2018 OC FAIR

2018 IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Online registration opens March 2 - OC Fair runs July 13- August 12, 2018

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RULES

1. Local and State Rules govern this competition.

2. Exhibitors are responsible for reading the Competition Guidelines and must abide by them.

3. See registration and competition dates on the cover page. No reminder cards will be sent.

4. All entries are limited to homegrown flowers.

5. Entry Limits:
   
   **SPECIMEN BLOOM & SPECIALTY BLOOM COMPETITIONS**
   Maximum of one entry per Class per competition date. Exhibitors may participate in all Classes and all delivery dates, but only one item per Class, per entry date. Entering in multiple Divisions is allowed. If multiple entries are submitted by an individual in the same Class, entries will be disqualified.

   **ROSE DIVISIONS**
   “Rose: Known Cultivar” is not limited to one entry per Class- it will be limited to one entry per rose cultivar (i.e. Although “Celebrity” and “St. Patrick” are both yellow Hybrid Tea Roses, entering both roses is permitted because they are distinct cultivars - cultivar name is required).

   **DAHLIA BLOOM DIVISIONS**
   These divisions are **not limited to one entry per Class**.

6. Only one stem per vase.

7. Wedges may be used to support flowers, but must be placed below the lip of the vase.

8. Exhibitors will not be permitted to use their own vases.

9. Entries incorrectly entered/identified will be disqualified.

10. The OC Fair reserves the right to refuse any entry that has a serious disease or insect problem.

11. The OC Fair is not responsible for lost, damaged or dead items.

12. Cut flowers will be discarded at the end of the competition and cannot be picked up.
ELIGIBILITY
Adult Divisions: Open to California residents, ages 18 or older.
Youth Divisions: Open to youth ages 6-17 (by July 13, 2018) who live in California.

ENTRY LIMIT
Please see specific rules for Specimen Bloom, Rose Bloom, and Dahila Bloom in rules.

HOW TO ENTER
1. Go to oegard.fairmanager.com or click on the button and register online before the deadline.
2. Choose from among the Divisions and Classes listed.
3. There are no entry fees for this competition. It’s free to enter.

Exhibitor Name
- Entries must be made under the name of the individual who prepared it.
- Do not use business or fictitious names.
- There are no team entries.
- Enter using the exhibitor’s name as it will appear on the display tag. This also applies to all youth entries.
- Last year’s accounts are no longer valid. All exhibitors must create a new account.

Entry Confirmation
- An email notification and confirmation will be sent immediately after your online payment is received
- If the email confirmation does not arrive shortly, please check your Spam/Junk folder before contacting the OC Fair.

OC EXHIBITOR FAIR TICKET
- Exhibitors will receive one (1) 2018 OC Fair admission ticket, at time of entry delivery.
- One (1) ticket per exhibitor, not one per entry.
- Tickets are valid any day the Fair is open.
- Exhibitor must be present to receive ticket.

HELP WITH ENTERING
In-Person Help Days
- Wednesday, July 11 ...... 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Monday, July 16 .......... 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Monday, July 23 .......... 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Monday, July 30 .......... 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Monday, August 6 ......... 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Enter through Gate 1 off Fair Drive, Park in Lot B and enter through the Centennial Farm Gate.

View map
Centennial Farm, Silo Building,
88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626
ENTRY DELIVERY
Bring your entry(s) to the Centennial Farm on competition day (See cover page)

- Enter Gate 1 off Fair Drive.
- Check in is 7 - 9:30 a.m. Exhibitors must check in by 9:30 a.m. without exceptions.
- Claim checks will be provided when exhibits are delivered.
- Exhibitor must be present to receive an admission ticket.

Download entry delivery map
JUDGING
Qualified judges will be selected by the Program Coordinator and are selected from local professionals who are the top in their field. The judges are professionals and their decision is final.

Adult Divisions
Placed using the American Judging System where exhibits are ranked one against another.
• First, Second, Third Place and Honorable Mention may be awarded in each Class if judges so determine.
  More than one Honorable Mention per Class may be awarded.
• First Place winners will compete for Division Winner.
• Division Winners will compete for Best of Show.

Youth Divisions
Placed using the Danish Judging System where each entry is judged on how well it meets a standard rather than how it compares to other entries.
• Entries are judged Blue (superior), Red (very good) or White (average) Award.
• There may be more than one Blue, Red or White Award per Class.

