

Adult Department

HORTICULTURE

Coordinator: Jim Crowther, Los Altos

Judge: Romeo Abueg, Santa Rosa

Timeline & Rules

- Eligibility** → Open to residents of California
- Entry Forms Due** → On or before Friday, May 31, 5 pm, Fair Office
- Entry Limit** → One Entry per Class per Division, Unless Otherwise Indicated
- Entry Fee** → [No Entry Fee for Horticulture](#)
- Exhibits Received** → Tuesday, July 2, 7:30 am to 10 am, Exhibit Hall
- Exhibits Released** → Monday, July 8, 11 am to 7 pm, Exhibit Hall

1. Local and State Rules govern this competition.
2. **Eligibility:** Open to residents of California who are amateurs or private growers. (Not open to professionals.)
3. **Entry Procedure:** Entry forms must be filed in advance of receiving date. Obtain entry forms at the Fair Entry Office, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael, CA 94903. Phone 415.473.7048 or enter online at marinfair.org.
4. **Organic Entries:** Please note on entry form if your entry was grown organically.
5. **Exhibit Reclaim:** Items not picked up on Monday, July 8 will be discarded.
6. **Liability:** Every precaution will be taken in the handling and exhibiting of work; however, the Fair will not be responsible for loss or damage which may occur from any cause. Submission of entries implies acceptance of all conditions stated in these rules.
7. **General:** The Fair Management reserves the right to remove any unsightly material from any exhibit. All Exhibits shall not be removed from the Fair prior to pickup date as stated in these rules.

■ Score Card for Judging Horticulture ■

The quality desired in agricultural and horticultural products exhibits is the quality that brings the best financial return in the commercial market, and such exhibits must be at least equal in maturity as that state for ripeness required by of the Food & Agricultural Code in order to be considered for premium awards.

- Mature means having reached that stage of ripeness which will insure the completion of the ripening process to a degree which will insure palatability, after the removal of the product from tree, plant or vine.
- Overripe means having any advanced state of maturity which causes the product to be undesirable for human consumption in a fresh state.
- NOTE - Monstrosities will not be considered for premium awards, except for giant fruit & vegetables, Division 157.

New! Overall High Point Horticulture Exhibitor –
\$50 & Special Rosette Ribbon
Courtesy of ~
Agricultural Institute of Marin,
The Bay Area’s Farmers Markets



New! Overall High Point Organic Grower –
Courtesy of ~ Marin Organic
\$50 & Special Rosette Ribbon



Please note on your Entry Form if your entries were grown organically.

Division 148 New! Garden Harvest

■ Score Card for Garden Harvest ■

Quality of Fruits, Nuts and/or Vegetables	40%
Variety of Fruits, Nuts and/or Vegetables	40%
Overall Presentation	20%
Total Score	100%

Rules –

1. Any combination of 5 or more different varieties of fruits, nuts and/or vegetables that were grown in your garden.
2. You may enter one or more of a certain species or variety. Example – one watermelon, four squash, a dozen beans; your choice – represent your garden in the best possible way.
3. Attractively arrange your harvest in a basket, open box or container of your choice.

Class

1 Garden Harvest

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place	\$50 & Ribbon
2nd Place	\$40 & Ribbon
3rd Place	\$30 & Ribbon
4th Place	\$20 & Ribbon
5th Place	\$10 & Ribbon

Best of Show Garden Harvest - \$50 & Special Rosette Ribbon *Courtesy of ~*
Agricultural Institute of Marin,
The Bay Area’s Farmers Markets



Division 149 Lavender

Class Fresh Cut, Bring 8 Stems in Water • Dried, 8 - 12 Stems, Tied

- 1 Lavender, Fresh Cut, French
- 2 Lavender, Fresh Cut, Spanish, Blue Tones
- 3 Lavender, Fresh Cut, Spanish, White
- 4 Lavender, Fresh Cut, any other variety
- 5 Lavender, Dried, Spanish
- 6 Lavender, Dried, French
- 7 Lavender, Dried, Floral Sachet or Wand
- 8 Lavender, Pillow
- 9 Lavender, Potted, Spanish
- 10 Lavender, Potted, Any other variety
- 11 Lavender, any other product

2012
Best of Show Winner
Lavender
Cedars Hands & Earth
Ross

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place-----\$10 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place -----Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 150 Berries - Fruit - Nuts

- Plate Display - Bring your own container.
- Any berry or ripe soft fruit should be covered with plastic wrap.

Class Please specify variety on entry form.

