

## **DEPARTMENT 15: HOME GROUNDS AND HOUSE PLANTS**

### **Superintendent:**

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PREMIUMS: Blue \$3.00; Red \$2.75; White \$2.50; Yellow \$2.25

### **Home Grounds:**

#### **Rules:**

1. Arrangements will be judged on color harmony, design, balance, proportion, condition, suitability of material and relation to container, and originality.
2. Members exhibiting cut flowers will be expected to water as necessary throughout the fair to maintain an attractive exhibit.
3. The superintendent has the right to remove any entry whose wilted condition makes it unattractive.
4. At check in or any time during the fair, the superintendent has the right to remove an entry showing insect infestation.

#### **Classes:**

1. Exhibit of landscaping plans, include before and after plans and pictures, trees and shrubs planted, etc.
2. Exhibit on lawn care include before and after plans and pictures, kind of grass sown, fertilizer, and weed control, etc.
3. Exhibit of 10 common lawn weeds, mounted, and identified

### **House Plants**

#### **Rules:**

1. Exhibitors may bring no more than 6 entries.
2. Pot size is limited to 12"
3. Any exhibit showing signs of insects or disease will be removed from the area and exhibitors will be notified to take it home.
4. House plant exhibits will be judged on:
  - Flowering plants-cultural perfection, form, size of plant, abundance of blooms, flower color and distinctiveness. A flowering plant must be in flower at time of exhibit.
  - Foliage plants-cultural perfection, form, size of plant, distinctiveness. Remove dry leaves. A foliage plant does not have a flower but is used as a decorative plant.
  - Propagated plants-the techniques of propagation, the completeness of the description, and the explanation of why the chosen technique was used will be considered in addition to the quality of the plant.

#### **Classes:**

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| 1. African violet   | 12. Covered terrarium   |
| 2. Any other flowering plant not listed   | 13. Desert garden (cactus, sedum)   |
| 3. Trailing foliage plant (geraniums, begonias, etc.)                           | 14. One or more propagated plants in a pot (include 3x5 card explaining propagation)  |
| 4. Ivy, one plant   | 15. Display or poster relating to the house plant project: watering techniques, controlling insects, plant propagation, life cycle of a plant, etc. |
| 5. One container with three single foliage plants, each one a different species | 16. Herb garden   |
| 6. Coleus   | 17. Fairy garden, maximum 24 inches, real plants only   |
| 7. Any other foliage plant  | 18. Wheelbarrow garden  |
| 8. Hanging basket of blooming plants  | 19. Air plants  |
| 9. Hanging basket of foliage plants   |   |
| 10. Succulent   |   |
| 11. Dish garden   |   |

### **Flowers:**

#### **Rules:**

1. Exhibitors may bring no more than 6 entries
2. Pot size is limited to 12"
3. Flower arrangements will be judged on color harmony, design, balance, proportion, condition of flowers, suitability of material and relation to container, originality and construction.
4. Artificial material may not be used in arrangements
5. All flowers must be home grown unless stated otherwise.

### Classes Grades 3-5

1. Multipurpose arrangement
2. Arrangement for dining table
3. Basket arrangement, 1 variety
4. Basket arrangement, more than 1 variety
5. Miniature arrangement (max height 6 in)
6. Novelty arrangement
7. Bouquet for any occasion (1 vase)
8. Corsage of fresh flowers
9. Line flower arrangement
10. An arrangement done by exhibitor using purchased flowers
11. An arrangement that salutes Iowa County. Foliage and flower can be used. Accessories permitted
12. Salute to the Iowa County Fair. Use the fair theme in

13. Single flower garden  
an arrangement. Foliage and flowers can be used. Accessories permitted.
14. Arrangement of wildflowers
15. A forced bulb
16. Plan of flower border. Include before and after plans and pictures, fertilization, pest and disease control, cutting practices, etc.
17. Exhibit showing the nutrient needs of plants
18. A plant started from a cutting
19. A display about pollination
20. A display about germination
21. A display on plant tropism
22. Compost column

### Classes Grades 6-8

1. Multipurpose arrangement
2. Arrangement for dining table
3. Basket arrangement, 1 variety
4. Basket arrangement, more than 1 variety
5. Miniature arrangement (max height 6 in)
6. Novelty arrangement
7. Bouquet for any occasion (1 vase)
8. An arrangement done by exhibitor using purchased flowers
9. Corsage of fresh flowers
10. Single garden flower
11. Arrangement of wildflowers
12. An arrangement that salutes Iowa County. Foliage and flowers can be used. Accessories permitted.

13. Salute to the Iowa County Fair. Use the fair theme in an arrangement. Foliage and flowers can be used. Accessories permitted.
14. Plan of flower border. Include before and after plans and pictures, fertilization, pest and disease control, cutting practices, etc.
15. A hydroponically grown plant
16. A soil sample and explanation of test results
17. Display on the nutrient needs of plants
18. A transplanted plant
19. Poster on the benefits of mulching
20. Outdoor flower garden plan
21. Display on plant pests
22. Mass flower arrangement

### Classes Grades 9-older

1. Multipurpose arrangement
2. Arrangement for dining table
3. Basket arrangement, 1 variety
4. Basket arrangement, more than 1 variety
5. Miniature arrangement (max height 6 in)
6. Novelty arrangement
7. Bouquet for any occasion (1 vase)
8. Line-Mass flower arrangement
9. Single garden flower
10. Arrangement of wildflowers
11. An arrangement done by exhibitor using purchased flowers
12. An arrangement that salutes Iowa County. Foliage

13. Salute to the Iowa County Fair. Use the fair theme in an arrangement. Foliage and flowers can be used. Accessories permitted.
14. Corsage of fresh flowers
15. Plan of flower border. Include before and after plans and pictures, fertilization, pest and disease control, cutting practices, etc.
16. Display showing a plant experiment
17. Display on forcing bulbs
18. Marketing plan to sell horticulture products
19. Poster on horticulture careers