

BERKSHIRE BOTANICAL GARDEN

GROW  SHOW

August 12-13, 2023

Continuing 53-year tradition
of growing and showing!

**ALL AGES AND
EXPERIENCE LEVELS ARE
WELCOME TO ENTER THIS
BLUE-RIBBON EVENT.**

Submit your own entries in the
show or stop by and take in the
talents of regional gardeners, flower
designers, and photographers.



**SAVE TIME
ON ENTRY DAY!**

Print out your entry cards.

[berkshirebotanical.org/
grow-show](http://berkshirebotanical.org/grow-show)

Saturday, August 12, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, August 13, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Free with Garden Admission! 5 West Stockbridge Road (Rtes. 102/183) Stockbridge, MA • 413-298-3926

Division 2 – Horticulture

Horticulture Chair: Stephanie Bradford • sbradford311@gmail.com • (413) 298-3586

Cut Specimens

One stem, spike or spray not to exceed 24" for herbaceous plants and 36" for woody plants in length, measured from the lip of the container to the tip of the stem except where noted. Containers and wedging material provided by the Garden.

SECTION A CLASSES 1-13

Annuals and Tender Perennial Flowers

One blooming stem – Any foliage must be attached to the stem

1. **Amaranthus**
2. **Calendula**
3. **Cleome**
4. **Cosmos**
5. **Helianthus annuus**
6. **Nicotiana**
7. **Salvia**
8. **Solenostemon**
9. **Tagetes**
10. **Tropaeolum**
11. **Zinnia**
12. **Collection** – 5 stems of 5 different species or cultivars with key card
13. Any **other** – **annual, biennial and non-hardy perennial**

SECTION B CLASSES 14-25

Perennial and Biennial Flowers

One blooming stem – Any foliage must be attached to the stem

14. **Anemone x hybrida**
15. **Coreopsis**
16. **Monarda**
17. **Echinacea**
18. **Phlox**
19. **Rudbeckia**
20. **Salvia**
21. **Thalictrum**
22. Any **other** native perennial or biennial
23. Any **other** non-native perennial or biennial
24. **Collection** - 5 stems of 5 different species or cultivars with key card
25. **Any Vine** – 1 stem, not to exceed 16" length



SECTION C CLASSES 26-29

Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes and Tubers

One blooming stem – Any foliage must be left attached to the stem

26. **Dahlia**
27. **Dahlia** - collection, 3 different stems of 3 different cultivars
28. **Lilium**
29. Any **other** – bulb, corm, rhizome or tuber

SECTION D CLASS 30

Roses

One blooming stem – must be exhibited with at least one attached leaf containing five leaflets

30. **Any rose**

SECTION E CLASSES 31-34

Woody Plants in Bloom or Berry

One stem – Any foliage must be attached to the stem

31. **Hydrangea arborescens**
32. **Hydrangea paniculata**
33. **Hydrangea** – Other
34. Any **Other** – woody plant in bloom or berry

SECTION F CLASSES 35-36

Deciduous Woody Plants Grown Primarily for Foliage

35. Any **native** deciduous woody foliage plant
36. Any **non-native** deciduous woody foliage plant

SECTION G CLASS 37

Evergreen Branches

One branch, stem or leaf, not to exceed 24" in length

37. Any **Evergreen**

SECTION H CLASSES 38-42

Non-Woody Plants Grown for Foliage

Incidental flowers are acceptable.

One branch, stem or leaf, not to exceed 36" in length

38. **Hosta** - large leaf
39. **Hosta** - small leaf
40. **Ferns**
41. **Grasses**
42. Any **Other** – non-woody plant grown primarily for foliage

Vegetable, Fruit, Berry Specimens

CLASSES 43-62

Vegetables – Fruits - Berries

Same variety if more than one piece. Displayed on white paper plates supplied by the Garden

43. **Beans** – 5 pods
44. **Beets** – 3 pieces, tops trimmed to 2"
45. **Broccoli** – 1 head
46. **Cabbage** – 1 head, trimmed
47. **Carrots** – 3 pieces, tops trimmed to 2"
48. **Cauliflower** – 1 head, trimmed
49. **Cucumber** – 1 if large, 3 if small
50. **Garlic** – 3 heads
51. **Leeks** – 3 pieces
52. **Eggplant** – 1 piece
53. **Fennel** – 3 heads, trimmed to 8"
54. **Onions** – 3 pieces
55. **Sweet Pepper** - 1 piece
56. **Hot Peppers** – 3 pieces
57. **Squash** – 1 if large, 3 if small
58. **Tomatoes** - 3 pieces
59. **Any other vegetable** – 1 if large, 3 if small
60. **Garden Harvest Collection**
minimum of 5 named varieties in an appropriate container at least 12" long and no larger than 24".
Key card must be included.
61. **Fruit** – any variety, 3 pieces
62. **Berries** – any variety, 6 pieces

