

Open Class Flower Show

Special Rules

1. Entries are open to anyone, adult or junior, wishing to exhibit, except professional arrangers and florists. Junior Division is open to those 17 and under.
2. No pre-fair entries are needed - ENTRIES WILL BE TAKEN 8:00 - 10:00 A.M. Friday, July 18, 2025. Reservations for spaces in Division A, Artistic Arrangements, Classes 1-4, should be made by 5:00 P.M. Thursday, July 17, with Jan Krass, 515-571-4478.
3. The Fort Dodge Federated Garden Club will cover entry fees.
4. Judging will begin at 10:30 A.M., Friday, July 18, 2025.
5. Horticulture exhibits should be displayed in clear glass containers, such as catsup bottles, suitable to the size of the specimen. Classes will be divided as needed.
6. All horticulture exhibits MUST be grown by the exhibitor.
7. All exhibits will receive a ribbon placing of blue, red or white. Rosettes of Best of Show and Reserve Best of Show will be awarded in Adult and Junior Divisions.
8. All exhibits will be released at 3:45 P.M., Friday, July 18, 2025. **Fair Officials will not be responsible for exhibits remaining after 4:05 p.m.** Since the building will be used for other events, it is very important that you pick up your exhibits.

Divisions and classes

DIVISION A. ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENTS

(accessories and staging panels permitted)

Class 1. All fresh materials. Space allowed: 30" wide x 24" deep

Class 2. Fresh and/or dried materials. Space allowed: 30" wide x 24" deep

Class 3. Exhibition table: "Sunday Dinner" Not meant to be functional, an exhibition table uses linens, dishes, (NOT silverware) and a decorative unit of plant materials to represent components of a Sunday dinner. Arrange components artistically on/in front of a 36" tall niche/staging panel (like what 4H-ers use for displays.) Space allowed: 30" wide x 24" deep

Class 4. Miniatures: no more than 5 inches in width, height, or depth.

DIVISION B. ROSES

Class 5. Tea roses - 1 bloom, disbudded

a. red b. pink c. yellow d. white e. mixed

Class 6. Floribunda

Class 7. Grandiflora

Class 8. Polyantha

Class 9. Climber

Class 10. Miniature

Class 11. Shrub

Class 12 English Rose

DIVISION C. ANNUALS

Class 13. Ageratum, 1 spray

Class 14. Alyssum, 5 stems

- Class 15. Baby's Breath, 1 spray
- Class 16. Bells of Ireland, 1 stalk
- Class 17. Bachelor Buttons, 3 blooms
- Class 18. Calendula, 3 stems
- Class 19. Celosia, 1 spray
 - a. tall b. dwarf c. plumed
- Class 20. Cleome, 1 stem
 - a. pink b. lavender c. white
- Class 21. Coleus
 - a. red b. green c. mixed
- Class 22. Cosmos, 3 blooms
- Class 23. Impatiens – 1 spray a. single b. double c.any other
- Class 24. Larkspur, 1 spike
- Class 25. Marigolds
 - a. large 2 inches and over – 1 bloom
 - b. small, 1 spray with blossoms under 2 inches
- Class 26. Pansies, 3 blooms
- Class 27. Petunias, 1 spray a. single b. double c. any other
- Class 28. Poppies, 1 bloom
 - a. single b. double
- Class 29. Salvia, 3 stems
- Class 30. Snapdragon, 1 spike
 - a. large b. medium c. miniature d. butterfly
- Class 31. Statice, 1 spray
- Class 32. Sunflower, 1 stem
 - a. large-over 6 inches b. medium-3-6 inches c. small-3 inches and under
- Class 33. Verbena, 1 stem
- Class 34. Viola, 3 blooms
- Class 35. Zinnia a. 2 inches and over, 1 bloom b. under 2 inches, 3 blooms
- Class 36. Any other annual - 1 spray or stem as grown
 - a. Large, 3 inches and over – 1 specimen
 - b. Small, under 3 inches - 3 specimens

