial plant materials are allowed.* Accessories and features are allowed.
- e. Some plant material must be used in every exhibit. Cut fruit IS allowed for this show.
- f. 3x5 card, neatly typed or printed, naming the plant material used must accompany each exhibit and may include a short explanation of the design.
- g. *Scale of Points for Designs*

Conformance to schedule	20
Design elements & principles	42
Artistic concept (selection/organization)	12
Expression (interpretation of class)	10
TOTAL 100 Points	Distinction (marked superiority) 16