

## DEPARTMENT • 28

# AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION HORTICULTURAL EXHIBITS

Judges - Paul K. Shoemaker, Manheim, PA; Erica Mowrer, Petersburg, PA  
Chairperson - Clifford Day, PA Dept. of Education, Harrisburg, PA

### RULES

(See General Rules and Regulations, page 14)

Use general entry blank on page 187

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PRE ENTERED BY DECEMBER 1, 2015 on the appropriate forms found on the following website:

AgEd: <http://www.education.pa.gov/K-12/Career%20and%20Technical%20Education/Pages/News-and-Events.aspx#.VipygZ3D9EZ>

FFA: [www.paffa.state.pa.us](http://www.paffa.state.pa.us) • FARM SHOW: [www.farmshow.state.pa.us](http://www.farmshow.state.pa.us)

ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE on the FARM SHOW WEBSITE

### NO ENTRY FEE REQUIRED

Entries made after December 1st WILL NOT be accepted

1. Any Agricultural Education student may enter this contest if they have conducted the entry as a part of the instructional program of their local Agricultural Education department and verified by the Agricultural education instructor. (Only secondary students are eligible to compete in this department, see rule 13, page 14)
2. Flowers and plants entered for competition must be above the ordinary standard and quality to be entitled to an award.
3. Exhibits may be delivered beginning at 3:00 p.m., Thursday, January 7, 2016. Exhibits must arrive at the show by 12:00 noon, Friday, January 8, 2016.
4. No exhibitor may enter more than one article in each class.
5. The management will not undertake to return containers or be responsible for the return of exhibits. All exhibits may be claimed by the exhibitor or his representative after 5:00 p.m., Saturday, January 16, 2016. See Rule 11, page 14 of the premium list.
6. **DEFINITIONS - Pedestal:** a footed container; **Wreath:** Wreaths will be in a **round shape**; **Wall Hanging:** Design of any shape, **maximum size 24" in any direction**; **Diameter:** Always refers to OUTSIDE diameter. **Fireside Basket:** A wide, open-ended basket with a high handle. **Novelty Container:** Containers not used for normal plant production.
7. Mechanics for hanging entries **must** be attached to the design. If not, the entry will be disqualified. Please attach a light colored ribbon to the hanging mechanics making it easier to find the hanger.
8. In order to maintain freshness, floral arrangements should be placed in a container or material that holds water, and watered when they are entered.
9. Floral arrangements will be limited to 15" high, including the container, unless otherwise listed. Exhibits not meeting size requirements will be disqualified.
10. Entries must be pre-entered online using the on-line instructions found at the Farm Show website [www.farmshow.state.pa.us](http://www.farmshow.state.pa.us) or the : **FFA Facilitator, Bureau of Career and Technical Education, Pennsylvania Department of Education, 333 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333, by December 1, 2015.** No on-site entries will be accepted.
11. IMPORTANT! Rule 9, page 154 also applies.
12. Judging will begin at 1:00 p.m., Friday, January 8, 2016.
13. Social Security Number and Check Payable To must be included on entry forms to receive premiums. The payable to information and tax identification number must match. Entry tags will be printed and mailed to exhibitor. Securely attach the printed entry tags to exhibits and deliver exhibits to expedite the check-in process.
14. Arrangements or displays must be of the theme and quality that should be depicted by an FFA member and/or high school student.
15. Flowers are to be displayed in their natural color state - **do not** artificially color fresh flowers.

### Section 0001

### HOUSE PLANTS/DESIGNS

- Class 1. Amaryllis plant, no accessories needed, 1 bulb per pot
- Class 2. Hanging Basket - flowering 10" basket
- Class 3. Patio vegetable garden/planter: max 15" diameter, 3 plants minimum, no house plants; may include accessory/trellis etc.
- Class 4. Mixed herb container - 3 herb varieties, novelty container 8" max diameter
- Class 5. Mixed herb garden - 5 varieties, maximum size container 12"
- Class 6. Dish garden - foliage only - novelty container max size 12" diameter, 15" height max, NO baskets, kitchen theme, accessories permitted
- Class 7. Poinsettias- 6 1/2 inch pot maximum, no accessories needed, 1 cutting per pot
- Class 8. Dish garden - Dish garden in a (one) shoe, shoe size: Adult size shoe 7-12 foliage plants only, max height 15"
- Class 9. Miniature succulent Garden - max size 12" (terra cotta pot saucer) in any direction. Include miniature garden furnishings.
- Class 10. Terrarium tropical foliage plants ONLY; Novelty container, do not use a rectangular container, smaller than 5 gal. capacity, must be covered
- Class 11. Living wreath for a table, using succulent plants only. No flowering plants. No oasis or foam base. 12" max frame size, use live rooted plants. A tray, 14" or larger to contain the drainage, etc. from the wreath must be included.