Judging
Judging is not open to the public. Judges have the authority to disqualify any entry that does not meet the requirements specified. Judges are not obligated to award a place unless an entry merits a place.

Judging Criteria for Specimen & Specialty Blooms
• Form (25%) - petal placement
• Color (20%) - not dull, blotchy, faded, or burned
• Substance (15%) - looks and feels “fresh”
• Stem and Foliage (20%) - long, straight stem with clean intact foliage, avoiding stem-on-stem
• Balance & Proportion (10%) - stem and foliage length and size balanced with bloom
• Size (10%) - blooms are of healthy and robust size for the cultivar
AWARDS

Best of Show
Division Winner
First/Blue .................................. 5 points each
Second/Red ................................ 3 points each
Third/White................................. 1 points each
Honorable Mention

*No Premiums Offered except for Adult Sweepstakes*

Sweepstakes
Adult and Youth Sweepstakes in Cut Flower will be tallied based on the accumulated points (see above) for all five judging days. Sweepstakes awards are as follows:

Adult Competitions
Adult Cut Flower Sweepstakes ............................ Ribbon & $50

Youth Competitions
Youth Cut Flower Sweepstakes (ages 6-12) ............... Ribbon Only
Youth Cut Flower Sweepstakes (ages 13-17) ............. Ribbon Only

Judging Results
Results can be viewed online at [ocfair.com/results](http://ocfair.com/results). We post results online as soon as possible. Please do not call or email for competition results.

Ribbons
Ribbons may be picked up on the competition dates listed on the cover page and on Final Pickup Day on Monday, August 13, 7 a.m. - noon.

Sweepstakes Award Check and Premiums
Will be made payable to the exhibitor whose name is indicated on the entry form and mailed within 30 days after the close of the 2018 OC Fair. Signed judging sheets will be used as evidence for payment of premiums. Ribbons and tags will not be accepted.
ELIGIBILITY  Open to all California residents, ages 18 and older.

ENTRY LIMIT  1 per Class, per date

ENTRY FEE  Free

See judging criteria on page 4.

DIVISION 201-205
SPECIMEN BLOOM

Competition Dates:  July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
Class 01:  Allium
Class 02:  Alstroemeria
Class 03:  Amaryllis
Class 04:  Black-eyed Susan
Class 05:  Begonia
Class 06:  Calendula
Class 07:  Canna Lily
Class 08:  Cleome
Class 09:  Coneflower
Class 10:  Cosmos
Class 11:  Daylily
Class 12:  Delphinium
Class 13:  Foxglove
Class 14:  Fuchsia
Class 15:  Gardenia
Class 16:  Geranium (includes Pelargonium)
Class 17:  Gladiolus
Class 18:  Hibiscus
Class 19:  Hydrangea
Class 20:  Iris
Class 21:  Lily (Lilium)
Class 22:  Mexican Sunflower
Class 23:  Orchid
Class 24:  Plumeria
Class 25:  Shasta Daisy
Class 26:  Stephanotis
Class 27:  Sunflower
Class 28:  Zinnia

DIVISION 211-215
SPECIALTY BLOOM

Competition Dates:  July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
Class 01:  Rarest Bloom
Class 02:  Most Extreme
Class 03:  Most Unusual Looking
Class 04:  Most Striking Color
Class 05:  Succulent Bloom
Recommended Resources
- Identification and Cultivar Information: helpmefind.com/rose/plants.php
- General Rose Information: http://www.rose.org/

Rose Bloom Competition Rules
- “Rose: Known Cultivar” not limited to one entry per Class; limited to one entry per rose cultivar. (i.e. “Celebrity” and “St. Patrick” are both Yellow Hybrid Tea Roses, entering both under “02 Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora” is permissible as they are each a distinct cultivar).
- “Rose: Unknown Cultivar” is limited to one entry per Class. Open to novice exhibitors only.
- All entries should conform to either a Single Bloom (single bloom, no side buds) or Spray (bloom count is greater than bud count).
- Available all five competition dates.

How do I determine the name of my rose?
The first step in determining the identity of a mystery rose is to check for a tag or other label at the base of the plant. If none exists, take a sample to a local rose expert. Many roses may never be identified – that’s why we created the “Unknown Cultivar” Division.

