

# DISTRICT 10 - THAMES VALLEY

## ANNUAL MEETING FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE April 26, 2025

Theme: "FROM ROOTS TO BLOOMS"

### Rules and Regulations

1. Each class is limited to one entry per society, including youth, for District 10 Competitions. **A sub-divided class will be considered as an additional class.**
2. Entries will be received from 8:15 am to 9:00 am the morning of the show. Judging will commence at 9:00 am sharp.
3. Entry tags should have the Society name, please no personal names. Entry tags will be available at the annual meeting, in the show room, and photocopy/printable tags are included as an attachment for this schedule and may be filled in ahead of time.
4. Please supply clear containers for all horticultural entries. Containers should be identified on the bottom with the Exhibitor's name.
5. All horticultural exhibits must be grown by the exhibitor. Houseplants must have been owned by the exhibitor for a minimum of 3 months.
6. Artificial plant material, cut fruit or vegetables are not allowed in designs. A judicious amount of painted material is permitted.
7. Judging will be to Ontario Horticultural Association Standards, based on Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards (OJES) second edition 2019.
8. Only the judge, clerk(s) and convenor will be allowed in the show room during judging.
9. The decision of the judge is final.
10. The Flower Show will be available for viewing only during lunch and breaks.
11. The results will be announced during the Annual Meeting.
12. Removal of entries will be at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting.
13. The awards are as follows:
  - a) Best in Show in Horticultural classes 1 to 6
  - b) Judge's choice in Design, classes 7 to 11
  - c) Judge's choice in Special Exhibits, classes 12 and 13
  - d) Best in Show for photography, classes 14 to 16.

Note: These are awarded to the Society.

**It is recommended that you consult Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards 2019 edition to help you with your entries.**

If you have any questions about the schedule, please contact:

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## SECTION A: HORTICULTURE

All specimens should be named with the cultivar, common and botanical names, if possible. Horticultural entries will be staged on lime green table coverings. Classes may be subdivided, at the discretion of the convenor, if warranted, by the number of similar varieties in a class. Subdivided classes will be considered as additional classes (ie 4a, 4b etc)

Class 1. Houseplant(s) grown for flowers (should be in bloom), same cultivar, container not to exceed 18 cm (8"), inside measurement.

Class 2. Houseplant(s) grown for foliage, same cultivar, container not to exceed 18 cm (8"), inside measurement.

Class 3. Three scapes (stems) of Narcissus/daffodils, same cultivar, named if possible. Class may be sub-divided if warranted. E.g. large-cupped, split corona, doubles etc. (OJES pg. 88)

Class 4. One scape or stem of any other flowering bulb. Class may be sub-divided if warranted. E.g. tulips, hyacinth, muscari etc.

Class 5. One stem of Hellebore

Class 6. One flowering branch, may be forced, not to exceed 76 cm (30") in length from the lip of the container to the branch tip, displayed in a clear, stable container.

## SECTION B DESIGN

Plant material may be newly purchased for design classes for this show. Fresh plant material must predominate in all designs. Designs will be staged on dark grey table coverings.

Class 7. **A Walk in the Forest** – A design using decorative wood as a feature (OJES pg. 136, 139). Space restriction of up to 41 cm (16") in width for this design.

Class 8. **Emergence** – A miniature design (OJES pg. 145)

Class 9. **Bon Appetit** – A design in which fruits and/or vegetables are featured (OJES pg. 139)

Class 10. **Refreshing** – A design with visible use of water (OJES pg. 156)

Class 11. **Peek-A-Boo** – A transparency design (OJES pg. 154)

## **SECTION C SPECIAL EXHIBITS**

Special exhibits are judged for both horticultural perfection and the design principles and elements. Plant material may be newly purchased for this section. A list of plant material, with common and botanical names, if possible, on a 4" x 7" card, must accompany the entry.

Class 12. **Good Fortune and Growth** – An assortment of succulents growing together in one container. Container not to exceed 10" (inside measurement). Cacti are a type of succulents.

Class 13. **Tread Softly** – A Fairy Garden. (OJES pg. 139) Accessories are permitted but plant material must predominate. Container not to exceed 10".

## **SECTION D PHOTOGRAPHY**

Prints should be MOUNTED NOT MATTED. Mounted size to be 5" x 7" (outside measurement). The photo is to be no larger than 4" x 6".

Class 14. **Backroads** – Your interpretation

Class 15. **Colours of Aurora Borealis** – Your interpretation

Class 16. **Misty Morning** – Your interpretation

## **SECTION E YOUTH COMPETITION**

**Only one entry per society for the District Competition.**

For the District 10 Annual Meeting, please bring or send your entry to the meeting.

Class 17. **"From Roots to Blooms"** – Create a picture using fresh and/or dried plant material. e.g. May include seeds, dried leaves, roots etc. Paint may be added to enhance your creation. Picture is to be mounted on card stock, cardboard or foam core, with dimensions not more than 22 cm x 28 cm (8 ½" X 11").