



Capital District GARDEN & FLOWER SHOW

March 27-29, 2020 | Hudson Valley Community College

Floral Design Competition Categories

Open to all garden club, professional, or affiliated floral designers.

Class 1 (5 entries)

Steampunk'd

Execute a vignette incorporating an umbrella and suitcase emulating the romanticized industrial revolution. To be displayed on the provided solid backdrop and platform. Draping required. Advisor is Erin Brady (518) 784-2315.

Class 2 (4 entries)

GPS

Create a topiary that is up to 8' tall but no less than 5' tall. To be staged in front of a draped column. Choose a destination: North, South, East, West as your inspiration. Advisor is Tim Wells (518) 312-6726.

Class 3 (6 entries)

Head in the Clouds

Design a suspended free form "cloud" using dried and/or fresh materials. To be hung on a pipe and drape structure 10' x 10'. Include a coordinated floral piece on a 4' x 2' table. Linens required. Advisor is Marilyn Cederoth (518) 965-0552.

Class 4 (6 entries)

Small Wonders

Construct a miniature arrangement suspended on an ornament hook, using natural elements only. To be displayed on a shared table. Advisor is Marilyn Cederoth (518) 965-0552.

Class 5 (6 entries)

My Favorite Thing

Design an asymmetrical arrangement incorporating one item from the song "My Favorite Things." To be presented on a 40" pedestal with a 12" square top. Advisor is Chris Grigas (518) 577-7101.

Class 6 (6 entries)

Arm Art

Create arm art using mostly succulents, embellished with foliage. This is to be displayed on a provided mannequin arm on a shared table. Advisor is Michele Peters (518) 446-9900.

Class 7 (6 entries)

Navigate the Universe

Incorporate one of the following into a vertical or horizontal design: binoculars, sexton, globe, map, telescope or compass. To be presented on a 40" pedestal with a 12" square top. Advisor is Maureen McDonald (518) 446-9900.

Class 8 (6 entries)

Rock 'n' Roll

Create a free form color coordinated design featuring a geode or agate. To be presented on a 40" pedestal with a 12" square top. Advisor is Michele Peters (518) 446-9900.

Class 9 (6 entries)

Message in a Bottle

Create an artistic installation using a minimum of 30 glass bottles. A table runner and linens are required. Choose: primary, pastel, white, antique, jewel tones, green or ombre. Presented on a 6' table. Advisor is Tim Wells (518) 312-6726.

Class 10 (6 entries)

Gilded

Assemble painted foliage in three clear glass cylinder vases. No flowers. To be displayed on a 36" tall cube with a 24" square top. Entry must be draped. Advisor is Chris Grigas (518) 577-7101.

Class 11 (4 entries)

Up, Up and Away

Construct a colorful hot air balloon. To be presented on a 35" pedestal with a 12" square top. Advisor is Michele Peters (518) 446-9900.

Class 12 (6 entries)

A Work in Progress

Create an atmosphere of your side of the floral workshop in a 5' wide x 4' deep area. Bring your own furniture/worktable. Advisor is Maureen McDonald (518) 446-9900.

Class 13 (6 entries)

Mille Fleur

Design a massive arrangement of delicate round flowers. Advisor is Erin Brady (518) 784-2315.

Designer's Challenge

A seven-minute designer competition will be held Sunday, March 29th at 12:30pm and judged by the public. All materials will be supplied. Prizes will be awarded. To participate, call Chris Grigas (518) 577-7101 or Erin Brady (518) 784-2315.

2020 Award Opportunities

The exhibit with the highest score earns Best of Show honors. The panel of judges pick Most Creative and our Garden & Flower Show visitors vote for People's Choice. The highest score in each class receives a First Place Ribbon. Any exhibit earning 90 points or above receives a Gold Ribbon, 80-89 receives a Silver Ribbon and 70-79 receives a Bronze Ribbon. Visit gardenandflowershow.com for a sample judges' sheet.

Rules For 2020 Participants

1. Competition is open to garden club, professional or affiliated floral designers only.
2. All entries must be made by contacting the class advisor.
3. Show management has the right to refuse any exhibit, for any reason whatsoever, that is not in the best interest of the Show.
4. Upon request, entrants must be able to provide a certificate of insurance with proof of liability insurance.
5. Design entries are to be brought to the HVCC, McDonough Physical Education Complex between 8am and 10:30am, Thursday, March 26.
6. All designs MUST BE completely finished and set-up by 10:59am, Thursday, March 26. All designers must leave the exhibit area by 11am. NO EXCEPTIONS. Failure to meet the deadline will result in disqualification.
7. Exhibitors (floral design contestants) must stay with entry until approved by the advisor and disclosure form is signed by all parties.
8. All floral and plant material is to be listed on the CDG&FS "On-Site Qualifying" form, provided by the advisor. Do not leave your entry until you have filled out the form and handed it to a Floral Design Committee member. Without this form your entry will not be judged.
9. Design MUST adhere to size specifications or you will be disqualified.
10. No artificial plant or floral material permitted except where specified.
11. No electric available. No lit candles. No running water.
12. Limit two (2) entries per designer, however, one complimentary single day general admission pass provided per entrant.
13. No collaborations unless specified by the class.
14. Limit one (1) entry per shop in a class.
15. Only required personnel will be allowed in the exhibit area during judging.
16. Exhibitors cannot add to an arrangement after judging.
17. The decision of the judges is final.
18. No person having entered anything for competition or exhibition may withdraw it after judging.
19. Plants listed on the NYS invasive species list are prohibited.
20. Entrance to the show is free after 4pm, Sunday, March 29 though your design must remain in place and fully intact until 5pm - NO EXCEPTIONS. Judging sheets will be available after 5pm. If you cannot pick up your entry, please make arrangements for someone else to pick up. Anything left behind will be discarded on Sunday, March 29 at 7pm.
21. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to keep their design in pristine condition for the duration of the Show. An entry may be removed at the discretion of show management. Participants may refresh their work each morning from 8:30am-9:45am (Friday & Sunday) and 7:30am-8:45am (Saturday). Neither the Flower Show Committee nor SpringThyme Marketing assumes any responsibility for exhibitor's property. All reasonable care will be exercised.

Congratulations 2019 Winners

Best of Show – On Thai, Surroundings Floral Studio

Most Creative – Tina McDonald, Florals by Design

People's Choice – Melissa Orth, Poppy Tree Floral

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