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At Olathe City Hall • 100 E. Santa Fe, Olathe, Kansas 66061

On Friday, September 5th and 6th 2025

Show open from 1pm – 8pm Friday & 9am – 3pm Saturday
FREE and open to the Public

Members of the:

*National Garden Clubs, Inc. Rocky Mountain Region
Kansas Associated Garden Clubs East Central District*

**Home grown vegetables, fruits, herbs, ornamentals • fresh and/or dry
flower designs competitively judged and awarded!**

Entries will be accepted from amateur (non-commercial) gardening enthusiasts from
6–8 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 4th and 8–9 a.m. on Friday Sept. 5th.

*When entering you will need to fill out paperwork for each entry.
Entry times are specific due to judging requirements, **don't be late!***

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*Thanks to all who participated
in the success of this flower show!*



General Rules of the Show

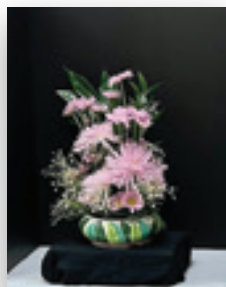
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1. This Flower Show conforms to the standards established by National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC). The Handbook for Flower Shows (HB), July 2024 Edition, with any revisions or corrections listed on the NGC Website, is the authority for all issues not covered by the schedule which is The Law of The Show.
2. Any amateur gardener or designer may enter exhibits in each Division of the Flower Show.
3. Entries will be received from **6pm to 8pm** on Thursday, **Sept. 4, 2025**, and from **8am to 9am** on Friday, **September 5, 2025**. **No entries** will be received after **9am** on Friday. Entries must be placed by 10am on Friday, September 5.
4. Entry cards are available from Theresa Christenson.
5. Exhibitors are encouraged to fill out entry cards in advance (typed, in water-proof ink, with labels or in pencil).
6. Dismantling will begin at **3pm** on Saturday, **September 6, 2025**, and conclude by 4pm that day.
7. Time judging will begin at 10am on Friday, September 5, 2025. Visitors may not view the show until judging is complete.
8. The Classification Chair checks exhibits for conformity to the schedule prior to judging. Final determination for conformance is the judges' responsibility. (Pg.24)
9. The Flower Show Chair and the Classification Chair are available during judging for possible consultation. They, along with the Judges and Clerks, are the only personnel allowed on the floor during judging. (Pg.25)
10. The decisions of the judges are final. Awards may be withheld if not merited. (Pg.25)

General Rules of the Show

**These rules apply to the entire show.
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- 11.** There must be an emphasis on **FRESH** plant material; *no artificial plant material is permitted in any exhibit in any Division.* (Pg.25)
- 12.** Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per class, except in the Horticulture Division. (Pg.25)
- 13.** The Olathe Garden and Civic Club will strive to assure the safety of all items after arrival and placement but is not responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits. (Pg. 25)
- 14.** The following are not permitted: any part(s) of plants on the Kansas list of rare species (<https://biosurvey.ku.edu/rare-plants-and-animals>), as well as preserved, stuffed, or taxidermy birds, butterflies, insects, fish, or animals.
- 15.** Items entered will be judged according to the appropriate scale of points in the Handbook for Flower Shows (HB), July 2024 Edition, pages 129 – 131.



Awards

THE NGC STANDARD SYSTEM OF AWARDING

The NGC Standard System of Awarding (HB pg. 5) is used in all Divisions.

- Only one (1) first-place (blue) ribbon per class or subclass; must score 90 points or more.
- Only one (1) second-place (red) ribbon per class or subclass; must score 85 points or more.
- Only one (1) third-place (yellow) ribbon per class or subclass; must score 80 points or more.
- One (1) or more honorable mention (white) ribbons as merited; must score 75 points or more.

THE NGC TOP EXHIBITOR AWARDS

Horticulture:

Division Award:

Award of Horticultural Excellence (HB Pg. 40). This award is offered to the highest scoring blue ribbon winner; scoring 95 or above, correctly named, in the entire Horticulture Division. It is a rosette of green, orange and blue ribbons.

