

The purpose of a flower show is threefold: to set standards of artistic and horticultural excellence; to broaden knowledge of horticulture, floral design, conservation, photography and other related areas; and to share the beauty of a show with fellow club members and with the public.

—The Garden Club of America Flower Show and Judging Guide, 2014 Edition

The purpose of The Garden Club of America is to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening; to share the advantage of association by means of educational meetings, conferences, correspondence and publications; and to restore, improve and protect the quality of the environment through educational programs and action in the fields of conservation and civic improvement.

River Oaks Garden Club
The Garden Club of Houston
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Florescence

11th Biennial

A Garden Club of America Major Flower Show

April 28–29, 2015

The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston Audrey Jones Beck Building 5601 Main Street

Open to the Public

Tuesday, April 28, and Wednesday, April 29, 2015 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Museum members free; general admission \$15

For the most current information, please go to our website flohouston.org

We do not need magic to transform our world.
We carry all the power we need inside ourselves already.
We have the power to imagine better.

—J. K. Rowling, British fantasy author, Harvard University Commencement Address, 2008



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TIMETABLE FOR EXHIBITORS

Horticulture—one-year ownership deadline
Horticulture—nine-month ownership deadline
Needle Arts registration opens
All Divisions registration opens except Needle Arts and Photography
Horticulture—six-month ownership deadline
Needle Arts registration deadline
Photography registration opens
Horticulture three-month ownership deadline
Floral Design registration deadline Horticulture Design registration deadline Photography digital image due Botanical Arts registration deadline
Needle Arts finished canvas delivery deadline
Notification of Photography Jury results
Photography delivery deadline
Plant list deadline for Floral Design entries
Botanical Arts delivery deadline
Floral Design Exhibitors 1:00–5:00 p.m. Delivery of containers and flowers to Beck Building (Main Street porte cochere entrance) 1:00–5:00 p.m. Arranging in Beck Galleries 3:00–5:00 p.m. Passing in Beck Galleries Horticulture Exhibitors 1:00–5:00 p.m. Cut specimens and all container grown plants entry/passing in the MFAH Parking Garage and Visitor Center (enter from Binz Street) Horticulture Design Exhibitors 1:00–5:00 p.m. Plant Inspection in the MFAH Parking Garage and Visitor Center (enter from Binz Street) 1:00–5:00 p.m. Entry/passing in place

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

Floral Design Exhibitors

6:30–9:00 a.m. Challenge Class arranging/passing in Beck Building galleries 6:30–9:00 a.m. Continued arranging/passing in Beck Building galleries 9:00 a.m. All Floral Design passing closes

Horticulture Exhibitors

6:30–9:00 a.m. Cut specimen entry/passing in the MFAH Parking Garage and Visitor Center (enter from Binz Street)
(container plant entry for out-of-town exhibitors only)

All Divisions

9:00 a.m. All Division entries close

Judges

9:30 a.m. Judges briefing; clerks briefing
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Judging begins for all Divisions
12:30–1:30 p.m. Judges Luncheon and Flower Show evaluation

10:00 a.m. MFAH opens to public

Floral Fête

Presenter: Emily Thompson

2:30 p.m. Brown Auditorium, Caroline Wiess Law Building, MFAH Reception to follow Reservation required*

Enchanted Evening

Cocktail reception and show viewing 7:00 p.m. Beck Building Reservation required*

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

8:00–9:30 a.m. Refreshing and maintenance of exhibits by Preservation Committee

10:00 a.m. MFAH opens to public

Illusions Luncheon and Lecture

Presenter: Luciano Giubbilei

11:00 a.m. Program Begins: Caroline Wiess Law Building, MFAH Luncheon to follow: Caroline Wiess Law Building, MFAH Reservation required*

6:00 p.m. Show closes

6:15-7:00 p.m. All entries removed, and horticulture cut specimens discarded

*Tickets to events are limited. Individual tickets to go on sale Tuesday, January 20, 2015. To purchase tickets, call Development Special Events at 713-639-7523.

Tickets are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis.

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MUSEUM RULES

The protection and preservation of the art is the top priority of the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston (MFAH). The following rules regarding all Florescence entries will be strictly enforced at all times. Failure to comply with these rules may result in disqualification and removal of an exhibit.

- I. Safe Distance from Art Must Be Maintained Pedestals, tables, and risers may not be moved or repositioned as they are all carefully placed by MFAH staff. In addition, classes with dimension limits will be closely monitored for compliance.
- 2. Misting of Exhibits Is Prohibited Exhibitors may not mist any material, including any material for Floral Design (whether a completed arrangement or backup material in buckets or boxes) or any material for Horticulture (whether container grown, a cut specimen, or a completed Horticulture Design).

The only exception to this rule is the official Florescence Preservation Committee. The Committee will monitor

- the condition of entries overnight and maintain all in pristine condition. Only the Preservation Committee may mist or top off water for any exhibit under MFAH staff supervision.
- 3. Use of Paints and Glues Is Prohibited in the MFAH
 Paint, shellac, mastic, adhesive, glue, or any other such
 material, whether aerosol spray, non-aerosol spray, bottle,
 jar, or can are not permitted inside the MFAH. Glue
 guns, paint pens, and glitter pens are not permitted
 inside the MFAH.
- 4. Flash Photography Is Prohibited in the MFAH
 Exhibitors may not use flash photography in the MFAH.
 Only the official Florescence photographers may use
 flash cameras.

Please help the MFAH ensure the safety of its collection for the generations to come. We are all stewards in the preservation of our cultural heritage.

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GCA RULES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

 Please carefully read and follow GCA flower show rules, general information, and division guidelines. All rules as stated in *The Garden Club of America Flower Show and Judging Guide*, July 2014 Revised Edition, shall apply.

SAFETY

- 2. The Garden Club of America, River Oaks Garden Club, The Garden Club of Houston, and the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, will exercise due caution in safeguarding exhibits but assume no responsibility for damage, loss, or personal injury before, during, or after the show.
- 3. Entrance to the MFAH will be limited during staging and entry times. Nametags will be required for entrance and timelines will be strictly enforced.

ENTRIES AND PASSING PROCESS

- 4. Any clarification or change in the rules as originally stated in the schedule will be communicated promptly in writing by the Division Chairmen to all exhibitors in the class, and at the show, to the Passing Committees and the judges.
- 5. Registration for Divisions I, II B, III, IV A–C, IV D, V, and VI is required. Registration is online only, by going to flohouston.org. Classes will be filled in the order registration forms are electronically received. Confirmation of registration will be sent to entrants by e-mail. Direct any questions to the Registration Chairmen, Susan Doherty, dohertysr@gmail.com, or Janet Lionberger, janetlion@gmail.com.
- 6. Entries are open to all GCA club members, including provisional members, and professionals in their disciplines, and by invitation.
- 7. An entry card must accompany each entry. Entry cards will be available at the show and upon request from the entry or division chairmen, in advance of the show. Information required on the entry card must be completed in black waterproof medium.

- 8. A statement of intent is optional except as noted in the schedule and must be submitted at the time of passing. The statement must be no more than 25 words, typed or printed in waterproof ink on a 4" x 6", white, unlined card.
- 9. The Passing Committee must pass each entry before an exhibitor may leave the show area. The Passing Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry that does not conform to the schedule. The exhibitor(s) has the option of correcting the entry, if time permits. If not corrected, the entry cannot be judged, but may remain in place, marked "For Exhibit Only." The judges may not disqualify any entry passed by the Passing Committee, unless evidence of insect infestation or disease is identified.
- To. Once an entry is passed, the exhibitor(s) must immediately leave the show floor. The only exception will be flower show committee members who have entered and been passed according to the timetable. A passed entry may not be touched again until after judging and then only to carry out necessary maintenance.
- II. At no time may exhibitors touch any exhibits other than their own.
- 12. All containers and accessories must be inconspicuously labeled with the exhibitor's name(s).

