

The
(Host) Hosta Society
Proudly Presents

A
HOSTA
FANTASY

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL HOSTA SHOW

at
(Location and Address of Show)

(Day/Date of Show)

SHOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
12:00 N. TO 4:30 P.M.

This Hosta Show is Accredited by
THE AMERICAN HOSTA SOCIETY

GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. Anyone who wishes to exhibit may do so. However, Section and higher awards are limited to AHS members. Any exhibitor who is not an AHS member and wins a section or higher award will be asked to become an AHS member. If the winner refuses membership, the Show Chair may either present the award to the next qualified entry or leave the award vacant.
2. Entries will be received from 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Friday (Date) and from 7:30 A.M. to 9:30 A.M. on Saturday, (Date). Entries received after 9:30 A.M. will be placed in a non-competitive exhibit area without exception. Judging will begin at 10:00 A.M. All entries must remain in place until 4:30 P.M. Entries must be removed by 5:00 P.M. Entries remaining after 5:00 P.M. will be disposed of by the Staging Committee. Entry tags, ribbons, and awards may also be claimed from 4:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
3. Entry tags must be properly completed by the exhibitor. Incorrect entry tag information will be corrected by the Classification Committee and entries may be disqualified at the discretion of the Classification Committee.
4. During the time of judging, only the Show Chair, Show Co-Chair, AHS Judges Chair, Judges, and Clerks are permitted in the immediate judging areas.
5. Divisions I-Horticulture, II-Container Grown Hosta, III-Trough/Container Gardens Arranged For Effect and IV-Educational Displays will be judged by panels of three to four American Hosta Society show judges including one master judge per panel. The American Hosta Society Point Scoring System will be used to break a tie in judging major awards. Each panel of judges will be the final authority of each class it judges.
6. Division VI-Artistic Design will be judged by National Council of Flower Show Judges.
7. All decisions of the judges are final.
8. Care will be taken, but no responsibility shall be incurred by any person, group, or organization for any accidents, damages, injuries, thefts, or omissions or commissions of any kind or nature from this show.
9. All entries designated as registered cultivars and species shall either be listed in the current year's AHS Hosta Show Classification List or shall have had registration data recorded in an official publication of The American Hosta Society by the date of the show in order to be considered registered for show purposes.
10. For all show divisions, provided entries score the minimum points, each sub-class (or class if there are no sub-classes or section if there are no classes) is allowed the awarding of only one blue, one red, one yellow, and one white ribbon. In Division I, Sections I-V and Section XI, each registered cultivar or species constitutes a separate name sub-class. Each seedling or sport entry in Sections VI-X is a separate sub-class and is eligible for any ribbon. For Section XII, each unregistered named cultivar constitutes a separate name sub-class within each alphabetical letter class.

11. **Division I – Horticulture (Cutleaf) Rules**

Containers will be provided by the (host) Hosta Society.

Bloom scapes are not permitted in this division.

Sections I – V (Registered Cultivars and Species), XI (Youth Exhibits) and XII (Unregistered Named Cultivars) require **ONE** leaf per entry. Sections VI – X require **TWO** leaves per entry. Sports shall be indicated on the entry tag as "Sport of (Name of Cultivar)". Seedlings shall be indicated on the entry tag as "Seedling (Hybridizer's Identification Number)".

An exhibitor may enter more than one horticultural specimen in a single class provided each entry is of a different variety. **Multiple entries of the same cultivar are not permitted.** All entries must have been grown by the exhibitor.

Persons placing entries in Section XI-Youth Exhibits must be 18 years of age or younger as of the date of the show.

All leaves entered should be representative of the plant as a whole and should be taken from plants approaching maturity.

12. Division II – Container Grown Hosta Rules

Container-grown hostas must have been grown by the exhibitor and must be established in the containers in which they are grown. **Only registered cultivars or hosta species may be exhibited in this division and only one hosta may be grown in each container.** Container and plant must be clean. The plant should be centered in the container. Inner containers or container liners are allowed but must not be visible. Only one type of ground cover material is allowed per exhibit. Ground covers may be any natural non-living material such as bark chips or stones, or an indigenous moss of one variety only.

13. Division III – Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect Rules

Self – contained trough or container gardens of any size may be entered for judging as an arrangement.

Multiple varieties of hosta and other plant material may be used. **Hostas must be a strong focal point of the entry.** No artificial plant material is allowed. Plants and container must be clean. Accessories are permitted.

Individual plants need not be identified. However, if the exhibitor would like to identify the material, an identification ledger card to the side of the exhibit is acceptable.

14. Division IV – Educational Displays Rules

Educational displays must pertain to Hosta.

