

Youth Plants

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Entry Forms due Sept. 4

2009 Official Schedule FISH & PLANTS CENTER – STATE FAIR GARDENS

***** Please note that the State Fair has moved to its new home, The Meadow Event Park, in Caroline County, Va. With the new location comes new procedures, dates/times and directions. It is very important that you review ALL information in Competition Guides and delivery instructions/maps received by mail.**

There will be lots of changes from previous years! Thank you for your participation! ***

Delivery Dates for Plants:	Wednesday, Sept. 23, 8 a.m. – Noon
Judging:	Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1 p.m.
Pick-up Plants:	Monday, Oct. 5, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. **NO Sunday pick-up**
*PLANT SALE:	Monday, Oct. 5, 9 a.m. – Noon, State Fair Gardens

***Youth may enter on-line for free at www.statefairva.org!** Mail-in entries must be accompanied by a surcharge of a \$5.00 check or money order per exhibitor made out to State Fair of Virginia. Faxed entries will not be accepted. Payment must be received before entry tags will be mailed.

1. Competitors must be age 5 to 18 years old. All State Fair General Rules and the Plant Department Rules apply. By making an entry, you agree to read and abide by these rules.
2. No passes are provided for individuals entering plants.
3. You may enter only one plant per class, up to 20 items total.
4. Plants must be grown by the individual competitor and have been in their possession and established in its container for at least three months. Please include variety name, if known, under "description."
5. Only plants entered in the correct class will be judged. You are responsible for correctly identifying the Division & Class for each plant entered.
6. Plants identified as diseased, infested or in broken containers will not be judged or displayed.
7. Plants will be watered by State Fair staff during the Fair; otherwise, the State Fair assumes no responsibility for exhibited plants or plants not displayed.

Awards
Each Class

1st
\$8

2nd
\$5

3rd
\$3

**\$50 Sweepstakes Award
for the Winner of the Most Blue Ribbons in the Adult Plants Department!**

General Guidelines for Judging Plants: deductions for faults

Poor symmetry (shape)	10	Damaged foliage	6
Damage from insect or disease	10	Improper support (if needed)	3
Unhealthy foliage and/or flower	9	Leaves smaller than normal for variety	3
Improper proportion of plant to pot	8	Unattractive container	9

Division 1: DISH GARDENS & TERRARIUMS

Class

- 1001. Garden growing in rock, wood or shell
- 1002. Dish garden using cacti or other succulents
- 1003. Dish garden, not listed
- 1004. Terrarium, miniature
- 1005. Terrarium, tropical
- 1006. Terrarium, not listed above

Division 2: SUCCULENTS & CACTI

Hanging & mounted plants are permitted.

Class

- 2001. Aeonium
- 2002. Agave
- 2003. Aloe (barbadensis and other varieties)
- 2004. Astrophytum
- 2005. Cereus, or any genus ending in ~cereus & Epiphyllum Orchid Cactus
- 2006. Crassula, Jade Plant only
- 2007. Crassula, except Jade Plant
- 2008. Cactus (with spines; i.e. Echinopsis, Echinocactus, Lobivia, Notocactus, etc.)
- 2009. Euphorbia, Crown of Thorns only
- 2010. Euphorbia, except Crown of Thorns
- 2011. Gasteria and Haworthia
- 2012. Gymnocalycium
- 2013. Kalanchoe
- 2014. Mesembryanthemum
- 2015. Oputia
- 2016. Rebutia or Sulcorebutia
- 2017. Sanservia (Snake Plant)
- 2018. Schlumbergia or Sygocactus (Thanksgiving or Christmas)
- 2019. Stapelia (Carrier flower)
- 2020. Succulent not list (no true cacti)

Division 3: GESNERIADS

A crown shall be defined as a short stem terminating in a whorl of leaves. No hanging or mounted plants allowed in this division.

Class

- 3001. Saintpaulia (African Violet) – single blooms
- 3002. Saintpaulia (African Violet) – double blooms
- 3003. Saintpaulia (African Violet) – miniature
- 3004. Saintpaulia (African Violet) – trailers
- 3005. Saintpaulia (African Violet) – variegated foliage
- 3006. Sinningia (Gloxinia) – in bloom
- 3007. Any other named variety of Gesneriad

Division 4: BEGONIAS

No hanging or mounted plants allowed in this group.

Class

- 4001. Begonia semperflorens in bloom (common begonia)
- 4002. Begonia, Dragon Wings
- 4003. Begonia, angel wing variety
- 4004. Begonia, rex
- 4005. Begonia, beefsteak
- 4006. Begonia, not listed

Division 5: BROMELIADS

Hanging and mounted specimens are permitted in this group.

