



AMATEUR GARDENING

*Entry Guide for Floral Design, Cut Flowers, Garden Produce,
Potted Plants and Roses*

“ROAD TO SUMMER”

ENTRY FEE: 1 entry \$1.00, 9-19 entries \$8.00, 20+ entries \$10.00
Each exhibitor will receive (1) fair admission ticket at time of entry delivery

Enter ONLINE by 5pm before show! Click Here to Enter: <http://alamed.fairwire.com>

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

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Delivery Information for Amateur Gardening Department

All entries will be dropped off at the Agriculture Building (Building Q)
Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue

<u>Category:</u>	<u>Delivery Date:</u>	<u>Delivery Time:</u>
Floral Design, Flower Show & Garden Produce	Period 1 – Wednesday, June 24 th	7am – 9:30am
	Period 2 – Saturday, June 27 nd	7am – 9:30am
	Period 3 – Wednesday, July 1 st	7am – 9:30am
	Period 4 – Wednesday, July 8 th	7am – 9:30am
Rose Show	Period 1 – Friday, June 19 th	7am – 9:30am
Rose Show	Period 2 – Friday, July 3 rd	7am – 9:30am
Potted Plants	Saturday, June 27 th	7am – 9:30am

Release Information for Amateur Gardening Department

Tuesday, July 14th 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Agriculture Building (Building Q)
(Enter through Gate 12 on Valley Avenue)

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GARDENING & FLORAL DEPARTMENT

RULES

Submission of entry constitutes as agreement of these rules. Please read in full.

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1. Competition is open to adult, California amateurs 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 a nursery or similar establishment, is considered a **professional**.
2. Members of a family are considered as one exhibitor and co-owners of exhibit.
3. Classes that require that the exhibit be creative work of the owner, husband and wife is considered separate 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 to 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 management and cannot be removed until release day.
8. American system of judging will be used. The judges shall award first, second or third, according to merit, and if without merit, the judge shall make no award under any circumstances. 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 can 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 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.
2. Submission of entry constitutes an agreement to this effect.

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FLORAL DESIGN

DIVISIONS:

66: Period 1 – Wed. June 24th 67: Period 2 – Sat. June 27th
68: Period 3 – Wed. July 1st 69: Period 4 – Wed. July 8th

CLASSES:

1. Old Fashioned Garden Bouquet
2. Teatime – use teapot or teacup for container
3. Sweet Summertime – use any summer related props
4. It's for the Birds - use any bird related props
5. Mason Jar Arrangement
6. Wine Country – use any wine related props
7. Floral Arrangement with Succulents
8. Roses are Red Arrangement – use a variety of rose blooms
9. School Time – use school themed props
10. Mixed Garden Flower Arrangement
11. Let's Go for an Adventure – use travel/adventure related props
12. Home Sweet Home – use home related props
13. Flower Arrangement in Watering Can
14. Flowers in Unusual Container
15. Enchanted Forest – use woodland or romantic related props

Entry Limit: 1 entry per class, per exhibitor.

Sweepstakes Award (based on total points for all periods): Sponsored by Alexandria's Flowers, Pleasanton: 1st Place \$20, 2nd Place \$15, & 3rd Place \$10 in Gift Certificates. Cash awards from the Alameda County Fair are 1st Place \$15, 2nd Place \$10, & 3rd Place \$5 and a Rosette Ribbon.

Cash Awards per Class: 1st Place: \$5, 2nd Place: \$4, 3rd Place: \$3

Special Rules for Floral Design:

1. No more than 25% of material used in arrangements may be purchased.
2. **Flowers must be grown by exhibitor; no professionals, amateurs only.**
3. Exhibitor will provide decorative container (NAMES ON BOTTOM PLEASE!)
4. Containers are not to exceed 20" long, 15" wide, 24" tall and 20lbs. NO EXCEPTIONS.
5. Please no valuable containers. Fair is not responsible for lost or broken containers. All personal containers will be available for pick up on next show day.
6. The exhibitor may place their design(s), on the judging table with the assistance of a department clerk.

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FLOWER SHOW

DIVISIONS:

- 41: Period 1 – Wed. June 24th 42: Period 2 – Sat. June 27th
43: Period 3 – Wed. July 1st 44: Period 4 – Wed. July 8th

CLASSES:

