

**DEPARTMENT FOUR (IV)
-- THE GREENERY --**

Amount Offered\$762.

****READ GENERAL RULES for delivery dates & times!!****

The Greenery represents Floriculture and Horticulture, the production or display of plant stock, flowers or foliage. In this Department, your green thumb is required. The flowers in this category are the home grown variety. A few green thumb hints are as follows:

1. Pick your specimens in the cool of the morning or evening before delivering your exhibit.
2. Take a pail of tepid water to the garden and immediately place your selected flowers in it. Set the flower pail in a cool dark place away from drafts or heat for a few hours. This conditions the blooms for showing.
3. Make sure your exhibit is fresh, clean and crisp, including foliage. While most entries are required to have foliage attached, leaves under the container's waterline should be removed.
4. Attach a tag with both the flower's correct scientific and variety names and attach to the plant. This helps educate other exhibitors and visitors who wish to grow the plant.

The "Greenery" is located in the glass foyer of the Community Arts Building providing an inviting and attractive entrance for the visitors of the Community Arts Exhibit Hall. The Greenery will provide a sunny environment for the plant and floral exhibits.

Please read the following stipulations for this category and carefully follow all rules. Judging will be based on adherence to these rules.

NOTE: A winning ribbon is required from this Department to compete for exhibitor of the year.

1. **Department IV** is included in the ten (10) entries per exhibitor, one (1) per class for the \$12.00 fee. Entry forms must be postmarked no later than August 1.
2. **Delivery of exhibits**
Fresh arrangements or live plants that need an exceptional amount of TLC must be delivered no sooner than 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 20. Other plants or Department IV exhibits may be entered on regular dropoff entry days. At the time of judging, if the quality of the exhibit is too poor to warrant judging or is questionable to the life span of the plant for the duration of the display, you will be asked to remove your item.
3. **Quality of Flowers**
The quality of the flower is the main requisite in preparing and entering flowers for showing purpose. Quantity may be the cause of rejection. In selecting flowers, be sure that you cut the best that your garden has to offer. **A few, well displayed flowers, with long stems,** will emphasize the individual beauty of each flower.
4. **Watering**
Make sure that your exhibit is suitably watered when delivered. You will be given one additional pass to come in during the fair to freshen your arrangement or plants **ONLY** if requested at exhibit drop-off.

SECTION 1 - HOUSE PLANTS

- House plants:
Those that tend to tolerate low light levels include:
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| Arrowhead | Cast-Iron Plant |
| Chinese Evergreen | English Ivy |
| Philodendron | Piggy-back Plant |
| Pothos | Prayer Plant |
| Golddust Plant | Spider Plant |
| Tradescantia | |

Awards

Catherine Kondash Award: "Reader's Digest Illustrated Guide to Gardening" to Best of Show winner in Section 1, House Plants

Rosette to "Best of Show"

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$10	\$8	\$6	Ribbon

No.	Class
2000	Green foliage
2001	Blooming plant
2002	Growing foliage hanging container
2003	Growing blooming hanging container
2004	Herbal plants
2005	Cactus and Succulent
2006	African Violets
2007	Any Other House Plant not listed above

**SECTION 2 - FRESH ARRANGEMENTS
Fresh Garden Variety**

Arrangements will be staged on an 18" round table, skirted in white. Should be no larger than 1/3 of total surface space. Bring your own table top cover.

Awards

Special Award: Catherine Kondash Award - book "The Greens" to Best of Show winner in Section 2, Fresh Arrangements

Rosette to "Best of Show"

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$15	\$12	\$10	Ribbon

No.	Class
2010	Bouquet of mixed flowers - Summer Theme
2011	Bouquet of mixed flowers - Fall Theme
2012	Any Other Bouquet of your choice (not listed above) <u>Flower arrangements will be judged on artistic design, arrangement and suitability of container for flower arrangement</u>

SECTION 3 - ARTISTIC EXHIBITS

Awards

“Best of Show, 1st Place” Rosette

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$25	\$20	\$15	Ribbon

No. Class

2020 **Hanging Basket Display (anything over 15”)**
 A display of potted flowers representing the bedding plant industry of Michigan in a Hanging Basket. **Only Michigan grown flowering plants may be used.** Exhibit will be judged on the uniqueness of the arrangement, attractiveness, and creativity.

Awards

“Best of Show, 1st Place” Rosette

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$20	\$15	\$12	Ribbon

No. Class

2025 **Seeds**
 An artistic design, picture or mural, made with any variety of seeds on any hard surfaced material (**No other materials may be used**). Seeds may be left in their natural appearance or tinted. No frame is required.

**WREATHS & ARRANGEMENT
 OTHER THAN CHRISTMAS**
 No fresh fruits or vegetables are allowed.

Awards

Rosette to “Best of Show”

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$15	\$12	\$10	Ribbon

No. Class
 2026 Dried Materials
 2027 Silk Materials
 2028 Grape Vine
 2029 Any Other

HATS

Awards

Rosette to “Best of Show”

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$15	\$12	\$10	Ribbon

No. Class
 2030 Prettiest Hat
 2031 Funniest Hat
 2032 Ugliest Hat
 A hat created out of any natural Michigan grown product. **No fresh fruits or vegetables are allowed.** Hats will be judged on creativity, attractiveness and workmanship.

TABLE for TWO

READ ALL RULES FOR THIS COMPETITION.

- 1) Table centerpiece must comply to a 36” round table. Table will be skirted in white and a clean, pressed tablecloth is recommended to enhance your design.
- 2) Table must be set up on Wednesday, August 26, 2009 from 9:00am - 1:00 pm. Take down will be allowed at the completion of the Fair (see General Rules for exhibit pickup dates/times).

TABLES MAY BE DECORATED TO ANY THEME! Be creative in creating your attractive and functional decorated table. Tables will be judged based on their individual merit according to the guidelines below:

JUDGING: Exhibits will be judged on attractiveness and creativity. No fresh fruits or vegetables are allowed.

Table setting will be judged on functional design and color, centerpiece arrangement, creative expression, textural relationship, and suitability to occasion.

If you are using actual place settings and silver for judging, plan on removing for displaying time or replace it with something that you wouldn't be too concerned about.

Awards

Special Award: Catherine Kondash Award - “The Complete Book of the Winter Garden” to blue ribbon winner of Table for Two, class 2050

“Best of Show, 1st Place” Rosette to Winner

1st	2nd	3rd	4th
\$20	\$15	\$12	Ribbon

No. Class
 2050 **Table For Two**