

General Rules

1. All Classes are open to the general public. Must be a resident or in the school district of Alfalfa County.
2. Horticulture specimens must be grown by the exhibitor. Artistic department materials may be purchased or grown.
3. All house plants must be in the possession of exhibitor for six weeks.
4. Flowers will be displayed in a narrow neck container or pop bottle.
5. All tea roses must be disbudded (remove all buds except the flowers to be judged.) Exhibit on an 8" to 10" stem with foliage.
6. All horticulture must be cleaned, groomed, and be bug free.
7. All arrangements must be made by the exhibitors
8. Accessories may be used in all classes of arrangements.
9. The flower show committee will not be responsible for containers or accessories, but all care will be taken to protect properties.
10. The show will be judged by the standard method of judging.
11. Special awards will be given to the Best of Show in, Artistic, Horticulture Arboreal / Greenery, Iris and Other Blooming Thing.
12. Individuals are limited to 2 entries per class.
13. African Violets should not be entered if they have double crowns.
14. No artificial or painted materials which represent horticulture item will be allowed in any fresh arrangement. (Unless otherwise stated.)
15. To display pansies, fill an aluminum pie plate with water, cover with clear plastic wrap and poke holes to insert pansies.
16. All classes require fresh or live plants unless otherwise stated.

Artistic Department

Purchased or Grown Exhibitor

Class I Nature's Beauty – An arrangement using native material, driftwood, moss, rocks, shells or any material that adds to the arrangements may be used.

Class II Breakfast Table Arrangement – **A. Fresh B. Silk** Horizontal in design, free standing flowers of exhibitors choice for a small breakfast table.

Class III Spring Greens – An arrangement using shades of green foliage (monochromatic). **(Fresh)** No flowers

Class IV Cute and Tiny – A small arrangement using miniatures. **No more than 5 inches. (Fresh)**

Class V Tea Cups – **A. Fresh B. Silk** A circular arrangement in a cup and saucer, use your imagination.

Class VI Just for Fun – **A. Fresh B. Silk** Use your imagination to develop this fresh or silk arrangement.

Class VII Religious Interpretation – (Such as a cathedral arrangement using a Madonna, white flowers and green foliage.) **(Fresh)**

Class VIII Decorative Birdhouse Arrangement – Use a birdhouse of your choice or let your imagination flow arranging fresh, dried or silk flowers.

Class IX Patriotic Arrangement
A. Fresh B. Silk

Classes will be added as needed in all divisions

Horticulture Department Grown by Exhibitor

Div. I Iris Bearded blue, dark blue, light blue, blue blend, white, yellow, dark yellow, light yellow, yellow blend, purple, dark purple, light purple, purple blend, purple yellow, purple/white, intermediate purple, light purple, purple blend, black, black tri colors, pink, dark pink, light pink, pink blend, bronze, bronze blend, peach, peach blend & other

Dutch blue, white, yellow, other

Div II Peonies

White (singles, doubles)

Pink (singles, doubles)

Red (singles, doubles)

Div III Roses

Hybrid Tea (exhibit 1)

Peace (exhibit 1) not to be judged against any others

Floribunda (exhibit 1 spray)

Rambler (exhibit 1 cluster)

Climber (exhibit 1 cluster)

Miniature (exhibit 2)

Rose buds

Other Roses

Div IV General

Day Lily, Water Lily (exhibit 1)

Amaryllis (exhibit 1)

Daisy (exhibit 3)

Pansies (exhibit 3, rule 15)

Columbine (exhibit 3 stems)

Herbs

Any other blooming' thing

Water plants blooming & not blooming

Div V House Plants: Foliage Plants

Blooming African Violets, Singles & Doubles

Vines Begonias Ferns Mixed

Succulents Hanging Baskets Other

Div VI Arboreal (display flat)

Trees, Shrubs and Vines (16" – 20" branch)

Flowering Branch (16" – 20" branch)

Broadleaf Evergreens (16" – 20" branch)

(Euonymus, Arborvitae, Holly, Japonica, Ivy, other)

Needled Evergreen (16" – 20" branch)

(Pine, Spruce, Juniper, Yew, Other)

Div VII Cactus, Any kind, thorns and no thorns

Grooming Tips

Flowers and plants should be groomed to remove dirt and spray residue. Foliage should be clean, all yellow leaves removed. No oil, dressing or wax should be applied to add an unnatural sheen to the foliage. Specimens may be groomed in any way that does not alter their typical features. Bring your own containers, such as a pop bottle. Exhibit pansies in an aluminum pie pan covered with clear plastic wrap.

1. Cut stems at a slant.
2. Blooms can be held back by putting wax paper over them.
3. Buds should be 2/3 open. They can be opened by blowing warm air on them.
4. Specimen should be cut early in the morning of the show. They may even be cut the day before the show.
5. Stems on peonies should be 15 inches or less.
6. Leaves should be left on flowers for the show.
7. Use a sharp knife rather than shears when cutting, so more water can be absorbed.
8. Lilac stems should be pounded with a hammer for better water absorption.
9. Iris should have 1 to 3 blossoms per stem.
10. To harden: (Open several buds)
Immerse flowers up to neck in cool water in a large container overnight.
11. No foil on pot containers.
12. Arrangements should be 1 ½ times taller than their container.
13. Display evergreens flat.

Prizes Awarded Horticultural Artistic and Best of Show

Alfalfa County Flower Show Schedule

- **Entries 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.**
- **7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Plant Exchange, (bring your clippings & seeds)**
- **Judging (Open to the Public) 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon**
- **Lunch – 11:45am – 12:45pm, by**
- **Exhibits on Display 12 noon to 3:00 p.m.**
- **Mini Smarts**
- **1:00pm – 1:45pm**
“ _____”, by
- **2:00pm – 2:45pm**
“ _____”, by

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Wednesday
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