PLANT MATERIAL

13. All plant material must be correctly identified with the botanical and common names on the entry card, except where indicated in the schedule. Accepted references for nomenclature are: AHS A–Z Encyclopedia of Garden Plants; The Plant List at www.theplantlist.org; International Plant Names Index at www.ipni.org or http://www.internationalplantnames.com; Plant Systematics at www.plantsystematics.org; and Royal Horticultural Society Plant Finder Data Base at http://apps.rhs.org.uk/rhsplantfinder.

- 14. The Garden Club of America expects all exhibitors to be aware of the need to promote conservation of endangered and threatened plants. Plants collected in the wild and listed by the Texas Natural Heritage Program may not be exhibited in any flower show sponsored by a GCA club. Cultivated plant material listed by Texas Natural Heritage Program may be exhibited only if accompanied by a typed card stating that it has not been collected from the wild and giving information concerning its cultural requirements and methods of propagation. Natural Heritage Programs' list of endangered plant material will be available before and during the show from the Division Chairmen, and is available online at plants.usda.gov/threat.html.
- 15. Plant material showing evidence of insects or disease must be removed immediately from the exhibition area. This rule will be enforced at any time during the show, whenever the problem is identified.
- 16. All entries in the Floral Design and Horticulture Divisions must include fresh and/or dried plant material. Fresh plant material must be in water or conditioned in such a way as to remain in pristine form while on exhibition. An entry not maintained in show condition may have its award removed. Entries in Photography are not required to include plant material unless stated in the class description. Entries in Botanical Arts Division must use dried plant material or as stated in the class description.
- 17. Locally invasive plants, diseased plant material, artificial plant material, live animals (including fish), taxidermy, natural birds' nests, and protected sea life are not permitted; see plants.usda.gov/java/noxiousDriver.

JUDGING

- 18. Only participating judges and clerks will be allowed on the show floor during judging. Flower Show Chairmen and Division Chairmen should remain nearby but off the show floor until needed.
- 19. A novice is an exhibitor who has not won a first place ribbon or a GCA Special Award, in the division entered at a GCA Major Flower Show or Sanctioned Non-GCA Major Flower Show. Only an individual novice exhibitor is eligible to receive the GCA Novice Award or the Sandra Baylor Novice Floral Design Award. A novice exhibitor will be identified on the entry card following the initial judging.

REMOVAL

20. All exhibits must remain in place and in show condition until 15 minutes after the show's closing time. Exhibitors must remove exhibits on Wednesday, April 29, 6:15–7:00 p.m., with the exception of Photography, which MUST be removed by Museum staff and will be available for pick up on Thursday at location to be announced.

For an additional charge, an out-of-town exhibitor's entry may be returned by a shipping service. Please go to flohouston.org for information.

Division I: Floral Design

Creative Essence

Guidelines

 Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules and General Information and Timetable for Exhibitors.

ENTRIES

- 2. An exhibitor is permitted only one entry per class, but may enter more than one class. An exhibitor may have one partner per entry except Classes 4, 8, and 9, where only individual exhibitors are permitted. The exhibitor(s) under whose name(s) the entry has been registered must create and complete the design. All participants must be listed. Only listed exhibitors and show personnel may be on the show floor at the time of entry.
- 3. If forced to withdraw, an exhibitor must notify the Registration Chairmen, the Division Chairmen, and the class consultant and must find a substitute unless there is a waiting list for the class.

FLORAL DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

- 4. All pedestals and niches are painted Benjamin Moore Super White. Pedestals may not be moved. Tops of pedestals may not be enlarged or draped.
- 5. Cut fruits/vegetables or foods of any kind are not permitted.
- 6. Mechanics should not be visible unless they are an integral part of the design.
- 7. Accessories are permitted, unless otherwise stated in the class description.
- 8. All designs must be executed at the show. However, complex components requiring extensive time for construction may be prefabricated and then assembled at the show.
- Anything not prohibited in the Museum Rules, GCA Rules, Floral Design Division Guidelines, or individual class descriptions is permitted.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND DEADLINES

10. Registration is **online only**, and is required between Monday, September 1, 2014, and Saturday, January 31, 2015, by registering online at flohouston.org. For any questions regarding registration, please contact one of the Registration Chairmen, Susan Doherty, dohertysr@gmail.com, or Janet Lionberger, janetlion@gmail.com.

- II. For classes interpreting works of art in the Museum, color reproductions of the artwork will be online at flohouston.org. It is possible the colors will not match the actual colors of the piece of art perfectly and the judges will be made aware of this.
- 12. Museum collections are subject to change. If this occurs, exhibitors will be notified as soon as possible by the Flower Show Committee.
- 13. Plant list with common and botanical names along with optional brief statement of intent, 25 words or less, is due to the Computer Entry Chairmen, Karen Ytterberg, kytterberg@aol.com, or Cynthia Lange, cynthia.lange@me.com, by Wednesday, April 1, 2015, by using the entry form online at flohouston.org. Changes may be made at the show.
- 14. Challenge Classes 8 and 9 are open to individual out-of-town exhibitors only and the required fee of \$75.00 must be paid at time of registration.

JUDGING

15. Judging will be based on the principles of design: balance, contrast, dominance, proportion, rhythm, and scale; and the elements of design: light, space, line, form, color, texture, pattern, and size. Creativity is important, as is distinction, conformance, and interpretation of the class and schedule. For the scale of points for Floral Design, please refer to the GCA Flower Show and Judging Guide Chapter V, Section VIII, or follow the link on our website, flohouston.org.

REMOVAL

16. Wednesday, April 29, 6:15–7:00 p.m., all entries removed. For an additional charge, an out-of-town exhibitor's entry may be returned by a shipping service. Please go to flohouston.org for information.

INQUIRIES

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Division I: Floral Design

Creative Essence

Classes

Class 1. Mystic West 4 Entries

Designs inspired by the museum's permanent collection of Frederic Remington paintings; staged on a 40" x 15½" square pedestal. Design may not exceed 20" from the center of the pedestal and 8' in overall height from floor; Gallery height is 14'; Gallery wall color is a custom mixed burgundy red; Viewed from three sides.

- a. Aiding a Comrade, Frederic Remington, 1889-90, 34%" x 4818"
- b. The Mier Expedition: The Drawing of the Black Bean (Prisoners Drawing Their Beans), Frederic Remington, 1896, 27%" x 40"
- c. The Call for Help, Frederic Remington, c. 1908, 271/4" x 401/8"
- d. Episode of the Buffalo Gun, Frederic Remington, 1909, 271/8" x 401/4"

Location: Beck Building, Kilroy Foundation Gallery, Gallery 107, First Floor

Class 2. Virtual Reality

Up to 6 Entries

Designs inspired by the museum's permanent collection of North American Arts, staged on a 40" x 15.5" square pedestal. Design may not exceed 20" from center of pedestal and 8' in overall height from floor. Gallery height is 14'; gallery wall color is custom mixed beige. Viewed from three sides.

