

FLORICULTURE – DIVISION 770

4-H'ers **MUST** be enrolled in the World of Flowers and/or Annual Flowers projects to exhibit in classes 1-46 (cut flowers) and 50-53 (educational exhibits).

Classes 1-23: Cut Flower Annuals and Biennials – 5-stems of a single variety (cultivar) unless otherwise noted in parenthesis.

Classes 30-46: Cut Flower Perennials – 5 stems of a single variety (cultivar) unless otherwise noted in parenthesis.

The cultivar or variety name MUST be included on a card attached to the exhibit. Failure to identify the cultivar or variety will drop entry one ribbon placing. Proper identification is the responsibility of the exhibitor, **NOT** the Extension staff or office personnel.

Exhibits entered in an incorrect class or containing an incorrect number of stems **WILL** be dropped one ribbon placing. In Classes 23, 45, & 46 do **NOT** duplicate entries with the classes listed by using other cultivars or varieties, or entry **WILL** be dropped one ribbon placing. For example: 4-H'ers with two cultivars or varieties of marigolds can **ONLY** the marigold class and **CANNOT** enter the other cultivar or variety in any other class. A perennial is defined as a plant of which the crown overwinters. An annual is a plant that grows from seed each season, whether self-seeded or planted by the gardener. A biennial is a plant that germinates, grows and overwinters as a crown, blooms the following year and dies. Foliage will be considered when exhibit is judged.

All 3 or 5 stems of cut flowers should be the same cultivar and color. **DO NOT** mix cultivars and colors. Containers will **NOT** be judged, however, they should be clear **GLASS** containers that won't tip over and are of adequate size to display blooms. Any exhibit not in a clear glass container will be dropped a ribbon placing.

Limited to one exhibit per class but may enter unlimited classes. Follow the guidelines in **4-H Preparing Cut Flowers for Exhibits 4H227** (revised 2016) (Free Download at <https://unl.box.com/s/2f3a785c67p7qhqasevp6gu6adf3ugon>) when preparing entries for fair.

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***Cut Flowers - Annuals and Biennials** - 5 stems from a single variety (cultivar) unless otherwise noted in parenthesis.

Class

- *1. Aster
- *2. Bachelor Buttons
- *3. Bells of Ireland
- *4. Browallia
- *5. Calendula
- *6. Celosia (crested or plume) 3 stems
- *7. Cosmos
- *8. Dahlia
- *9. Dianthus
- *10. Foxglove
- *11. Gladiolus (3 stems)
- *12. Gomphrena
- *13. Hollyhock (3 stems)
- *14. Marigold
- *15. Pansy
- *16. Petunia
- *17. Salvia
- *18. Snapdragon
- *19. Statice
- *20. Sunflower (under 3" diameter–5 stems, 3" or more in diameter–3 stems)
- *21. Vinca
- *22. Zinnia
- *23. **Any other annual or biennial** (under 3" diameter–5 stems, 3" or more in diameter–3 stems) (do **NOT** duplicate entries in Classes 1-22).

***Cut Flower - Perennials** - 5 stems from a single variety (cultivar) unless otherwise noted in parenthesis.

Class

- *30. Achillea/Yarrow
- *31. Chrysanthemum
- *32. Coneflower
- *33. Coreopsis
- *34. Daisy
- *35. Gaillardia
- *36. Helianthus
- *37. Hydrangea (3 stems)
- *38. Liatris (3 stems)
- *39. Lilies (3 stems) (Not Daylilies)
- *40. Platycodon
- *41. Rose (3 stems)
- *42. Rudbeckia/Black-eyed Susan
- *43. Sedum
- *44. Statice
- *45. **Any other perennial** (under 3" diameter–5 stems, 3" or more in diameter–3 stems) (do **NOT** duplicate entries in Classes 30-44)
- *46. **4-H Flower Garden Collection** of 5 different flowers. Each flower in the collection should be exhibited with the number specified for Classes 1-45. Display in a box or other holder **NOT** more than 18" in any dimension. Do **NOT** duplicate entries in Classes 1-45 with any in the group collection.

