

2016 Annual Meeting Flower Show
Postcards from the Journey
Sky Blue Waters - Amber Waves - Green Forests

While the schedule is still being read and finalized, please share with Zone XI members the opportunities to participate in the show which are exclusive to Zone XI. The three classes below are reserved for Zone XI to showcase their talented members in the Floral Design, Horticulture and Photography divisions.

Registration will be online and all Zone XI clubs will be notified as soon as it is up on the GCA website. A Preliminary listing of all Horticulture classes is also attached.

Floral Design – Division I

Class 7 Distant Lights

6 Entries

Class exclusive to GCA Members from Zone XI.

A Contemporary design inspired by a great American city from Zone XI.

Staged on taupe-colored pedestals 40”h with 16” square top. Photo and Statement of Intent required.

Photo does not have to be the work of the designer. Photo of city used for inspiration should be no larger than 8” x 10” and mounted on black foamcor.

Photo of pedestal, specifications and paint sample supplied to designers upon registration.

Horticulture – Division II

Class 41 ZONE XI Bulb Challenge

Zone XI Container Class **required of each club in Zone XI** and open to only those clubs. A 14” terra cotta colored container, planted with variety of bulbs reminiscent of spring in the Midwest. A minimum of three different cultivars must be present. Key card required. Bulbs must be in bloom. Requires Registration.

Photography – Division III

Class 3 Wheat Fields Waving

6 Entries

A color image depicting movement on the prairie

(11”x 14” mounted on black foamcor)

Open to Zone XI only

DIVISION II

Horticulture Classes

Cut Specimens

All entries should be cut from the garden. One stem, spike or spray not to exceed 26" in length, measured from the lip of the container to the tip of the stem.

Classes 1-6 Perennials

1. *Aquilegia*
2. *Astilbe*
3. *Dicentra spectabilis*
4. *Hellebore*
5. *Polemonium*
6. Other

Classes 7-13 Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes and Tubers

7. *Narcissus*
8. *Tulipa*
9. *Fritillaria*
10. *Allium*
11. *Hyacinth*
12. *Lilium*
13. Other

Class 14 Biennials

Class 15-22 Flowering Shrubs or Vines

15. *Paeonia suffruticosa*
16. *Paeonia Itoh hybrids*
17. *Rhododendrum – deciduous*
18. *Rhododendrum – evergreen*
19. *Syringia*
20. *Vines*
21. *Viburnum*
22. Other

Class 23 Shrubs grown for foliage

Classes 24-28 Flowering Trees

24. *Cornus*
25. *Malus*
26. *Magnolia*
28. Other

Class 29-30 Evergreens

29. Needled
30. Broadleaf

Class 31

A minimum of three varieties on one genus in a glass container provided by the exhibitor. To be judged solely on the basis of cultural perfection.

Class 32 Herbs

A collection of herbs (no more than 6) displayed in separate containers provided by the committee. Six month ownership. Key card required.

Container Grown Plants

Containers may not exceed 12" in diameter/diagonal

Class 33 Foliage

Plant grown primarily for foliage.

Class 34 Flowering

Plant grown primarily for flowers, must be in bloom.

Class 35 Cactus

Class 36 Succulent

Class 37 Orchid

Class 38 Propagation

Plant propagated by exhibitor, ownership requirement is a minimum of six months. Date and method of propagation must be stated on entry card.

Class 39 Mother/Child

A single plant exhibited along with the parent plant from which it was propagated, each in a separate but compatible container. Propagation information required. Both plants will be judged.

Class 40 Par Class

An exhibit of exceptional horticultural merit, which does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the Horticultural Division. Entries in the Par classes must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of one year. Containers not to exceed 12" in diameter/diagonal. Cut specimens and hanging baskets are not permitted.

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Bee Center Conservation Exhibit

This exhibit will showcase the vital importance of bees to agriculture and humanity on the planet. Reflecting University of Minnesota environmental and agricultural research, this exhibit will feature the natural histories of honey bees and native bees; their vital role as key pollinators of our fruits, vegetables and flowers; and ways to promote bee health. We plan to have interactive displays including live pollinator plants; a sample honey bee hive and native bee nests showing bee needs and life cycles; and demonstrate ways gardeners can help to improve pollinator health in their own gardens and communities.

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