

Department 17 – Floral

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General Rules:

See General Fair Rules and Regulations.

1. Competition is open to amateurs in all divisions. All entries will be judged Tuesday morning, August 21, 2012. All exhibits must be grown by exhibitor, except in arrangement classes. Violation of rules will result in forfeit of premium. Youth exhibits should be grown or arranged by youth.
2. Competition is divided into two sections: Seniors, 18 years and older, Youth, 17 and under.
3. Flowers and plants entered for competition must be of more than ordinary standard and quality to be entitled to an award.
4. Entries for all classes will be accepted on **Sunday August 19, 2012 from 2-4 p.m. and Monday, August 20, 2012 from 4-8 p.m.** or the General Entries Registration Form may be used if mailed by August 1. The General Entries form can be found at the back of this book or on the web site at www.southmountainfair.com. An exhibitor may show only one entry per class.
5. Potted plants should have been growing in containers for two (2) months. All pots should be clean, with no foil, plastic support or other embellishments. Exhibitor's name should be on underside of pots. Plant sprays are not permitted.
6. Plants or specimens with obvious disease or insect infestations will not be accepted. Plants that bloom for one day, such as daylily or hibiscus, should not be entered.
7. The common name for all entries must be provided. List botanical name or variety if known.
8. Cut flowers are judged on both flowers and foliage which should be above the water line. Entries must be displayed in containers provided.
9. Only fresh or dried plant material may be shown. No artificial flowers of any kind such as silk, plastic, fabric or etc., may be used.
10. While care will be taken to avoid damaging an exhibit, Fair officials are not responsible for any damage or breakage, as well as the return of exhibits.
11. If the South Mountain Fair Association believes any of the exhibits were shown in previous years, those entries may be refused.
12. The South Mountain Fair Association reserves the right to combine listed classes, depending on the number of entries.
13. **Exhibits will be released to exhibitors on Sunday, August 26, 2012 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. No prize money will be awarded for exhibits removed in violation of this rule. There are no exceptions.**
14. Best of Show will be awarded only where justified by outstanding quality.
15. Department 17 reserves the right to remove and destroy any perishable exhibits which become unworthy of display.
16. Adults should not enter horticulture as youth grown. When possible youth should be present at registration.

TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL SHOWING

Pick flowers for exhibit either early in the morning or late in the afternoon. Place them in a container of tepid water. Cut a few more than needed, in case of accidents. Cut stems long. The stem and foliage should be in pleasing proportion to the flower. Blooms should be without signs of disease or insect damage. Know the name of what you are showing!

The following factors are important in the judging process:

1. Proper plant names.
2. Bloom quality, freshness, and uniformity.
3. Insect or disease damage.
4. Overall appeal.
5. Compliance with class.
6. Balance & symmetry.
7. Consistency of size/color.
8. No foliage below water line.
9. Adequate foliage above water line.
10. Multiple blooms should be the same color.

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General Rules:

1. This section includes all plants that would qualify as houseplants.
2. There should be only one species per pot except in collection classes.
3. Pots may not exceed 10” inside diameter.
4. Since display space is limited, no hanging plants. Potted plants will be exhibited on risers.
5. Potted plants which have won blue ribbons in previous years are not eligible for another ribbon.

Section 1 – Flowering House Plants

Premiums: \$3.00 2.00 1.00

Class	Class	Class
1 African Violets, single	6 Begonia, double	11 Geranium, scented
2 African Violets, double	7 Wax Begonia rooted in bloom	12 Cactus, any variety, in bloom
3 African Violets, trailing	8 Geranium, bedding/common	13 Orchids, any type, in bloom
4 African Violets, miniature	9 Geranium, ivy	14 Other flowering house plant
5 Begonia, single or semi-double	10 Geranium, variegated	

