

Minnesota State Fair Cactus, Succulent & Plant Show

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The Minnesota State Horticultural Society invites everyone (members and non-members) to participate in this long-standing State Fair tradition: The MSHS Annual State Fair Plant Show, August 26 and 27, 2010. All gardeners, garden clubs, and specialty plant societies are eligible to compete for ribbons and cash prizes as described below. Commercial growers are also welcome to exhibit. If you wish to reserve table space for large displays contact a chairperson.

Section 1. Individual Exhibitors

An individual may have more than one entry in any or all of the following categories A-M. Multiple entries must be different varieties. New categories are bolded. Find my plant: try google.com/image & search by Latin name.

Awards

Ribbons will be awarded for First, Second and Third place. Cash prizes of \$10, \$8 and \$5 will be awarded for the individual plants entered. For Displayed Collections, Classes N1 and N2 cash prizes are listed per display group.

A. Indoor Flowering plant(s), must be in bloom

- A1 Orchids: all
- A2 Gesneriad Family: African Violets, Gloxinias
- A3 Abutilons: Flowering Maples
- A4 Miniature Roses
- A5 Other Indoor Bloomers

B. Exotics, Tropicals & Summer Patio Favorites (in bloom)

- B1 Coleus (blooms pinched) a) solo b) mixed
- B2 Geraniums a) solo b) mixed
- B3 Roses a) solo b) mixed
- B4 Begonias a) solo b) mixed
- B5 Hibiscus
- B6 Impatiens a) solo b) mixed
- B7 Petunias a) solo b) mixed
- B8 All blooming climbers: jasmine, bouganvillea, thunbergia, morning glory
- B9 Other patio favorites a) solo b) mixed

C. Succulents

- C1 **Aloes**
- C2 **Agave like plants:** Agave, Yucca, Sansevieria, Dasylirion, Furcraea, Hesperaloe, Beaucarnea, Calibanus
- C3 **Portulacaceae:** Anacampseros, Portulacaria, Lewisia, Talinum, Cerraria
- C4 **Old World Crassulaceae:** (Jade Plants) Aeonium, Sempervivum, Tylecodon, Cotyledon, Adromischus, Monathes, Kalanchoe, Crassula
- C5 **New World Crassulaceae:** Echeveria, Dudleya, Tacitus, Pachyphytum, Graptopetalum, Sedum
- C6 **Apocynaceae:** Adenium, Pachypodium, Plumeria
- C7 **Euphorbia:** Euphorbias
- C8 **Gasteria & relatives:** Haworthia, Gasteria, Astroloba
- C9 **Jatropha & relatives:** (leafy forms) Jatropha, Monadenium, Pedilanthus, Synadenium
- C10 **Caudex form Pelargoniums & Sarcaulons:**
- C11 **Grape Caudex forms:** Cissus, Cyphostemma
- C12 **Daisy flowered:** Othonna, Senecio, Coreopsis
- C13 **Asclepiads:** Stapelia, Caralluma, Huernia, Ceropegia, Hoya, Fockea, Brachystelma, Hoodia, Trichocaulo
- C14 **Mesembs:** (living stones): Mesembryanthemums, Lithops, Conophytums, Faucaria, Dinteranthus, Lapidaria, Pleiospilos
- C15 **Other Caudex:** (trunk forms)
- C16 **Other Succulents:** (PLEASE VERIFY CLASSIFICATION AT CHECK-IN)