Section Awards:

Award of Merit (HB Pg. 41). This award is offered to the highest scoring blue ribbon winners, scoring 95 or above in Sections A, B, C, D, E, F, & H of the Horticulture Division. It is a rosette of orange ribbons.

Grower's Choice Award (HB Pg. 41). This award is offered to the highest scoring blue ribbon winners, scoring 95 or above in Section G of the Horticulture Division. It is a rosette of dark green ribbons.

Design:

Division Award:

Award of Design Excellence (HB Pg. 42). This award is offered to the highest scoring exhibit in the entire Design Division, provided all general and award requirements are met. It is a rosette of gold ribbons.

Awards

Section Awards:

Petite Award (HB Pg. 43). This award is offered to the highest scoring blue ribbon winner; scoring 95 or above, correctly named, in the Design Division, Section B. It is a small rosette of blue and white ribbons.

CLUB AWARDS

Rita Reinfelds' Traveling Horticulture Trophy

This award is offered to the Olathe Garden and Civic club member earning the most blue ribbons in the Horticulture Division. Ties will be broken by counting red, yellow, and white ribbons as necessary. It is a trophy.

Sweepstakes Award

(HB pg. 46). This award is offered to the exhibitor (non club members included) earning the most blue ribbons in the Horticulture Division. Ties will be broken by counting red, yellow, and white ribbons as necessary. It is a rosette of green and white ribbons.



Division 7 - Horticulture

“Weather Phenomena”

Consultant: Barbara Fiscus, 913.749.9669

HORTICULTURE RULES

1. The NGC exhibit policies are printed in the Handbook for Flower Shows, Chapter 6, Exhibiting in The Horticulture Division. (HB Pg. 27)
2. The rules for single species, cut or container-grown specimens are listed in the Handbook for Flower Shows or its supplement, Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging. (HB Pg. 27)
3. In order to receive an NGC Top Exhibitor Award, the Exhibitor must identify his/her entry by its binomial name or currently acceptable scientific designation. (Consult Handbook for Flower Shows, Exhibiting in The Horticulture Division, Chapter 6.) (HB Pg. 27)
4. Entry cards are to be filled out in advance. Refer to the HANDBOOK FOR FLOWER SHOWS, CHAPTER 6, for a correctly filled out entry card. (HB Pg. 57)
5. Cut specimens should not have foliage below the water line, except for Gladiolus. (HB Pg. 27)
6. If a plant is considered a flowering plant, it should be exhibited as a flowering specimen. Foliage plants may flower but should be exhibited as foliage plants if they are grown for their leaves. (HB Pg. 27)
7. Specimens with a class designation in the schedule may not be entered in the ‘Any Other Worthy’ class. (HB Pg. 27)
8. Exhibitors are to furnish clean, clear, glass containers for entries. Unobtrusive wedging allowed. (HB Pg. 56)
9. Double-potting is allowed. Inner pot must not be visible. (HB Pg. 58)
10. The Classification Committee is free to subdivide classes by color, form, size, cultivar, variety or other distinguishing characteristics. (HB Pg. 27)
11. The Scales of Points for Horticulture are in Chapter 14 of the Handbook for Flower Shows. (HB Pg. 27)

Division 7 - Horticulture

Section A: Flowering Annuals

"Hailstorms"

Cut specimen, one stem.

Eligible for Award of Merit (HB Pg. 41)

- Class 1** Begonia Semper florens
- Class 2** Catharanthus Roseus - Madagascar periwinkle
- Class 3** Celosia - Cockscomb
- Class 4** Cosmos
- Class 5** Geranium
- Class 6** Gerbera - Daisy
- Class 7** Helichrysum - Sunflower
- Class 8** Impatiens
- Class 9** Lantana
- Class 10** Petunia
- Class 11a** Tagetes - Marigold - Tall Double
- Class 11b** Tagetes - Marigold - Small
- Class 12** Vine
- Class 12a** Zinnia - Under 2" Bloom
- Class 12b** Zinnia - Over 2" Bloom
- Class 13** Any other worthy named specimen
 - A-single bloom
 - B-multi-bloom small
 - C-multi-bloom medium
 - D-multi-bloom large

Section B: Flowering Perennials

"Rain"

Cut specimen, one stem.

