



“Hostas Play in Peoria”

July 12-14, 2018

Peoria, Illinois

Midwest Regional Hosta Society Convention Hosta Leaf Show

Hosted by: Central Illinois Hosta Society

Par-A-Dice Hotel & Convention Center

21 Blackjack Blvd

East Peoria, IL 61611

Thursday July 12th – Leaf show entry 11am – 4pm

Friday July 13th – Leaf show entry 8am – 11am

Friday July 13th - Leaf show judging – 1pm – 3pm

Friday July 13th – Leaf show open 3pm – 5pm

Saturday July 14th – Leaf show open 1pm – 4pm

This show is accredited by

The American Hosta Society

GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. Anyone who wishes to exhibit may do so. However, section and higher awards are limited to AHS members. Any exhibitor who is not an AHS member and wins a section or higher award will be asked to become an AHS member. If the winner refuses membership, the Show Chair may either present the award to the next qualified entry or leave the award vacant.
2. Entries will be received from 10 am to 6 pm Thursday, July 12th. **All entries must remain in place until 4 pm Saturday, July 14th.** Entries, entry tags, ribbons, and awards may be claimed from 4:00 PM to 6 PM Saturday, July 14th.
3. Entry tags must be properly completed by the exhibitor. Incorrect entry tag information will be corrected by the Classification Committee, and entries may be disqualified at the discretion of the Classification Committee.
4. All decisions of the judges are final. During the time of judging, only the Show Chair, Show Co-Chair, AHS Judges Chair, Judges, and Clerks are permitted in the immediate judging areas.
5. Divisions I - IV and VII Horticulture will be judged by panels of three to four American Hosta Society show judges including one master judge per panel. The American Hosta Society Point Scoring System will be used to break a tie in judging major awards. Each panel of judges will be the final authority of each class it judges.
6. Division VI - Artistic Design will judged by a panel of floral design experts. Pre-registration is required at emaxwell@hoernursery.com by July 1, 2018.
7. Division I Horticulture – Cut leaf entry will be limited to 30 leaves per household. Section XI, youth, counted separately.
8. Division II – Container Grown Hosta Rules
Container-grown hostas must have been grown by the exhibitor and must be established in the containers in which they are grown. **Only registered cultivars or hosta species may be exhibited in this division and only one hosta may be grown in each container.** Container and plant must be clean. The plant should be centered in the container. Inner containers or container liners are allowed but must not be visible. Only one type of ground cover material is allowed per exhibit. Ground covers may be any natural non-living material such as bark chips or stones, or an indigenous moss of one variety only.
9. Division III – Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect Rules
Self-contained trough or container gardens of any size may be entered for judging as an arrangement. Multiple varieties of hosta and other plant material may be used. **Hostas must be a strong focal point of the entry.** No artificial plant material is allowed. Plants and container must be clean. Accessories are permitted. Individual plants need not be identified. However, if the exhibitor would like to identify the material, an identification ledger card to the side of the exhibit is acceptable.
10. Division IV – Educational Displays
Educational displays must pertain to hosta.
11. Division VI – Artistic Design Rules
Hosta leaves must be the predominant foliage in the design. Hosta blooms are permitted. Plant material need not be grown by the exhibitor but the design work must be the work of the exhibitor. The Artistic Design committee reserves the right to move an entry to improve spacing if the exhibitor is unavailable to do so. Only four entries per class will be accepted for design classes I-IV. Design class V has unlimited entries. An exhibitor may enter one entry per class. **Pre-registration is required.** To request space please send request to emaxwell@hoernursery.com.

SHOW DIVISIONS

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE (Cut Leaf)

Section I	Giant-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section II	Large-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section III	Medium-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section IV	Small-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section V	Miniature-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species
Section VI	Giant-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section VII	Large-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section VIII	Medium-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section IX	Small-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section X	Miniature-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
Section XI	Youth Exhibits of Registered Cultivars and Species Displayed in Alphabetical Order
Section XII	Unregistered Named Hosta Cultivars Displayed in Alphabetical Order

Entries in Sections I-X are to be displayed using the following Color Classes:

- Class 1 – Green (All Shades)
- Class 2 – Blue (All Shades)
- Class 3 – Yellow (All Shades)
- Class 4 – White Margined
 - a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center
 - b. Green to Blue Center
- Class 5 – Yellow Margined
 - a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center
 - b. Green to Blue Center
- Class 6 – Green or Blue Margined
 - a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center
 - b. Green to Blue Center (distinct from margin color)
- Class 7 – Streaked or Mottled
- Class 8 – Others (including early season variants)

DIVISION II – CONTAINER GROWN HOSTA

Section I	Container Displays Not exceeding a Total Height or Width of 18 Inches
Section II	Container Displays with Height or Width of Greater Than 18 Inches

DIVISION III – TROUGH/CONTAINER GARDENS ARRANGED FOR EFFECT

Section I	Concrete Composite
Section II	Ceramic, Terra Cotta, Bronze and Other Metals
Section III	Plastics and all man-made materials
Section IV	Natural Materials, Stone, Wood, Baskets, etc.

DIVISION IV – EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

1. There are no sections in Division IV – Educational Displays. Educational displays must pertain to hosta. The show chair may bar entry to any exhibit that does not meet this requirement.
2. Point scoring for Division IV – Educational Displays
 - Educational Value – 50 points; theme, originality.
 - Presentation - 50 points; materials, arrangement, attractiveness, neatness.

DIVISION V – NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

Entries in this division are not judged. The exhibit may be a single cut leaf, a hosta bloom scape, a container grown plant, or any other display deemed to be of interest to the show observers. However, the plant material must be hosta predominant, the exhibit must be tastefully presented, and the material must be in good condition. The Show Chair may refuse placement of any exhibit that does not meet these requirements.

DIVISION VI – ARTISTIC DESIGN

Class I: “Heart of Illinois Magic” a creative design staged on a pedestal.

Class II: “Hostas Play in Peoria” a creative mass design.

Class III: “Riverboat Cruise” a creative design in a flat container incorporating water.

Class IV: “Caterpillar Yellow” a creative design in which yellow leaved hosta dominate.

Class V: “Mouse Tails” a petite design not to exceed 8” in any dimension that incorporates at least one “mouse” cultivar. Named varieties will be listed on a card to accompany the design.

Artistic designs will be judged by a panel of floral design experts.

1. Hosta leaves must be the predominate material in each design. Dried materials, hosta blooms, contrived flowers made from hosta leaves and other plant materials and flowers are permitted. No artificial foliage, flowers, fruit or dyed or painted fresh plant material may be used.
2. Plant material does not need to be grown by the exhibitor but the design must be the work of the exhibitor.
3. The exhibitor may enter one entry per class. Only four entries per Class I-IV will be accepted in the show.
4. Space allowed for each arrangement in **Class I** is 18” square staged on a 41” tall pedestal, **Class II-IV** is 30” wide and deep and **Class V** 12” wide and deep. Height is flexible for **Classes I-IV**.
5. Underlays, staging panels and accessories are permitted in all classes.
6. Designs not meeting show requirements will be displayed, contingent on availability of space, but not judged in the competition.
7. The Artistic Design committee reserves the right to move an entry to improve spacing if the exhibitor is not present.
8. **Designs must remain in place until Saturday, July 14th, at 4pm.**

Pre-registration for Division VI is required. Please reserve exhibition space at emaxwell@hoernursery.com or contact Ella Maxwell, Design Chair for clarification at 309-208-6188.

DIVISION VII – SPECIALTY DIVISION, SEEDLING AND SPORT PLANTS

1. A maximum of 3 plants per exhibitor is allowed. Entries should be plants of distinction. This division will be limited to 30 entries.
2. Bloom scapes may be removed or left intact at the exhibitors' discretion.
3. Plants must have at least two growth eyes and they should be similar in characteristics.
4. There will be two categories for judging. Category 1 will be seedlings and category 2 will be sports.
5. All entries in each category must be unregistered and unnamed.
6. Point scoring for Division VII – Specialty Division Seedlings and Sports

Distinction – 35

Color and pattern – 20

Form – 15

Substance – 15

Condition and grooming – 10

Clump size – 5

Total Points - 100

SHOW AWARDS

Best of Show - Horticulture – Awarded to the best species or registered cultivar entry in Division I – Horticulture and is selected from the section winners in Sections I-V and Section XI. (Please note that entries in Section XII – Unregistered Named Cultivars are not eligible to receive this award.) This award is a large triple streamer blue and white rosette ribbon.

