

# Carleton Place & District Horticultural Society

Sept 2024

## President's Pen

Hello everyone

Here is my two cents worth about our meeting. Yes, September is upon us and our meeting is on Wednesday, September 4th at Zion Memorial Church 37 Franklin Street.

Our speaker will be Joanne Hoffman who comes from Longlac in northern Ontario, Carolyn's home town. This summer I went fishing with her husband and we caught speckled trout. So we have a fairly close connection. Joanne will talk about quilting using plants as the subject. I don't quilt (I know that sounds unusual) but I'm interested in what she has to say.

While I'm on the subject of speakers, please let me know if you have anyone in mind. I can use names and phone numbers for prospects next year. I have two months taken care of.

At this meeting we will also have a native plant giveaway. There will be two door prizes and a refreshment break. So. I hope to see you there on Wednesday. Bring a friend.

Here is a photo of the Dahlias at the Victoria School

Museum Gardens. These were donated and planted by Brittiny Lepage, the Dahlia Darling. As you can see a couple of the flowers have bags over them. The flowers with the bags Brittiny wants to use as the seed producing flower. To stop errant pollinators from bringing pollen to these flowers she has bagged them. What she



will do is take the pollen from a dahlia she wants these flowers to be pollinated by and control the genetics. This way she will know who the parents are.

Paul Pietsch, President

# **Native Plant Giveway**



Two dozen native plant species, ready for fall planting, will be given away at our September 4 meeting.

All were winter-sown over the 2023-2024 winter by CPDHS member Irene Tobis, and prepared for giveaway by members of the Climate Change and Biodiversity interest group, as part of their mission to interest more of us in growing more native plants.

There will be 5-6 seedlings of each species offered at the meeting. Pollinators can find clumps of a species more easily than a single plant in your garden; we encourage you to take more than one!

More seedlings of most of these species are available -- and many other species will be available later this month! There will be a signup at the meeting to be notified by email as more become available.

These plants will be offered at no charge as a benefit of CPDHS membership. Non-members attending may take any plants remaining after members have taken their choices.

Irene Tobis, Climate Change/Director

# **CPDHS FALL FLOWER SHOW OCTOBER 2, 2024**

Exhibits may be placed from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. before the regular meeting.

No entries will be accepted after 7:00 p.m. when judging starts.

Entry tags will be available on the evening of the Show, as well as at the September 4th meeting.

#### **RULES GOVERNING FLOWER SHOWS**

#### **General Rules**

- 1. All exhibitors, except where expressly noted, must be current members of the Carleton Place and District Horticultural Society.
- 2. All entries must be labelled using entry tags provided by the Society.
- 3. The Flower Show Committee reserves the right to add, delete or divide classes.
- 4. Care will be taken with the exhibitor's property, but the Society will not be responsible for any loss or damage.
- 5. The judge's decision is final. Judges may withhold an award if, in their opinion, the exhibit is not worthy.
- 6. Judging will be in accordance with the Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards for Horticulture and Design, Second Edition, 2019 (OJES), available from the show chair. Please refer to OJES for information and definitions.

## **Rules for Horticultural Specimens**

- 1. The exhibitor must have grown the horticultural specimens.
- 2. An exhibitor may enter a maximum of two entries in each of the specimen classes, provided that each entry is of a different cultivar.
- 3. Exhibitors will provide their own containers: clear, uncoloured glass for horticultural specimens is recommended.
- 4. For educational purposes, exhibitors are encouraged to name their specimens.
- 5. Houseplants must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least three months.
- 6. Harmful, scarce, protected, or endangered plants must not be entered. Please refer to OJES, page 14.

### **Rules for Design Classes**

- 1. Only one entry is permitted per class per exhibitor.
- 2. Novice Entries—Members who have never previously exhibited may show in the Novice Design class for a maximum of two years. They may show in the Open class but cannot show in both classes and having shown in the Open class, they cannot return to the Novice class.
- 3. Fresh plant material may come from your garden or any other source.
- 4. Fruit, branches, and decorative wood may be used, and dried and/or treated material may be included. No artificial plant material is permitted.
- 5. Accessories are permitted unless otherwise noted.
- 6. Plants in soil are not permitted.
- 7. Exhibitors are responsible for the correct placement of their entries. Members of the Flower Show Committee will be available for assistance.

## **Awards and Trophies**

Entries earning First, Second, and Third Place, and Honourable Mention will be recognized on entry tags. Best in Show ribbons will be given for each division. Additional ribbons may be given at the judge's discretion. Trophies and awards will be presented at the Society's December meeting.

Points will be accrued as follows:

First Prize: 5 points Second Prize: 3 points Third Prize: 2 points Honourable Mention: 1 point

Best in Show: 5 points

#### **DIVISION 1: HORTICULTURE**

#### **Section A: Horticultural Specimens**

- Class 1: Chrysanthemum (Chrysanthemum), 1 bloom or spray
- Class 2: Dahlia, (Dahlia), 1 stem
- Class 3: The Holiest Hosta, 1 leaf
- Class 4: Hydrangea (Hydrangea), 1 stem
- Class 5: Rosa (Rose), 1 specimen bloom
- Class 6: Rosa (Rose), 1 spray
- Class 7: Sedum (Sedum), 1 stem
- Class 8: Any annual, 1 stem, named
- Class 9: Any other perennial, 1 stem, named
- Class 10: Fall branch, not to exceed 24" above the rim of the container
- Class 11: Collection of Fall flowers, minimum of 3 stems, different cultivars, named

#### Section B: Edibles

Specimens are to be shown on a white paper plate provided.