- | | |
|---|--------------------------------|
| 1 Apples, 4, any variety | |
| 2 Figs, 5, any variety | |
| 3 Grapefruit, Red or Pink, 3, any variety | |
| 4 Grapefruit, White, 3, any variety | |
| 5 Grapefruit, any other, 3, any variety | |
| 6 Lemons, 5 Lisbon or Eureka | 10 Nectarines, 3 |
| 7 Lemons, 5 Meyer | 11 Oranges, 3, any variety |
| 8 Lemons, 5, any other variety | 12 Peaches, 3, any variety |
| 9 Limes, 4 | 13 Plums, 5, any variety |
| 14 Strawberries, 6, in basket or on plate | |
| 15 Berries, any other variety, 8, in basket or on plate | |
| 16 Walnuts, any variety, 12 | 18 Nuts, any other variety, 12 |
| 17 Almonds, any variety, 12 | 19 Any other Fruit, specify |

2012 Best of Show Winner
Berries - Fruit - Nuts
Tim Kenney Novato

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place -----Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 151 Herbs - Dried

- Bring in covered jelly jar or small glass jar
- Approximately one ounce of leaves

Class

- 1 Basil
- 2 Bay Leaves
- 3 Chives
- 4 Dill
- 5 Oregano

Class

- 6 Parsley
- 7 Rosemary
- 8 Sage
- 9 Thyme
- 10 Any other, specify

2012 Best of Show Winner
Dried Herbs
Donna Rich
Novato

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place ----- Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 152 Herbs - Fresh Cut

- Bouquet in pint jar with water

Class

- 1 Basil
- 2 Bay Leaves
- 3 Chives
- 4 Dill
- 5 Oregano

Class

- 6 Parsley
- 7 Rosemary
- 8 Sage
- 9 Thyme
- 10 Any other, specify

2012 Best of Show Winner
Fresh Cut Herbs
Katie Stoyka
San Francisco

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place ----- Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 153 Herbs - Fresh Potted

- Planted in a container
- Minimum 3" in diameter

Class

- 1 Basil
- 2 Chives
- 3 Dill
- 4 Oregano
- 5 Parsley

- 6 Rosemary
- 7 Sage
- 8 Thyme
- 9 Any other, specify

2012 Best of Show Winner
Potted Herbs
Linda Cheney
Petaluma

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place ----- Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 154 Produce Art

- Rules -**
1. Fruit and/or vegetable transformations may not exceed 18" inches in any direction.
 2. Produce characters/art must be reinforced and placed on a strong and disposable base.

Class

- 1 Transform produce into a bird(s).
- 2 Transform produce into an animal(s).
- 3 Transform produce into an insect(s).
- 4 Transform produce into a vehicle(s).
- 5 Transform produce into a person or people.
- 6 Transform produce into a scene.

2012 Best of Show Winner
Produce Art
Ag Institute of Marin Award &
Outstanding Creativity Award
Judith Stambolis San Rafael

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place -----	\$15 & Ribbon
2nd Place -----	\$10 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place -----	\$5 & Ribbon

Best of Show Produce Art

\$50 & Special Rosette Ribbon

Outstanding Creativity in Produce Art -

\$50 & Special Rosette Ribbon

Courtesy of ~ **Agricultural Institute of Marin,**
The Bay Area's Farmers Markets



Division 155 Vegetables - Bulb & Tuber

- Plate Display - Bring your own container and label variety if known.

Class Please specify variety on entry form.

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1 Artichokes, 3 | 10 Onions, Red, 5 |
| 2 Beets, topped, 5, any variety | 11 Onions, 5, any other variety |
| 3 Carrots, topped, 5, any variety | 12 Potatoes, Baking, 5 |
| 4 Garlic, Giant, 3 bulbs | 13 Potatoes, Boiling, 5 |
| 5 Garlic, 5, any other variety | 14 Potatoes, Black or Blue, 5 |
| 6 Kohlrabi, 1, any variety | 15 Potatoes, Red, 5 |
| 7 Onions, Green, bunch of 10 | 16 Potatoes, 5, any other variety |
| 8 Onions, Yellow, 5 | 17 Radishes, bunch of 12, any variety |
| 9 Onions, White, 5 | |
| 18 Any other Bulb or Tuber Vegetable, please specify on entry form | |

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place -----	\$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place -----	\$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place -----	Ribbons

Best of Show - \$5 & Special Rosette Ribbon

2012 Best of Show Winner Bulb & Tuber Vegetables
Donna Robertson San Rafael

Division 156 Vegetables - Fruit & Pod

- Plate Display - Bring your own container and label variety if known.

Class Please specify variety on entry form.

- 1 Beans, Italian, 9 pods
- 2 Beans, Purple String, 9 pods
- 3 Beans, String, any other variety, 9 pods
- 4 Peas, Snow or Sugar, 9 pods
- 5 Peas, any other variety, 9 pods
- 6 Peppers, Bell, 2
- 7 Peppers, any other, 2 for large varieties or 7 for small varieties
- 8 Tomatoes, Big Boy or other large variety, 3
- 9 Tomatoes, Early Girl, 3
- 10 Tomatoes, Heirloom, 3
- 11 Tomatoes, Cherry, 10
- 12 Tomatoes, Pear, 10
- 13 Tomatoes, any other, 3 for larger varieties or 10 for tiny varieties
- 14 Any other Fruit or Pod Vegetable, please specify on entry form

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

- 1st Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place ----- Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

2012 Best of Show Winner Fruit & Pod Vegetables
Heike Dittrich-Kruljac Corte Madera

Division 157 Vegetables & Fruits Giant or Unusual

- ### **Class** ● Vegetables & Fruits will be judged on size & shape, not quality.