DIVISION D. PERENNIALS AND BIENNIALS

- Class 37. Achillea (Yarrow), 1 stem
- Class 38. Butterfly plant (Asclepias), 1 stem
- Class 39. Clematis, 3 blooms - with leaves, if possible
- Class 40. Columbine, 1 spray
- Class 41. Coneflower (Echinacea), 1 stem
- Class 42. Coral Bells, a. 3 stems b. 3 leaves
- Class 43. Coreopsis, 3 stems
- Class 44. Delphinium, 1 spike
- Class 45. Chrysanthemum
 - a. Pompon, 1 spray
 - b. Spoon, spider, quill, 1 spray
 - c. Shasta daisy, 1 stem

- d. Feverfew, 1 spray
- e. Pyrethrum, 3 stems 1) Painted daisy 2) Oxeye daisy
- Class 46. Dianthus, 3 sprays a. pink b. carnation c. Sweet William
- Class 47. Gaillardia, 3 blooms
- Class 48. Gypsophila (Baby's Breath), 1 spray, a. double b. single
- Class 49. Hemerocallis, (Day Lily), 1 scape
 - a. small-up to 4 inches b. large-over 4 inches c. spider
 - d. eyed 1) small, under 4" 2) large, 4 or more inches
 - e. any other
- Class 50. Hesperis (Sweet Rocket), 1 spike
- Class 51. Hosta, 1 leaf, (measured by width of leaf)
 - a. large- over 6 inches b. medium-3-6 inches c. small-under 3 inches
- Class 52. Monarda (Bee Balm), 3 stems
- Class 53. Phlox, 1 stem
- Class 54. Platycodon (Balloon Flower), 1 stem
- Class 55. Rudbeckia, 1 stem
 - a. Blackeyed Susan b. Gloriosa daisy
- Class 56. Verbena, 3 stems
- Class 57. Any other

DIVISION E. BULBS AND TUBERS

- Class 58. Caladium, 1 leaf
- Class 59. Canna, 1 spike
- Class 60. Gladiolus,
 - a. small b. medium c. large
- Class 61. Lilies, 1 scape, named
 - a. Asiatic b. Oriental c. Tiger d. Trumpet e. any other
- Class 62. Calla Lilly
- Class 63. Gloriosa
- Class 64. Tuberous Begonia, 1 flower and a leaf in a bowl.
- Class 65. Any Other

DIVISION F. CACTUS AND SUCCULENTS, named if possible

- Class 66. Cactus
 - a. large, pots over 8" b. medium, pots 5" to 8" c. small, pots under 5"
- Class 67. Succulents,
 - a. pots 8" or over b. pots under 8" c. Crown of Thorns
- Class 68. Dish gardens of either cactus or succulents

DIVISION G. CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS - FLOWERING

- Class 69. African Violet a. single b. double c. semi double
- Class 70. Begonia
- Class 71. Geranium
- Class 72. Orchid
- Class 73. Streptocarpus
- Class 74. Any Other

DIVISION H. CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS - FOLIAGE

Class 75. Coleus

Class 76. Caladium

Class 77. Fern

Class 78. Hoya

Class 79. Ivy

Class 80. Pothos

Class 81. Philodendron

Class 82. Rubber Plant

Class 83. Any other

Class 84. Hanging Baskets

a. Ivy b. Pothos c. Philodendron d. Hoya e. Airplane Plant f. any others

DIVISION I. PATIO PLANTER

Class 85.

a. Single Variety of Plants

b. Multi Variety of Plants

DIVISION J. SHRUBS AND TREES Branches not less than 12“and not more than 24”

Class 86. Cardinal Bush

Class 87. Crape Myrtle

Class 88. Potentilla

Class 89. Red Twig Dogwood

Class 90. Any other

DIVISION K. COMBINATION PLANTING

Class 91. Terrarium

Class 92. Fairy Garden

JUNIOR DIVISION 17 and Under, SAME CATEGORIES AS ABOVE.

Junior (age 7 and below)

Intermediate (ages 8-12)

Advanced (ages 13-17)

The bulletin “Preparing Cut Flowers and Houseplants for Exhibit”(4H-464) is available at the Extension Office.