

# **Celebrating 71 Years**

**of Growing and Showing Dahlias**



**1952-2023**

## **Show Booklet**

**September 9 & 10, 2023**

Orchard Mall  
6445 Orchard Lake Rd.  
West Bloomfield, MI

## **2023 OFFICERS & SHOW COMMITTEE**

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FLOWER OF THE YEAR -- Any Collarette, Orchid, Orchette, or Single (9xxx)

### **SHOW SCHEDULE**

Friday, September 8  
3:00 PM Set-Up  
Set up–11:00 PM Staging  
Saturday, September 9  
6:00 AM–9:30 AM Staging  
10:00 AM–Noon Judging  
Noon–9:30 PM Open to the Public  
Sunday, September 10  
9:00 AM–3:00 PM Open to the Public  
3:00 PM– Clean-Up

### **SHOW RULES**

1. To compete for a trophy or medal, a person must be a member of the Southeastern Michigan Dahlia Society prior to the judging. An exhibitor who is not a member of SEMDS, but is a member of a recognized Dahlia Society or an affiliated group will receive a bronze medal in lieu of any trophy or medal which might be won.
2. Each exhibitor must first register with the clerk and receive an exhibitor's number to be used on all his/her entry tags.
  - a. Entry tags (standard Midwest Dahlia Conference Show tags only)
  - b. Must be completely filled out by the exhibitor
    - i. using black or blue ink
    - ii. no pencil
    - iii. placed when exhibits are staged
  - c. The exhibitor's name number or any means of identification must be sealed until after the judging.
  - d. Include the correct "Section" on all entry tags

3. Between 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM unclassified dahlias should be brought to the classification table where that committee will make a decision and write upon the entry tag the proper class for that entry. The judges will abide by those decisions. The classifier will initial the entry tag: the exhibitor will then be responsible for placing his/her entry on the proper table.
4. All entries must be made and placed by 10 AM on the first day of the show, after which time they shall be under the exclusive charge of the Show Committee. No exhibit shall be removed before 3 PM on the final day of the show. The building will be open to exhibitors at 6:30 AM. All blooms shall be the property of the committee, to be disposed of at their discretion after the show.
5. Each exhibitor shall select the classification:
  - a. **Novice**
    - i. Anyone exhibiting dahlias for the first time
    - ii. Novices must show all of their single blooms in the Novice Section.
    - iii. New exhibitors can exhibit in this category for three years
  - b. **Small Grower:**
    - i. Exhibitors growing 1 – 150 dahlias
  - c. **Large Grower:**
    - i. Exhibitors growing 151 or more dahlias
    - ii. Commercial growers growing any number of dahlias
    - iii. Exhibitors growing all or some under cloth or lath
6. A Commercial Exhibitor or Large Grower may enter only in the Open Sections (Sections D, F, G, H, J, K, L, M, O, P, Y, R, S, N)
7. An exhibitor having a cloth or lath enclosure must exhibit all of his/her blooms in the Open Section even though some of his/her blooms were grown in a non-shaded area.
8. An exhibitor may make as many entries as he/she desires in any class in which he/she is entitled to exhibit, provided all the blooms have been grown by him/her in their own garden. Blooms in the Arrangement Division are exempt from this ruling and may not necessarily have been grown by the exhibitor.
9. Standard containers shall be furnished for specimen blooms. Exhibitors must furnish containers for entries in those classes requiring vases, bowls, and baskets and for classes to be judged for artistic effect.
10. Wiring of stems, or artificial support of stems or blooms above the container is prohibited. Wedges are permitted but cannot exceed ½" above the container.
11. Meritorious exhibits, not otherwise provided for, will be appropriately recognized.
12. All blooms must be disbudded.

13. Stems on specimen blooms should be in proportion to the size of the bloom and must show at least one pair of leaves above the container. The top of the bloom must not exceed 36" above the tabletop.
14. Buds showing color shall be counted as blooms when the number of blooms is specified.
15. The latest ADS Classification Listing shall be used in judging and by exhibitors.
16. ADS ruling (1971): Every bloom must be entered on the show table as officially classified, including under and over-sized blooms. This applies to all classes. To illustrate: A "BB" size variety that is grown under 4" or over 6 "must be entered in the "BB" class. Regardless of size, a bloom must be entered as officially classified.
17. The proper section and class of each entry shall be recorded by number and letter on its entry tag. With the exception of arrangements, the variety, name and/or number of an undisseminated flower must be recorded on the entry tag. An entry shall not be judged where this rule is violated.
18. The Show Committee shall attempt to catch misplaced entries (color or type) and will reclassify them, if possible, before judging. If possible, the Show Committee will notify the exhibitor to correct the error before the judging begins.
19. The Show Committee will make arrangements to relocate exhibits for a more even distribution before judging. No class numbers will be removed from the tables where there are no apparent entries, but will be arranged to consolidate space.
20. The Show Committee reserves the right to remove from display any unworthy or improperly displayed exhibit.
21. The Show Committee will not be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits or personal property of exhibitors, but will exercise utmost care for protection of all exhibits.
22. During judging, no person shall be on the floor except judges and necessary aides. Identifying ribbons will be worn by all authorized personnel during judging. All others will be asked to leave the floor. Ribbons of identification are to be returned to the Show Committee at the close of judging
23. The decisions of judges shall be final unless the Show Committee requests a re-judging.
24. Blooms competing for Special Awards shall be Blue Ribbon winners.