1. Agapanthus (Foliage not required)
2. Alstromeria
3. Aster
4. Calla (Foliage not required)
5. Carnation
6. Chrysanthemum Maximum (Shasta Daisy)
7. Chrysanthemum, Other
8. Coreopsis
9. Day Lily (Hemerocallis)
10. Dianthus (3 Stems)
11. Geranium, Ivy with Foliage (Peltatum)
12. Gerbera
13. Gladiola (No Dwarf)
14. Gladiola, Dwarf
15. Hydrangea, White
16. Hydrangea, Lace cap, any color
17. Hydrangea, Pink
18. Hydrangea, Blue/Lavender
19. Lily
20. Marigold (3 Stems)
21. Nasturtium (3 Stems)
22. Petunia (3 Stems)
23. Pansy (3 Stems)
24. Pelargonium Domesticum Martha Washington, with foliage
25. Pelargonium Hortorum (Zonal, Scented, common w/ Foliage)
26. Penstemon
27. Rose (Fully open bloom stamen showing)
28. Rose, one bloom with foliage, ½ - ¾ open
29. Rose spray with foliage one stem
30. Rose miniature, one spray
31. Russian Sage (Perovskia)
32. Salvia
33. Scabiosa, Pincushion (3 stems)
34. Statice
35. Sunflower
36. Sunflower, Multicolor
37. Yarrow
38. Zinnia
39. Any Other Annual, Named
40. Any Other Perennial, Named, Small, 2" or less
41. Any Other Perennial, Named, Large Flower
42. Dahlia – Dinner Plate 6-12"
43. Dahlia – 1 ½" – 6"
44. Dahlia – Ball or POM POM
45. Dahlia - Cactus
46. Bouquet 10-15 blooms any variety and color.
47. Rare or Unusual Flower
48. Pelargonium/Ivy/Fragrant Geranium
49. Pelargonium - all others

Entry Limit: 1 entry per variety, 2 entries per class, per exhibitor.

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FLOWER SHOW Continued

Sweepstakes Award (based on total points for all periods): Sponsored by Alden Lane Nursery, Livermore: 1st Place \$30, 2nd Place \$20, & 3rd Place \$10 in Gift Certificates. Cash awards from the Alameda County Fair are 1st Place \$15, 2nd Place \$10, & 3rd Place \$5 and a Rosette Ribbon.

Best of Show Awards: Sponsored by Alden Lane Nursery, Livermore: \$10 Gift Certificates for periods 1, 2, 3, & 4.

Cash Awards per Class: 1st Place: \$3, 2nd Place: \$2, 3rd Place: \$1

SPECIAL RULES:

1. Owner must enter own flowers, no exceptions.
2. Unless noted otherwise, each entry is to be one stem (cut flowers with stem in proportion to size of flower & strip all foliage from stem that will be below water level)
3. Entry tags and vases will be provided with the exception of Class 46. Please label the bottom of container. Please no valuable containers; the Fair is not responsible to lost or broken containers.
4. No entry may be entered in "any other" class if there is an available class.
5. Members of a family are considered as one exhibitor & co-owner of exhibit.

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GARDEN PRODUCE

DIVISIONS

51: Period 1 – Wed. June 24th

52: Period 2 – Sat. June 27th

53: Period 3 – Wed. July 1st

54: Period 4 – Wed. July 8th

CLASS:

1. Citrus Fruit – 3 on a plate plus a half (wrapped)
2. Stone Fruit- 6 on a plate
3. Small Fruit or Berries- 12 on a plate
4. Leafy Vegetables – Lettuce, Cabbage, Spinach, Kale
5. Stem Vegetables - Broccoli, Celery
6. Root, Bulb, or Tuber Vegetables – Beet, Carrot, Onion, Garlic, Potato - 3 on a plate
7. Vegetable- Pepper, Tomato, Eggplant, Heirloom Tomato - 3 on a plate
8. Pod Vegetable- String Bean, Pea - 10 on a plate
9. Vine Crop- Squash, Melon, Pumpkin
10. Largest Home Grown Fruit or Vegetable
11. Herbs in a decorative container – Minimum of 3 Stems

Entry Limit: 1 entry per variety, 2 entries per class, per exhibitor.

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Cash Awards per Class: 1st Place: \$3, 2nd Place: \$2, 3rd Place: \$1

SPECIAL RULES:

1. Exhibitors are requested to label species and varieties, if known.
2. Exhibits must be fresh, clean, and neatly trimmed.
3. Entry tags and vases/plates will be provided.
4. Except for monstrosities, judging will be based on the uniform commercial grade.
5. Produce will be disposed of as they wilt, unless the exhibitor provides a sealable, labeled container to be picked up on release day.
6. Members of a family are considered as one exhibitor & co-owner of exhibit.

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POTTED PLANTS

DIVISION: 35: SATURDAY, JUNE 27th

CLASS:

CACTI

1. Cacti in Pot, 4"-12"
2. Cacti in Pot, 13"-20"
3. Group of 3 or more varieties of cacti in one container (No larger than 20")

OTHER SUCCULENTS

4. Succulent in Pot, 4"-12"
5. Succulent in Pot, 13"-20"
6. Group of 3 or more varieties of succulents in one container (No larger than 20")
7. Fairy Garden - Miniature garden of cacti/succulents to attract fairies. Personalize your garden with assortment of accessories but DO NOT CLUTTER.
8. Terrarium Mini Garden - (glass not to exceed 12")
9. Fairy Garden - 6" container or smaller
10. Cacti & Succulent Variety in Pot, 13"-20"

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

Sweepstakes Award (based on total points for all periods): Sponsored by Plant & Pottery Outlet, Sunol: 1st Place: \$50 Gift Certificate. Cash awards from the Alameda County Fair are 1st Place \$15, 2nd Place \$10, & 3rd Place \$5 and a Rosette Ribbon.

