



Greenwich Dahlia Society 15th Annual Dazzling Dahlia Show



2023 Show Schedule

Saturday, September 30

Final Entries	7:00 am – 11:00 am
Judging	11:30 am – 2:00 pm
Awards	2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Sunday, October 1

Public Viewing	10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Sale of Flowers	3:00 pm

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In Memory of Ruth Getty Coulter

Vera Blankley	Phoebe Lindsay
Vikki Cappiali	Fran & Elliot Miller
Bharti Chojar	Lisa Moser
Barbara Collier	Anita O'Sullivan
Fairfield House & Garden	Marjorie Schnerr
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GREENWICH DAHLIA SOCIETY

President	Vikki Cappiali
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SHOW COMMITTEE

Chairs	Lisa Moser Vikki Cappiali
Judges & Classification Awards	Vikki Cappiali Barbara Collier Ann Finaly Marjorie Schnerr
Clerks/Volunteers	Vera Blankley Lisa Moser Joy Patafio
Floral Arrangements	Bharti Chojar
Hospitality	Alex Friedman Ken Pojman
Poster & Program Design	Alana Kontos
Sale of Flowers	Phoebe Lindsay Vikki Cappiali
At Large	Julie DiRaimondo Ellen Greenberg Jean Larkin Wendy Lyon

Welcome to the Show

The Greenwich Dahlia Society, is part of the Greenwich Botanical Center, welcomes you to its 15th Annual Dazzling Dahlia Show in the beautiful Montgomery Pinetum Park. We look forward to greeting old friends and new exhibitors as they bring their beautiful blooms to compete for trophies and awards. We welcome all visitors and know that they will marvel at the wonderful forms, colors and abundance of blooms, which will all be for sale when the Show closes on Sunday afternoon.

The Show is open to all exhibitors who can bring named homegrown blooms. If you are new to exhibiting and need help, our members will be glad to assist you.

We are grateful for the experience of American Dahlia Society judges who come from throughout the region and we thank the GBC staff, all our volunteers and sponsors who make the Show possible.

We congratulate 2022 year's trophy winners: Jesse Peterson, Fran & Elliot Miller, Leonard & Kristine Nicolosi, and Barton Buffington. We also congratulate Abigail Boyer as a New Exhibitor.

We look forward to seeing you, your friends and many spectacular blooms at the Dazzling Dahlia Show.

Thank you from the Show Co-Chairs & GBC President.

Lisa

Lisa Moser

Vikki

Vikki Cappiali

Phoebe

Phoebe Lindsay

ADS DAHLIA CLASSIFICATION GUIDE

The 2023 ADS Classification and Handbook of Dahlias will be the reference guide used for this show.

OPEN SECTIONS

1 AA	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)	3 AA	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)
1 A	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)	3 A	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)
1 B	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)	3 B	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)
1 BB	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)	3 BB	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)
1 Min	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)	3 Min	(FD) (ID) (SC) (C/IC/LC)

Ball - 1 & 3 Bloom

Miniature Ball - 1 & 3 Bloom

Pompon - 1 & 3 Bloom

Stellar - 1 & 3 Bloom

Waterlily - 1 & 3 Bloom

Peony - 1 & 3 Bloom

Anemone - 1 & 3 Bloom

Collarette - 1 & 3 Bloom

Single - 1 & 3 Bloom

Mignon Single - 1 & 3 Bloom

Orchid - 1 & 3 Bloom

Orchette - 1 & 3 Bloom

Novelty Open (NO) - 1 & 3 Bloom

Novelty Fully Double (NX) - 1 & 3 Bloom

Micro - 1 & 3 Bloom

SPECIAL SECTIONS

Largest Bloom

Best 2023 Introduction - Large 1AA/A/B/BB Small (All other size forms)

New Seedling 1st, 2nd, 3rd Year

BASKET SECTION

AA, A, B	5 Blooms
BB, BALL, MB, ST, WL	7 Blooms
Micro, Miniature, Pom, Novelty (NX)	13 Blooms
Open-centered	9 Blooms
Mignon Single	13 Blooms
Best Basket in Show	Best of all tri-color

Mixed colors of the same formation and extra foliage permitted. Dahlia foliage required with additional dahlia and non-dahlia foliage enhancement permitted. Label basket on bottom for return.