25. The awards schedule will show the sections where sweepstakes will be awarded.

26. In counting points for Sweepstakes, the scoring shall be as follows:

	<b>One Bloom</b>	<b>Three Blooms</b>	<b>Five Blooms</b>	<b>Seven Blooms</b>
1 <sup>ST</sup>	3 pts	5 pts	7 pts	10 pts
2 <sup>ND</sup>	2 pts	4 pts	6 pts	8 pts
3 <sup>RD</sup>	1 pt	3 pts	5 pts	6 pts
	<b>Arrangements</b>	<b>Specials</b>	<b>Largest Bloom in Show</b>	
1 <sup>ST</sup>	7 pts	3 pts	3 pts	
2 <sup>ND</sup>	6 pts			
3 <sup>RD</sup>	5 pts			

27. In case of a tie for the sweepstakes, the exhibitor with the larger number of Special Awards in that section will be declared the Sweepstakes winner.

28. All blooms become the property of the Society and no blooms may be sold or given away during the show. No blooms may be removed from the show except with the consent of the Show Committee.

29. The Show Committee reserves the right to change or modify any of the rules if deemed expedient.

30. Class numbers in all sections shall consist of four digits (see chart below). The first digit indicates the size (0-5) or type (60-97), the second form (0-5), and the third two-digit number (01-15) color.

KEY TO CLASS NUMBERS

TABLE 1 – Sized Dahlias			
SIZE	1 <sup>ST</sup> #	FORM	2 <sup>ND</sup> #
AA	0	FD	0
A	1	ID	1
B	2	SC	2
BB	3	C	3
M	4	IC	4
MC	5	LC	5

Table 2 – Other Forms	
FORM	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>
BA	60
MB	61
P	62
ST	70
MST	71
WL	73
MWL	74
NX	76
MNX	77
PE	80
MPE	81
AN	82
MAN	83
NO	86
MNO	87
CO	90
MCO	91
O	92
MO	93
OT	94
MOT	95
S	96
MS	97

Table 3 – Color	
COLOR	Last 2 #'s
White	01
Yellow	02
Orange	03
Pink	04
Dark Pink	05
Red	06
Dark Red	07
Lavender	08
Purple	09
Light Blend	10
Bronze	11
Flame	12
Dark Blend	13
Variegated	14
Bi-Color	15

**EXHIBITION SECTIONS**

**Section**

		<b>Section</b> <b>Class (Flower ID number from the ADS Classification Guide)</b> <b>Name of the Flower</b> <b>Name of exhibitor on the entry card</b>												
<b>A</b>	Novice One Bloom	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>MC</b>	<b>BA</b> <b>MB</b> <b>P</b> <b>ST</b>	<b>MST</b> <b>WL</b> <b>MWL</b> <b>NX</b>	<b>MNX</b> <b>PE</b> <b>MPE</b> <b>AN</b>	<b>MAN</b> <b>NO</b> <b>MNO</b> <b>CO</b>	<b>MCO</b> <b>O</b> <b>MO</b> <b>OT</b>	<b>NOT</b> <b>S</b> <b>MS</b>	
<b>B</b>	Small Grower One Bloom	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>MC</b>							
<b>D</b>	Large Grower One Bloom	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>MC</b>							
<b>F</b>	Open to Small / Large Grower One Bloom	<b>BA</b> <b>MB</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>ST</b> <b>MST</b>	<b>WL</b> <b>MWL</b>	<b>NX</b> <b>MNX</b>	<b>PE</b> <b>MPE</b>	<b>AN</b> <b>MAN</b>	<b>NO</b> <b>MNO</b>	<b>CO</b> <b>MCO</b>	<b>O</b> <b>MO</b>	<b>OT</b> <b>MOT</b>	<b>S</b> <b>MS</b>	
<b>G</b>	Open to All Three Blooms One Variety	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>BB</b>									
<b>H</b>	Open to All Three Blooms One Variety					<b>M</b>	<b>BA</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>ALL</b> <b>OTHERS</b>				
<b>J</b>	Open to All Five Blooms One Variety	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>											
<b>K</b>	Open to All Five Blooms One Variety			<b>B</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>M</b>								
<b>L</b>	Open to All Five Blooms One Variety						<b>BA</b>	<b>MB</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>ALL</b> <b>OTHERS</b>				
<b>M</b>	Open to All Seven Blooms All Different Varieties One Container			<b>B</b>										
<b>O</b>	Arrangements	Dahlias must be the main flower												
<b>P</b>	Dinner Plate One Bloom	<b>AA</b>	<b>A</b>	A dahlia that has a broken stem, missing two-pair of leaves or has a blown center that is shown in a pie plate (only the bloom)										
<b>Y</b>	Flower of the Year Any (9xxx)	<b>CO</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>S</b>									
<b>R</b>	Bouquet	All blooms and foliage must be from the Dahlia. No filler allowed. Vase must be provided by the exhibitor. Bouquet must be visually pleasing from all sides (360 degree) and include good quality blooms (example: blown center will NOT disqualify, wilted bloom will result in a lower score)												

