

2017 FLOWER AND GARDEN EXPO

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JUNIOR HORTICULTURE (JH)

JUNIOR ARTISTIC (JA) DIVISIONS

General Rules

- Classes are open to all juniors under the age of 16 as of August 4, 2017.
- Entry forms are available at www.newjerseystatefair.org or can be picked up at the fair office in Augusta, NJ.
- All entries must be pre-registered with a completed entry form and paid entry fee per person no later than July 21, 2017.
- Entry fee is \$5 per division JH or JA. Enter as many classes as you want. Only one entry per class.
- Enter as many classes as you wish in Division.
- No plants listed on the USDA <https://www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/plants/main.shtml> invasive plant list should be used.
- All entrants must **check-in at the PREP table upon arrival. REGISTRATION** follows check-in and prep of all entries. Doors open at 8 AM. A Flower Show representative will determine the proper location for placement, or in the case of artistic arrangements, the representative will show the exhibitor where the entry should be placed.

JUNIOR HORTICULTURAL DIVISION- JH - RULES

- Cut flower entries must be grown by the exhibitor. Potted plants must have been in the possession of the exhibitor at least two months. Plants entered as 'flowering plants' should be in flower at time of entry.
- No foliage will be permitted below the water line of cut specimens. Clear vases and bubble wrap/plastic wrap will be provided by the Flower Show Committee.
- Potted plants should be no larger than 12" x 24".
- Entries will be accepted in the **Conservatory on Friday, August 11th between 8-10 AM**. Gate 1 will be open for entry and drop-off.
- Entries must be **removed by Sunday, August 13th at the close of the Fair**.
- Judging will commence promptly at 10:30 AM on Friday, August 12th. Decision of judges is final. Judging will generally be according to National Garden Club criteria. The Flower Show Committee reserves the right to disqualify any entry that is clearly not in conformance with the rules.
- A blue ribbon will be awarded for 1st Place, red ribbon for 2nd Place, and yellow ribbon for 3rd Place. Deciding points will be awarded for labeling and/or uniqueness.
- Classes 340 – 430 Awards will be 1st \$10.00, 2nd \$5.00 3rd \$2.50
- A *Best in Show* premium of \$25 will be awarded to one entry selected from all first place entries in Classes 340 – 430

JUNIOR HORTICULTURAL DIVISION CLASSES

Cut Flowers

<u>Class No.</u>	<u>Flower</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Display</u>	<u>Additional Clarification</u>
340	Zinnia	any	Collection	All different colors
345	Marigold	any	Collection	
350	Sunflower	any	Single Stem	Yellow
355	Sunflower	any	Single Stem	Not-yellow
360	Snapdragon		Single Stem	
365	Cleome		Single Stem	
370	Dahlia		Single Stem	
375	Gladiolus		Single Stem	
380	Any annual*		Collection	*Other than above
385	Perennial	any	Collection	

JUNIOR HORTICULTURAL DIVISION CLASSES

Potted Plants

<u>Class No.</u>	<u>Specimen</u>	<u>Display</u>	<u>Additional</u>
400	House Plant	Flowering	Named and labeled
420	Annuals	Flowering	Named and labeled 3 or more
	varieties		
430	Succulents/Cactus		Creative container 3 or more varieties Named and labeled

JUNIOR ARTISTIC DIVISION – JA - RULES

- Accessories permitted, but flowers may not be altered by spraying, dyeing or other means.
- Arrangements may be no larger than 22"high, 24' wide or 10" deep unless otherwise stated.
- Entries will be in the *Conservatory* accepted on August 11th between 8 – 10 AM. Gate 1 will be open for entry and drop-off.
- Entries must be removed Sunday, August 13th by close of fair.
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- Classes 1 – 4 Awards will be 1st \$15.00, 2nd \$7.50, 3rd \$3.75
- A ***Best in Show*** premium of \$30 will be awarded to only one entry selected from all first place entries in Classes 1 – 4

JUNIOR ARTISTIC DIVISION CLASSES

Class 1: FOR 3-5 YEAR OLDS - *Not Easy Being Green - Kermit*

A diorama containing a frog, water feature, and miniature plants – no larger than 10 inches deep by 18 inches wide.

Class 2: FOR 6-9 YEAR OLDS - *Over The Rainbow – Judy Garland*

A mosaic made of dried materials such as flowers, seeds, or beans to cover a rainbow that ends in a pot of gold flowers – no larger than 12 inches square.