Container-Grown Plants

Container size no larger than 10" diameter unless otherwise noted

SECTION A CLASSES 63-71

Container Grown Plants

63. **Herbs**
64. **Begonia**
65. **Pelargonium**
66. **Orchid – in bloom**
67. **Blooming Houseplants**
68. **Houseplants grown primarily for foliage**
69. **Cacti and Succulents**
70. **Topiary**
71. **Any Other** – container grown plant

Grow Show Volunteer Committee

Stephanie Bradford, *Horticulture Division Chair*
KK Zutter, *Floral Design Chair*

Leadership Team

Stephanie Bradford, KK Zutter, Sherry Kasper,
Cynthia Tindale, Eric Ruquist



FLORAL DESIGN AND HORTICULTURE DIVISION SCHEDULE

Friday, August 11, 2023

3–5:30 p.m. Floral Design and Horticulture entries accepted and passed in the Education Center.

Saturday, August 12, 2023

7:30–9:30 a.m. Floral Design and Horticulture entries accepted and passed

9:30 a.m. Judges and Clerks briefed

9:30 a.m. Entries Completed

10:00 a.m. Judging begins

1:00 p.m. Show opens to the public

Sunday, August 13, 2023

9:30 a.m. Refreshing and maintenance of exhibits

10:00 a.m. Show opens to the public

4:00 p.m. Show closes

4–5:00 p.m. All entries must be removed if entrants wish to keep them.

SECTION B CLASSES 72-74

Collection of plants displayed in a single container

Container may not include more than one plant of the same species or cultivar. Key card must be included. Container size no larger than 12" diameter.

72. **Cacti and Succulent Dish Garden** – 3 or more species or cultivars. Key card must be included.
73. **Houseplant Dish Garden** – 3 or more species or cultivars. Key card must be included.
74. **Terrarium** – 3 or more species or cultivars. Key card must be included.

Questions regarding the horticulture division can be addressed to:

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Grow Show Rules and General Information

Horticulture

General Information for Entering

- The general public is encouraged to enter the Horticulture Division. Whether you enter a single bloom or enter every category, there is no charge to exhibit.
- See schedule on previous page for entry dates and times. When you arrive with your entries, Garden staff and volunteers will greet and assist you in categorizing your entries. Containers for cut specimens will be provided by the Garden.

Rules and Guidelines

- Please note the delivery and removal dates and times listed on the previous page. No late entries, please!
- All plant material must have been grown by or have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least two months before the show.
- All specimens should be entered with their correct botanical names, including the variety/cultivar whenever possible. Top awards cannot be given to improperly labeled entries. You may enter more than one specimen per class as long as they are different varieties/cultivars.
- All heirloom and organically grown vegetables may be entered in their species classes and identified on their entry card as “H” or “O” or “HO”. They will be judged against all class entries and will also be judged separately against other heirloom and organic entries in the class. The judges will consider minor imperfections acceptable in organically grown entries.
- The passing Committee may refuse any entry that does not conform to the schedule. Diseased or insect infested plants will not be accepted. Clean, neutral-colored pots are preferred for container grown plants.
- Decisions of the judges will be final.
- The Committee and the Berkshire Botanical Garden will exercise all due care, but cannot be held responsible for loss or damage of exhibits.

Horticulture Awards

1st, 2nd, 3rd and Honorable Mention ribbons will be awarded in each class.

The Award of Merit may be awarded to a named blue ribbon Horticulture exhibit judged the finest.

The Beinecke Bell may be awarded to the blue ribbon winner deemed to be Best in Show and judged to be the finest in the Horticulture Division. Donated by the Lenox Garden Club in honor of Carrie Beineke.

The Marsha Schulte Award may be given to an outstanding Horticulture exhibit. Donated by the Berkshire Garden Club in honor of Marsha Schulte.

The Sweepstakes Award may be awarded to the entrant who accumulates the greatest number of Blue Ribbons in the Horticulture Division.

The Susan Delphia Award may be given to a singularly worthy entry in either Floral Design employing creative leaf manipulation or to a worthy organically grown Horticultural entry. Initiated by the Berkshire Garden Club and maintained by the Berkshire Botanical Garden in honor of past member Susan Delphia. Awarded in odd numbered years in the Floral Design Division and even numbered years in the Horticulture Division.

Judges Commendation: a special citation given to any class, flower show division, special exhibit, clerks, etc., recognizing outstanding accomplishment within the given area by the judges.

HORTICULTURE DIVISION

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Berkshire Botanical Garden is a COVID-compliant facility.