15. Division V – Non-Competitive Exhibits Rules

Entries in this division are not judged. The exhibit may be a single cut leaf, a hosta bloom scape, a container grown plant, or any other display deemed to be of interest to the show observers. However, the plant material must be hosta predominant, the exhibit must be tastefully presented, and the material must be in good condition. The Show Chair may refuse placement of any exhibit that does not meet these requirements.

16. Division VI – Artistic Design Rules

Hosta leaves must be the predominant foliage in the design. Some dried and/or treated plant materials and hosta blooms are permitted. No artificial flowers, fruit, or foliage may be used. Contrived flowers made from hosta leaves are permitted.

An exhibitor may enter one entry per class. Plant material need not be grown by the exhibitor but the design work must be the work of the exhibitor.

Staging for all classes will be skirted tables that are 30” deep by 30” wide and covered with white tablecloths. Back-ground is beige-colored walls. Overlays and accessories are permitted but should not exceed dimensions set in the class rules. The Artistic Design committee reserves the right to move an entry to improve spacing if the exhibitor is unavailable to do so.

Pre-registration is required. Exhibitors are requested to register their entries in advance with (name, address, e-mail address, telephone number of the Design Chair). The Design Chair will provide additional class definitions, rules and requirements, and exhibition instructions upon registration.

In each class, the designer is asked to interpret the class title.

17. Division VII – Specialty Division

Items of Local Interest (Such as Scape/Bloom Entries) and Specialty Show Items Such as Seedlings Grown in Containers.

Division VII may be offered in National Convention shows and general local shows provided the Show Committee specifies the theme for the division in its Show Schedule along with proposed Rules, Awards, and Point Scales for Judging for the Division; and provided the AHS Exhibitions Chair approves Rules, Awards, and Point Scales for Judging for the division.

With approval by the AHS Exhibitions Chair, Division VII may stand alone at AHS accredited Specialty Shows such as First Look as the only offered division provided the theme of the division and associated Rules, Awards, and Point Scales for Judging are specified in the Show Schedule.

SHOW DIVISIONS

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE (Cutleaf)

Section I	Giant-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section II	Large-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section III	Medium-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section IV	Small-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section V	Miniature-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section VI	Giant-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section VII	Large-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section VIII	Medium-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section IX	Small-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section X	Miniature-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section XI	Youth Exhibits of Registered Cultivars and Species Displayed in Alphabetical Order
Section XII	Unregistered Named Hosta Cultivars Displayed in Alphabetical Order

Entries in Sections I-X are to be displayed using the following Color Classes:

- Class 1 – Green (All Shades)
- Class 2 – Blue (All Shades)
- Class 3 – Yellow (All Shades)
- Class 4 – White Margined
 - a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center
 - b. Green to Blue Center
- Class 5 – Yellow Margined
 - a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center
 - b. Green to Blue Center
- Class 6 – Green or Blue Margined
 - a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center
 - b. Green to Blue Center (distinct from margin color)
- Class 7 – Streaked or Mottled
- Class 8 – Others (including early season variants)

DIVISION II – CONTAINER GROWN HOSTA

Section I	Container Displays Not exceeding a Total Height or Width of 18 Inches
Section II	Container Displays with Height or Width of Greater Than 18 Inches

DIVISION III – TROUGH/CONTAINER GARDENS ARRANGED FOR EFFECT

Section I	Concrete Composite
Section II	Ceramic, Terra Cotta, Bronze and Other Metals
Section III	Plastics and all man-made materials
Section IV	Natural Materials, Stone, Wood, Baskets, etc.

DIVISION IV – EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

DIVISION V – NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

DIVISION VI – ARTISTIC DESIGN

Class I	Cinderella's Ball
Class II	The Crane Princess
Class III	Wizard of Oz
Class IV	Thumbelina
Class V	Peter Pan

Pre-registration is required for exhibition in this division. Contact the Design Chair for additional class definitions and requirements, and exhibition instructions.

DIVISION VII – SPECIALTY DIVISION

SHOW AWARDS

Best of Show - Horticulture – Awarded to the best species or registered cultivar entry in Division I – Horticulture and is selected from the section winners in Sections I-V and Section XI. (Please note that entries in Section XII – Unregistered Named Cultivars are not eligible to receive this award.) This award is a large triple streamer blue and white rosette ribbon and a prize.

Best Seedling or Sport Award – Awarded to the best seedling or sport entry in Division I – Horticulture and is selected from the section winners in Sections VI-X. This award is a large triple streamer green and white rosette ribbon and prize.

Best Artistic Design Award – Awarded to the best entry in Division VI-Artistic Design. This award is chosen from the Best of Class winners in the division. The award is a large triple streamer blue and white rosette ribbon and prize.

