



Cowichan Valley Garden Club
Annual Flower Show
And Tea

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Saturday June 6, 2026
Noon to 3 PM



St. Peter's Church Hall
5800 Church Road, Duncan

Admission \$5.00 Youth 16 or Under Free
Door Prize Draw with Admission Ticket
Afternoon Tea \$5.00



Flower Show Schedule



This document presents all information required by people wishing to enter the Flower Show.

The Flower Show is an open, judged show: Anyone may enter. There is no entry fee for entering any of the classes.

Show Conveners

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SHOW RULES

St. Peter's Church Hall will be open for staging exhibits Friday, June 5 from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. **All exhibits MUST be in place by 7:30 PM Friday.** Exhibitors will be responsible for submitting exhibit entry cards at the time they stage their entries. The cards will be available at the Cowichan Valley Garden Club meetings on April 8 and May 13, on the CVGC Website, or can be obtained at the Church Hall on June 5.

1. Judging will be done by members of the Vancouver Island Horticulture Judging Group and will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday June 6. Only designated Show Committee Members, Judges and Judges Clerks may be present during judging. Only designated members of the Show Committee and/or Judges Clerks have the right to move exhibits.
2. The Club has the right to refuse any entry. No awards will be given where, in the opinion of the Judges, exhibits are not of sufficient merit.
3. All exhibits must be removed at the close of the show on Saturday June 6, but not before 3 p.m.
4. Provided the entries are different varieties, Exhibitors may make more than one entry per class, **except in the Decorative Division.**
5. Containers in the Cut Flower Division are supplied except where noted in this Schedule. The club is not responsible for loss or damage to Exhibitors' containers or personal effects, however caused.
6. All entries in the Potted Plants Division must have been owned by the Exhibitor for the **three** months prior to the show. With the exception of the Decorative Division,

all other exhibits must have been the property of, and have been grown by the Exhibitor, for at least **one** month prior to the show.

7. All entries are accepted subject to the rules published in this schedule. In all matters of dispute, the decision of the Show Committee shall be final. Any complaints must be submitted, in writing, to the Show Convener before the close of the show.

CUT FLOWER DIVISION GUIDELINES

- All exhibits must have been grown by the Exhibitor.
- Varieties should be named where possible, for the interest of the public.
- Judges may divide classes. Judging will be done according to BC Council of Garden Clubs Judging Standards for Non Specialized Shows.

Definitions

1. A stem or stalk is a plant structure carrying one or more flowers, buds may be present, it may be branched (e.g. bearded iris).
2. A cut is a branch from the main stem, usually a branch of a shrub.
3. A truss is a cluster of flowers or fruit growing from one stem (e.g. Rhododendron & tomatoes).
4. A spray is a branched many-flowered inflorescence, usually on a single main stem (e.g. Quince).
5. A polyanthus type primula has a single stem with a cluster of flowers, which include the candelabra, auricula, and drumsticks.
6. A primrose type primula has one flower on one stem, which includes the double flowering variety.
7. A bowl is a container wider than it is tall and without feet or a pedestal.

Show Tips

- Help with staging and entering your exhibit will be available from 5:00 to 7:30 on Friday at the Hall. Containers of various sizes are provided at the Show, unless otherwise specified.
- Exhibits must be clean with no unreasonable damage.
- Blooms not too old (e.g. should not have a swollen seed pod).
- Make sure you have entered the correct class. **Check the number of required stems/blooms - wrong counts result in NAS.**
- NAS: “Not according to schedule.” Judges will comment.
- Ensure the size of the container suits the scale of the plant material, and exhibits are balanced and pleasing to the eye. Cut the stems at a length that is in scale to the size of the bloom.

- Use bits of rolled newsprint (supplied at the Show) to stuff in the container to hold the stems erect and evenly spaced.
- Show blooms without foliage or with only their own foliage attached.
- Where applicable, **PLEASE NAME YOUR VARIETIES**

If you don't see a class for your plant materials, bring them anyway and we will create a class for them.

CUT FLOWER DIVISION

1. **Peony**, one stem, any variety
2. **Itoh Peony**, one stem, any variety.
3. **Lily**, one stem, any variety.
4. **Hardy Geranium**, 3 sprays, one or more varieties, in container supplied by exhibitor. (Spray is a flowering specimen with one open flower and more buds.)
5. **Poppy**, one stem, any variety.
6. **Lupin**, one stem any variety.
7. **Delphinium**, one stem, any variety.
8. **Clematis**, large flowered type, one bloom.
9. **Clematis**, small flowered type, one bloom.
10. **Flowering vine**, one vine specimen, max length 18 inches, container supplied by exhibitor.
11. **Primula**, one stem tall type (candelabra, drumstick, etc.).
12. **Aquilegia** (Columbine), 3 stems, one or more varieties, one vase.
13. **Allium**, one stem, any variety.
14. **Any Other Bloom**, one stem or cut (no shrubs).
15. **Hosta**, Small Leaf Type, 3 leaves, one or more varieties, one vase.
16. **Hosta**, Medium Leaf Type, 3 leaves, one or more varieties, one vase.
17. **Hosta**, Large Leaf Type. 3 leaves, one or more varieties, one vase.
18. **Fern**, 3 fronds, one variety, one vase.
19. **3 leaves**, any plant not listed above, one variety, displayed in container supplied by exhibitor.
20. **Collection** of 3 varieties of **Culinary Herbs**, **1 to 3** stems of each, in container supplied by exhibitor.
21. **Euphorbia**, one flowering stem, any variety.
22. **Bearded Iris**, one stem, any variety.
23. **Iris**, one stem, any other variety.
24. **Collection** of **Blooming Perennials**, 3 stems, 3 varieties, one vase (no shrubs).
25. **Garden Bouquet**: Collection (minimum 5 specimens; flower and greenery stems), any plant type, hand tied, displayed in clear glass container supplied by exhibitor.

