

BACK TO THE FAIR

**FLORICULTURE
DIVISION IV BOTANICAL ARTS & CRAFTS
AN NGC STANDARD FLOWER SHOW**



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Division IV

Botanical Arts and Crafts Rules

1. All Botanical Arts Horticulture, Design, and Artistic Crafts exhibits must contain some plant material.
2. No artificial plant material is permitted in any exhibit.
3. The Scale of Points for Judging Botanical Arts Horticulture Section A, Design Section B, and Artistic Crafts Section C are listed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition*, Chapter 14.
4. The rules for Botanical Arts Horticulture Section A are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition*, Chapter 10.
5. General Guidelines for the Design Division apply, including a card listing all plant material used in the design. *Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition*, Chapter 10.
6. The rules for Botanical Arts and Crafts Section C are printed in the *Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition*, Chapter 10.



Wild Rose - Rosa bourgeauiana

“Division IV – Botanical Arts Horticulture

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Section A – “Meet Me at the Fair”

Classes 1-3

Botanical Arts Horticulture. All exhibits must be correctly named by the binomial or currently accepted scientific designation. No artificial plant material is permitted. All exhibits must be in grown by the exhibitor for a period: (1) Container-Grown Miniature Garden (Class 1) – for at least six (6) weeks; (2) Arboreal (Class 2) – for at least six (6) months; and (3) Dried and Preserved Specimens (Class 3) – no set length of time. Exhibits in this Section are eligible for the **State Fair Botanical Arts Horticulture Award** and one (1) **State Fair Special Award**. Exhibits may not exceed 24” in diameter. This is an open class – anyone may enter.

Class 1. “Clown Around” – A Container-Grown Miniature Garden. A miniature landscape/scene, such as a Fairy Garden, diorama, etc. All types of accessories permitted. Emphasis is not necessarily on plant material, but some live plant material/s must be included. Each specimen must be correctly and clearly labeled with the current scientific designation and in a manner to clearly identify the specimen’s location in the garden. This may be done on a single chart or individual placards. (*NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition, page 92*). Judged by the Combination Plantings Scale of Points.

Class 2. “Mutton Busting”– Arboreal – Naturally, large branches. Specimens which do not show the beauty of mature form within the 30” limit allowed in the Horticulture Division. Maximum length allowed is 42”. Exhibits will be hung on a vertical trellis; hooks for hanging will be provided by the Committee. Each Exhibit must be correctly named by the binomial name or currently accepted scientific designation. (*NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition, page 91*). Judged by the Horticulture Scale of Points.

Class 3. “Barrel Racing” – Dried and Preserved Specimens. Exhibit must be correctly named by its binomial or currently accepted scientific designation. No additional embellishments (dyes, glitter, spray paint, or manipulation such as cutting or twisting) permitted. Material such as Petal-Proof®, Super Surface Sealant®, or hairspray are permitted to prevent shattering of fragile seed heads, etc. Exhibits will be placed on a table draped with a black cloth. Exhibitors are responsible for staging. (*NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition, page 92*). Judged by the Horticulture Scale of Points.

- (a) Foliage
- (b) Flowers
- (c) Seedpods/seed heads
- (d) Gourds
- (e) Glycerinized or skeletonized plant material
- (f) Pressed plant material

Division IV Botanical Arts Botanical Design

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Section B – “Exhibits at the Fair”

Class 4-6

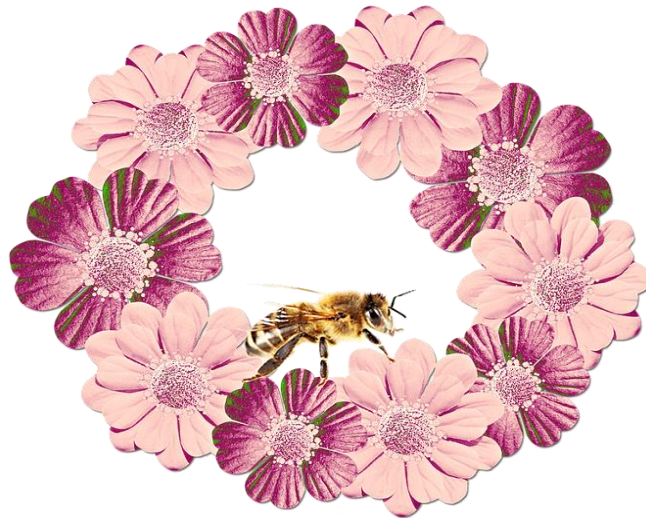
Botanical Arts Design. All exhibits must include a card listing all plant material used in the design. All exhibits must contain some plant material. No artificial plant material permitted in any exhibit. All exhibits must follow general guidelines for the Design Division II. To educate the public, all plant material used in the design must be identified on a 3”x5” card provided by the Exhibitor. Botanical and/or common name acceptable. A brief interpretation of the design may be included on the card. Judged by the Design Scale of Points. Designs in this Section are eligible for the **State Fair Botanical Arts Design Award** and one (1) **State Fair Special Award**. This is an open class – anyone may enter.

“Isn’t it Fun” - A wreath which will be hung on a vertical trellis. The Committee will provide hanging hooks for attachment. Wreath cannot exceed 30” in diameter. *NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition, page 93.*

Class 4. “The Fair Is Here” – All Fresh

Class 5. “The Fair has Sprung” – Designer’s Choice

Class 6. “Can’t Beat the Fair” – All Dried



Division IV Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts

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Section C – “We’re Here Let’s Celebrate” Classes 7-9

Artistic Crafts. Exhibits must contain some fresh and/or dried plant material. Only dried material may be treated. No artificial, endangered, or locally invasive plant material may be used. A card listing plant material must be included with all artistic craft entries. Note: Artistic Crafts are objects with a function. They may be artistically pleasing but were not created solely for their artistic value. They serve a purpose and can be labeled as a certain object. See **Page 94** of the *Handbook for Flower Shows* for more information. Judged by the Artistic Crafts Scale of Points. Designs in this Section are eligible for the **State Fair Artistic Crafts Award and one (1) State Fair Special Award.** This is an open class anyone may enter.

Class 7. “Together at the Fair” – An invitation announcing a birthday party. Invitation may not exceed 24” in width. Will be displayed on a table draped with a black cloth. *NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition, Shows, 2017 Edition, page 95.*

Class 8. “Boots, Chaps and Cowboy Hats” – A decoration on a hat to be displayed on a hat stand provided by the Show Committee. *NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition, page 95.*

Class 9. “Much to Celebrate” – A wrapped package which will be displayed on a table draped with a black cloth. *NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition, page 95.*