Class

- 5001. Cyrtanthus (Earthstar), any named variety
- 5002. Acchmea, any named variety
- 5003. Ananas (Pineapple plant)
- 5004. Billbergia, any named variety
- 5005. Neoregelia, any named variety
- 5006. Nidularium, any named variety
- 5007. Guzmania, any named variety
- 5008. Tillandsia, any named variety
- 5009. Vriesea, any named variety
- 5010. Bromeliad, any named variety not listed
- 5011. Bromelida, collection in container, any varieties

Division 6: ORCHIDS

Hanging or mounted specimens are permitted in this division.

Class

- 6001. Orchid in bloom – cattylea, Epidentrum, Encyclia, Brassavola, Broughtonia, Laelia, Schomburgkia and Sophronitis
- 6002. Orchid in bloom – Paphiopedilum or Cypripedium
- 6003. Orchid in bloom – Vanda, Aerangis, Aerides, Angraecum, Arachnis, Asocetrum, Ascocenda, Rhynchostylisor Renanthera
- 6004. Orchid in bloom – Phaleonopsis or Dorites
- 6005. Orchid in bloom – Oncidiu, Brassia, Miltonia or Ondonto-glossom
- 6006. Orchid in bloom – Cymbidium
- 6007. Orchid in bloom – Dendrobium
- 6008. Orchid in bloom, any variety not listed

Division 7: TRUE FERNS

Class

- 7001. Footed ferns (Bear's Foot, Rabbit's Foot, Squirrel's Foot, etc.)
- 7002. Bird Nest Fern
- 7003. Madenhair Fern
- 7004. Boston Fern
- 7005. Boston Fern Cultivares (Rita, Bengal, Dallas, Florida Ruff, etc)
- 7006. Fern, any named variety not listed
- 7007. Hanging baskets – True Fern (excluding Staghorn & Footed)
- 7008. Hanging baskets – Footed Ferns (Bear Foot Fern, Rabbit's Foot, etc.)

Division 8: OTHER POTTED PLANTS

Class

- 8001. Ficus
- 8002. Spathiphyllum (Peace Lily)
- 8003. Schefflera
- 8004. Palm, true
- 8005. Dracaena (Ti, Cordyline, etc.)
- 8006. Philodendron or Monstera (not including Pothos or Devil's Ivy)
- 8007. Aroids (including Anthuriums, Alocasias, etc not listed separately)
- 8008. Calathea, Maranta, Ctenanthe (prayer plants)
- 8009. Aglaonema or Dieffenbachia
- 8010. Pothos or Devil's Ivy (hanging plant permitted)
- 8011. Pilea (Aluminum Plant, Friendship Plant, Artillery Fern, etc)
- 8012. Peperomia
- 8013. Sultana (Impatiens) in bloom
- 8014. Coleus
- 8015. Ponytail Palm (Beaucarnea)
- 8016. Jerusalem Cherry (1 plant/pot)
- 8017. Ornamental Pepper (1 plant/pot)
- 8018. Asparagus Fern (not hanging)
- 8019. Carnivorous plant (not collected)
- 8020. Mounted plant (not listed separately)
- 8021. Flowering plant not listed (must be in flower)
- 8022. Foliage plant (not in flower)
- 8023. Syngonium (Nepthystis) – hanging plants permitted
- 8024. Any other potted plant not listed (single variety in container – ornamental, NOT herbs)

Division 9: HANGING BASKETS

Containers MUST have sturdy commercial hangers – NO HOMEMADE HANGERS. Plant and container must NOT weight more than 40 lbs. Plants will be judged on the same criteria as the potted plants.

Class

- 9001. Asparagus Fern
- 9002. Staghorn Fern
- 9003. Swedish Ivy (Platycerium)
- 9004. Spider or Airplane plant (Chlorophytum)
- 9005. Tahitian Bridal Veil
- 9006. Bolivian Jew
- 9007. Wandering Jew (not listed above)
- 9008. Gesneraids (Columneas, Lipstick Plant, Achimines, Episcia, etc)
- 9009. Flowering plant not listed (must be in bloom)
- 9010. Foliage plant not listed (Pothos and Syngonium should be entered in Division 8)
- 9011. Mixed basket with more than one type of plant

Division 11: SPECIAL CONTAINERS

Class

- 1101. Footwear Planter – Kick up your heels and fill your old sneakers, boots, pumps, etc. with dirt and live plants to create a fun and functional planter!
- 1102. Junk Container – use your imagination and use any piece of junk as a planter (just make sure it isn't too heavy – must be hand-carried in by participant; size limit of 3'x3'x3')

Mark your calendars!

State Fair Plant Sale

Monday, October 5, 9:00 a.m. to Noon
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Stock up on all the great plants you've seen on display during the Fair!
To benefit the Virginia Green Industry Council