Eligible for Award of Merit (HB Pg. 41)

- Class 14** Chrysanthemum - Mums
- Class 15** Echinacea - Coneflower

Section B: Flowering Perennials (Continued)

- Class 16** Gaillardia - Blanket Flower
Class 17 Hemerocallis - Daylily
Class 18 Phlox
Class 19 Rudbeckia - Black-eyed Susan
Class 20 Sedum
Class 21 Vine
Class 22 Any other worthy named specimen
A-single bloom
B-multi bloom

Section C: Roses

"Frost"

Cut specimen, one stem.

Eligible for Award of Merit (HB Pg. 41)

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|-----------------|---------------------------------|-------|
| Class 23 | Hybrid Tea | Stem |
| Class 24 | Floribunda | Stem |
| Class 25 | Grandiflora | Stem |
| Class 26 | Miniature | Spray |
| Class 27 | Any other worthy named specimen | Stem |
| Class 28 | Any other worthy named specimen | Spray |

Section D: Herbs

"Drought"

Cut specimen, one stem.

Eligible for Award of Merit (HB Pg. 41)

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|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Class 29 | Basil |
| Class 30 | Lavender |
| Class 31 | Mentha - Mint |
| Class 32 | Origanum - Oregano |
| Class 33 | Rosemary |
| Class 34 | Sage |
| Class 35 | Thymus - Thyme |
| Class 36 | Any other worthy named specimen |

Section E: Flowering Bulbs, Corms, Tubers, Rhizomes

"Fog"

Cut specimen, one stem.

Eligible for Award of Merit (HB Pg. 41)

Class 37 Canna

Class 38 Dahlia
A – under 3.5"
B – 3.5 to 5"
C – 5 to 7"
D – 7" and above

Class 39 Gladiolus

Class 40 Any other worthy named specimen

Section F: Ornamental Foliage

"Floods"

Cut specimen, one stem.

Eligible for Award of Merit (HB Pg. 41)

Class 41 Begonia

Class 42 Caladium

Class 43a Coleus - green

Class 44b Coleus - mixed colors
Mixed dark
Mixed light

Class 45 Colocasia - Elephant Ear

Class 46 Hosta

Class 47 Ornamental Grass

Class 48 Vine

Class 49 Any other worthy named specimen
A – small
B – medium
C – large

Section G: Container Grown Plants

"Dirt Devil"

Cut specimen, one stem.

All potted plants must be in a clean container of **12" diameter or less**. No plant stands allowed but clean inverted pots may be used to elevate trailing plants. Double potting is permitted, but the inner pot must **NOT** be visible. No cactus is allowed.

Eligible for Grower's Choice Award (HB Pg. 41)

- Class 50** African Violets
- Class 51** Begonia
- Class 52** Fern
- Class 53** Saintpaulia - African Violet
- Class 54a** Succulent - small (under 8" height)
- Class 54b** Succulent - large (over 8" height)
- Class 54c** Succulent - aloe
- Class 55** Any other worthy named container plant

Section H: Vegetables

"Substinence Farming"

Eligible for Award of Merit (HB Pg. 41)

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|------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Class 56 | Beans - green | 5 Specimens |
| Class 57 | Beets | 1 Specimen |
| Class 58 | Carrots | 1 Specimen |
| Class 59 | Corn | 1 Specimen |
| Class 60 | Cucumber | 1 Specimen |
| Class 61 | Eggplant | 1 Specimen |
| Class 62 | Okra | 5 Specimens |
| Class 63 | Onions | 1 Specimen |
| Class 64a | Peppers - Large Sweet | 2 Specimens |
| Class 64b | Peppers - Small Sweet | 3 specimens |
| Class 64c | Peppers - Large Hot | 1 Specimen |
| Class 64d | Peppers - Small Hot | 3 specimens |
| Class 65a | Tomatoes - large | 1 Specimen |
| Class 65b | Tomatoes - cherry | 5 Specimens |
| Class 65c | Tomatoes - Other | 1 Specimen |
| Class 66 | Any other worthy named vegetable | 1 Specimen |

Division II - Design

"Natural Events"