- 1 Large Fruits
- 2 Large Vegetables - This is the monster that got away!
- 3 Unusual shaped Fruits (Any Fruit)
- 4 Unusual shaped Vegetables (Any Vegetable)

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

- 1st Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place ----- Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

2012 Best of Show Winner Giant or Unusual Vegetables
Vivian Richardson San Rafael

Division 158 Vegetables - Leafy & Stem

- Plate Display - Bring your own container and label variety if known.

Class Please specify variety on entry form.

- 1 Broccoli, about 1 ½ lbs., in jar or glass of water
- 2 Cabbage, any variety, 1 head
- 3 Cauliflower, 1 head
- 4 Chard, Swiss, 1 bundle, any variety, in jar or glass of water
- 5 Gourmet "Baby" Vegetables, carrots, corn, etc.
- 6 Lettuce, any variety, in jar or glass of water
- 7 Lettuce, Potted, any variety
- 8 Rhubarb, 6 stalks in jar or glass of water
- 9 Spinach, 1 bunch in jar or glass of water
- 10 Any other Leafy or Stem Vegetable, please specify on entry form

2012 Best of Show Winner
Leafy & Stem Vegetables

Liz Daniels
Nicasio

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

- 1st Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place ----- Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 159 Vine Crops

- Plate Display - Bring your own container and label variety if known.

Class Please specify variety on entry form.

- 1 Cucumber, 3, any kind
- 2 Squash, Yellow Crooked Neck, 5
- 3 Squash, Patty Pan, 5
- 4 Squash, Zucchini, Green, 5
- 5 Squash, Zucchini, Yellow, 5
- 6 Squash, Zucchini, any other
- 7 Winter Squash, Acorn
- 8 Winter Squash, Delicata
- 9 Winter Squash, Little Dumplin'
- 10 Winter Squash, Spaghetti
- 11 Squash, any other
- 12 Melons, any kind, 1
- 13 Any other Vine Crop, please specify on entry form

2012 Best of Show
Winner Vine Crops

Russell Damos
San Anselmo

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

- 1st Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place ----- Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 160 Other Horticulture

- Plate Display - Bring your own container and label variety if known.

Class Please specify variety on entry form.

- 1 Cactus, Nopales, 3
- 2 Prickly Pears, Indian Figs (Tuna), 5
- 3 Sugar Cane, 3 to 5 canes
- 4 Any other product

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

- 1st Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$3 & Ribbon
3rd Place through 5th Place ----- Ribbons

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 161 Window Box Gardens

Herb or Vegetable

Rules -

1. Wallpaper wetting tray approximately 33" x 7" - or wooden, ceramic, metal, etc., or container of similar size to be used to display herbs or vegetables.
2. Plants may be left in individual containers, as long as the containers are not visible, or plants may be planted directly in tray.
3. May use all one kind of plant material or a harmonious selection.

Class

- 1 Herb Window Box Garden
- 2 Lettuce Window Box Garden
- 3 Vegetable Window Box Garden (one or more types of vegetables)

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

- 1st Place ----- \$20 & Ribbon
2nd Place ----- \$15 & Ribbon
3rd Place ----- \$10 & Ribbon
4th Place & 5th Place ----- \$5 & Ribbon

**Best of Show Herb or Vegetable Window Box Garden
\$25 & Special Rosette Ribbon**

Courtesy of ~ Marin Master Gardeners



2012 Best of Show Winner Window Boxes Gardens &
Marin Master Gardeners Award **Dinah Sims** Novato

Division 162 Wreaths - Ropes - Garlands

Class Any combination of fresh and/or dried material. See Rule #4 Below.

- 1 Ropes, Swags or Garlands -- any combination of Vegetables, Fruit, & Herbs
- 2 Wreaths, any combination of Vegetables, Fruit, & Herbs

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place -----	\$15 & Ribbon
2nd Place -----	\$10 & Ribbon
3rd Place -----	\$8 & Ribbon
4th Place & 5th Place -----	\$5 & Ribbon

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

Division 163 Mosaics - Fresh & Dried

Score Card for Fruit, Herb, & Vegetable Mosaics

Originality/Creativity-----	30%
Variety of Material Used-----	30%
Workmanship/Neatness-----	30%
Overall Presentation-----	10%
Total Score -----	100%

Rules -

1. Mosaics should be created on a sturdy background - wood, cardboard, etc.
2. Mosaics may be framed with a raised border - wood strip, twigs, etc.
3. Any sized mosaic up to 3 feet in diameter in any direction.
4. Any combination of material may be used. (Examples – vegetables, fruits, herbs, nuts, seeds, etc.) Be creative!

Class

- 1 Mosaic, using all fresh material
- 2 Mosaic, using all dried material
- 3 Mosaic, using a combination of fresh and dried material

American System of Judging - Awards Offered per Class

1st Place -----	\$25 & Ribbon
2nd Place -----	\$20 & Ribbon
3rd Place -----	\$15 & Ribbon
4th Place-----	\$10 & Ribbon
5th Place -----	\$5 & Ribbon

**Best of Show - \$5 &
Special Rosette Ribbon**

2012 Best of Show Winner Window Mosaics

Tom Dolan San Rafael