

NGC FS Achievement Award # FS-16B

Major NGC Flower Show

The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc.

Greenwood, Mississippi

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Show Description

The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc. hosted “Gracious Gardening, Mississippi”, a Major NGC Flower Show, on June 23, 2018 at the Brandon Civic Center/ Municipal Complex in Brandon, MS. Members from across the state participated. The facility was spacious and well lit.

Horticulture entries (235, 11 Sections) included Club Competition Displays. Exhibits were staged on rectangular and round tables covered with black cloths. Semi-circle tiered black shelves were used to elevate exhibits and add dimension to the overall staging effect. Creative theme staging throughout the show included cut *Magnolia grandiflora* foliage, ferns, gardening hats and gloves, water cans and brightly colored gardening pails.

Design entries (100, 8 Sections) covered a variety of design types including Challenge, Featured Plant Material, Cascade, and Club Competition Floor Designs. Exhibits were staged on rectangular, round and tall cocktail tables covered with black cloths, black pedestals and tiered black wooden risers.

Education Exhibits (7) were staged on rectangular tables covered in black cloths and included subjects related to NGC projects and objectives.

The Botanical Arts Division included: (1) Photography (12) staged on a round table covered with black cloth with exhibits displayed on black niches. (2) Artistic Crafts (12)-Decorated Coffee Cups staged on small black pedestals, Decorated Aprons staged on full size metal mannequins, Decorated Hats staged on metal head mannequins. (3) Botanical Arts Horticulture (12)-Dried Flowers/Foliage displayed on a round table covered with black cloth with semi-circle black tiered risers, Pressed Flowers/Foliage staged on a round table using easels, Seed pods/ heads displayed on round a table using semi-circle black tiered risers. (4) Botanical Arts Design (12)-Wreaths staged on free standing wreath racks, Collages staged on rectangular tables using easels, Topiaries staged on rectangular tables covered with black cloth.

Educational workshops were offered during the show, Crosby Arboretum and Container Gardening.

NGC STANDARD FLOWER SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

SHOW DATA

**The following form is to be completed and appear in the
Book of Evidence immediately following the Show Description**

1. List of sponsoring clubs and/or organizations – if more than one.

If space is inadequate, insert separate sheet and so indicate on this form.

The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc.I

2. Number of club members in sponsoring organization/s:

114 Clubs

3. Number of participating members:

34 Clubs

4. Percentage of participating club members:

30%

5. Total number of exhibits in:

Horticulture Division: 235

Design Division: 100

Special Exhibits Division: 57

6. List NGC Top Exhibitor Awards offered. Note if any awards not given:

Horticulture: 5 Awards of Merit, 1 Arboreal Award, 2 Collector's Showcase Awards, 1 Grower's Choice Award,

1 Elfin Award, 1 Award of Horticultural Excellence, 1 Club Competition Award All Awards were placed

Design: 2 Table Artistry Awards, 4 Designer's Choice Awards, 1 Petite Award, 1 Award of Design Excellence,

1 Club Competition Award All Awards were placed

Special Exhibits: 1 Educational Award, 1 Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts Award, 1 Botanical Arts Design Award,

1 Botanical Arts Horticulture Award, 1 Botanical Arts Photography Award All Awards were placed

7. Source of flower show funding: The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc. (Budgeted Amount-Biennially)

Division I-Horticulture

“Gracious Growing”

Top Exhibitor Award Winners

Award of Merit

Division I, Section A “Plant It Pink”

Class 1

Flowering Annuals

Begonia ‘Dixon’



Award of Merit

Division I, Section B “Adopt-A-Park”

Class 14b

Foliage Annuals

Plectranthus scutellarioides

‘Inky Fingers’



Award of Merit

Division I, Section C “Church Gardens”

Class 27

Flowering Bulbous Plants

Hymenocallis liriosme



Award of Merit
Division I, Section D “Roadside Beautification” Class 41
Flowering Perennials
Dorotheanthus bellidiformis

Award of Merit
Division I, Section E “Habitat For Humanity” Class 49
Foliage Perennials
Colocasia ‘Black Magic’



Arboreal Award
Division I, Section F “Arbor Day” Class 71
Arboreal
Cryptomeria japonica ‘Yoshino’

AWARD OF HORTICULTURAL EXCELLENCE

and

Collector's Showcase Award

**Division I, Section G "National Garden
Week" Class 96**

Displays

Cryptanthus

***Cryptanthus* Display**

Top to Botton

***C. bromelioides* x 'Pink and Bronze'**

C. aucaulis

***C. bivittatus minor* 'Roseus pictus'**

C. 'Elaine'

***C. bivittatus* 'Ruby'**



Collector's Showcase Award

**Division I, Section H "Garden Education
Center" Class 100**

Collections

Aroids



Aroid Collection

Left to Right, Back to Front

***Philodendron selloum*,**

***Alocasia* 'Yellow Tail'**

***Philodendron* 'Low Rider'**

***Philodendron* 'Xanadu'**

Monstera deliciosa

***Philodendron* 'Burle Marx'**

Grower's Choice Award

Division I, Section I "Garden Therapy"