D. Cactus Family

- D1 **Opuntia like (prickly pears & chollas):** Opuntia, Tephrocactus, Pereskia, Maihueniopsis, Pterocactus
- D2 **Epiphytes (hanging chains, Christmas cacti):** Epiphyllum, Rhipsalis, Hatiora, Aprorocactus
- D3 **Melocacti w/cephalium (capped cactus):** Melocactus, Discocactus, Uebelmannia, Buiningia
- D4 **Columnar Cacti (column shaped):** All Cereus
- D5 **North American Barrels (ribbed/spiny):** Echinocactus, Echinofossulocactus, Echinomastus, Ancistro. Homalocephala, Ferocactus, Hamatocactus, Leuchtenbergia, Thelocactus
- D6 **South American Barrels: (typical flower)** Parodia, Wigginsia, Notocactus Faeilea, Blossfeldia, Eriosyce, Gymnocalycium, Neochilenia, Horridocactus, Neoportenia, Pyrrhocactus, Oroya, Copiapoa, Matucana, Denmoza,
- D7 **South American Barrels: (large flower):** Echinopsis, Chameocereus, Lobvivia, Soehrensia, Weingartia, Acanthocalycium, Pygmaeocerus, Rebutia, Sulcorebutia, Aylosteria
- D8 **Hedgehogs (cluster former, low-growing):** Echinocereus, Peniocereus, Wilcoxia
- D9 **Mammillaria like plants (globes, pin cushion):** Mammillaria, Mammillopsis, Cochemia, Escobaria, Coryphantha, Ortegocactus
- D10 **Rare North American Genera:** Strombocactus, Pediocactus, Sclerocactus, Ariocarpus, Astrophytum, Aziokium, Obregonia, Encephalocarpus, Neolloydia, Turbinicarpus, Gymnocactus, Epithelantha, Pelecyphora, Geohintonia
- D11 **Oddity Cacti:** Monstrose, all variegated cacti, all grafted cacti

E. House Plant Favorites

- E1 **Aroids:** Aglaoneuma (Chinese evergreen), Alocasia, Amorphophallus, Arums, Anthurium, Caladium, Caolocasia, Dieffenbachia, Epipremnum, (pothos), Philodendron, Spathiphyllum (peace lily), Syngonium (arrow-head)
- E2 **Asparagus Plants:** A. plumosus (asparagus fern), Asparagus meyeri (foxtail fern), A. densiflorus and any other
- E3 **Begonias:** a) Rex b) Rhizomatous
- E4 **Bromeliads:** Aechmea, Billbergia, Cryptanthus, Guzmania, Neoregelia, Tillandsia, Vriesea
- E5 **Dracaenas:** D. deremensis (Jane Craig, warneckii types), D. marginata, D. sanderiana (ribbon plant), D. reflexa variegata, D. godseffiana (gold dust dracaena) D. fragrans (corn plant)
- E6 **Ferns:** Adiantum (maidenhair fern), Aglaomorpha (Bear's Paw Fern), Blechnum, Cyrtomium (Holly Fern), Asplenium (bird's nest fern), Davallia (Rabbit's foot fern), Nephrolepis (Boston type fern), Pellaea (button fern), Platycerium (staghorn fern), Pteris (table ferns), any other
- E7 **Ficus:** Ficus pumila (creeping fig), Ficus radicans (trailing fig), Ficus diversifolia (mistletoe fig), Ficus elastica decora (rubber Plant), Ficus benjamina (weeping fig), Ficus lyrata (fiddle leaf fig), Ficus variegata
- E8 **Insectivores:** Dionaea muscipula (Venus Fly Trap), Nepenthes coccinea (Pitcher Plants), Drosera (Sundew), Darlingtonia californica and others
- E9 **Marantas:** Calatheas, Ctenanthes, Stromanthes, Prayer plants
- E10 **Oxalis:** o. regnelli, o. atropurpurea, o. rubra, o. oregana
- E11 Other house plant favorites

F. Vines, Hanging Baskets, Mixed Patio Containers (planted by exhibitor)

- F1. Trailing or Vines in hanging basket **a) bloomer b) non-bloomer**
- F2. Trailing or Vines in non-hanging container **a) bloomer b) non-bloomer**
- F3. Hanging basket - blooming
- F4. Hanging basket - foliage
- F5. Hanging basket - cactus/succulent **a) solo b) mixed**
- F6. Mixed Hanging Basket Other (more than one variety)
- F7. Mixed Garden Containers Others (mixed species & varieties)

G. Planter & Dish Gardens- May contain multiple varieties (Judged on Artistic, planted by exhibitor)

- G1. 4" and under - measured at widest part
- G2. Over 4" to under 12" - measured at widest part
- G3. 12" and over measured at widest part
- G4. Trough Garden-traditional cementlike construction
- G5. Decorative wreath

H. Terrariums-May contain multiple varieties (Judged on Artistic)

- H1. Bottle
- H2. Fish Tank
- H3. Other

J. Bonsai

K. Topiary

L. Novice & Children: Never won a ribbon before? Latin names have you frightened? Be creative, Invent Your Own Class: Hairy, Prickly, Tall, Curly, Polka Dot, Splotched Striped! Bring your own title on a 3x5 note card. Only ribbons awarded, no money prizes for this beginners classification(s).