- a. Vase, Louis Comfort Tiffany, c. 1892-93, 211/2" x 81/4" x 81/4"
- b. The Japanese Book, William Merritt Chase, c. 1900, 721/2" x 361/2"
- c. Arm Organization, Stanton Macdonald-Wright, 1914, 36" x 30%"
- d. Tango, Elie Nadelman, c. 1918–24, Male figure: 33½" x 17½" x 13¼", Female figure: 34¾" x 17½" x 11¾"
- e. Peinture/Nature Morte, Patrick Henry Bruce, c. 1920-1921, 35" x 46"
- f. Children in the Garden (The Nurse), Mary Cassatt, 1878, 25¾" x 31¾"

Location: Beck Building, Hevrdejs Gallery South, Gallery 108, First Floor

Class 3. Lightness of Being

Up to 6 Entries

Designs inspired by Alexander Calder's mobile, *International Mobile*; staged on a 40" x 15½" square pedestal. Design may not exceed 20" from center of pedestal and 8' in overall height from floor. Gallery height is 25'; gallery wall color is Benjamin Moore 1464 Light Pewter. Viewed from three sides.

Location: Beck Building, Long-Sarofim Gallery, Gallery 109, First Floor

Class 4. Masters of Deception

Up to 6 Entries

A design using trickery, chicanery, wiliness, guile, intrigue, subterfuge and/or artifice! Staged on a 40" x 15½" pedestal. Design may not exceed 20" from center of pedestal and no height restriction. Gallery wall color is cast stone. An invitational class. Viewed from all sides.

Location: Beck Building, Cullen Foundation Atrium, Gallery 104, First Floor

Class 5. Altered States Up to 6 Entries

A synergistic design of 3 or more units creating a complete unified whole. Staged on 2 touching square pedestals; measuring 40" x 14" and 34" x 14". Design may not exceed 6" from edge of pedestal and 8' in overall height from floor. Gallery height is 15'; gallery wall color is Benjamin Moore 985 Indian River. Viewed from three sides.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 207, Second Floor

Class 6. Faces of Janus

Up to 6 Entries

A two-sided design, having two distinct sides, which cannot be seen from the opposite side. Staged on a 40" x 14" white square pedestal. Design may not exceed 20" from center of pedestal and 8' in overall height; Gallery height is 15'; gallery wall color is Benjamin Moore 985 Indian River; Viewed from all sides.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 207, Second Floor

Class 7. Through the Looking Glass

Up to 6 Entries

A design in a white niche 24" x 16½" x 14½" staged at 46". Viewed from front only.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 222, Second Floor

Class 8. Over the Rainbow

4 Entries

A Challenge Class for out-of-town exhibitors. Fee required.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 203, Second Floor

Class 9. Emerald City

4 Entries

A challenge class for out-of-town exhibitors. Fee required.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 203, Second Floor

Class 10-A Enchanted Portal

5 Entries

Class 10-B Enchanted Portal

5 Entries

A small door replica, 20" high by 11' wide, to be adorned with a design to represent what lies beyond. Door replicas and support bases will be provided and may be decorated in advance. A novice class limited to and required of all Provisional members of River Oaks Garden Club (first year only) and The Garden Club of Houston. Viewed from front.

Location: Beck Building, Millennium Gallery, Lower Level

Division II A: Horticulture

Verdant Reverie

Guidelines

 Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules and General Information and Timetable for Exhibitors.

ENTRIES

- 2. Entries must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of six months (October 28, 2014). Exceptions are as follows: 1. Class 30, Vegetable, has a three-month ownership (January 28, 2015), 2. Classes 37–40, Topiary, Classes 41–48, Cacti and Succulents, and Class 50, Orchids, have one year ownership (April 28, 2014).
- 3. An exhibitor may submit up to three entries per class, provided each is a different species or cultivar.

PLANT/SPECIMEN REQUIREMENTS

- 4. With the exception of Classes 34–36, Cut Collection, the maximum length of an entered cut specimen is 26" measured from the lip of the container to the end of the vine, branch, or leaf.
- All cut specimens must be in show condition at the time of judging. Wilted specimens are subject to removal by the Horticulture Committee.

DISPLAY/CONTAINER REQUIREMENTS

- Leaf polish or other commercial foliage enhancers are not permitted.
- 7. Container and wedging material will be provided for all cut specimens.
- 8. Containers may not exceed a 12" inside dimension measured on the interior diagonal. Exceptions apply to Classes 66–67 which will be displayed in window boxes. Class 37, Topiary in Asian Manner, and Class 68, Par, have no container restrictions.
- 9. Container grown plants should be exhibited in containers that are clean, unobtrusive and compatible with the exhibit. Terracotta pots are preferred. Other options include terracotta colored pots. Asian Manner containers, Class 37 allows Asian Manner containers. Class 64 allows natural containers such as driftwood, rock, stone or shell. Classes 66–67 will be exhibited in window boxes.
- 10. Double potting is permitted, provided natural top dressing is used and the inside container is not visible. Top dressing must not float when watered. Therefore, sphagnum moss and Spanish moss are not permitted as a top dressing.

- II. To designate a preferred exhibiting side, exhibitors must mark the center back of the container with a white chalk mark.
- 12. If an entry (such as a forced bulb or orchid) is staked, the support must be as unobtrusive as possible.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

- 13. Entry cards will be available at the show and, upon request, from the Horticulture Committee in advance of the show.
- 14. Entries eligible for the Elizabeth Platt Corning Medal and/or the Louise Agee Wrinkle Horticulture Propagation Award must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least six months (October 28, 2014) and will be identified by a check mark on the entry card. Plants grown using sustainable practices also will be identified by a check mark on the entry card.

ENTRY PROCESS

- 15. An entry card must include the name of the exhibitor, division, class, botanical and common names, length of ownership, propagation method and details of cultivation, if applicable. On a white 4" x 6" unlined "key" card, additional propagation information should be described. Entry card and propagation information must be written or printed in black waterproof medium.
- 16. Key cards (a plant list and diagram or 4" x 6" photograph with identifying marks) must be on white 4" x 6" unlined cards. Key cards are required in Classes 4, 33, 34–36, 40, 42, 48, 57 and 64, 66–67. The required information must be written or printed in black waterproof medium.
- 17. Each exhibitor is responsible for her own entry. Exceptions may be allowed only at the discretion of the Horticulture Committee.
- 18. Exhibitors must stay with their entry until it is passed and recorded in the Entry Book. Once an entry has been passed, it may not be touched by anyone other than the Placement Committee or Horticulture Chairmen.
- 19. The Placement Committee, Horticulture Chairmen and/or the Judges may subdivide classes and/or move or reclassify entries.

JUDGING

20. Entries will be judged for horticultural achievement and conformance to schedule. For the scale of points for Horticulture, please refer to the GCA Flower Show and Judging Guide Chapter V, Section XII, or follow the link on our website, flohouston.org.

REMOVAL

21. Wednesday, April 29, 2015, 6:15–7:00 p.m., all entries removed and horticulture cut specimens discarded.

INQUIRIES

By e-mail at any time.

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Division II A: Horticulture

Verdant Reverie

Classes

CUT SPECIMENS (CLASSES 1-36)

Classes 1-2. Perennials

Grown for flowers

1. Single stem

Grown for foliage

2. Single stem

Classes 3-4. Ferns

- 3. Single stem
- 4. Collection of three to five specimens of different species or cultivars. Each displayed in its own container (key card required).

Classes 5-9. Roses

One stem or spray with attached leaves Stem in proportion to bloom size

- 5. Species
- 6. Old Garden Roses
- 7. Modern
- 8. Other
- 9. Rose (to be floated in a bowl provided by the Horticulture Committee, no stems or foliage required).

