

Cochise County Fair, Department D, Floriculture, 2019

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Entries will be received from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Wednesday, September 25, and from 7 a.m. until 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 26. Judging will begin at 10 a.m. on Thursday. Exhibits must be picked up at 5 p.m. on Sunday, September 29, but absolutely NOT BEFORE 5 p.m. Unclaimed items will remain at the Fairgrounds for a limited number of days. Fair personnel are not responsible for unclaimed items.

GENERAL FLORICULTURE DEPARTMENT RULES:

1. Competition is open to all amateur growers and arrangers.
2. Entry tags will be provided and must accompany each and every entry. Write the entry tag number for each item on the entry form, under description.
3. **All entries are to be clean and insect free.** Judges have the right to disqualify any exhibit, which does not conform to this schedule.
4. Exhibitors are allowed unlimited entries in each lot if each is a separate named variety, type, or color. Lots will be divided as entries warrant. All will be judged variety against variety.
5. Any entry by a youth exhibitor (18 years and under) may be made in any lot by adding the letter “**J**” to the lot # for **ages up to 11**, or “**JS**” for **ages 12-18**.
6. **Exhibitors must furnish their own containers, which should be presentable. The vase or container can be used to enhance the presentation.**

Containers: If using a jar, the labels must be covered or removed. Containers must be leak proof and sturdy enough to support the display. The size should fit the entry in depth and width, and be adjusted to prevent spilling or slipping of flowers. **Example: Don't use a tall, wide-mouth containers to hold 3 small stems. No paper cups or soft plastic containers will be accepted.** The Fair Association will not assume responsibility for breakage.

Artistic Arrangements: Arrangements using artificial flowers or foliage will not be accepted. Dried materials may be sprayed or colored.

Labeling: All tags and entry sheets must be filled out before submitting material. Be sure that the variety is written on the tag. The Fair will reserve the right to remove any exhibit at any time that its appearance is unsuited to remain on exhibit.

Conditioning Plant Material – All fresh plant material should be conditioned several hours before exhibiting or arranging. Specimens should be cut in late afternoon or early morning. A sharp knife or clippers should be used to cut stem on a long slant for the greatest intake of water. Cut specimens should be placed in a vessel of deep tepid water in a cool, dark place for several hours or overnight. **For additional information contact the Floriculture Superintendent** (phone number above).

Judging: Each flower has its own criteria, but still must meet the same 4 factor headings. They will be:

- “Presentation” to show the uniformity and positioning of the flowers for the best presentation.
- “Grooming” to show no burnt, insect damaged, or dead parts.
- “Healthy Foliage” is to be left on to determine the health of the plant.
- “Flowers”. If the lot calls for 3 stems-- 3 flowers should be completely open but not in their last stage.

Flowers should be as uniform as possible with the same size, shape, color, and scent.

Potted plants should have good looking soil and not be too root bound. Pots should be clean and have basins. The top of the soil should be no further down than 2” below top edge of pot, and no nursery pots larger than a 2 gal. size.

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PREMIUM AWARDS: First place \$3.00 Second place \$2.00

**SWEEPSTAKE AWARDS: Adults: First place \$6.00 Second place \$4.00
Youth: First place \$4.00 Second place \$2.00**

SPECIAL AWARDS: Best of Show ribbons may be awarded for adults and youth (18 and under).

CLASS # 22 - ROSES

Lot #

- 1 Hybrid Tea bud stage, 1 stem
- 2 Hybrid Tea 1 bloom with stem
- 3 Hybrid Tea full bloom, 1 stem
- 4 Climbing, 1 or more blooms with 1 stem
- 5 Tree Rose, 1 or more blooms with 1 stem
- 6 Miniature, 2 stems
- 7 Any other rose, 1 stem
- 8 Rose bouquet, mixed, 5 stems or more

**CLASS # 23 - BULBS, CORMS, TUBERS,
RHIZOMES**

Lot #

- 9 Amaryllis, 1 bloom.
- 10 Cyclamen, 3 stems
- 11 Dahlia, 1 stem
- 12 Canna, 1 stalk
- 13 Any other, 1 stem

CLASS # 24 - ANNUALS (Come up by seed)

Lot #

- 14 Daisies, all types, 3 stems, 1 color
- 15 Marigolds, 3 stems, 1 color
- 16 Verbena, 3 blooms, 1 color
- 17 Petunias, 1 or more blooms on 1 stem
- 18 Cosmos, 3 stems, 1 color
- 19 Sunflowers, 1 stem
- 20 Snapdragon, 1 stem
- 21 Zinnias, 3 blooms, 1 color
- 22 Salvia, 3 stems, 1 color
- 23 Any other, 3 stems
- 24 Annual bouquet, mixed, 5 stems or more

CLASS # 25 - PERENNIAL FLOWERS

Lot #

- 25 Salvia, 1 bloom
- 26 Dianthus, 3 stems
- 27 Geranium, 3 stems
- 28 Verbena, 3 stems
- 29 Lantana, 3 stem
- 30 Vinca, 3 stems

31 Herb, 1 stem

32 Chrysanthemum, 3 stem

33 Any other, 3 stems

34 Perennial bouquet, mixed, 5 or more stems

CLASS # 26 - VINES

Lot #

35 Foliage vine, 3 stems

36 Flowering Vine, 3 stems in bloom or seeded.

**CLASS # 27 - SHRUBS, BUSHES & TREES, 3
BRANCHES, UNDER 2 FEET LONG**

Lot No

37 Foliage shrub

38 Flowering shrub, in bloom or fruited

39 Native foliage bush

40 Native flowering bush, in bloom or fruited

41 Foliage tree

42 Flowering tree, in bloom or fruited

**CLASS # 28 - PLANTS IN CONTAINERS
IF HANGING MUST PROVIDE HANGER**

Lot #

43 Foliage plant Flowering plant

44 African Violet, must be in bloom

45 Herb plant

46 Hanging foliage plant

47 Hanging flowering plant must be in bloom.

48 Cactus, 1 type per container

49 Succulents

50 Dish Garden or Terrarium

51 Foliage and/or Flowering plants more than one variety per container.

52 Any other, not classified

CLASS # 29 - ARRANGEMENTS

Lot #

53 Fresh material

54 Dry material

55 Native dry

56 Mixed