15 Best Flowering Houseplant \$5.00

Section 2 - Foliage Plants, Potted

Premiums: \$3.00 2.00 1.00

Class	Class	Class
1 Aloe Vera	7 Potted, Ferns, Any other variety	12 Cactus, any variety
2 Begonia, Large leaf, any variety	8 Potted, Jade Plant	13 Christmas Cactus
3 Begonia, Small leaf, any variety	9 Potted Ivy, English	14 Spider Plant
4 Coleus, any leaf color	10 Potted Ivy, Other	15 Any other foliage plant
5 Potted, Ferns, Boston	11 Potted Caladium	16 Dish Garden, over 6” not to exceed 12” with collection of 3 or more plants
6 Potted, Ferns, Asparagus		

18 Best Foliage Plant, Potted \$5.00

General Rules:

1. Exhibits must consist of cut flowers grown by the exhibitor. Exhibitors should note that uniformity of height, color, and size is an important factor in evaluating entries.
2. **Cuttings should include sufficient attached foliage to permit evaluation. Flowers should be one color and variety. Foliage below the water line should be removed. Classes may be sub-divided at judge’s discretion.**

Section 3 - Specimen Flowers, Senior

Premiums \$3.00 2.00 1.00

Class	Class	Class
1 Ageratum, 3 stems	6 Butterfly Weed, 1 stem	11 Cleome, 1 stem
2 Amaranthus, 3 stems	7 Calendula, 3 blooms	12 Cosmos, White, 3 blooms
3 Asters, 3 blooms	8 Celosia, cockscomb, Crested, 1 stem	13 Cosmos, Lavender, 3 blooms
4 Bells of Ireland, 3 stems	9 Celosia, cockscomb, Plume, 3 stems	14 Cosmos, Bi-color, 3 blooms
5 Bachelor’s Buttons, 3 blooms	10 Chrysanthemum, 3 blooms or 1 stem	15 Cosmos, Other, 3 blooms

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Section 3 - Specimen Flowers, Senior

Premiums \$3.00 2.00 1.00

Dahlias, debudded, with 2 sets of leaves

Dahlia entries limited to one entry per class,
regardless of species

16 Dahlias, 1 bloom 8" or more	22	Delphinium, 1 spike	
17 Dahlias, 1 bloom 6-8"	23	Dianthus, 3 blooms	
18 Dahlias, 1 bloom 4-6"	24	Gaillardia, 3 blooms	
19 Dahlias, Pompom 2", 3 blooms, same color	25	Gladiolus, Large, 1 spike	
20 Dahlias, Novelty, bicolor, 3 blooms, same color	26	Gladiolus, Miniature, Bloom less than 2 1/2 inches, 1 spike	
21 Dahlias, Collection of 5 varieties	27	Hostas, 1 flower and leaf	
	28	Hydrangea, 1 floral stem	
	29	Lantana, 1 stem	

Lilies, no day lilies, no "surprise" lilies (Lycoris)

30 Lilies, Oriental, 1 scape	31	Lilies, Asiatic, 1 scape	
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32 Marigold, yellow, 3 blooms greater than 2 inches, single/double	37	Nasturtiums, 3 blooms, same color	
33 Marigold, orange, 3 blooms greater than 2 inches, single/double	38	Pansy, 3 stems	
34 Marigold, white, 3 blooms greater than 2 inches, single/double	39	Petunias, Single, 3 stems, same color	
35 Marigold, dwarf, single, 3 blooms less than 2 inches, any color	40	Petunias, Double, 3 stems, same color	
36 Marigold, dwarf, double, 3 blooms less than 2 inches, any color			

Roses, 1 stem, (must have foliage and be named)

41 Roses, Hybrid Tea, single bloom, must name	44	Roses, Grandiflora, 1 spray, name	
42 Roses, Floribunda, single bloom, must name	45	Roses, Other, 1 bloom, must name	
43 Roses, Miniature, 1 stem, single bloom, must name			