Classes 10–12. Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes, and Tubers One specimen with or without attached foliage

- 10. Bulb
- II. Rhizome
- 12. Other

Classes 13-16. Annuals

Grown for flowers

- 13. Single stem
- 14. Three stems, same species or cultivar

Grown for foliage

- 15. Single stem
- 16. Three stems, same species or cultivar

Classes 17-20. Trees

Single branch

- 17. Flowering
- 18. Foliage
- 19. Berried/Fruiting
- 20. Other

Classes 21-24. Shrubs

Single branch

- 21. Flowering
- 22. Foliage
- 23. Berried/Fruiting
- 24. Other

Classes 25-28. Climbers and Vines

Single stem

- 25. Flowering
- 26. Foliage
- 27. Berried/Fruiting
- 28. Other

Classes 29-30. Edibles

- 29. Fruit (attached to stem)
- 30. Vegetable—Three-month ownership requirement (January 28, 2015).

Classes 31-33. Herbs

Six-month ownership requirement (October 28, 2014)

- 31. Single stem
- 32. Three stems of the same species in one container
- 33. Collection of three to five specimens of different species or cultivars. Each displayed in its own container (key card required).

Classes 34-36. Cut Collection

Cut materials from the exhibitor's garden arranged in a clear glass container provided by the exhibitor. The arrangement may not exceed 18" in any dimension; minimum of three species (key card required).

- 34. Flowering
- 35. Foliage
- 36. Combination of Flowering and Foliage

CONTAINER-GROWN PLANTS (CLASSES 37–68)

Classes 37-40. Trained Plants (Topiary)

Ownership requirement of nine months (July 28, 2014).

- 37. Trained in the Asian Manner (container requirement waived; no stands allowed).
- 38. Standard topiary: a single straight stem with the crown of growth at the top; topiary should stand straight without support.
- 39. Trimmed topiary: a specimen that is pruned into a stylized shape (no wire frame).
- 40. Trained topiary: one or more plants trained on two- or three-dimensional wire frame; key card required for more than one plant.

Classes 41-42. Cacti

Ownership requirement of nine months (July 28, 2014).

- 41. One plant per container.
- 42. Three to five different species or cultivars per container (key card required).

Classes 43-48. Succulents other than Cacti

Ownership requirement of nine months (July 28, 2014).

- 43. Agavaceae
- 44. Crassulaceae
- 45. Euphorbiaceae
- 46. Liliaceae
- 47. Other
- 48. Three to five different species or cultivars per container (key card required).

Classes 49-52. Plants Grown Primarily for Flowers

One or more of the same species or cultivar; must be in bloom.

- 49. Begonias
- 50. Orchids—Ownership requirement of one year (April 28, 2014).
- 51. Roses
- 52. Other

Classes 53-54. Plants Grown Primarily for Foliage

One or more plants of the same species or cultivar.

- 53. Variegated
- 54. Non-variegated

Classes 55-56. Miniatures

A mature example of a plant which is naturally diminutive

- 55. Grown primarily for flowers.
- 56. Grown primarily for foliage.

Class 57. Collections

Three to five plants grown in individual containers (key card required).

Ownership requirements for genus/species apply.

57. Three to five different species of the same genus.

Classes 58-62. Propagation

Describe propagation process and dates on white 4" x 6" unlined card.

- 58. Single plant from a cutting.
- 59. Multiple plants of the same species or cultivar from cuttings.
- 60. Single plant from a seed.
- 61. Multiple plants of the same species or cultivar from seeds.
- 62. Single plant from other propagation method.

Class 63. Pairs

Two plants of the same species or cultivar.

63. A matching pair of plants grown in individual containers.

Class 64. Natural Containers

One or more plants grown in a natural container such as rock, stone or driftwood (container requirement waived).

Container may not exceed 18" in any dimension; key card required for more than one plant.

Class 65. Lamar High School Challenge

Open exclusively to Lamar High School students enrolled in LHS horticulture classes.

Containers and plants provided by the Horticulture Committee. Beginning to end written and photographic documentation of project is required.

65. Plants beneficial to butterflies, The Garden Club of America 2014 Freeman Medal Winner, Butterfly Weed, Asclepias *tuberosa*.

Classes 66-67. Provisional Window Box Challenge

Open exclusively to provisional members of River Oaks Garden Club (2nd year only) and The Garden Club of Houston. Displayed on a table top. Viewed from all sides (key card required).

Ownership requirement of six months (October 28, 2014). Container and plants provided by the Horticulture Committee.

- 66. Window box of Salvia plants; variety to be determined.
- 67. Window box of Salvia plants; variety to be determined.

Class 68. Par Class

An exhibit of outstanding horticultural merit that does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the division (no cut specimens, bonsai, orchids, or hanging baskets).

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Location: Beck Building, Second Floor Galleries.



Division II B: Horticulture Design

Fantasia

Guidelines

- Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules and General Information and the Timetable for Exhibitors.
- 2. Horticulture Design requires that live, rooted plant material be predominant in the design. No cut flowers are allowed in Classes 1 and 3.
- 3. There is no ownership requirement.
- 4. Plant material must be able to stay in show condition, with no watering or substitutions, for the duration of the show.
- 5. Exhibits are not eligible for GCA Special Awards.
- 6. A Best in Show for Division II B may be given, if merited.
- 7. Judges' commendations may be given, if merited.

ENTRIES

- Exhibitors must be members of GCA member clubs.
- An exhibitor is permitted only one entry per class, but may enter more than one class. An exhibitor may have one partner per entry, both names are to be listed on the entry card.
- Each entry must be the work of the exhibitor(s) under whose name(s) it has been registered. Only listed exhibitors and show personel may be on the show floor at the time of entry.
- 4. If forced to withdraw, an exhibitor must notify the Registration Chairmen, Division Charimen and find a substitute, unless there is a waitlist for the class.

REGISTRATION

- I. Registration is online only, and is required between Monday, September 1, 2014, and Saturday, January, 31, 2015, by registering online at flohouston.org. For any questions regarding registration, please contact one of the Registration Chairmen, Susan Doherty, dohertysr@gmail.com, or Janet Lionberger, janetlion@gmail.com.
- Registration is on a first-come, first-entered basis.A waitlist will be kept per class.

- 3. Plant list with common and botanical names along with optional brief statement of intent, 25 words or less, is due to the computer/entry chaimen, Karen Ytterberg, kytterberg@aol.com, or Cynthia Lange, cynthia.lange@me.com, by Wednesday, April 1, 2015, by using the entry form online at flohouston.org. Changes may be made at the show.
- 4. There is a container fee of \$45.00 for Class 2, which must be paid at the time of online registration by credit card. If shipped, there will also be a shipping/handling fee.

ENTRY PROCESS

- Entries must go through Division II Horticulture Plant
 Inspection prior to entering the museum. Plant Inspection is
 located in the Horticulture Entry area in the MFAH Parking
 Garage and Visitor Center (enter from Binz Street).
- After clearing Plant Inspection, the entry is to be brought to the gallery where Horticulture Design is to be displayed. The entry will be passed in place.
- 3. A key card (diagram identifying plant material) is required for all classes on a 4" x 6" unlined white card, and must accompany the entry. The information must be written or printed in black waterproof medium. A 4" x 6" photograph with identifying marks may be used in lieu of a drawn diagram. Multiple cards may be used to complete all required information; please note the Division, Class, and Entry number on each card and use a paper clip to keep together.
- 4. The entry must be passed by a judge on the show floor before the exhibitor is allowed to leave. Passing includes review of the entry, completed key card(s), and exhibition form.