26. **Rhododendron**, one truss, any variety.
27. **Evergreen Azalea**, one spray, any variety.
28. **Deciduous Azalea**, one spray, any variety.
29. **Rose**, one stem any variety, red/pink.
30. **Rose**, one stem any variety, yellow/orange.
31. **Rose**, one stem any variety, any other solid colour.
32. **Rose**, one stem any variety, multicolour.
33. **Fragrant Rose**, no foliage, floating in rose bowl or snifter supplied by exhibitor.
34. **Weigelia**, one cut, any variety.
35. **Any other Flowering Shrub** not listed above, one cut.
36. **Any Fragrant Flowering shrub**, one cut.
37. **Flowering Dogwood**, one cut, any variety.
38. **Any Variegated Foliage**, one cut or stem.
39. **Grasses**, 3 stalks, one or more varieties, in container supplied by exhibitor.

POTTED PLANT DIVISION

- Potted plants must have been owned by the Exhibitor ***for not less than THREE months***.
 - Be sure pots and plants are clean, no dead leaves, bugs or cobwebs.
 - Exhibit in a non-embellished pot, no baskets, pot size in scale to plant size.
 - Ensure plant has even growth and good shape, looks healthy with no unreasonable damage.
 - Exhibits may be no larger than 18” wide x 18” deep. Height is unlimited.
40. Succulent and/or Cactus Collection in one container. May be indoor or outdoor.
 41. Any foliage house plant other than fern.
 42. Any flowering house plant.
 43. Outdoor grown flowering plant or plants, one container.
 44. Orchid, any variety.

VEGETABLE/BERRY DIVISION

- All exhibits must have been grown by the Exhibitor.
 - Varieties should be named where possible, for the interest of the public.
 - Judges may divide classes. Judging will be done according to BC Council of Garden Clubs Judging Standards for Non Specialized Shows.
45. Rhubarb, trimmed, 3 stalks. plate provided.
 46. Peas, green, 5 pods, one variety, plate provided.

47. Berries, 5, one variety, (e.g. 5 Strawberries), plate provided.

48. Leafy Greens, 5 leaves, exhibitor's container with water (leak proof).

DECORATIVE DIVISION

THE 2026 DECORATIVE DIVISION THEME: MY CANADA

DECORATIVE DIVISION GUIDELINES

- A ***Design*** may include fresh cut, dried, weathered and/or treated plant materials, unless otherwise specified. Artificial plant materials such as silk flowers are not acceptable. **Accessories** (e.g. candles, stones, ribbons, pottery figurines) **are allowed unless otherwise specified.**
 - Carefully read and comply with the Show Schedule. Entries may be disqualified (NAS: "Not according to schedule"). Judges will comment if entry doesn't comply.
 - **No exhibit may be larger than 24 inches x 24 inches**, unless otherwise specified. Height is unlimited. Check required size on specific classes.
 - Do not use rare or endangered wildflowers.
 - Flowers and other plant materials may be purchased unless otherwise specified.
- Excellent information about floral design principles, definitions and ideas for different design styles, preparing and selecting materials, etc. is available on the internet.***

DECORATIVE DIVISION, GENERAL CLASS - OPEN TO EVERYONE.

49. ***My Canada:*** A Pave'

50. ***Beach Beauty:*** A horizontal design. Include Flowers, Plant material, Driftwood (designs must **not** include soil, sand, in any form).

51. ***Bee Friendly:*** A vertical design, **no accessories.** (Ensure that arrangement of materials is no wider than the container, and height is proportionate to the container.)

DECORATIVE DIVISION, NOVICE CLASS - Open to exhibitors with less than 4 years experience with Floral Design.

52. ***My Canada:*** A Pave'

53. ***Beach Beauty:*** A horizontal design. Include Flowers, Plant material, Driftwood, (designs must **not** include soil, sand, in any form).

DECORATIVE DIVISION, YOUTH CLASS - Open to exhibitors 16 years of age or younger

54. ***My Canada:*** A vertical design featuring Red and White Flower.

55. ***Beach Beauty:*** A horizontal design. Include Flowers, Plant material, Driftwood, (designs must **not** include soil, sand, in any form).

AWARDS PRESENTATION
COWICHAN VALLEY GARDEN CLUB MEETING

<i>Cut Flower Division High Aggregate (Classes 1 - 39)</i>	\$25
<i>Best Judged Vegetable/Berry Division (Classes 45 -48)</i>	\$25
<i>Best Judged General Decorative Exhibit (Classes 49- 51)</i>	\$25
<i>Best Judged Novice Decorative Exhibit (Classes 52-53)</i>	\$25
<i>Best Judged Youth Decorative Exhibit (Classes 55 - 55)</i>	\$25

Rosette: Best Flowering Exhibit in Show (Classes 1 – 39)

Rosette: Best Potted Plant (Classes 40 - 44)

Rosette: Best Judged Decorative Exhibit in Show (Classes 49 - 55)

Rosette: People’s Choice Best Exhibit in Show (Classes 1 – 55)

Certificate: General Decorative Division Aggregate (Classes 49- 51)

Certificate: Novice Decorative Division Aggregate (Classes 52-53)

Certificate: Youth Decorative Division Aggregate (Classes 54 - 55)

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