46 Rudbeckia (Black-eyed Susans) 3 blooms	50	Snapdragon, Single or standard, 3 stems	
47 Salvia, 3 stems	51	Snapdragon, Double, 3 stems	
48 Strawflower, 3 stems	52	Statice, 3 spikes, same color	
49 Sedum, 1 floral stem			

Miniature Sunflowers, 3 stalks (stems) of blooms, no seeds

Class		Class	
53 Sunflower Poly-headed, yellow/orange		60 Zinnias, double/semi, 6 blooms, same color	
54 Sunflower Poly-headed any other color		61 Zinnias, Dwarf Ball, up to 2", 6 blooms, same color	
55 Verbena, 1 stem		62 Zinnia, Single, 6 blooms, same color	
56 Vinca, 1 stem		63 Zinnias, collection 5 variety, 1 stem each	
57 Violas, 3 blooms		64 Coneflower (Echinacea) 3 blooms	
58 Zinnias, Giant, globular 4" or more, 3 blooms, same color		65 Coleus, 1 stem	
59 Zinnias, cactus, pointed petals, 3 blooms, same color		66 Any other flower, 1 stem	
		67 Best Specimen Flower- Senior	\$5.00

Section 4 - Arboreal Plants, Senior

Premiums \$3.00 2.00 1.00

Cut, 1 single stem, no bushes, 12" minimum height

Class	Class	Class	
1 Berried Branches	4 Hibiscus	6 Narrowleaf Evergreen	
2 Broadleaf Evergreens	5 Holly	7 Any other	
3 Nandina			
	8 Best Arboreal Plant		\$5.00

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Section 5 – Herbs, Senior **Premiums** **\$3.00** **2.00** **1.00**

Cut, 1 single stem, no bushes, 12” minimum height

Class	Class	Class
1 Lavender	4 Tansy	7 Oregano, minimum size 6 inches
2 Basil	5 Rosemary	8 Lemon Balm
3 Sage	6 Mint	9 Other

Potted, not to exceed 8” in diameter

Class	Class
10 Lavender, potted, 8” or under	18 Oregano, potted, 8” or under
11 Basil, potted, 8” or under	19 Other, potted, 8” or under
12 Sage, potted, 8” or under	20 Potted collection 3-5 herbs
13 Chives, potted, 8” or under	21 Arrangement of cut herbs not to exceed 12” in diameter
14 Garlic, potted, 8” or under	22 A living herb wreath not to exceed 18”, equipped for hanging
15 Parsley, potted, 8” or under	
16 Rosemary, potted, 8” or under	
17 Mint, potted, 8” or under	

24 Best Herb **\$5.00**

Section 6 - Planter Container, Senior **Premiums:** **\$4.00** **3.00** **2.00**

Single container featuring 3 or more plants chosen for similar cultural requirements. Container diameter minimum 8” not to exceed 18”. All plants should have been growing in container for at least two (2) months.

Class	Class
1 Cacti	4 Annuals
2 Succulents (other than cactus)	5 Perennials
3 Ferns	

6 Best Planter Container **\$5.00**

Section 7 - Fresh Plant Materials, Senior **Premiums:** **\$4.00** **3.00** **2.00**

General Rules:

All classes have size limitations. Please adhere to the dimensions. Space is limited and oversized entries will be disqualified. Accessories are permitted but plant material must be dominate.

Hints for successful arrangements:

1. Use foliage with different colors, shapes and textures for greater interest. Strip off all leaves that will be under water.
2. Do not scatter colors, keep them grouped. Do not use colors in equal amounts.
3. Do not put largest flowers at the top, even though they are the prettiest and have the longest stems. Keep buds and small blooms at the top and sides, the largest and brightest should be at the center of interest.
4. Fresh flowers and fresh materials should be in the very best condition.
5. Avoid having more than one focal point on the same side. Do not push your focal point in, or let it hide under taller material above it.