Sweepstakes Award – Awarded to the exhibitor who wins the largest number of blue ribbons in Division I – Horticulture. (In case of a tie, count red ribbons, then yellow ribbons if necessary to break the tie.) This award is a certificate, and a medium triple streamer blue rosette ribbon and prize.

Grand Awards – Awarded to the best entries in Division II – Container Grown Hosta, Division III – Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect, Division IV – Educational Displays, and Division VI – Artistic Design. In order to win, entries must have scored 95 points. For Divisions II and III, Grand Awards will be chosen from the Section Award winners. These awards are medium triple streamer purple rosette ribbons and prizes.

Section Awards – Awarded to the Best of Section winners in divisions containing sections. All section award winners must have scored at least 95 points. These awards are medium single streamer purple ribbons.

Class Awards – Awarded to Best of Class winners in divisions containing classes. All class award winners must have scored at least 95 points. These awards are single streamer green ribbons.

The following ribbon awards are awarded in accordance with rules set forth by AHS:

First Place Blue Ribbons – Entries must score 90 or more points to receive this award.

Second Place Red Ribbons – Entries must score 85 or more points to receive this award.

Third Place Yellow Ribbons – Entries must score 80 or more points to receive this award.

Fourth Place White Ribbons - Entries must score 75 or more points to receive this award.

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POINT SCALES FOR JUDGING HOSTA

REGISTERED CULTIVARS AND SPECIES DIVISION I, SECTIONS I – V and SECTION XI

Form	15
Size	15
Color and Pattern	25
Texture	15
Substance	15
Condition and Grooming	15
TOTAL POINTS	100

UNREGISTERED NAMED HOSTA CULTIVARS DIVISION I, SECTION XII

Form	15
Size	15
Color and Pattern	25
Texture	15
Substance	15
Condition and Grooming	15
TOTAL POINTS	100

UNREGISTERED SEEDLINGS AND SPORTS DIVISION I, SECTIONS VI – X

Distinction	50
Form and Size	10
Color and Pattern	10
Texture	10
Substance	10
Condition and Grooming	10
TOTAL POINTS	100

CONTAINER GROWN HOSTA DIVISION II

Form	15
Size	15
Color and Pattern	25
Texture	10
Substance	10
Condition and Grooming	15
Container	10
TOTAL POINTS	100

TROUGH/CONTAINER GARDENS ARRANGED FOR EFFECT - DIVISION III

Variety	20
Condition	30
Arrangement	30
Container Relative to Arrangement	20
TOTAL POINTS	100

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS DIVISION IV

Educational Value	50
Theme, Originality, Materials Used	
Staging	50
Arrangement, Attractiveness, Neatness	
TOTAL POINTS	100

NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS DIVISION V

Not Judged – No Scale of Points

ARTISTIC DESIGN DIVISION VI

Conformance	20
Design	42
Artistic Concept	12
Expression	10
Distinction	16
TOTAL	100

SPECIALTY DIVISION DIVISION VII

Theme and point scales determined by show committee and approved by AHS Show Chair.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Show Chair (Name of Chair)
Show Co-Chair
Classification Chair
Clerks Chair
Design Chair
Hospitality and Membership Chair
Judges Chair
Placement Chair
Publicity Chair
Registration-Exhibitor Assistance Chair
Schedule Chair
Staging and Dismantling Chair
Tabulation Chair

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

THE AMERICAN HOSTA SOCIETY

Membership in The American Hosta Society offers participation in all national activities including a National Convention; three issues of The Hosta Journal, each with nearly 100 pages, many interesting and informative articles, and dozens of color and black-and-white pictures which detail all national, regional, and local hosta society activities. Dues are \$30 individual and \$34 family membership per year (U.S.). Membership is on a calendar year basis. Send inquiries regarding membership to:

(Name) – AHS Membership Secretary
(Address of Membership Secretary)
AHS Website – www.hosta.org

REGION (Region Number and Name) HOSTA SOCIETY

Members of The American Hosta Society in (Name States) constituting Region (Number) of the American Hosta Society are automatically members of the (RegionName) Hosta Society. It distributes an annual newsletter and it offers an annual meeting which includes judges clinics, educational seminars, and plant sales. For additional information, please contact:

(Regional Director's Name) – Region (Number) Director
(Regional Directors contact information)

(Host) HOSTA SOCIETY

The (Host) Hosta Society is affiliated with The American Hosta Society. It publishes four newsletters each year and meets four times a year at places announced in the newsletter. It sponsors this Hosta Show and garden tours each year. All memberships are on a calendar year basis. Individual dues are \$15 per person per year. Commercial memberships and advertising are also available. Send inquiries regarding membership to:

(Name) – Membership Secretary
(Membership Secretary's contact information)