

AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT



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Entry categories have been changed for this year to conform with State safety guidelines due to the Covid-19 virus. Exhibits will be viewed from farther away than in previous years. Larger parts and groupings will allow your exhibit to be more easily seen. Location of some exhibits may be subject to change. Due to unforeseen circumstances, particular Divisions may be cut and entry fees refunded.

We look forward to again offering a full range of harvested produce and school projects in future years.

2021 EXHIBITOR SCHEDULE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
JUNE		1	2	3 4:00 - 7:30 PM Entries Received:	4 7:30-9:30 AM Entries Received: Entry Maintenance Judgings	5
		6	7 Expo closed to public	8 Expo closed to public	9 Expo closed to public	10 Expo closed to public
13 8:00- 10:00 PM Entry Release	14 8:00 AM -Noon Entry Release	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Entry Forms Deadline Tuesday, May 11 – midnight online or postmarked by May 11

Entry Fees: \$3.00 per entry

NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS:

Deliver entries for this Department to **Expo Hall** using the designated door. Convenient access is available through Gates 4 & 5. Alternate delivery time may be available ONLY with the prior approval of the Department Coordinator.

DEPARTMENT INFORMATION & RULES:

1. All [state rules](#) and [local rules](#) apply.
2. Competition is open to amateur gardeners, crafters and clubs. An amateur is someone who grows and shows for pleasure, rather than as a profession.
3. All exhibits must have been grown, produced, designed and/or created by the exhibitor within the current Fair year (since June 2020), except where stated.
4. Only herbs, fruits and/or vegetables unless otherwise noted. Non-edible flowers may be used for decoration only. Artificial plant material in displays is not allowed. (For floriculture competition, please consult the Floral Arts Department of this catalog.)
5. American system of judging will be used in all Divisions of this Department. Awards will be given only for exhibits showing quality growth & show-worthy presentation. Cleanliness/neatness of plants and containers is expected.
6. All entries will remain for the duration of the Fair.
7. Exhibits must be maintained in fresh, "show" condition for the duration of the Fair. Exhibits grown in containers with drainage must be provided with suitable saucers. Entries which are deemed too heavy or fragile to be moved may not be accepted. Maintenance/refreshing may be done on receiving days or by previous arrangement with Coordinator.
8. Honorable Mention ribbons will be given in Classes where warranted. Exhibitor may pick up ribbons at Entry Release or provide a stamped, self-addressed mailing envelope to the Coordinator at the time of Entry Receiving.

URBAN GARDENER CONTAINER COMBINATIONS

If you are one of the thousands of Bay Area residents who grow herbs, fruits, and/or vegetables in pots on your balcony or patio, here is your chance to show off your "green thumb" in these Container Contests. This Division is open to any group or individual, including families and youth, this year offering more placings and higher value prizes.

AWARDS OFFERED DIVISION 100

1 st Place	\$130
2 nd Place	\$120
3 rd Place	\$100
4 th Place	\$80
5 th Place	\$75

AWARDS OFFERED DIVISION 101

1 st Place	\$30
2 nd Place	\$25
3 rd Place	\$20
4 th Place	\$15

DIVISION 100 – LARGE CONTAINER GARDENS

An attractive produce garden in well-integrated large containers (one or several) using approximately 6 - 12 square feet of growing surface, (comparable to area of top of soil in eight 12 inch pots or a 3 ft by 2-4 ft container) which may be grouped on several levels. Suitable containers might be large flowerpots, barrels, 5 gallon containers, etc. or a vertical structure. Use your imagination. Each display will be staged within a 4'x4' area on the floor; so, exhibitor must provide any stand(s) and saucers needed. A minimum of 3 varieties of herbs, fruits, and/or vegetable plants must be used. Containers must be well-filled with mature, well developed plants, though produce need not be ready for harvest.

CLASS:

1. Large Container Garden – individual exhibitor
2. Large Container Garden – group project

DIVISION 101 – SMALL CONTAINER GARDENS

CLASS:

1. Hanging Basket Garden - An attractive grouping of at least 3 kinds of fruit, vegetable and/or herb plants growing in a 10-12" container suitable for hanging. Edible flowers may be included
2. Salad Jardinière – An attractive grouping of at least 3 kinds of salad vegetables &/or edible flowers in a 10-12" container. Think leaf lettuce, cherry tomatoes, nasturtium, basil, chilies, etc. Stand is optional.
3. Kitchen Herb Jar – A mixed grouping of at least 3 kinds of herbs growing together in a 10-12" container as might be used for gathering cooking herbs outside the kitchen door. Stand is optional.