**Miniature Landscape Design** - Box must be 24" x 24" x 5" deep open container. 15" max height of plants and accessories overall. Live foliage and natural materials to represent parts of a landscape design. Over 50% of the area must be covered with live plants (unless otherwise specified), up to 25% of the area can be covered with natural materials and 25% of the area may be covered with accessories (may include house/building). Do not use moss. Houseplants may be used to represent landscape plants. A diagram (similar to industry standard ex. use of graph paper and numbers or symbols to represent plants) identifying the actual plants must be included. Accessories are permitted, miniature house, etc. House can be, but does not have to be included- only indicated in some manner. Only use live plant material to represent landscape plants.

**Due to the number of entries in Miniature Landscape Design, 3 divisions have been developed. Each exhibitor may only enter one display in Miniature Landscape Design. If more than 1 display is entered by an exhibitor, the exhibitor's entries will be disqualified in these classes (Classes 12-14).**

- Class 12.** Miniature Landscape Design - Landscape display incorporating hardscaping with 25% plant material (maximum). No legos or k'nex blocks. With cost estimate and a blueprint specifying plants, materials, etc. Can include a patio, raised bed, water feature, etc.
- Class 13.** Miniature Landscape Design - Landscape display Farm Show Anniversary Celebration. See miniature Landscape rules above.
- Class 14.** Miniature Landscape Design - Landscape display incorporating a horticulture business store front (small shop, florist shop, garden center, nursery, etc).
- Class 15.** Miniature Landscape Design - Hand or computer drawn landscape blueprint for a complete residential landscape. Mounted on foam core board with hangers. Must include all items necessary in a landscape blueprint: direction arrow, etc. Appropriate for Pennsylvania climate. Materials cost estimate must be included. Max size: 36" in height and/or width.

## Section 0002

## FLORAL DESIGNS

- Class 16.** Ikebana style fresh centerpiece, 20" high by 10" wide
- Class 17.** Boxwood tree - Use florist foam as a base and cut boxwood branches to depict a small Christmas tree using a decorative container. To be decorated for Christmas using non-traditional colors for Christmas. 17" tall max, only use boxwood greens
- Class 18.** All Around Arrangement in a Mug - using silk AND dried flowers - 12" ht (including container) max. Theme: Valentine's Day.
- Class 19.** Wreath (Round) - All silk materials, use silk plant base wreath frame. Max 24" completed diameter - accessories permitted
- Class 20.** Wedding cake topper using fresh flowers, to fit 8" top layer cake – may use accessories, 8" height max, does NOT include the cake. A small tray must be included.
- Class 21.** Fresh wreath - Williamsburg theme - 24" max completed diameter fresh evergreen to be make and decorated by students. Must include a marked hanger.
- Class 22.** Pedestal - Isosceles triangle - fresh flowers, 24" max height including container, one sided
- Class 23.** Food Made from Fresh Flowers - Sweet, max 10" diameter may include accessories
- Class 24.** Bud Vase - using fresh flowers, 9" max. vase size, 20" ht overall, Color theme: analagous
- Class 25.** Silk Flower design – Flower Girl, head piece
- Class 26.** Wrist corsage with a matching boutonniere - Theme: Prom, incorporate accent
- Class 27.** Bridal bouquet - Modern style, incorporate non-traditional accent. 12" max diameter. Provide a weighted stand or vase to display bouquet
- Class 28.** Table centerpiece - Theme: Hollywood – using flowers and creative accessories. 15" size limit in any direction. Artificial color may be added to the flowers.
- Class 29.** Hospital Arrangement - one sided, Birth of a baby theme, 15" max height - accessories may be incorporated
- Class 30.** Banquet Arrangement, Theme: 100th Farm Show - centerpiece. Total ht. 24", max width 24". All elements need to be securely fastened
- Class 31.** Sympathy - Funeral Piece - in an mache container, asymmetrical design.
- Class 32.** Fresh Vase Arrangement - All Around with the vase embellished or customized by the designer – max height 24"

## PREMIUM SCHEDULE

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
Classes 1 through 32	\$20	\$18	\$16	\$14	\$12

## Section 0003

**“Best of Show” ribbons will be awarded in the following categories:**

### Plant entries

### Artistic entries

- 41) Best of Show - Houseplant and Design
- 42) Most Creative Foliage and/or Flowering Entry
- 43) Best Fresh Design
- 44) Best Permanent Design
- 45) Most Creative Floral Entry Overall