

Are we there yet?!!!!

The 'Child' in all of us loves to explore new places and revisit old haunts. Michigan is a wonderful, friendly area just full of new places to explore. And some of them are in our own back yard! So lets plan a trip, maybe pack a picnic for 'on the way' lunch and travel to making memories.



A Small Standard Flower Show celebrating traveling to making lasting memories .

Free and Open to the Public from Noon to 4:30 pm

Saturday, September 5, 2009, at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, Ann Arbor, MI

Sponsored by the Ann Arbor Garden Club with Nancy Hart as our President.

SCHEDULE FOR ENTRIES

Division I – Horticulture – Making Memories Through Gardening

Call: Patrick Ion 734-769-2015

Section A. *Annuals & Perennials*

Grown for bloom

Class 1. Cut annuals

Class 2. Cut perennials

Class 3. Potted annuals or perennials

Section B. *Potted or Not*

Grown for foliage or flowers

Class 4. Grasses, cut or potted

Class 5. Indoor potted foliage plants

Class 6. Indoor potted flowering plants

Section C. *Our Trees*

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

Class 7. Coned branches

Class 8. Berried branches

Class 9. Any other branches

Section D. *Vegetables and such*

1 large (over 6 inches) or 3 uniform specimens

Class 10. Tomatoes and other fruits

Class 11. Vegetables

Class 12. Herbs

Class 13. Any other specimen

Section E. *"Think Alfa Colley"* Class 14 AAGC CHALLENGE **Zinnias**

Open to AAGC members only. \$25 cash award. Alfa Colley Award



Division II – Design – Exploring South East Michigan MUST Pre-Register by August 21, 2009

Pre Register with Bonnie Ion bion@umich.edu 734-769-2015

Class 1. Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum Here you can watch a skeleton ride a bicycle, play a song on a walk-on-piano or learn how things work with gears, pulleys plus so much more! A design staged on a 3' x 3' floor space to be viewed from all sides, min 4 ft in height, may be taller.

Class 2 Domino's Farm is more than the pizza world headquarters. Get a glimpse of a herd of buffalo, see early 1900 depiction of Michigan farm life and maybe even take a hayride to the buffalo field and see these shy huge animals. **Design** staged on a table space 24" wide x 30", black underlay provided. May provide own background panel.

Class 3. Diamond Jack's River Tours What kid could resist a "mini-ship" cruise down the Detroit River around Belle Isle and back to the Ambassador Bridge A small design; 8" maximum dimension, width, height and depth. Staged sitting on a black 8" square tile on an elevated displayed to be seen from all sides. May provide own underlayment.

Class 4. Spring Valley Trout Farm Did you know that you can fish these natural, organic, spring fed ponds for trout? Picnic Lunch for two, al-fresco, at the Trout Farm on designer's own card table no larger than 36" sq or round.

Class 5. Chelsea Milling – "Jiffy Mix" In our own backyard a tour of the of world famous "Jiffy Mix" plant where you can see the process plus get a cookie as a snack.. Exhibition table design, either **Type I or Type II on a table space 24" x 30"**, black underlay provided. May provide own background panel.

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2009 FLOWER SHOW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

General Chairman	Marie Smith	mhsrhs@aol.com	734-223-0596
Judges Chairman	Marie Smith	mhsrhs@aol.com	734-223-0596
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Design Chairman	Bonnie Ion	bion@umich.edu	734-769-2015
Horticulture Chair	Patrick Ion	pion@umich.edu	734-769-2015
Hostess Chairman	Ann Arbor Garden Club Members		
Publicity	Ann Arbor Garden Club		

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TOP AWARDS

Best in Show = 2 total: All Horticulture Sections and All Design Sections

Sweepstakes = 2 total: Most ribbons & points in Horticulture and most ribbons and points in Design

People's Choice = 2 total: Visitors will vote on their favorite Horticulture and their favorite Design

Alfa Colley Award = eligibility limited to Class 14 AAGC Challenge class



GENERAL RULES

1. All garden club and non-garden club members are invited to enter this Small Standard Flower Show
2. Entries to be accepted only from 6 – 8 pm on Friday, September 4, 2009, in the auditorium of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
3. **Entries cannot be removed before 4:30 pm on September 5, 2009**, and must be removed by 5:30 pm
4. **ALL DESIGN ENTRIES MUST INCLUDE, AT LEAST, SOME PLANT MATERIAL.**
5. **No artificial plant material allowed.** Cut fruit **IS NOT** allowed
6. Judging will begin at 10 am on Saturday, September 5, 2009. Judges will be National Council Flower Show Judges. All decisions of the judges will be final.
7. **AWARD RULES.** The Standard System of awarding will be used in each class or subclass. Blue ribbon scores 90 or above, Red ribbon scores 85 or above, Yellow ribbon scores 80 or above, White ribbons score 75 or above. ** Ribbons awarded as merited.
8. **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 tall or 24 inches wide. 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.**
9. **DESIGN ENTRIES**
 - a. **ADVANCED ENTRY IS REQUIRED IN ALL DESIGN CLASSES**
 - b. August 21, 2009 is the deadline to register. Call Bonnie Ion, 734-769-2015. 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 one Design class.
 - d. Designs to be the work of one exhibitor and contain some plant material. Use fresh and/or dried treated material; **No artificial plant material is allowed**
 - e. Cut fruit **IS NOT** allowed.
 - 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.**