JUDGING

- I. Each exhibit will be judged for conformance to the flower show schedule.
- 2. Judges will consider compatibility and arrangement of plants and materials, attractiveness and originality, and appropriate size of plants for container.
- 3. Scale of Points

Cultural Perfection	55
Plant Variety	25
Creativity	15
Labeling	5
Total	100

REMOVAL

 All exhibits must be removed on Wednesday, April 29, 6:15-7:00 p.m. For an additional charge, an out-of-town exhibitor's entry may be returned by a shipping service. Please go to flohouston.org for information.

INQUIRIES

By e-mail at any time. By telephone weekdays, 9:00 a.m.— 5:00 p.m. Central Time

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Division II B: Horticulture Design Fantasia

Classes

Class 1. Fairyland Up to 6 Entries

A miniature design (scale: 1 inch = 1 foot) consisting of a combination of a minimum of three different naturally diminutive rooted species, varieties or cultivars, grown in soil or other medium, and other (optional) components in a natural container of the exhibitor's choice. Staged on a 36" x 12" square white pedestal. Container must be waterproof and must not exceed the size of the pedestal top. No cut flowers. Accessories are permitted. Key card required. A list of the plant material is required (Botanical name and Common name, if any). To be viewed from all sides.

Class 2. Magic Carpet Ride

Up to 6 Entries

Pot-et-fleur: Create a design for this legendary mode of transportation with compatible rooted and fresh cut plant material. Staged on two 34" x 12" pedestals, as if carpet were flying. Fresh material needing water may be inserted in floral tubes, bottles, and/or floral foam, which must be hidden from view. Container may be embellished and must be waterproof. Accessories are not permitted. Key card required. A list of the plant material is required (Botanical name and Common name, if any). Viewed from all sides and above.

Rectangular, wood container, 2' x 3', to be supplied by the Horticulture Design Co-chairmen. Fee: \$45.

Class 3. Shangri-la

Up to 6 Entries

Terrarium: Envision a paradise comprised of a minimum of three different rooted species, varieties, or cultivars in a container. Staged on a 36" x 12" square white pedestal. Be mindful of compatibility and arrangement of plants and materials, appropriate potting media, attractiveness and originality, and appropriate size of plants for container. A clear-glass, waterproof container with a top is to be of the exhibitor's choice and may not exceed the size of the pedestal top. No Wardian cases. No cut flowers. Accessories permitted. Key card required. A list of the plant material is required (Botanical name and Common name, if any). To be viewed from all sides.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 208, Second Floor



Division III

Imagined Images

Photography Guidelines

- Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules and General Information and Timetable for Exhibitors.
- 2. This is a Juried Show. The jury will choose six finalists in each class. An exhibitor may make only one entry in a class but may enter two classes. Advance registration is required between January 1, 2015 and January 31, 2015. Exhibitors will be notified if accepted or not, by February 25, 2015. Exhibitors will be notified if chosen as a finalist or not by February 25, 2015. The finalists will then print and mount the photograph and mail it to Fran Brennan by the March 25 deadline to be entered into the Florescence competition (see #13).
- 3. Photographs are to be submitted by uploading to flohouston.org in jpeg format, 1–5 megabytes, between January 1 and January 31, 2015. Each photographic file name should include the entrant's last name, first initial, zone, and class number, (e.g. Smith, J. IX—class 5.jpeg).
 - You will be notified by e-mail that your registration and jpeg file have been received at the time of their submission. When registering your jpeg file on the website, you must hit "submit" to obtain a confirmation number. Please print the confirmation page for your record.
 - *Photography entry form may be found online at flohouston.org. Two copies are to be submitted with the finished photograph. One is to be attached to the back of the photograph and must include the exhibitor's name, garden club, zone, address, phone number and class entered. The top of the photograph must be indicated. Additionally, a duplicate loose copy of the entry form should be included (allowing the statement of intent and other information to be accessible after the entry is installed).
- If forced to withdraw, an exhibitor must notify the division chairman, who will then invite the next highest ranked entry in that class.

- 5. Photographs that have won first place or a GCA special award in a GCA Flower Show, GCA Major Flower Show, or Sanctioned Non-GCA Major Flower Show may not be entered in competition again. A previously entered photograph that did not place first may be entered again if the image is significantly altered and newly printed. The same photograph may only be entered in one show at a time.
- 6. Each photograph must be the work of the exhibitor, under whose name it is registered. Matting, mounting, and printing may be done professionally.
- 7. Any manipulation at any stage must be the work of the exhibitor. This includes enhancement for color clarity, removal of part of the image, combining images, or distorting the original subject.
- 8. Photography entries are limited to subjects consistent with The Garden Club of America interests such as horticulture, floral design, gardens/landscapes, conservation, the environment, historic preservation, civic improvement, and the natural world. Plant material is not required.
- 9. Photographs must be mounted on foam core cut to the exact size of the image (flush mounting) with no over-matting. The size of the overall perimeter must be a minimum of 50" and not exceed 72". The surface finish is the choice of the exhibitor. Glass, matting, and framing are not permitted.
- 10. The division chairman will provide a flower show entry card to be staged with each photograph. Identification of plant material on the entry card is not required, but is encouraged when possible.
- II. An optional title or brief statement, not to exceed 25 words, may be included on the entry form and the entry card itself.
- 12. An exhibitor may not change classes after having submitted a jpeg.
- 13. Photographs must be received no later than March 25, 2015. Please mail your photograph to Fran Brennan, 2337 Tangley Road, Houston, TX 77005. Receipt of your photograph and entry forms will be acknowledged. For more information, contact Fran Brennan, mfranbrennan@aol.com, or 713-526-9206.

- 14. All photographs will be passed by the Photography Committee on March 27, 2015, to verify that class specifications have been met. If a photograph is not passed, the exhibitor will be notified and allowed, if time permits, to send a replacement photograph.
- 15. The Florescence Photography Committee may reclassify an entry, but only with the permission of the exhibitor.
- 16. The scale of points by which the classes are to be judged.

Creativity	25
Composition	25
Technical Skill	20
Conformance/Interpretation	20
Distinction	IO
Total	100

REMOVAL

17. Photographs must be removed by museum staff and will be available for pick-up on Thursday for in-town exhibitors at a location to be announced. If a photograph is to be returned, the exhibitor must provide a self-addressed, prepaid label and packing material. Any award received will be noted on the back of the mount before it is returned. For an additional charge, an out-of-town exhibitor's entry may be returned by a shipping service. Please go to flohouston.org for information. If no return material is included, it will be assumed that the image will not be returned.

INQUIRIES

By e-mail at any time.

By telephone weekdays, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Central Time.

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Division III: Photography

Imagined Images

Classes

Class 1. Reflections Composition incorporating any reflective surface.	Color	6 Entries
Class 2. Cloud Illusions Composition of a dramatic cloud formation.	Color	6 Entries
Class 3. Lilliputian's View Composition featuring a macro shot of plant material. Novice only	Color	6 Entries
Class 4. Dreamscape Landscape composition in impressionistic style utilizing creative techniques in which manipulation is obvious. Include 4" x 6" of or	Color iginal.	6 Entries
Class 5. Phantasmagorical A color composition of an unexpected juxtaposition of elements, inanimate and natural.	Color	6 Entries
Class 6. Atmospheric Alchemy Composition featuring fog, smoke, mist, snow, or rain.	Monochrome	6 Entries
Class 7. Evocative Garden Composition of a garden that tells a story.	Color	6 Entries
Class 8. Chiaroscuro Study in light and shadow.	Black & White	6 Entries
Class 9. Conjuring Houston's Bayous Composition capturing a sense of Houston's past, present, or future, incorporating one of Houston's seven bayous. Limited to River Oaks Garden Club and The Garden Club	Color	6 Entries
of Houston members.		