Class 3: FOR 10-13 YEAR OLDS - *Purple Rain - Prince*

A purple container of homegrown flowers – no larger than 12 inches deep.

Class 4: FOR 14-15 YEAR OLDS – *Red Solo Cup – Toby Keith*

A miniature arrangement in a red solo cup.

DEFINITIONS:

Annual: A plant that completes its entire life cycle from seed germination to seed production in one season in our zone.

Appropriateness of all Components: The plants used are environmentally suited and have similar cultural requirements.

Artistic Concept: Selection and organization of all components in the display. Appropriateness of components and their placement for design type if applicable.

Bulb/Tuber/Corm: A thickened bud with fleshy scales, usually growing below ground, as in onion, narcissus, tulip; or with narrow separate scales as in the lily.

Color: Bright, fresh, harmonious. Degree of clarity of foliage, flowers, and stems.

Color Harmony: A pleasing combination of colors

Collection: A collection consists of three flowers, one blossom on each stem: (1) three flowers, one of each different variety or (2) three flowers of the same variety but three distinctly different colors.

Condition: Healthy, blemish free (e.g. damage due to insects, disease, physiological, mechanical problems); neither immature nor past prime.

Conformity to Rules: Complies with all rules (overall rules and rules for its class).

Creativity: An original concept in the selection and organization of all components. This can apply to the choice of materials or the manner of usage.

Cultural Perfection: The quality compared to the standard for a variety in terms of criteria such as color, form, substance & texture, size, etc.

Design: Design Principles (Balance, Contrast, Dominance, Proportion, Scale, Rhythm (each awarded seven points) are applied to the Design Elements (Line, Form, Color, Texture, Pattern, Size, Space, Light).

Distinction: Superiority in all respects. Exceptionally fine design negates minor faults. Moderate to major faults negatively affect Distinction. Degree of distinction is evident in craftsmanship, use of mechanics, and condition of all components.

Expression: Interpretation of class title or theme through the component/s or design element/s.

Floriferousness: The abundance of flowers on an entire plant; a proportionate number of blooms for the size of the specimen.

Foliage: Amount according to type, proportional to stem, positioning on stem, if applicable.

Form: Balanced, appropriate to type; flowers & foliage balanced for flowering specimens. This applies to contour of individual parts or components as well as to the contour of whole plant or design.

Grooming: This applies to all preparations that the exhibitor can control such as stem length, clean cut, foliage removed below water level, cleanliness, insects and presentation. No salt residue on potted plants.

Harmony: A consistent, orderly, or pleasing arrangement of parts.

Perennial: A plant which lives for three or more years and after reaching maturity typically produces flowers and seeds each year. Perennials are classified as herbaceous if the top dies to the ground each winter, and as woody if the top persists as in shrubs and trees.

Plant Identification: A legible identification of genus, species, and cultivar, as appropriate to specimen

Rarity: Significant difference from other entries in its uniqueness and singularity.

Size: Ideal for type, average or slightly above.

Stem: may consist of multiple flowers

Substance: Tissue structure, firmness or thickness.

Texture: The quality of the surface structure, such as rough, smooth, dull, or shiny.

Textural Contrast: A pleasing combination of different textures.

Tricolor: Three distinct colors; no tints or shades.

Unity: The placement of elements to create a unified whole.

**THE NEW JERSEY STATE FAIR
SUSSEX COUNTY FARM AND HORSE SHOW**

2017 Flower and Garden Expo

JUNIOR ENTRY FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail address _____

Total JH Entries _____

\$5.00 JH Fee \$ _____

Total JA Entries _____

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Total Amount Included \$ _____

Send completed form with payment to:

New Jersey State Fair/Sussex County Farm and Horse Show
PO Box 600
Augusta, NJ 07822

Questions can be directed to the fair office @ 973-948-5500 or
Flower Show Director, Karen Opilla @ 973-875-3304

I have read and agree to the rules and regulations as set forth by the Flower Show Committee. I furthermore agree to leave my exhibit(s) on display in accordance with the rules. I understand that premiums will be mailed to me within ten days of judging. Ribbons must be picked up by exhibitors.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE ACCOMPANING PAGES
RETURN WITH COMPLETED ENTRY FORM and CHECK**

WE SUGGEST KEEPING A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS

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