	<b>Open to All (S)</b>	Memorial Best Single Bloom
<b>S</b>	In Honor of Bob Barner	Just Peachy (3210)
<b>S</b>	In Honor of Lionel Robbins	AA or A Yellow (0X02) or (1X02)
<b>S</b>	In Honor of Michelle Pierce Carter	B or BB Light Blend (2X10) OR (3X10)
	<b>Open to All Seedlings (N)</b>	
<b>N1</b>	First year Seedling	First year seedling displayed as a single bloom. The dahlia is grown from seed this current year only. Blue ribbons are awarded to worthy entry.
<b>N2</b>	Second Year Seedling	Dahlias grown from seed last year only may be entered in this section. Second year seedling is displayed with two blooms. Any exhibitor entering a bloom originated by another grower must list the name of the originator on the entry tag and his own name as grower. Blue ribbons will be awarded only to those entries considered worthy!
<b>ADS</b>	Third Year Seedling	Dahlias grown from seed two or more years ago may be entered in this section. Three blooms of a given variety must be entered. Official ADS tags must be used. American Dahlia Society Seedling Bench Evaluation, 1992. Offered in cooperation with the American Dahlia Society. Open to all exhibitors: Show officials and exhibitors must adhere to the rules for entries and judging as printed in the ADS Classification and Handbook of Dahlias. ADS Seedling Award Ribbon and ADS Achievement Ribbon will be awarded to worthy entries.

**31. In Sections H and L 'All Others' refers to classifications 7001-9715**



# **SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN DAHLIA SOCIETY**

## **COURT OF HONOR**

### **\*\*\*MOST OUTSTANDING\*\*\***

SECTION A-LARGEST SINGLE BLOOM	SECTION F-NOVELTY OPEN
SECTION B-LARGEST SINGLE BLOOM	SECTION F-MICRO NOVELTY OPEN
SECTION D-LARGEST SINGLE BLOOM	SECTION F-COLLARETTE
SECTION A-AA	SECTION F-MICRO-COLLARETTE
SECTION A-A	SECTION F-ORCHID
SECTION A-B	SECTION F-MICRO ORCHID
SECTION A-BB	SECTION F-ORCHETTE
SECTION A- MINIATURE	SECTION F-MICRO ORCHETTE
SECTION A-MICRO	SECTION F-STELLAR
SECTION B-AA	SECTION F-MICRO STELLAR
SECTION B-A	SECTION F-SINGLE
SECTION B-B	SECTION F-MIGNON SINGLE
SECTION B-BB	SECTION G- AA – THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION B-MINIATURE	SECTION G- A- THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION B- MICRO	SECTION G-B- THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION D-AA	SECTION G-BB- THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION D-A	SECTION H-MINIATURE- THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION D-B	SECTION H-BALL-THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION D-BB	SECTION H-MINI BALL – THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION D-MINIATURE	SECTION H-POM PON – THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION D- MICRO	SECTION H-OTHERS – THREE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-BALL	SECTION J-AA FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-MICRO-BALL	SECTION J-A – FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-POM PON	SECTION K-B- FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-STELLAR	SECTION K-BB- FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-MICRO STELLAR	SECTION K-MINIATURE- FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-WATERLILY	SECTION L-BALL – FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-MICRO WATERLILY	SECTION L-MINI-BALL – FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-NOVELTY FULLY DOUBLE	SECTION L-POM PON – FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-MICRO NOVELTY FULLY DOUBLE	SECTION L- OTHERS – FIVE BLOOMS ALIKE
SECTION F-PEONY	SECTION M- B – ALL DIFFERENT
SECTION F-MICRO PEONY	SECTION N-ADS – THIRD YEAR SEEDLING
SECTION F-ANEMONE	SECTION O-ARRANGMENT
SECTION F-MICRO ANEMONE	SECTION Y-FLOWER OF THE YEAR

Court of Honor winners will be selected from Special Award winners. Exceptional blooms, at the discretion of the Show Committee may be placed on the Honor Table.

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## SECTION AWARDS

### Section A – Novice

- Largest Bloom
- Sweepstakes

### Section B – Small Grower

- Largest Bloom
- Sweepstakes

### Section D – Large Grower

- Largest Bloom
- Sweepstakes

### SHOW

- Sweepstakes Winner
- Largest Bloom in Show
- Flower of the Year

**Orchard Mall: NE Intersection of Orchard Lake Rd & Maple Rd. (15 Mile Rd.)**