Best of Show Award: Sponsored by Plant and Pottery Outlet, Sunol: \$50 Gift Certificate.

Cash Awards per Class: 1st Place: \$3, 2nd Place: \$2, 3rd Place: \$1

SPECIAL RULES:

1. All potted plants must be well rooted.
2. Weight limit is 20 lbs, NO EXCEPTIONS.
3. No hanging plants.
4. Include the plant variety name(s), if known.
5. Pot dimensions are measured from the top inside of the pot.
6. Plant Maintenance: Exhibitor is responsible for providing staff with written instructions upon delivery of entry if special instructions are needed. Plants will be watered weekly depending on weather.

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ROSE SHOW

DIVISIONS: 31: Period 1 – Fri. June 19th 32: Period 2 – Sat. July 3rd

CLASSES FOR:

HYBRID TEAS/GRANDIFLORA

(One bloom per stem) ½-¾ open no side buds

1. Any white or near white
 2. Any yellow
 3. Any yellow blend
 4. Any apricot blend, orange, orange blend
 5. Any orange-red, orange pink
 6. Any pink
 7. Any pink blend
 8. Any red
 9. Any red blend
 10. Any mauve blend or russet
 11. Any color fully opened
 12. Stages of bloom collection-3 same variety, disbudded in 1 vase
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HYBRID TEAS/GRANDIFLORA

(One spray per stem) 2 or more blooms same color

13. Any white or near white
14. Any yellow
15. Any yellow blend
16. Any apricot blend, orange, orange blend
17. Any orange-red, orange pink
18. Any pink
19. Any pink blend
20. Any red
21. Any red blend
22. Any mauve blend or russet
23. Any color fully opened
24. Stages of bloom collection-3 same variety, disbudded in 1 vase

FLORIBUNDA

(One bloom per stem) no side buds

25. Any white or near white, yellow or yellow blend
 26. Any pink or pink blend
 27. Any red or red blend
 28. Any apricot blend, orange, orange blend, orange red/pink
 29. Any mauve blend or russet
 30. Any color, fully opened
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FLORIBUNDA/POLYANTHA

(One spray per stem) 2 or more blooms

31. Any white or near white, yellow or yellow blend
 32. Any pink or pink blend
 33. Any red or red blend
 34. Any apricot blend, orange, orange blend, orange red/pink
 35. Any mauve blend or russet
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CLIMBERS/PILLARS

(One bloom or spray per stem)

36. Any color, one bloom per stem
 37. Any color, one spray per stem
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SHRUBS

(One bloom or spray per stem)

38. Any color, one bloom per stem
 39. Any color, one spray per stem
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ROSE SHOW Continued

MINIATURES

(One bloom per stem)

- 44. Any white or near white
 - 45. Any pink or pink blend
 - 46. Any red or red blend
 - 47. Any yellow or yellow blend
 - 48. any mauve or russet
 - 49. Any apricot blend, orange blend, orange red/pink
 - 50. Any color, fully opened
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MINIATURES

(One spray per stem) must have 2 or more open blooms

- 52. Any white or near white
- 53. Any pink or pink blend
- 54. Any red or red blend

- 55. Any yellow or yellow blend
 - 56. Any mauve or russet
 - 57. Any apricot blend, orange blend, orange red/pink
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SINGLE MINIATURE

4-8 petals

- 58. Any color, one bloom per stem
 - 59. Any color, one spray per stem
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MOST FRAGRANT ROSE

- 60. Any color, one bloom per stem (no sprays)
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ROSE BOUQUETS

(May use own clear glass vase 10-12" size limit)

- 61. Any color patriotic bouquet, at least 10 roses w/ foliage
- 62. One color, at least 10 roses w/ foliage

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Sweepstakes Award (based on total points for all periods): Sponsored by Orchard Nursery & Florist, Lafayette: 1st Place \$50 Gift Certificate. Cash awards from the Alameda County Fair are 1st Place \$15, 2nd Place \$10, & 3rd Place \$5 and a Rosette Ribbon.

Best of Show Awards: Sponsored by Orchard Nursery & Florist, Lafayette: \$20 Gift Certificates for periods 1 & 2.

Cash Awards per Class: 1st Place: \$3, 2nd Place: \$2, 3rd Place: \$1

SPECIAL RULES:

1. Owner must enter own flowers, no exceptions.
2. Wedges must be below the lip of the container. Water must PASS THROUGH FREELY, and no foliage or vegetables allowed; they taint the water.
3. Entry tags and vases will be provided with the exception of Class 61/62. Please label the bottom of container. Please no valuable containers; the Fair is not responsible to lost or broken containers.
4. Specimens will be judged by American Rose Society judges using ARS Standards.
5. Members of a family are considered as one exhibitor & co-owner of exhibit.
6. "Modern Roses 13" and the American Rose Society's latest handbook, "Handbook for Selecting Roses", will determine color classifications.

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