



ALAMEDA COUNTY
FAIR

JUNE 16-JULY 9
BEST. SUMMER. EVER.

YOUTH GARDENING AND FLORAL ENTRY GUIDE

Best. Summer. Ever.

Each exhibitor will receive one 2017 Alameda County Fair admission ticket at time of entry delivery

For Questions, please contact:
Gardening@AlamedaCountyFair.com
925-426-7611

ENTRY FEE: 1-8 entries 75 cents each, additional entries beyond 8 are free, \$6 total maximum entry fee
Enter ONLINE by **5pm before the show!** Click Here to Enter: <http://alamed.fairwire.com>

<u>Delivery Information for Gardening & Floral Department</u>		
<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
Period 1 - Tuesday June 20 th	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Floral Building (Building Q) (Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue)
Period 2 - Tuesday June 27 th	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Floral Building (Building Q) (Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue)
<u>Release Information for Gardening & Floral Department</u>		
Tuesday July 11 th	12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Floral Building (Building Q) (Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue)

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Limit: 1 entry per variety, 2 per class per exhibitor

DIVISIONS:

PERIOD I: Tues. June 20th

- 75: "Minis" 5-8 years old**
(No entry fee; participation ribbon only)
- 76: 4-H Project 9-12 years old**
- 77: 4-H Project 13-17 years old**
- 78: Open Youth 9-12 years old**
- 79: Open Youth 13-17 years old**

PERIOD II: Tues. June 27th

- 80: "Minis" 5-8 years old**
(No entry fee; participation ribbon only)
- 81: 4-H Project 9-12 years old**
- 82: 4-H Project 13-17 years old**
- 83: Open Youth 9-12 years old**
- 84: Open Youth 13-17 years old**

CLASSES:

1. FRUIT
2. SMALL FRUIT & BERRIES - 12 ON A PLATE
3. HERBS IN DECORATIVE CONTAINER - MIMIMUM 3 STEMS
4. MINI GARDEN- Best. Summer. Ever.
5. CACTI OR SUCCULENTS (Pots 4" to 20" max weight of 20lbs)
6. GARDEN ART & CRAFT (wreaths, potpourri)
7. DISNEY THEMED FLORAL ARRANGMENTS (flowers can be store bought)
8. "FAIRY GARDEN" USING CACTI, SUCCULENTS.
May use other materials. Pots 4" TO 20". Max weight 20lbs.
9. VEGETABLE
10. LEAFY VEGETABLE
11. CUT FLOWERS
12. "FAIRY GARDEN" 3-6" CONTAINER, 20lb max

Awards Per Class:

Danish Judging System

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
\$1.75	\$1.50	\$1.25

**Best of Class &
Best of Show Rosettes**

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YOUTH GARDENING SPECIAL RULES

1. Fair provides paper plates and vases for entries
2. Exhibitors are requested to label species and variety, if known
3. Exhibits must be fresh, clean and neatly trimmed
5. Wilted produce is discarded unless exhibitor provides sealable, labeled container for pick up on release day.
6. The exhibitor may place their design on the judging table with the assistance of a department clerk.

Youth Garden Department entries are judged using Danish Judging System:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Quality</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Ribbon</u>
1 st	Superior	90-100%	Blue
2 nd	Good	80-89%	Red
3 rd	Average	70-79%	White
4 th	Poor	69%- or less	Honorable Mention

GARDENING & FLORAL DEPARTMENT RULES

1. Competition is open to California youth who care for their own garden, with or without occasional help. Anyone selling plants or flowers or who is engaged in any capacity in the operation of nursery or similar establishment, is considered a **professional**.
2. Members of a Family are considered as one exhibitor and co-owners of exhibit. **SEE STATE RULE I-8**
3. Classes that require that the exhibit be creative work of the owner, husband and wife is considered spate exhibitors. Such as: Floral Design or potted plants.
4. **SPECIFY VARIETY, IF KNOWN ON ENTRY FORM FOR LABELING PURPOSE**
5. Containers must be clean and ready for exhibit. Plants must be healthy and free from insects and disease.
6. The Fair Association reserves the right the refuse any entry, or refuse to display any entry considered not to be in accordance with the rules of the entry or in the best interest of the Fair. Submission of entry constitutes an agreement to this effect.
7. Once entered and in place, all exhibits are under the direct control of the management and cannot be removed until release day.
8. Danish system of judging will be used. This rule applies whether there are one or more entries in a class.

RESTRICTIONS:

1. Any plant protected by state law is ineligible, unless grown by the exhibitor.
2. Artificial flowers or coloring of flowers or leaves will not be permitted unless otherwise stated (There are exceptions in floral design)
3. Unsightly containers, especially cans and bottles, will not be permitted
4. Any weed designated as noxious by state law will not be returned to the exhibitor

RESPONSIBILITY:

1. Greatest care will be exercised in handling of exhibits, but the Fair Association, it's staff, department chairman, and the county of Alameda will not be held liable for loss, theft or damage of any kind from any cause. Submission of entry constitutes an agreement to this effect.

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