Division IV A–C: Botanical Arts

Charmed

Guidelines

 Please read carefully and follow the GCA Rules and General Information and Timetable for Exhibitors.

ENTRIES

- 2. An exhibitor is permitted only one entry per class, but may enter more than one class. An exhibitor may have one partner per entry. Each exhibit must be the work of the exhibitor(s) under whose name(s) it has been registered.
- If forced to withdraw, an exhibitor must find a substitute unless there is a waiting list for the class. The Division Chairmen must be notified immediately of any changes.
- 4. If a Botanical Arts entry has won first place or a GCA Special Award in a GCA Flower Show, a GCA Major Flower Show or Sanctioned Non-GCA Flower Show, it may not be entered in competition again. An exhibit which has been previously entered and did not place first may be entered again if the piece is significantly altered.
- 5. Mounts will be supplied to the entrant after registering.
- Each entry must be the work of the exhibitor under whose name it is registered. All handiwork must be executed by the exhibitor.

MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

- 7. All plant material must be dried. This includes flowers, foliage, seeds, pods, nuts (in or out of shells), vegetables, twigs, vines, reeds, etc. Only plant material, mechanics, and their surface treatments (i.e. paints, nail polishes, varnishes, and waxes, etc.) are permitted. Artificial, endangered, and locally invasive plant material may not be used.
- 8. Figural forms must be assembled or judiciously carved by the exhibitor. Any plant material may be cut, incised, or shaped to enhance artistic effect.
- Non-plant material (i.e. cardboard, metal, twine, string, cording) may be used only for construction and must not show.
- Processed products may not be included in design (e.g., couscous, tapioca, balsa wood).
- II. Division IV C, Botanical couture, entries must be created from all dried plant material.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND DEADLINES

12. Registration is online only and is required between Monday, September 1, 2014, and Saturday, January 31, 2015, by registering online at flohouston.org. For any questions, please contact one of the Division Chairmen.

ENTRY PROCESS

- 13. A sample card must accompany each entry. An untreated sample of each plant material used in the design, correctly identified with botanical and common names, affixed to a 4" x 6" unlined white card.
- 14. Entries must be received by Monday, April 6, 2015. Exhibitors may ship or deliver entry/entries and required sample key card to Francey Pengra, 3315 Ferndale Street, Houston, Texas 77098. The entries will be considered for passing as they are unpacked.
- 15. Exhibitors absent from the show may indicate in writing another individual authorized to make repairs to exhibitor's entry. Contact information must be provided.
- 16. The Botanical Arts Committee will be responsible for the installation of the exhibits. Each exhibit will be handled with the utmost care. Indicate in writing, and include with exhibit, any special instructions for display.

JUDGING

17. Scale of points by which the classes are to be judged:

Design	35
Craftsmanship	30
Originality	15
Interpretation of Theme	IO
Distinction	IO
Total	100

REMOVAL

18. Wednesday, April 29, 6:15–7:00 p.m., all entries removed. For an additional charge, an out-of-town exhibitor's entry may be returned by a shipping service. Please go to flohouston.org for information.

INOUIRIES

By e-mail at any time. By telephone weekdays, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Central Time.

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Division IV A-C: Botanical Arts

Charmed

Classes

SECTION A. BOTANICAL JEWELRY

Class 1. Flights of Fancy

Up to 6 Entries

Create a brooch depicting a winged creature displayed on a black velvet mount. Entry must not exceed the size of the mount. Viewed from all sides and above.

Class 2. Jewels du Jour

Up to 6 Entries

Create a pair of ear clips displayed on a black velvet mount. Entry must not exceed the size of the mount. Viewed from all sides and above.

SECTION B. BOTANICAL EMBELLISHMENT

Class 3. Minaudiere

Up to 6 Entries

Embellish a supplied small wooden purse displayed on a black velvet mount. Entry must not exceed the size of the mount. Viewed from all sides and above.

Minaudiere—A woman's fashion accessory generally considered a jewelry piece, intended to substitute for an evening bag

SECTION C. BOTANICAL COUTURE

Class 4. Fairy Fashionable

Up to 6 Entries

Using an array of natural elements create a fairy/fantasy couture gown on a miniature dress form supplied by the committee. Viewed from 3 sides.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 227, Second Floor



Division IV-D: Needle Arts "Sleight of Hand" Guidelines

 Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules and General Information and Timetable for Exhibitors.

ENTRIES

- An exhibitor is permitted only one entry per class, but may enter more than one class with permission from the Division Chairmen. Each exhibit must be the work of the exhibitor under whose name it has been entered.
- 3. If forced to withdraw, an exhibitor must find a substitute unless there is a waiting list for the class. The Division Chairmen must be notified immediately of any changes.

MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

- 4. There are no thread requirements. Beading is allowed.
- 5. All canvases will be finished in the same style by the Needle Arts Committee.
- 6. Consultants may be used for the design of the stitches.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINES

- 7. Registration is online only and is required between Friday, August 1, 2014, and Saturday, November 1, 2014, by going online at flohouston.org. For registration questions, please contact the Registration Chairmen, Susan Doherty, dohertysr@gmail.com, or Janet Lionberger, janetlion@gmail.com.
- 8. Class entry fee is \$125 and must be paid at time of registration. Entry fee includes canvas and finishing, but does not include threads that must be selected and purchased by exhibitor.
- 9. Canvases will be distributed upon receipt of registration and entry fee.

ENTRY PROCESS

- 10. Exhibitors may ship or deliver entry/entries to Betsy Garibaldi, 3721 Piping Rock Lane, Houston, Texas 77027. Entries must be received no later than Monday, February 2, 2015.
- II. The Needle Arts Committee will be responsible for the installation of the exhibit.

JUDGING

12. Scale of points

	100
Suitability of materials	25
Technique	25
Color	25
Overall stitching design	25

REMOVAL

13. Wednesday, April 29, 6:15—7:00 p.m., all entries removed. For an additional fee, an out-of-town exhibitor's entry may be returned by a shipping service. Please go to flohouston.org for information.

INQUIRIES

By e-mail at any time.

By telephone weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Central Time.

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Division IV-D: Needle Arts "Sleight of Hand" Classes

SECTION D. BOTANICAL ARTS - NEEDLEWORK

Class 5. TROMPE L'OEIL Up to 6 Entries

A visual illusion designed by the exhibitor with own fibers for a finished size of 5" x 7" on an 18" mesh canvas mounted inside a wooden frame. Canvas and finishing provided by the committee. Viewed standing from the front.

The book Trompe L'Oeil Bible by Christopher Westall will be provided by the Division Chairmen.

Class 6. KALEIDOSCOPE

Up to 6 Entries

An ornament of intricate patterns mimicking mirrors and colorful bits of glass designed and stitched by the exhibitor with own fibers and embellishments on a provided 4" x 4" mesh painted canvas. A minimum of one reflective material must be used in each entry. Finishing provided by the committee. Viewed from the front.