Consultant: Susan Albert, 918.214.2664

DESIGN RULES

1. The NGC Exhibit Policies are printed in the Handbook for Flower Shows, Chapter 7, Exhibiting in the Design Division, NGC Policies and Guidelines. (Pg. 28)
2. Advance registration with the Show Chair is required by August 15, 2024 (Margaret Endecott, 913-626-4104).
3. Plant material and non-plant material permitted and not permitted in the Design Division are printed in the Handbook for Flower Shows, Chapter 7. (Pgs. 80-81)
4. Plant material used in a design must be listed on a 3 x 5 card placed beside the exhibit. Botanical and/or common name is acceptable in design. (Pgs. 29 and 80)
5. The exhibitor is required to conform to the stated descriptions and limitations of the Design Type if named in the class. (Pg. 29)
6. Rules for Design Types, Advanced Design Types, Table Designs and Table Appointments are printed in the Handbook for Flower Shows, Chapter 7. (Pg. 29)
7. Designer is on his/her honor that the design being entered has not been previously entered or judged in an NGC Standard Flower Show. (Pg. 137)
8. Scale of Points for all Designs is listed in the Handbook for Flower Shows. Chapter 14.
9. Painting, flocking, glittering or dyeing of fresh plant material in any manner is NOT permitted.
10. Artificial flowers, foliage, fruits and vegetables are **NOT** permitted.
11. The American flag and other national flags are **NOT** permitted.
12. Living members of the animal kingdom and/or taxidermal representations are **NOT** permitted.

Section A: Design

“Get Ready, It’s Coming”

(Fresh and/or dry plant material) A three-dimensional trifold 28” high X 22” wide will be provided. Accessories are permitted.

“Wildfire”

Class 1 A creative line mass design (triangular, horizontal, vertical or S-curve) where the line is dominant and additional plant material and/or optional components are included to add strength and depth to the design.

“Flood”

Class 2 A underwater design to be viewed from the front only. Clear glass container not to exceed 10” in any direction. Design should be completely submerged in water.

“Rainbow”

Class 3 A tray table exhibit for functional service of food (choices of plates, beverage containers, napkins, serving pieces, candles in proper scale, but no flatware) for one, with design. Exhibitor must provide the tray table.

Section B: Petites

“What’s Coming Now?”

Accessories are permitted.

Eligible for Petite Award

“Drought”

Class 4 Designers Choice design that is not over 8” in any dimension. The design can contain fresh and/or dried material.

“Blizzard”

Class 5 Designers Choice design that is not over 6” in any dimension. “Design should only use white flowers that are fresh and/or dried plant material.

“Heat Wave”

Class 6 A reflective design containing reflective materials giving back images of light to the viewer. The reflective materials are an integral part of the design. Staging in front of or on a mirror is not acceptable. Design is not over 8” in any dimension and can contain fresh and/or dried material.

Division III – Education Exhibits

“Moon Phases”

Consultant: Theresa Christenson, 913.257.6193

EDUCATION RULES

1. Education Exhibits may be the work of more than one individual.
2. An exhibit must occupy a minimum of eighteen square feet surface area.
3. Plant material is not mandatory but encouraged.
4. No artificial flowers, fruit, vegetables or foliage may be used. *(the club supplies the trifold backdrop).*
5. The Scale of Points for Education Exhibits is in Chapter 14 of the Handbook for Flower Shows. (HB Pg. 130)
6. There must be a minimum of two Education Exhibits. Exhibits are in competition with each other.

Class 1

Exhibit 1:

Fighting Pests in the Vegetable Garden

Rid your vegetable garden of pest without using chemicals.

Exhibit 2:

Food preservation

Preserve your garden produce to enjoy all year long.

Division IV –

Not Judged

Any of the Botanical Arts may be submitted (Fairy Gardens, Tray Gardens, Wreaths, Decorated Trees, Hats, Corsages, Still Life). Refer to Handbook for Flower Shows, Chapter 10. All Botanical Arts exhibits must contain some plant material. No artificial plant material may be used. The rules for Botanical Arts Horticulture are printed in the Handbook for Flower Shows, Chapter 10.