Educational Exhibits

- *50. **Flower Notebook** - Exhibit a notebook containing pictures of flowers grown in Nebraska. There **MUST** be at least 10 different species of annuals and/or biennials and 10 different species of perennials hardy to Nebraska. Bulbs may be included in a separate section. 4-H'ers may show more than one cultivar of the same species, but they will only count as one species. The notebook **MUST** be the result of the current year's work. Pictures from garden catalogs, hand drawn pictures, or photographs may be used. Each species/cultivar **MUST** be labeled with the correct common name and scientific name; the height and spread of the plant and the growing conditions (for example: needs full sun and dry sandy soil) the species prefers. In addition to this information, bulbs should be labeled as spring or summer flowering. Give proper credit by listing the sources of pictures and information used. The 4-H'er's name, age, full address, county, and years in the project(s) **MUST** be on the back of the notebook.
- *51. **Flower Garden Promotion Poster** - Individual poster promoting flower gardening, size 14"x22" either vertical or horizontal arrangement. Poster may be in any medium: watercolor, ink, crayon, etc. as long as it is **NOT** 3-dimensional. Posters using copyrighted material will **NOT** be accepted. The 4-H'er's name, age, full address, county, and years in the project(s) **MUST** be on the back of the poster.
- *52. **Educational Flower Garden Poster** - Prepare a poster 14"x22"x2" (3-dimensional if needed) either vertical or horizontal arrangement illustrating a skill or project you have done or learned about in a 4-H flowers or houseplant project. One might show a special technique used or equipment incorporated in the garden. Refer to 4-H horticulture project manuals but use your own creativity. The 4-H'er's name, age, full address, county and years in the project(s) **MUST** be on the back of the poster.
- *53. **Flower Gardening History Interview** - Neatly handwritten or typed account of a gardening history interview whose flower garden has inspired you. Maximum of 4 pages of text and 2 pages of pictures (include 1 picture of the person you interviewed) of their flower garden if the individual is still gardening. Protect with a clear report cover. The 4-H'er's name, age, full address, county, and years in the project(s) **MUST** be on the back of the report cover.
901. **Fresh Floral and/or Plant Arrangement**

HOUSEPLANTS – DIVISION 770

4-H'er **MUST** be enrolled in the **Growing Great Houseplants** project to exhibit in Classes 60-66.

***Container Grown Houseplants:** The choice of container and soil quality will be considered in judging. **Each houseplant MUST be identified by listing the names on a card attached to the container.** Houseplants **SHOULD** be grown in the display container for a minimum of six (6) weeks. Plants grown as houseplants **MUST** be used. **NebGuide G2205 "Guide to Growing Houseplants"** (<http://extensionpubs.unl.edu/publication/9000016368872/guide-to-growing-houseplants>) and **NebGuide G837 "Guide to Selecting Houseplants"** (<http://extensionpubs.unl.edu/publication/9000016361731/guide-to-selecting-houseplants>) include a list of common houseplants. **Containers of annual flowers or annual plants (i.e. petunias, geraniums, impatiens) will be disqualified and will NOT be judged.**

Entries in Classes 60-66 **MUST** have been designed and planted by the 4-H'er.

Container grown houseplants shall be in pots **NO** greater than 12" in diameter (inside opening measurement). Dish gardens, fairy or miniature gardens, desert gardens, and terrariums may be up to 12" in diameter (inside opening measurement). Any container grown plant in Classes 60-66 that is greater than 12" in diameter (inside opening measurement) will be dropped one ribbon placing.

Classes 60-65 4-H'ers **MUST** have and provide a saucer to catch drainage water. The 4-H'ers name, age, full address, county, and years in the project(s) **MUST** be on the bottom or back of the container and saucer.

Class

- *60. **Flowering Potted Houseplant(s)** - that are blooming for exhibition. Non-blooming plants **WILL** be disqualified.
- *61. **Foliage Potted Houseplant(s)** of all the same variety.
- *62. **Hanging Basket of Flowering and/or Foliage Houseplants**
- *63. **Dish Garden** - an open/shallow container featuring a variety of houseplants excluding cacti and succulents.
- *64. **Fairy or Miniature Garden** - A miniature "scene" contained in an open container and featuring miniature or small, slow growing houseplants. The garden needs to have an imaginative theme and miniature accessories, i.e. bench, fence made from tiny twigs, small shell for a bathtub, etc.
- *65. **Desert Garden** - an open/shallow container featuring cacti and/or succulents grown as houseplants.
- *66. **Terrarium** - transparent container, partially or completely enclosed; sealed or unsealed.