Class 112

Container-Grown Specimens

***Begonia* Planter-Left to Right**

***B.* 'Shawn's Favorite', *B.* 'Helen Teupel',
B. 'Wheel of Fortune', *B.* 'Elaine'**



Elfin Award

Division I, Section J "Environmental Concerns" Class 117

**Dwarf/Miniature/Naturally Small
Growth Arboreal Specimens**

***Acer palmatum* 'Viridis'**

Club Competition Award

Division I, Section K "Conservation" Class 126

Displays

Hosta Display-Left to Right, Back to Front

***H. 'Mack The Knife, H. 'Tiny Bubbles', H. 'Pure Heart,
H. 'Moon River', H. 'Gypsy Rose', H. 'Heart & Soul',
H. 'Happy Days', H. 'Penny Lane'***



Division II-Design

“Gracious Showing”

Top Exhibitor Award Winners

Club Competition Award

Division II, Section A “Welcome”
Class 1 “The Door is Always Open”

Floor Design

Plant Materials: Rose, Palm, *Aspidistra*,
Calla Lilies, Pineapple, *Hypericum* ber-
ries, *Amaranthus*, *Delphinium*, *Eremurus*

Staged in foyer of complex on floor



Table Artistry Award # 1

Division II, Section B “Southern
Hospitality”

Class 2 “Amen, Pass the Greens”

Functional, Informal Table for Two

Plant Materials: Bells of Ireland,
Chrysanthemum, *Hydrangea* ‘Limelight’,
Dianthus ‘Green Trick’

Stage on card table furnished by
exhibitor



Designer's Choice Award # 1
Division II, Section C "Sharing"
Class 7 "Planning the Planting"

Low Profile Design

Plant Materials: Bamboo, *Aspidistra*,
Dianthus 'Green Trick', Rose, Variegated
Yucca

Staged on black wooden box



Designer's Choice Award # 2
Division II, Section D "Caring"
Class 9 "Spare That Tree"

Multi-Rhythmic Design

Plant Materials: Mitsumata,
Hakea Victoria

Staged on black pedestal

AWARD OF DESIGN EXCELLENCE

and

Designer's Choice Award # 3

Division II, Section E "Be Kind to Others"

Class 11 "Be Humble"

Transparency Design

Plant Materials: *Gladiolus 'Emerald Isle'*, *Strelitzia reginae*, *Aucuba japonica 'Mr. Goldstrike'*, *Cladonia rangiferina*, Midilino sticks

Staged on black pedestal



Petite Award

Division II, Section F "It's the Small Things"

Class 16 "Yes Ma'am"

Petite Tubular Design

Plant Materials: *Chrysanthemum*, *Arborvitae*

Staged on black wooden riser

Designer's Choice Award # 4

Division II, Section G "Gracious Living"

Class 18 "Stay on the Right Path"

Parallel Design

Plant Materials: *Gladiolus*, *Strelitzia reginae* foliage, Lemon Leaf (Salal)

Staged on rectangular table



Table Artistry Award # 2

Division II, Section H "Celebrating Life"

Class 20 "Weddings"

Plant Materials: *Gladiolus*, *Lilium*, *Fatsia japonica*, Bells of Ireland

Staged on rectangular table

Division III-Education
“Gracious Knowing”
Top Exhibitor Award Winner

Educational Award

“Gracious Knowing”

Division III, Section A Education Exhibits

Exhibit 9

“Plant America”

Staged on rectangular table



Division IV Botanical Arts “Gracious Glowing” Top Exhibitor Award Winners



Botanical Arts Photography Award

Division IV, Section, A “A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words”

Class 2 “Garden Enhancements”

Garden Sculpture or Ornament

Staged on black niche on round table

Botanical Arts Artistic Craft Award
Division IV, Section B “Good Times are
Meant to Share”
Class 2 “Come Sit a Spell”

Decorated Apron

Plant Materials: *Hydrangea macrophylla*

Staged on metal mannequin



Botanical Arts Horticulture Award
Division IV, Section C “Mother’s
Memories”

Class 2 “Preserving the Past”

Pressed Flowers/Foliage

Plant Materials: *Daucus carota*,
Sorghum halepense, *Rudbeckia maxima*,
Verbena bonariensis, *Thelypteris kunthii*

Staged on easel on round table



Botanical Arts Design Award

Division IV, Section D “Enhancing the
Experience”
Class 2 “Harmony”

