

Minnesota Hosta Society
2024 Hosta Show

“Hosta Olympics”

July 19-21, 2024

Bachman’s Heritage Room

6010 Lyndale Avenue South

Minneapolis, Minnesota

This Hosta Show is accredited by
The American Hosta Society

SHOW RULES

1. Anyone who wishes to exhibit may enter; however, section and higher awards are limited to American Hosta Society 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 declines membership the Show Chair may either present the award to the next qualified entry or leave the award vacant.
2. Entries of hosta divisions below will be received Friday, 19 July from 5pm to 7pm and Saturday, 20 July 7am to 9:30am. Entries received after 9:30 AM will be placed in the non-competitive exhibit area. Judging will take place from 10 AM to 1 PM Saturday, 20 July. The hosta show will be open to the public after judging on 20 July at approximately 1 pm to 5 pm to and Sunday, 21 July 10am to 4pm. **All exhibits and entries must remain in place until 4 PM Sunday, 21 July.** Entry tags, ribbons and leaves may be claimed from 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM. Entries remaining after 4:30 PM will be disposed of by the Staging Committee.
3. **Limit of 20 entries per registration for Division 1.**
4. Entry tags must be properly completed by the exhibitor. Incorrect entry tag information will be corrected by the Classification Committee, if possible, or returned to the exhibitor for correction. Entries may be disqualified by the committee, at its discretion, if misnamed or if displaying extreme damage or signs of diseases. Current Classification Lists will be present at the show or may be found at The American Hosta Society website, www.hosta.org.
5. During the time of judging only the Show Chair, Show Co-chair, Classification Chair, Judges Chair, Tabulation Chair, Judges and Clerks are permitted in the immediate judging area unless otherwise permitted by the Show Chair.
6. Division I-Horticulture, Division II-Container grown Hosta, Division III-Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect and Division IV-Educational Displays will be judged by panels of three or four accredited American Hosta Society 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 on each class it judges.
7. Division VI-Artistic Design will be judged by ballot from visitors of the show: "People's Choice".
8. All decisions of the judges will be final.
9. Care will be taken, but no responsibility shall be incurred by any person, group or organization for accidents, damages, injuries, thefts, omissions or commissions of any kind or nature from this show.
10. All entries designated as registered cultivars and species shall either be listed in the current year's AHS Hosta Show Classification List or have had registration date recorded in and official publication of the American Hosta Society by the date of the show to be considered registered for show purposes.

11. 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 Division I, Section XII each unregistered named cultivar constitutes a separate name sub-class within each alphabetical letter class.

12. **Division I-Horticulture (Cut Leaf) Rules**

Containers will be provided by the Minnesota 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 Identifying Number)".

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 cut from plants approaching maturity.

Only one entry of each Registered Cultivar or Species is allowed per exhibitor. Entries must have been grown by the exhibitor.

13. **Division II-Container Grown Hostas**

Container grown hostas must have been grown by the exhibitor and must be established in the container in which they are grown. **Only registered cultivars or hosta species may be exhibited in the 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 and indigenous moss of one variety only.

Only one entry of each Registered cultivar or Species is allowed per exhibitor. Entries must have been grown by the exhibitor.

14. **Division III-Trough/Container Gardens arranged for Effect**

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

Multiple varieties of hostas 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 both acceptable and desirable.

Entries must have been grown by the exhibitor.

15. **Division IV-Educational Displays**

Educational displays must pertain to hostas.

16. **Division V-Non-Competitive Exhibits**

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 in good condition. The Show Chairs may refuse placement of any exhibit which does not meet these requirements.

17. **Division VI-Artistic Design**

Preregistration is suggested for exhibition in this division.

Contact the Design Chair by July 5th to reserve your space.

Design chair Rita Gindt-Marvig (952) 239-4385, email ritagmhort@gmail.com

1. Designs must be in place by 10:00 AM Saturday, 20 July 2024.
2. Space allowed for each design: 40 inches high x 24 inches wide x 12 inches deep.
3. Staging panels and underlays may be used if desired. (Cut foam board to size, cover with fabric, paper, and/or paint to enhance the colors in the design.)
4. Each exhibitor is limited to one (1) entry per class.
5. Hosta leaves must be dominant in all exhibits.
6. Plants on the lists of the Federal and Minnesota Noxious Weeds are not allowed in the Artistic Division. See www.mda.state.mn.us and www.plants.usda.gov.
7. The property of the exhibitor should be inconspicuously marked with the owner's name and address. All reasonable care will be taken but the show committee will not be responsible for any loss.
8. No artificial plant material may be used in designs.

SHOW DIVISIONS

DIVISION I-HORTICULTURE (Cut-leaf)

- 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 I Sections 1-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 (including early season variants)

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 Materials,

Section III- Plastic and other Human-Made Materials

Section IV-Natural Materials, Stone, Wood, Baskets, etc.

DIVISION IV-EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

Educational Displays must pertain to hostas.

DIVISION V- NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

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 in good condition. The Show Chair may refuse placement of any exhibit which does not meet these requirements.

DIVISION VI-ARTISTIC DESIGN

“Hosta Olympics”

Class 1: Olympic Rings Arrangement using round shapes

Class 2: Opening Ceremony Design emphasizing linear movement

Class 3: Gold Medal Design using gold hosta

Class 4: Summer Games Arrangement using color(s) to represent a country’s flag

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 1-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 rosette.

Best Seedling or Sport Award – Awarded to the best seedling or sport entry in Division 1 – Horticulture and is selected from the section winners in Sections VI-X. This award is a large triple streamer rosette.

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 rosette.

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 if necessary to break the tie.) This award is a large triple streamer rosette.

Grand Awards – Awarded to the best entries in Division II – Container Grown Hostas, Division III – Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect, Division IV – Educational Displays and Division VI – Artistic Design. In order to win, entries must have scores 95 or more points. For Division II and III, Grand Awards will be selected from Section Award winners. These awards are medium streamer rosettes.

Section Awards – Awarded to the Best of Section winners in divisions containing sections. All section winners must have scored 95 or more points. These awards are medium rosettes.

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

The following ribbon awards are awarded in accordance with the rules as set for by the AHS:

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

Second Place red Ribbon -- Entries must score 85 or more points to receive this award.

Third Place Yellow Ribbon -- Entries must score 80 or more points to receive this award.

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

People's Choice Voting: Visitors of the MHS Hosta Show will be able to vote via paper ballots to decide the artistic design winner, which is the one receiving the most popular votes counted at noon Sunday, 21 July. The Artistic Design ribbon will be awarded after the tally.

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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	Rita Gindt-Marvig
Show Co-Chair	Kim Larsen
Classification Co-Chairs	Kim Larsen, Rita Gindt-Marvig
Judges Chair	Kim Larsen
Clerks Co-Chairs	Kim Larsen, Rita Gindt-Marvig
Placement Co-Chairs	Kim Larsen, Rita Gindt-Marvig
Exhibitor Assistance Chair	Rita Gindt-Marvig
Schedule Chair	Kim Larsen
Staging and Dismantling Co-Chairs	Kim Larsen, Rita Gindt-Marvig
Tabulation Co-Chairs	Kim Larsen, Rita Gindt-Marvig
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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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