AGRICULTURAL CRAFTS & DO-AHEADS

AWARDS OFFERED DIVISIONS 108 -109

- 1st Place \$35
- 2nd Place \$30
- 3rd Place \$20

DIVISION 108 - AGRICULTURAL WALL OR DOOR DECORATION

A shaped vine or straw wreath or similar organic material form at least 16" wide attractively decorated by the exhibitor with real produce, grains, etc. which will remain attractive for several weeks. Think garlic, dried peppers, &/or nuts. Shape need not be round, but must be provided with a ring/hook for hanging. Materials may be purchased.

CLASS:

1. Agricultural Wall/Door Decoration

DIVISION 109 - MY EDIBLES GARDEN PLAN

A display illustrating an **exhibitor-designed** real or imagined small 'edibles' garden, including a sketch showing position of features, locations & names of plants, with sun/wind orientation & site conditions that affect your choice of plantings and simple drawings or photos of the 'look' of the garden. Any special considerations such as companion planting, water conservation and pest management should be briefly noted. Elements should be mounted together on poster board or foam board (approx. 20"x30") and arranged for hanging or self-standing. This is an idealized plan, which may show conditions in your own garden or only in your imagination. Judging will be based on appropriate overall design and choice/placement of plant material. (See also Garden Plan in Floral Div 472)

CLASS:

1. Edibles Garden Plan

Special Contests Scorecard

Creativity & Condition	45
Craftsmanship	35
Functionality	20
Total	100

HORTICULTURE/PRODUCE

FIRST JUDGING

AWARDS OFFERED

- 1st Place \$5
- 2nd Place \$4
- 3rd Place \$3

RULES:

1. All entries must have been grown by the exhibitor.
2. Items will be judged only once, but retained on view as long as viable throughout the Fair.

DIVISION 114 - FRESH HERBS

Herbs must be bunched with 6"- 8" stems and ready to place in a container provided by Fair.

CLASS:

1. Basil
2. Bay
3. Chive
4. Mint
5. Oregano
6. Parsley
7. Rosemary
8. Sage
9. Any other variety - specify

APIARY

AWARDS OFFERED

- 1st Place \$5
- 2nd Place \$4
- 3rd Place \$3

RULES:

1. All entries of extracted, infused and/or chunk honey must be submitted in two identical clear glass or plastic containers of at least 1 lb. (16 oz.) capacity (such as "queenline" and "chunk" honey jars) with clean lids and one small sample in a clean, disposable, closed container (e.g. 'take-out' dipping sauce, pill bottle) for tasting.
2. Attach label or tape with matching entry number on the bottom of each product (jar) & tasting sample comprising each class of your entries. (Division & Class # on label is advisable to make it easier for you, especially if you are entered in several classes). Online entries will have entry number printed for each entry on your receipt. If you do not know the entry number, please notify us when you arrive with your entry, so that we can give you that information. No other labels or marks should be affixed to the containers or lids.

DIVISION 140 - APIARY

CLASS:

1. USDA "water or extra white"
2. USDA "white"
3. USDA "light or extra light amber"
4. USDA "amber"
5. USDA "dark"
6. Creamed honey
7. Chunk pack, surrounded by extracted honey, any color.
8. Comb honey - any type (round, cut chunk). Two appropriate packs & testing sample.
9. Honey gift pack - containing at least 1 lb. of honey in an attractive gift package
10. Extracting frame - Frame may be of any depth, but must be displayed in a protective mounting covered by glass.
11. Beeswax - a single block, minimum weight 1 lb.
12. Beeswax candles, molded or dipped - 1 pair.
13. Beeswax based cosmetic - two display containers & one disposable sample container. (Include list of ingredients)
14. Any other handmade wax or honey-based product (identify) or design - include items(s) for display & one testing sample if appropriate. (Include list of ingredients)

Honey Scorecard

Viscosity/Density	25
Clarity	25
Uniformity (honey, container, volume)	20
Flavor & Aroma (freshness)	15
Color & Brightness	15
Total	100



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