Collage

Plant Materials: *Hydrangea macrophylla*,
Nandina domestica, *Rosa hybrida*

Staged on easel on rectangular table



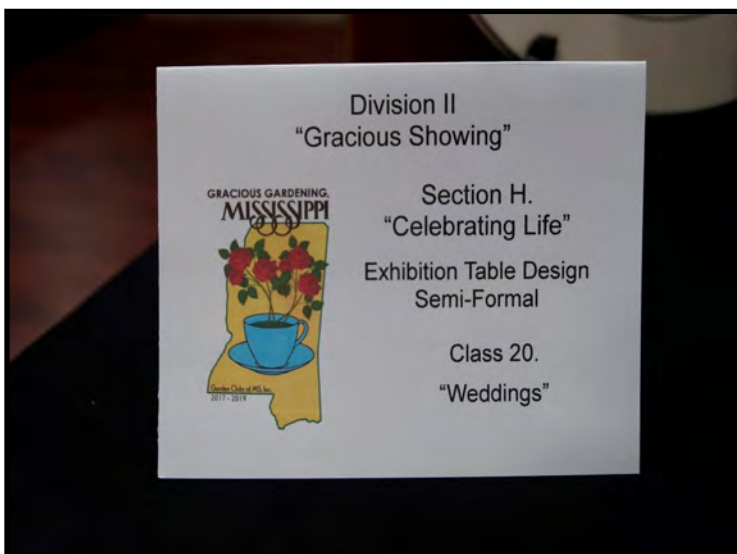
Staging



Entrance to complex with welcome sign
and iron coffee cup with fern



Gardening vignette welcomed guests



Colorful signage utilizing the show logo
was used throughout to carry out the
show's theme



Gardening hats, gloves and watering cans with *Magnolia grandiflora* foliage were used to designate Divisions and Sections



Rectangular and round tables covered with black cloths were used to stage horticulture exhibits

Semi-circle tiered risers added interest to the exhibits





Examples of overall Horticulture Staging



Rectangular tables covered with black cloths were used to stage Education Exhibits



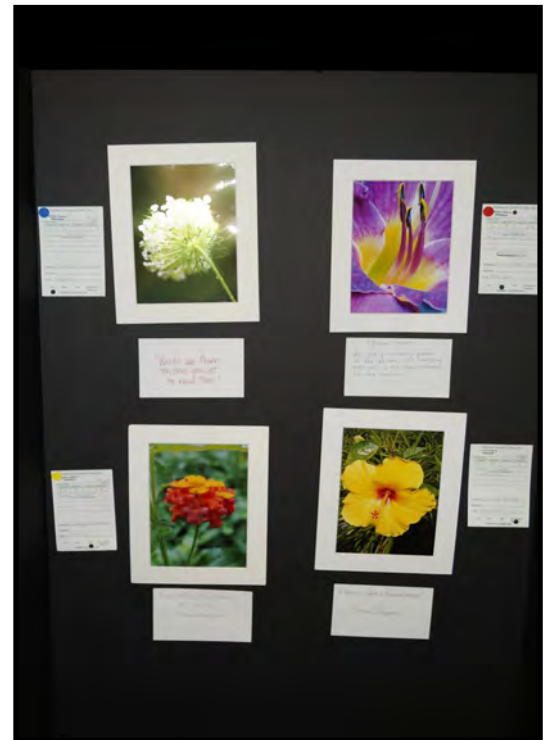
Examples of Botanical Arts Horticulture and Botanical Arts Design Staging



Photography Exhibits were staged on a round table covered with black cloth and exhibits were mounted on black niches for ease of viewing and judging



Artistic Craft Exhibits were creatively staged: Coffee Cups were staged on small black pedestals, Aprons were staged on metal full size mannequins and Hats were staged on metal head mannequins



Various staging was used in the Design Division, including Astro Turf for Alfresco designs, wooden racks to elevate Petite Designs, different size pedestals to showcase certain design types and wooden low cubes for Low-Profile Designs



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workshops will be held beginning at 2:00 p.m. Propagation and horticulture will be presented by MSU Professor Dr. Richard Harkess, and native plants in the landscape will be presented by Pat Drackett with Crosby Arboretum. The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc. is federated with National Garden Clubs, Inc. Pictured (l to r): Suzanne Ross, Brandon Garden Club President; Carol Bullard and Debby Cooper, Flower Show Co-Chairs; and Charla Jordan, Publicity Chair and Photographer. For further details, please contact Co-Chair Debby Cooper, 662-299-8573.

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Gracious Gardening, Mississippi

The Garden Clubs of Mississippi, Inc. invites you to their biennial state wide Flower Show, "Gracious Gardening, Mississippi". Over 90 judged, competitive floral designs will be on exhibit, plus horticulture specimens from all over the state. Creative craft floral exhibits will be on display as well. In addition, two educational workshops will be presented onsite. For more information or questions, call 662-299-8573 or email coopcooper@aol.com.