

**2023 TGOA National
Convention
Horticulture Show
Schedule & Rules
July 26, 2023**



Entries will be accepted on Wednesday, July 26, beginning at 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. in Room B of Springhill Suites by Marriott, our Convention headquarters. Entry cards will be available at signup or provide your own card. Entries also are welcome just for show; not for judging.

Judging is 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 26

People's Choice Judging is 8 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, July 26

- Limit of five entries per person. All entries must be identified by variety or cultivar (or botanical name) to qualify for a top award. The plants must be in your possession for at least one month before the show. (Purchased no later than June 26, 2023.)
- Ribbons will be awarded for First, Second and Third place in each Section or Class. A Rosette will be awarded for the entry from the farthest distance. Trophies will be awarded for Best of Show and People's Choice (from the Section Winners).
- All entries must be removed from the display room immediately after the Wednesday night Horticulture Show, which ends at 10 p.m.
- **Questions:** Horticulture Show Co-Chairs Mary Ann Ferguson-Rich at mafr43@hotmail.com or Tom Arens at mansell713@sbcglobal.net.

Horticulture Show Judging Criteria

Containers and wedging for cut flowers, leaves and stems, as well as paper plates will be provided or entrants may provide their own. Read the Section descriptions carefully; some containers must be free of design. Bottles may be clear or colored.

The Horticulture Show Chair will subdivide the sections into classes at time of entry. Two or more entries of the same variety constitute a class. The Show Chairs will add classes (and sections) as deemed necessary.

Section 1. Cut Annual Flowers. With at least one leaf. Three specimens of small flowers, such as Petunias and miniature Marigolds; one specimen of larger flowers, such as Zinnias.

Section 2. Cut Perennial Flowers. With at least one leaf. Three specimens of smaller flowers; one specimen of larger flowers

Section 3. Small Vegetables. Six beans or similar-sized specimens; 10 cherry or grape tomatoes; three of all other vegetables.

Section 4. Large Vegetables. Three of the smaller specimens, such as tomatoes or onions; one of larger vegetables, such as eggplant and squash.

Section 5. Herbs.

Class 5-A. Potted Herbs. One or more plants to a pot.

Class 5-B. Cut Herbs. One specimen of larger Herbs, such as mint; three of smaller herbs, such as thyme or chives. Herbs may be wrapped in a wet paper towel and foil, and displayed on a paper plate.

Section 6. Large Fruits. One specimen, such as apples or pears.

Section 7. Small Fruits. Six specimens of each, such as berries.

Section 8. Orchids. No pot size restrictions.

Section 9. Hanging Baskets. 12-inch pots or smaller. (Pots may have designs.)

Class 9-A. Flowering with foliage.

Class 9-B. Foliage.

Section 10. Container Plants. Containers may have designs.

Class 10-A. Pots under 6 inches.

Class 10-B. Pots over 6 inches

Section 11. Cacti and Succulents. No containers over 15 inches.

Class 11-A. One Cactus in a pot

Class 11-B. One Succulent in a pot

Class 11-C. More than one Cacti and/or Succulent in a pot

Section 12. Foliage. One leaf per specimen.

Section 13. Trees and Shrubs. One branch, 12 inches to 24 inches long, including container.

Section 14. Miniature Gardens. With accessories, not over 15 inches in diameter.

Section 15. Arrangements. Under 15 inches in height and width. Flowers and foliage need not be grown by the exhibitor. Accessories are permitted.