M. Decorative Edible Vegetable Edible vegetable (s) or herb(s) grown in a container for display

- M1 Pepper
- M2 Tomato
- M3 Herbs a) solo b) mixed gardens
- M4 Other edible, decorative vegetable, fruit or herb plant

N. Plant Collections Artistically Displayed

An exhibitor may enter a display of plants in separate containers and unified by a theme, such as an artistic motif, design or similar cultural requirements. The judging of these displays will be based on the perfection and suitability of plant material and how effectively the artistic design and staging are executed. This category is subdivided in two groups:

- N1. Small displays of not less than five plants or more than eight plants.
 - a. Cactus
 - b. Succulent
 - c. Coleus
 - d. Geranium
 - e. Bromeliad
 - f. Water Plants (more than three varieties)
 - g. Other potted plant collections in separated containers

Awards: Ribbons will be awarded for First, Second and Third place. Cash prizes of \$20, \$15 and \$10 awarded per display.

- N2. Large displays of nine or more plants.
 - a. Cactus
 - b. Succulent
 - c. Coleus
 - d. Geranium
 - e. Bromeliad
 - f. Water Plants (more than 5 varieties)
 - g. Other plant collection in separated containers

Awards: Ribbons will be awarded for First, Second and Third place: cash of \$30, \$25 and \$20 will be awarded per display.

SECTION 2. Group Exhibitors

Clubs, Societies and other groups of individuals may enter a display of plants unified by an artistic motif, design or cultural requirement. The judging of these displays will be based on the perfection and suitability of plant material and how effectively the artistic design and staging are executed. Educational interest is key. All types of plants may be used in these displays.

- A. Specialty plant societies
- B. Garden club/Affiliated organizations - over 50 members
- C. Garden club/Affiliated organizations - under 50 members
- D. Student groups

Awards

A first, second and third place ribbon will be awarded and cash prizes of \$30, \$25, and \$20 will be awarded respectively.

SECTION 3. Special Group Exhibitions

Educational institutions and commercial growers are also welcome to enter a display as a group exhibitor. Ribbons for first, second and third places will be awarded based on the same criteria as listed above in category 2. No cash prizes will be awarded to special group exhibitors.

Exhibit Tags for your plants may be picked up in advance at the Minnesota State Horticultural Society at **2705 Lincoln Drive Roseville, MN 55113**. Please call in advance to schedule so your plant tags will be ready. The Library is available to help you with your plant classification & to complete your state fair exhibit tags. Call the MSHS 651-643-6301, or Toll Free 800-676-6747.

MSHS Plant Show Rules for State Fair Entry

1. Houseplants must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor since January 1, 2010. Annuals must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor since June 1, 2010.
2. All plants must be in pots and growing. No cut material allowed.
3. Plants must be labeled with the correct botanical or common names. **All plants grown in climate controlled structures** (orchidariums, greenhouse, hotboxes, etc.) must be identified at check-in with a special mark by the chairpersons or receiving committee.
4. Categories may be subdivided at the discretion of the judges and show chairperson.
5. Judges will not award ribbons if in their opinion no entries merit award.
6. **Registration and set-up hours will be from 3:00 PM until 8:00 PM, Wednesday, August 25, 2010. All exhibitors must leave the room at 8:00 PM. Call to make special arrangements for large plants. Judging will take place at 8:15 PM on August 25, 2010.**
7. **All exhibits must remain in place until 9:00 PM, August 27, 2010.**
8. A sign identifying the club or organization should not exceed 9 inches by 24 inches.
9. The Minnesota State Horticultural Society will take all possible precautions to prevent damage or loss.
10. A pot or basket may contain more than one plant of the same variety, but not contain multiple varieties, except where noted, **PLEASE CHECK THE SCHEDULE CAREFULLY AND ASK AT CHECK IN.**
11. Grand Champion, Reserve Champion and Special awards will be given at the discretion of the judges for those entries which merit recognition for cultural perfection or artistic creativity.
12. No artificial plant material is allowed anywhere in the show (i.e. ribbon roses, paper flowers, plastic garland)
13. This means anything that is intended to look like a plant must be real plant material.5/1/2009) MDB