

Celebrating Our Republic-A Flower Show celebrating our great nation

Free and Open to the Public from 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm
September 8, 2012 at the Pittsfield Branch, Ann Arbor District Library
2359 Oak Valley Dr, Ann Arbor, MI
Sponsored by the Ann Arbor Garden Club
Member of Michigan Garden Clubs Inc, & National Garden Clubs.

SCHEDULE FOR ENTRIES

Glenda Perry, Horticulture Chairman, 734-663-9612

Entry cards filled out by the exhibitor at time of entry MUST include botanical and common names

Division I – Horticulture – Section A - eligible for Best of Show Award Horticulture Division

- Class 1: Annuals
- Class 2: Perennials
- Class 3: Potted Plants
- Class 4: Trees Branches
- Class 5: Fruits and Vegetables

Section B:Alfa Colley Challenge - Eligible for the Alfa Colley Award, and \$25, Must be a member of the Ann Arbor Garden Club to enter.

Class 1: Annual, perennials, tree branches, fruits and vegetables, horticulture specimens grown by a member of the Ann Arbor Garden Club. Potted plants not eligible for this class. This class will be subdivided by the Show Committee prior to judging.

Division II – Design -- Eligible for Best of Show, Design Division

MUST Pre-Register by August 1, 2012 with Susan Beecher 734-433-1798 s_beecher@sbcglobal.net or Pat McLaughlin 734-995-5388 tricialin@hotmail.com

Class 1 - Land of Plenty....Your design must include fruits and/or vegetables, no cut fruits and/or no cut vegetables. Your design will be staged on a table space 24” by 30”, black underlayment provided by the staging committee. You are encouraged to provide your own background panel or background niche, and/or underlay and/or draping to suit your design.

Class 2 - A Taste of Home....a functional table set for two staged on a table space 36” wide x30” deep. This should be an exhibit planned and set for the actual service of food, without the food and flatware, capable of functioning for dining as displayed. The exhibit must include a floral design, with or without candles and/or other accessories. A container-grow plant alone is not a design. Typically includes dishes, beverage container/s, table covering/s and napkin/s.

Class 3 - Fireside Chat...a design appropriate for a fireplace mantle. To be staged on a space 30” wide. The mantle will be a 12” by 30” board painted black, that will be sitting on glass blocks that are 8” high. Designer is encouraged to provide your own underlayment and/or draping to suit your design.

Design Terms:

Background Panel: upright surface placed behind a design to enhance a design

Background Niche: a backboard with one or two attached sides, (wings), such as a tri-fold display board placed behind a design to enhance a design.

Underlay: a fabric, board, etc, placed under the design usually with dimensions equal to the width and depth of the design area. Need not be the same color or texture as background panel, if used, but same color/texture will provide greater rhythm and uniformity to the overall design.

The American flag and other national flags must be displayed in a respectful manner. American and other national flags may not be incorporated into any competitive designs, nor be used as under-lays, swags, or the like.

2012 FLOWER SHOW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

General Chairman	Marie Smith	mhsrhs@aol.com	734-223-0596
Judges Chairman	Marie Smith	mhsrhs@aol.com	734-223-0596
Judges Luncheon	The members of the Ann Arbor Garden Club		
Design Chairman	Susan Beecher	734-433-1798	s_beecher@sbcglobal.net
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Horticulture Chair	Glenda Perry		734-663-9612
Hostess Chairman	Ann Arbor Garden Club Members		
Publicity	Ann Arbor Garden Club		
Alfa Colley Special Award:	Horticultural Division I, Section B, class 1		
1 Best of Show	- Horticultural Division I Section A classes 1-5,		
1 Best of Show	- Design Division II, classes 1-3		

GENERAL RULES

1. All garden club and non-garden club members are invited to enter this Flower Show
2. Entries to be accepted only from 9:30am to 10:30 am on Saturday, September 8, 2012 , at the Pittsfield Branch of the Ann Arbor District Library.
3. **Entries cannot be removed before 5:00 pm on,** and must be removed by 5:45 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 11:30 am on Saturday,. 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. Branches Shall be no longer than 30 inches tall or 24 inches wide.
 - d. Double potting is allowed.
 - e. **Entry cards filled out by the exhibitor at time of entry including common & botanical names**
 - f. Entries found to have diseases or insects or deemed unacceptable by the Horticulture Chairman will not be accepted for placement in the Flower Show.
 - g. Exhibitors may enter many entries in each class if entries are different varieties or colors
 - h. Classes will be subdivided as deemed necessary by the Classification Chairman
 - i. **Cut specimens are shown as one stem with attached foliage. Please, No foliage below water line.**
 - j. **Exhibitor may use their own clear glass container for their exhibit.**
9. **DESIGN ENTRIES**
 - a. **ADVANCED ENTRY IS REQUIRED IN ALL DESIGN CLASSES Please contact the Design Chairmen to register for your design class.**
 - b. August 1, 2012 is the deadline to register. 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. You may enter more than 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.** Cut fruit **IS NOT** allowed.
 - e. **3x5 card, neatly typed or printed, naming the plant material used MUST accompany each exhibit and may include a short explanation of the design.**