- Class 12: Beans, 4 specimens, same cultivar
- Class 13: Carrots, 3 specimens, same cultivar
- Class 14: Peppers, 3 specimens, same cultivar
- Class 15: Squash, winter, 1 specimen
- Class 16: Tomatoes, 2 specimens, same cultivar
- Class 17: Tomatoes, cherry, 5 specimens, same cultivar
- Class 18: Zucchini, 1 specimen, under 12"
- Class 19: Vegetable Oddity, 1 specimen
- Class 20: Any other vegetable or fruit, 1 specimen, named
- Class 21: A collection of herbs, minimum of 4 cultivars, 1 stem of each, named, in water in a single container

#### **DIVISION 2: DESIGN**

Theme: Autumn Splendour

Designs will be staged on a white table covering and should not exceed 22" in width.

- Class 22: A Wayside Design Open Class
- Class 23: A Wayside Design Novice Class
- Class 24: Bewitched a design
- Class 25: Harvest Time a design
- Class 26: Autumn Joy a miniature design will be displayed on a black stand, which is 6'' wide x 6'' deep with a 6'' tall backing, sitting atop a 12'' high tube.
- Class 27: Autumn patchwork a collage, maximum size 10" x 10"

#### **DEFINITIONS**

**Bloom:** An individual flower, one to a stem. Specimen blooms should be disbudded for exhibition purposes.

**Collage:** An abstract design, created by gluing plant material and usually other objects on a flat surface. The collage is typically done in low relief. Depth is implied and achieved by overlapping planes, changes in value and/or juxtaposition of colour, pattern and /or texture. Painted mediums may be incorporated. There should be no visible spaces under any of the materials.

**Design:** A combination of fresh and/or dried plant materials, with or without other objects arranged to create an artistic unit. A design may include container(s), base (s), and/or accessories. The designer uses the elements of design: space, line, form, colour, texture and pattern in the accepted principles of design: balance, rhythm, proportion, scale, contrast and dominance to interpret the theme and/or class and create a design of harmony and distinction.

*Miniature:* A design with maximum dimensions no more than 12.7cm (5") in height, width, and depth including any container, base and/or accessories.

**Spray:** The terminal flowering growth of an herbaceous or woody plant carried on one stem. Ideally it would show all stages of development, e.g., flowers in bloom, buds showing colour, green buds and leaves.

Stem: A main plant structure that supports flowers, leaves, buds, or fruit.

*Wayside:* A design composed of common and plentiful flowers, foliage, fungi and /or weeds such as bulrushes, ox-eye daisy, Queen Anne's Lace, goldenrod, etc. Plant species listed as endangered, threatened, of special concern or invasive should not be used.

#### **2024 FLOWER SHOW COMMITTEE**

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# **District 2 Flower Show Recap**

Carleton Place & District Horticultural Society participated in the District 2 Flower & Edibles Show on August 17th. There were 39 exhibitors, including two youth and three horticultural socieites for the Special Exhibit from nine D2 horticultural societies. Carleton Place was represented by 10 horticultural members and two youth. We also participated in the Special Exhibit class for societies. Thanks to Sheila Gibson on a job well done. Some of our members took home ribbons and awards. Linda Bartlett won Best in Show in Design for her floral hat. Anne Harbord won Best in Show for Roses. Ellie Lebeau won Best in Show in the Youth Division. The Tea Room that was organized by our society was well attended and enjoyed by all. Kudos to all of our members who helped make this show a great success.



(Linda Bartlett)

## First ever Fall Plant Sale! Pumpkin Fest

CPDHS Fall Plant Sale will be part of the Carleton Place's Pumpkin Fest celebrations. We are setting up display tables at Victoria School Garden on October 5th where people can stop by for some gardening advice, become members, or purchase plants and/or pumpkin themed arrangements.

This Fall Plant Sale will not be as huge as our Spring sale, but it will be a buying opportunity for gardeners to source some excellent perennials in time for Fall planting.

Once again, plants will be accumulated at Rick and Sandy Roberts' home at 238 Lyndhurst St. in Carleton PLace (Lake Ave and Mississippi Rd area). You can drop them off at any time by the garage or the yard gates near the garage. Please do not include invasive species (please see your April 2024 newsletter for a list of those... attached).

**Potting up:** Very large plants will be broken down into smaller pots during potting up days. Potting up will also be at the Roberts' house. Details of dates and times will follow in a future email.

More details to follow about Pumpkin flower arrangements as well.

Rick Roberts, Director

**CPDHS Photo Competition reminder:** Photos are to be submitted at our October meeting. See June newsletter for Classes and Rules.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, October 2, 2024. Our speaker will be Paul Lacelle and the topic is Bees and Plants. Paul is the owner of Lacelle's Apiary close to Carleton Place. He is a beekeeper, teacher and has been tending his own hives for over twenty years. He and his wife Debbie own a beekeeping supply store.

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