Best Seedling or Sport Award – Awarded to the best seedling or sport entry in Division I – Horticulture and is selected from the section winners in Sections VI-X. This award is a large triple streamer green and white rosette ribbon.

Best Artistic Design Award – Awarded to the best entry in Division VI-Artistic Design. This award is chosen from the Best of Class winners in the division. This award is a large triple streamer blue and white rosette ribbon.

Sweepstakes Award – Awarded to the exhibitor who wins the largest number of blue ribbons in Division I – Horticulture. (In case of a tie, count red ribbons, then yellow ribbons if necessary to break the tie.) This award is a certificate and a medium triple streamer blue rosette ribbon.

Grand Awards – Awarded to the best entries in Division II – Container Grown Hosta, Division III – Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect, Division IV – Educational Displays, Division VI – Artistic Design and Division VII – Specialty Seedling and Sports. To win, entries must have scored 95 points. For Divisions II and III, Grand Awards will be chosen from the Section Award winners. These awards are medium triple streamer purple rosette ribbons.

Section Awards – Awarded to the Best of Section winners in divisions containing sections. All section award winners must have scored at least 95 points. These awards are medium single streamer purple ribbons.

Class Awards – Awarded to Best of Class winners in divisions containing classes. All class award winners must have scored at least 95 points. These awards are single streamer green ribbons.

The following ribbon awards are awarded in accordance with rules set forth by AHS:

First Place Blue Ribbons – Entries must score 90 or more points to receive this award.

Second Place Red Ribbons – Entries must score 85 or more points to receive this award.

Third Place Yellow Ribbons – Entries must score 80 or more points to receive this award.

Fourth Place White Ribbons - Entries must score 75 or more points to receive this award.

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POINT SCALES FOR JUDGING HOSTA

REGISTERED CULTIVARS AND SPECIES

DIVISION I, SECTIONS I – V and SECTION XI	
Form	15
Size	15
Color and Pattern	25
Texture	15
Substance	15
Condition and Grooming	15
TOTAL POINTS	100

UNREGISTERED NAMED HOSTA CULTIVARS DIVISION I, SECTION XII

Form	15
Size	15
Color and Pattern	25
Texture	15
Substance	15
Condition and Grooming	15
TOTAL POINTS	100

UNREGISTERED SEEDLINGS AND SPORTS

DIVISION I, SECTIONS VI – X	
Distinction	50
Form and Size	10
Color and Pattern	10
Texture	10
Substance	10
Condition and Grooming	10
TOTAL POINTS	100

CONTAINER GROWN HOSTA

DIVISION II	
Form	15
Size	15
Color and Pattern	25
Texture	10
Substance	10
Condition and Grooming	15
Container	10
TOTAL POINTS	100

TROUGH/CONTAINER GARDENS ARRANGED FOR EFFECT - DIVISION III

Variety	20
Condition	30
Arrangement	30
Container Relative to Arrangement	20
TOTAL POINTS	100

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS

DIVISION IV	
Educational Value	
Theme, Originality, Materials Used	50
Staging	
Arrangement, Attractiveness, Neatness	50
TOTAL POINTS	100

NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

DIVISION V	
Not Judged – No Scale of Points	

ARTISTIC DESIGN

DIVISION VI	
Conformance	14
Design Principles	48
Selection of Components	8
Organization of Components	8
Expression	8
Distinction	14
Total	100

SPECIALTY DIVISION – UNREGISTERED AND UNNAMED SEEDLING AND SPORT PLANTS

DIVISION VII	
Distinction	35
Color and Pattern	20
Form	15
Substance	10
Condition and Grooming	10
Clump Size	10
TOTAL POINTS	100

Show Committee

Show Co-Chairs – Kay Dye, Ella Maxwell, Mary Ann Metz

Awards Chair – Barb Schroeder

Classification Chair – Kay Dye

Clerks Chair – TBA

Design Chair – Ella Maxwell

Judges Chair – TBA

Placement Chair – Kay Dye

Registration Chair – Mary Ann Metz

Schedule Chair – Mary Ann Metz

Staging and Dismantling Chair – TBA

Tabulation Chair – TBA