Judging Criteria
- Form (25%) - *petals are to unfurl in a perfect spiral from a point in the center
- Color (20%) - not dull, blotchy, faded, or burned
- Substance (15%) - looks and feels “fresh”
- Stem and Foliage (20%) - long, straight stem with clean intact foliage, avoiding stem-on-stem
- Balance & Proportion (10%) - stem and foliage length and size balanced with bloom
- Size (10%) - blooms are of healthy and robust size for the cultivar
*Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora specific criteria. For more information on judging, see Recommended Resources above.
ELIGIBILITY  Open to all California residents, ages 18 and older.
ENTRY LIMIT  1 per rose cultivar  ENTRY FEE  Free

See judging criteria and specific rules on previous page.

DIVISION 301-305
ROSE: KNOWN CULTIVAR
Competition Dates: July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7

- Cultivar names must be provided
- Not limited to 1 entry per Class.
- Limit one entry per cultivar.

Class 01: Floribunda/Polyantha
Class 02: Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora
Class 03: Miniature/Mini Flora
Class 04: Old Garden/Shrub
Class 05: Climbing species

DIVISION 311-315
ROSE: UNKNOWN CULTIVAR
Competition Dates: July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7

- Limited to one entry per Class.
- Open to novice exhibitors only.

Class 01: White/Blend
Class 02: Yellow/Blend
Class 03: Apricot/Blend
Class 04: Orange/Orange-Red/Blend
Class 05: Pink/Blend
Class 06: Red/Blend
Class 07: Mauve/Blend
Class 08: Russet
Recommended Resources
Terminology: stanford.edu/group/dahlia_genetics/dahlia_terminology.htm
General Dahlia Information: dahlia.org

Dahlia Bloom Competition Rules
- Dahlia Bloom Divisions are not limited to one entry per Class.
- Exhibitors will not be limited to number of entries permitted.
- Multi-colored flowers are to be classified by dominant color only.
- Remove all foliage.

Judging Criteria
- **Color (25%)** - Faults: dull, faded, or burned
- **Form (35%)** - Faults: gaps, lopsided, green center, open center, flat, immature
- **Substance (20%)** - Faults: flowers soft, lack springiness, droopy, failing, falling, shriveled
- **Stem (10%)** - Faults: crooked, too short, too long, too thick, weak, wiry
- **Bloom Position (10%)** - Faults: down-facing, side-facing; Ideal: 45° angle
**ADULT DIVISIONS: DAHLIA BLOOMS**

**ELIGIBILITY** Open to all California residents, ages 18 and older.

**ENTRY LIMIT** No limit  
**ENTRY FEE** Free  

*See judging criteria and specific rules on previous page.*

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### DIVISION 401-405
#### DAHLIA: KNOWN CULTIVAR
##### LESS THAN 6 INCHES

- **Competition Dates:** July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
- **Not limited to a single entry per Class**
- **Cultivar names must be provided**

- **Class 01:** White, solid
- **Class 02:** Yellow, solid
- **Class 03:** Orange, solid
- **Class 04:** Pink, solid
- **Class 05:** Red/Dark Red, solid
- **Class 06:** Lavender/Purple, solid
- **Class 07:** Blend, any colors
- **Class 08:** Bi-color, any colors
- **Class 09:** Flame, red and yellow
- **Class 10:** Variegated, any colors

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### DIVISION 421-425
#### DAHLIA: UNKNOWN CULTIVAR
##### LESS THAN 6 INCHES

- **Competition Dates:** July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
- **Not limited to a single entry per Class**

- **Class 01:** White, solid
- **Class 02:** Yellow, solid
- **Class 03:** Orange, solid
- **Class 04:** Pink, solid
- **Class 05:** Red/Dark Red, solid
- **Class 06:** Lavender/Purple, solid
- **Class 07:** Blend, any colors
- **Class 08:** Bi-color, any colors
- **Class 09:** Flame, red and yellow
- **Class 10:** Variegated, any colors

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### DIVISION 411-415
#### DAHLIA: KNOWN CULTIVAR
##### GREATER THAN 6 INCHES

- **Competition Dates:** July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
- **Not limited to a single entry per Class**
- **Cultivar names must be provided**

- **Class 01:** White, solid
- **Class 02:** Yellow, solid
- **Class 03:** Orange, solid
- **Class 04:** Pink, solid
- **Class 05:** Red/Dark Red, solid
- **Class 06:** Lavender/Purple, solid
- **Class 07:** Blend, any colors
- **Class 08:** Bi-color, any colors
- **Class 09:** Flame, red and yellow
- **Class 10:** Variegated, any colors