Class 7. MAD HATTER'S TEA PARTY

Up to 6 Entries

Hand painted canvas of 3-D teacup and saucer provided by the committee and stitched by the exhibitor with own fibers and embellishments. Finishing provided by the committee. Viewed from all sides.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 201, Second Floor



Division V: Conservation In Praise of Pollinators: Unlocking the Magic and Mystery

Pollination is the movement of pollen, which contains the male genetic material, from one flower to another of the same species. Without this transfer, the production of seeds and fruits would be impossible. For most of us, honeybees come to mind when we think about pollination. In fact, many of these honeybees are imported—European in origin, and they are vital to the pollination of much of our commercial fruit and vegetable crops. However, these honeybees are but one of a number of important pollinators. Other important pollinators are native bees, wasps, butterflies, birds, bats, beetles, and even flies! These creatures are vital for the pollination of flowering plants in other just as important areas—prairies, home gardens, urban landscapes, wildflower fields, forested areas, along our roads and highways, and anywhere flowering plant life is growing. In fact, more than 75% of all flowering plants depend on pollinators such as these. It has been estimated that one in three bites that we put into our mouths contain foods that require pollination. And, pollinators are necessary for the reproduction of more than two-thirds of the flowering plants and fruits and vegetables growing around the world.

The good news is that there are nearly 3,500 species of native bees and other pollinators in the United States that provide an enormous contribution to the things we eat and enjoy seeing and smelling in the garden. The bad news is that according to many experts, pollinators around the world are in serious trouble as habitat loss, disease, parasites, pesticides, invasive competition, changing climate, and more are threatening them. But there is much we can do to help them.

This exhibit is designed to increase awareness and appreciation of the importance of pollinators to plants and to the web of life and demonstrate:

- who our pollinators are and why it is important to protect them
- the factors that are putting pollinators at risk
- what we can do to improve conditions for today's pollinators

River Oaks Garden Club and The Garden Club of Houston created this exhibit, along with our community partner, Urban Harvest. Urban Harvest promotes healthy communities, sound nutrition, and respect for the environment by educating children and adults and facilitating harvest and habitat gardens. There are plans for this exhibit to be used in schools, nature centers, and at other related future events throughout the Houston area.

Location: Beck Building, First Floor Lobby

Division VI: Art by Invitation Fantasy Friends Classes

Class 1. Lamar High School FFA

Up to 4 Entries

Floral designs created by members of the Lamar High School FFA club staged on a 36" x 12" square pedestal not to exceed 18" from center of pedestal and 6' in overall height from floor. Gallery height is 12'6"; gallery wall color is Benjamin Moore White. Viewed from three sides.

Location: Beck Building, Millennium Gallery, Lower Level

Class 2. Texas State Floral Association

Up to 4 Entries

Floral designs created by members of the Texas State Floral Association staged on a 41" high x 13" round pedestal not to exceed 18" from center of pedestal and 8' in overall height from floor. Gallery wall color is cast stone. Viewed from three sides.

Location: Beck Building, Glassell Sculpture Court, Gallery 110, First Floor

Class 3. The Asia Society Texas

Up to 4 Entries

Floral designs created by members of the Asia Society Texas staged on a 40" x 14" square pedestal not to exceed 18" from center of pedestal and 8' in overall height from floor. Gallery height is 15'; gallery wall color is a custom mixed beige. Viewed from three sides.

Location: Beck Building, Gallery 203, Second Floor

Class 4. Ikebana International, Houston Chapter

Up to 4 Entries

Floral designs created by members of Ikebana International, Houston Chapter, staged on a 40" x 14" square pedestal not to exceed 18" from center of pedestal and no height restrictions. Gallery wall color is custom-mixed white. Viewed from three sides.

Location: Beck Building, Jamail Atrium, Gallery 200, Second Floor

INQUIRIES

By e-mail at any time.

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GCA MAJOR FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

GCA Major Flower Show Awards described below have been applied for and will be presented if merited.

Division I, Floral Design

The Carol Coffey Swift Medal of Excellence may be awarded to members of GCA clubs. It is offered in recognition of an arrangement of great distinction in a competitive class at a GCA Major Flower Show. Either an individual or joint entries are eligible. The entry must have placed first, second, or third. An entry in any challenge class is not eligible to receive this award.

The Fenwick Medal may be awarded to members of GCA clubs in competitive floral design classes at a GCA Major Flower Show. It is offered in recognition of creative work of outstanding beauty using predominantly fresh plant material. The awarding of the Fenwick Medal lies in the clear interpretation by the judges of the intent of the medal. A standard of creativity and quality in a highly competitive show rather than Best in Show is required. The design must have placed first, second, or third. An entry in a challenge class is not eligible to receive this award.

The Margaret Clover Symonds Medal may be awarded to members of GCA clubs in a competitive floral design class at a GCA Major Flower Show. The design must be an innovative, modern design, creatively combining man-made material(s) with fresh and/or dried plant material (as the schedule permits). Either individual or joint entries are eligible. The entry must have placed first, second, or third. An entry in a challenge class is not eligible to receive this award.

The Sandra Baylor Novice Award may be given at a GCA Major Flower Show to an exhibitor who is a member of a GCA club and who has never won first place or a GCA Special Award in the Floral Design Division of a GCA Major Flower Show or Sanctioned Non-GCA Major Flower Show. It shall be awarded to an individual novice exhibitor for a unique and skillful response to the schedule. Novice entries placing first, second, or third in any competitive class, including challenge classes, are eligible for this award.

Division II, Horticulture

The Certificate of Excellence in Horticulture may be awarded at a GCA Major Flower Show to GCA clubs or club members, nonmembers, or other organizations for an exhibit of great distinction in a competitive horticulture class. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

The Elizabeth Platt Corning Medal may be awarded only to members of GCA clubs only in a competitive horticulture class in a GCA Major Flower Show. The medal is to be awarded to an entry presented with distinction and originality notable for its cultural difficulty. It must have achieved an exceptional standard of horticultural excellence. Extra consideration will be given to an entry propagated by the exhibitor; full propagation details must be listed on a card accompanying the entry. The exhibitor must have owned and grown the exhibit for at least six months. The medal may be awarded for a single plant, collection of plants, container garden, or cut specimen(s). Individual, joint, or club entries are eligible. The entry must have placed first, second, or third. The medal may not be awarded more than once to the same exhibit.

The Louise Agee Wrinkle Horticulture Propagation Award may be awarded at a GCA Major Flower Show to a GCA member for skill in plant propagation. The exhibit must have been propagated and grown by its exhibitor for at least six months and should be distinguished by its prime condition, cultural perfection, attractive presentation, and flawless grooming. It is for rooted plants propagated by seed, cuttings, or other traditional methods. It can be a single specimen, source plant and its offspring, or a collection. Propagation methods must be detailed on an accompanying card. The medal may not be awarded more than once to the same exhibit.

Division III, Photography

The Certificate of Excellence in Photography may be awarded at a GCA Major Flower Show to GCA clubs, individual club member, individual nonmember, or other organizations for an exhibit of great distinction in a competitive photography class. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

The Photography Creativity Award may be awarded at a GCA Major Flower Show to an exhibitor who is a member of a GCA club for creative and technical excellence in response to the theme of the schedule. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

Division IV, Botanical Arts

The Botanical Arts Creativity Award may be awarded at a GCA Major Flower Show to a member of a GCA club for excellent craftsmanship and creative response to the theme of the schedule. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

Divisions II, III, IV

The GCA Novice Award may be given at a GCA Major Flower Show in Horticulture, Photography, and Botanical Arts to an exhibitor who is a member of a GCA club and who has never won first place or a GCA Special Award in the division entered, of a GCA Major Flower Show, or a Sanctioned Non-GCA Major Flower Show. It shall be awarded to an individual novice exhibitor for an outstanding exhibit. Novice entries placing first, second, or third are eligible for this award.