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Section 7 - Fresh Plant Materials, Senior

Premiums: \$4.00 3.00 2.00

Class

- 1 Fresh arrangement using flowers **and** fruit or vegetables.
- 2 Fresh arrangement using coleus not to exceed 15” in width or depth.
- 3 Fresh arrangement in a teacup or coffee cup, not to exceed 10” in height.
- 4 Fresh miniature arrangement, not to exceed 5” in diameter, including container.
- 5 Fresh arrangement using flowers all of the same color.
- 6 Fresh arrangement using a pedestal container.
- 7 Fresh arrangement utilizing Adams County apples, not to exceed 18” in depth or width.

8 Best Fresh Materials Arrangement \$5.00

YOUTH

General Rules:

1. There are 2 sections, 8-13 in each class, youth under age 10, youth ages 10 through 17.
2. **The age must be clearly displayed on the entry tag or the entry will be disqualified.**
3. It is expected that the youth will create and enter their own exhibits, with little or no parental help.
4. All of the following classes are open to both age groups.
5. There will be (4) Best of Show awards in this division, if there is sufficient merit.
6. Adults should not enter horticulture as youth grown. When possible youth should be present at registration.

Section 8 – Specimen Flowers, youth, under 10 years

Premiums: \$3.00 2.00 1.00

Section 9 – Specimen Flowers, youth 10-17 years

Class

- 1 Cosmos, pink/purple, 3 blooms
- 2 Cosmos, white, 3 blooms
- 3 Cosmos, Bicolor, 3 blooms
- 4 Cosmos, Other, 3 blooms

Class

- 5 Celosia, cockscomb, 1 bloom, any color
- 6 Celosia, plume, 1 spike, any color
- 7 Vinca, 1 stem

Marigolds, with foliage

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Section 8 – Specimen Flowers, youth, under 10 years **Premiums: \$3.00 2.00 1.00**
Section 9 – Specimen Flowers, youth 10-17 years

Class

- 20 Miniature sunflowers, 3 stalks/stems of blooms (8" or less) Ornamental, yellow or orange
- 21 Miniature sunflowers, 3 stalks/stems of blooms (8" or less) Ornamental, any other color
- 22 Zinnias, Giant, 4" or more, 3 blooms, same color
- 23 Zinnias, Cactus pointed petals, 3 blooms, same color
- 24 Zinnias, Double or semi-double, 6 blooms, same color
- 25 Zinnias, Dwarf ball, 6 blooms, up to 2" wide, same color
- 26 Zinnias, Single, 6 blooms, same color
- 27 Zinnias, Collection of 5 different varieties, 1 stem of each
- 28 Other specimen flower, limit 2

29 Best Specimen Flower, youth under 10 years \$5.00
29 Best Specimen Flower, youth 10-17 years \$5.00



Section 10 - Potted Arrangement, youth under 10 years **Premiums: \$4.00 3.00 2.00**
Section 11 - Potted Arrangement, youth 10-17 years

Class

- 1 Potted herb, 6" to 12" diameter including container and plants, collection of 3 or more plants.
- 2 Cactus, potted in up to 6" pot
- 3 Potted annual, in 8" pot.

4 Best Potted Specimen, youth under 10 years \$5.00
4 Best Potted Specimen, youth 10-17 years \$5.00

Section 12 - Artistic Arrangement, youth under 10 years **Premiums: \$4.00 3.00 2.00**
Section 13 - Artistic Arrangement, youth 10-17 years

Class

- 1 Arrangement in red and white fresh plant material up to 15" wide.
- 2 Fresh arrangement using herbs and flowers, not to exceed 15" wide.
- 3 Dried miniature arrangement using nuts, pods, cones, etc. No fresh or artificial materials.
- 4 Fresh arrangement using sunflowers, not to exceed 18" height
- 5 Fresh arrangement using Adams County apples.

6 Best Artistic Arrangement, youth under 10 years \$5.00
6 Best Artistic Arrangement, youth 10-17 years \$5.00

8 Thomas Piper Award presented to the Best of the Best in all Sections, Adult or Youth. \$10.00