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### DIVISION 431-435
#### DAHLIA: UNKNOWN CULTIVAR
##### GREATER THAN 6 INCHES

- **Competition Dates:** July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
- **Not limited to a single entry per Class**

- **Class 01:** White, solid
- **Class 02:** Yellow, solid
- **Class 03:** Orange, solid
- **Class 04:** Pink, solid
- **Class 05:** Red/Dark Red, solid
- **Class 06:** Lavender/Purple, solid
- **Class 07:** Blend, any colors
- **Class 08:** Bi-color, any colors
- **Class 09:** Flame, red and yellow
- **Class 10:** Variegated, any colors
Rules
- Only one stem per vase is permitted.
- Entries incorrectly entered/identified will be disqualified.
- Wedges may be used to support flowers, but must be placed below the lip of vase.
- Rose Cultivars: An excellent rose resource is helpmefind.com/rose/plants.php

Judging Criteria
- **Color (25%)** - Faults: dull, faded, or burned
- **Form (35%)** - Faults: gaps, lopsided, green center, open center, flat, immature
- **Substance (20%)** - Faults: flowers soft, lack springiness, droopy, failing, falling, shriveled
- **Stem (10%)** - Faults: crooked, too short, too long, too thick, weak, wiry
- **Bloom Position (10%)** - Faults: down-facing, side-facing; Ideal: 45° angle

Awards
Blue, Red and White Ribbons

Premiums
No premiums offered.
YOUTH DIVISIONS: CUT FLOWER COMPETITION

ELIGIBILITY  Open to youth ages 6-17 (by July 13, 2018) who live in California.

ENTRY LIMIT  See below

ENTRY FEE  Free

See judging criteria and specific rules on previous page.

DIVISION 801-805
YOUTH SPECIMEN BLOOM

Competition Dates: July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
• Entry Limit: 1 per Class, per date

Class 01: Allium
Class 02: Alstroemeria
Class 03: Amaryllis
Class 04: Black-eyed Susan
Class 05: Begonia
Class 06: Calendula
Class 07: Canna Lily
Class 08: Cleome
Class 09: Coneflower
Class 10: Cosmos
Class 11: Daylily
Class 12: Delphinium
Class 13: Foxglove
Class 14: Fuchsia
Class 15: Gardenia
Class 16: Geranium (includes Pelargonium)
Class 17: Gladiolus
Class 18: Hibiscus
Class 19: Hydrangea
Class 20: Iris
Class 21: Lily (Lilium)
Class 22: Mexican Sunflower
Class 23: Orchid
Class 24: Plumeria
Class 25: Shasta Daisy
Class 26: Stephanotis
Class 27: Sunflower
Class 28: Zinnia
ELIGIBILITY Open to youth ages 6-17 (by July 13, 2018) who live in California.

ENTRY LIMIT See below

ENTRY FEE Free

See judging criteria and specific rules on previous page.

DIVISION 811-815
YOUTH SPECIALTY BLOOM

Competition Dates: July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
- Entry Limit: 1 per Class, per date
Class 01: Rarest Bloom
Class 02: Most Extreme
Class 03: Most Unusual Looking
Class 04: Most Striking Color
Class 05: Succulent Bloom

DIVISION 821-825
YOUTH ROSE BLOOM

Competition Dates: July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
- Entry Limit: 1 per Class, per date
- Entries should conform to either a Single Bloom (single bloom, no side buds) or Spray (bloom count is greater than bud count).
Class 01: White/Blend
Class 02: Yellow/Blend
Class 03: Apricot/Blend
Class 04: Orange/Orange-Red/Blend
Class 05: Pink/Blend
Class 06: Red/Blend
Class 07: Mauve/Blend
Class 08: Russet

DIVISION 831-835
YOUTH DAHLIA BLOOM

Competition Dates: July 12, 17, 24, 31, August 7
- No entry limit.
- Multi-colored flowers are to be classified by dominant color only.
- Remove all foliage.
Class 01: White, solid
Class 02: Yellow, solid
Class 03: Orange, solid
Class 04: Pink, solid
Class 05: Red/Dark Red, solid
Class 06: Lavender/Purple, solid
Class 07: Blend, any colors
Class 08: Bi-color, any colors
Class 09: Flame, red and yellow
Class 10: Variegated, any colors