Division V, Conservation and Education Exhibits

The Ann Lyon Crammond Award may be presented at a GCA Major Flower Show to an outstanding educational exhibit which best educates the public about gardens. Any educational exhibit that increases the appreciation of any aspect of plants, gardens, or landscape design may be considered for this award. The award may be given to GCA club members, member clubs, nonmembers, or other organizations.

The Certificate of Excellence in Conservation may be awarded at a GCA Major Flower Show to GCA clubs or club members, nonmembers, or other organizations for an exhibit of exceptional merit which educates the public on conservation issues and promotes respect for natural resources and responsibility for environmental stewardship.

Overall

Best in Show, selected from among the first place winners, may be awarded in each division.

Horticulture Best Cut Specimen

Judges' Commendation may be given to an entry, class, section, special exhibit, or other aspect of the show that is of exceptional merit.

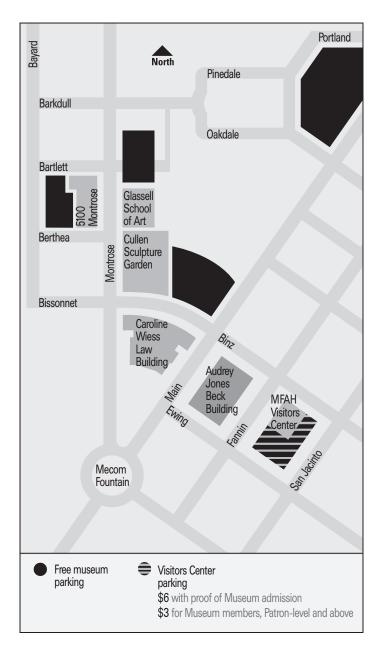
Award of Appreciation may be given to thank an exhibitor or group for participation. The award may also be given to non-judged classes.

The Annie Burr Jennings Sweepstakes Award may be presented to the club with the highest number of points earned by its members from all competitive classes in a GCA Major Flower Show. Points are to be awarded as follows:

Special award* 10 points 1st place 5 points 2nd place 3 points 3rd place 1 point

*(For each award listed in the schedule)

Campus Map



The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

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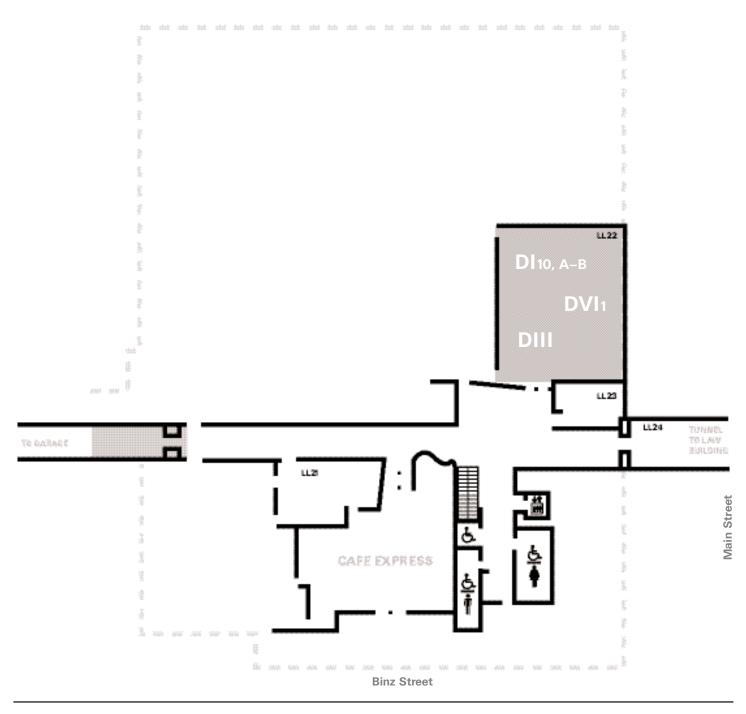
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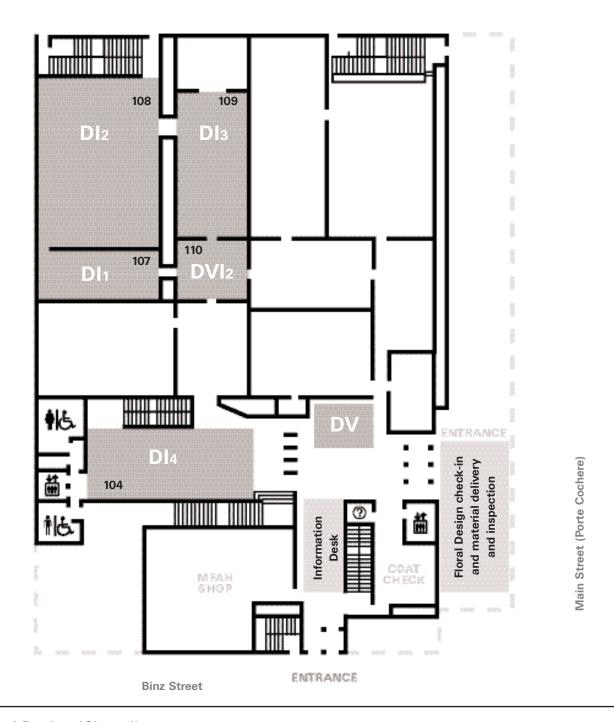
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DI₁₀ Floral Design (Class 10, A-B)

DIII Photography (Classes 1–9)

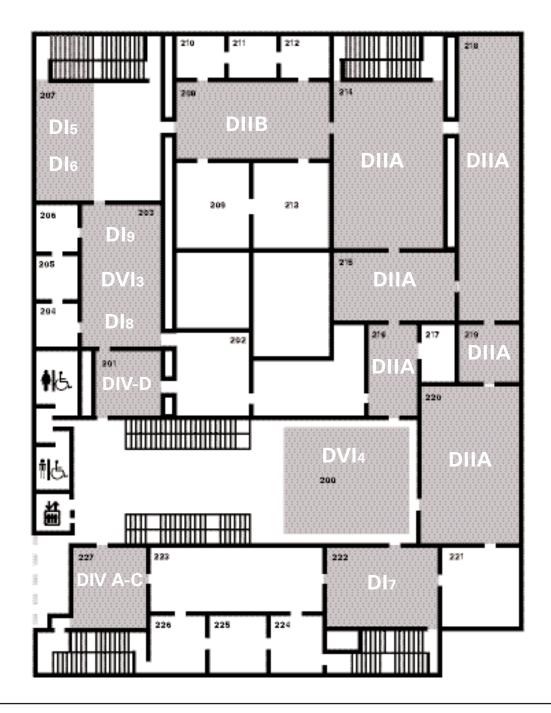
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- DI₁ Floral Design (Class 1)
- Dl₂ Floral Design (Class 2)
- Dl₃ Floral Design (Class 3)
- DI₄ Floral Design (Class 4)
- **DV** Conservation
- DVI₂ Art by Invitation (Class 2)

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DI ₅	Floral Design (Class 5)	DIIB	Horticulture Design
DI ₆	Floral Design (Class 6)	DIV A-C	Botanical Arts
DI ₇	Floral Design (Class 7)	DIV D	Needle Arts
Dla	Floral Design (Class 8)	DVI ₃	Art by Invitation (Class 3)
Dl ₉	Floral Design (Class 9)	DVI4	Art by Invitation (Class 4)

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