FAQs for *Inspired by Nature* Bee-Friendly Floral Arrangement Contest

- 1. May I use purchased flowers from a greenhouse or other source than my own garden? Yes. We realize not all gardeners may be able to access all the plants they prefer to use, due to one circumstance or another. Floral artists are encouraged to use but are not limited to using plants from local gardens.
- 2. Are artificial flowers or foliage allowed? No.
- 3. May I include potted plants in my arrangement? Yes.
- 4. May I use dried flowers? Yes.
- 5. How large can the base or footprint of my arrangement be? Up to 22 inches as the largest pedestal is 24 inches.
- 6. What time does my arrangement need to be in place? By 12:30 p.m. on Aug. 3.
- 7. How many "pollinator plants" should I include? Please include at least one and identify it.
- 8. **Will there be pedestals for contest entries?** Yes. Pedestals are available with tops of 16", 18", 22" and 24" square with heights of 27, 36, 45 inches. Please select a base size when you register.
- 9. **May I use bark or other embellishments?** Yes, but your arrangement should be primarily (about 90 percent) floral and other natural materials.
- 10. **Do I need to be on hand to pick up by arrangement at the end of the afternoon?** Yes, we will be unable to store or transport any arrangements. Please make arrangements for your art to be picked up at the end of the show.
- 11. **Are artists expected to talk with gallery visitors?** That is entirely up to you. We encourage you to visit as you feel comfortable.
- 12. **How do I register?** Go to <u>www.mahtomedigardenclub.org</u> for the sign-up link and for more information about Inspired by Nature.

Please use care to ensure your arrangement is in a watertight container to prevent damage to the Art Center's pedestals.

Thank you for playing a special role in this joint Mahtomedi Garden Club/White Bear Center for the Arts event!

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