GRAND SLAM BASKET SECTION

Any form, size or color of dahlias may be used. Stage for frontal view. Any complementary foliage can be used. No other flowers or buds allowed. All other basket rules apply. Sponsored by Carolyn Gilbert

COURT OF HONOR

Best Fully Double Bloom in Show

Best Fully Double 3 Blooms in Show

Best Open Center Bloom in Show – Best 3 Open Center Blooms in Show

Best Basket in Show

Largest Bloom in Show **(must be blue ribbon winner)**

King of Show Best AA in Show Princess of Show Best BB in Show

Queen of Show Best A in Show Duke of Show Best Min in Show

Prince of Show Best B in Show

Best 3AA in Show

Best 3A in Show

Best 3B in Show

Best 3 BB in Show

Best 3 Min in Show

Best Ball - 1 and 3 Blooms

Best Miniature Ball - 1 and 3 Blooms

Best Pompon - 1 and 3 Blooms

Best Stellar - 1 and 3 Blooms

Best Waterlily - 1 and 3 Blooms

Best Novelty Fully Double - 1 and 3 Blooms

Best Peony - 1 and 3 Bloom

Best Anemone - 1 and 3 Bloom

Best Novelty Open - 1 and 3 Blooms

Best Collarette - 1 and 3 Bloom

Best Orchid - 1 and 3 Bloom

Best Orchette - 1 and 3 Blooms

Best Single - 1 and Bloom

Best Mignon Single - 1 and 3 Bloom

Best 2023 Introduction - 1AA/A/B/
BB or smaller

Best Seedling 1st, 2nd, 3rd Year
Best Micro

NEW GROWER OR NOVICE SECTION

Best AA A

Best B

Best BB

Best Min, Micro

Best Ball, Mini Ball, Pom

Best Waterlily, Stellar,

Novelty Double

Best of all Open Center

GENERAL RULES

1. This show is open to all. No entry fee will be charged. Membership of either the Greenwich Dahlia Society or the Greenwich Botanical Center is not a requirement for exhibitors.
2. Competitive exhibits will be placed from 7:00 to 11:00am on Saturday, September 30. Judging will start promptly at 11:30am on Saturday, September 30.
3. Any unclassified blooms must be submitted to the classification table **no later than 10:00 a.m. on September 30 in order to be classified**. An unclassified bloom is one that is not listed in any C&H. Unclassified blooms will not be judged.
4. All entries must have been grown by the exhibitor.
5. All exhibitors should register at the registration desk upon arrival at the GBC.
6. Seedling dahlias may be exhibited in any section. (See pages 10-11 in the 2022 Classification Book.)
7. All entries not correctly labeled with variety name, class and the exhibitor's name and number on the entry tags provided by GDS will be disqualified. An exhibitor's name will be concealed before entry is placed.
8. Baskets: Dahlias may be mixed of the same type and size, except Grand Slam Section. Baskets must have a handle. Dahlia foliage is required with additional greenery permitted. No buds or flowers other than dahlias are permitted.
9. Artificial support of blooms above the top of the container is prohibited.
10. Up to three entries of the same variety may be entered from one garden in any class.
11. Judges will be guided by the latest ADS classification as to type, color, and size in all dahlia classes unless otherwise noted. ADS judging rules will be followed.
12. Judges decisions are final.
13. Only judges and clerks will be allowed on the show floor during the judging.
14. No exhibit may be removed from the hall at any time after judging. All blooms shall be the property of the show committee, to be disposed of at their discretion at the close of the show.

15. Judges will award blue ribbons if entry is worthy of consideration for contention as a tri-color winner.

16. Three-bloom classes require three blooms of the same variety to be arranged in container provided by GDS.
17. The Committee reserves the right to make additional rules, classes, or to change the schedule as may become necessary; or to remove from the table, before or after judging, any exhibit it considers to be in poor condition.
18. Judges may not participate in decisions involving their own interests or entries. If a substitute judge is required, that judge should sign the appropriate clerk sheet.
19. **All single and three-bloom entries must have at least one pair of leaves.**
20. The Artistic Dahlia Arrangement must feature dahlias, but other flowers, foliage and props may be used. These entries will not be judged.
21. A New Exhibitor is defined as a grower who has exhibited 5 years or less and won 3 or less tri-color ribbons at an ADS sanctioned show. This restriction pertains to all members of the same family, other than children under the age of 18 years of age.
22. While the Greenwich Dahlia Society and the Greenwich Botanical Center will exercise due caution in safeguarding exhibits, responsibility for damage, loss or personal injury cannot be assumed.

SPECIAL SECTION TROPHIES

Best Bloom in Show - Sponsored by Fairfield House & Garden

Best Open Center Bloom in Show - Sponsored In Memory of
Ruth Getty Coulter

Best Basket in Show - Sponsored by Barbara Collier

Best 3 Bloom in Show - Sponsored by Anita O'Sullivan

Best 3 Open Center Blooms in Show - Fran & Elliot Miller

Largest Bloom in Show - Sponsored by Vikki Cappiali

Blue Ribbon Trophy - Sponsored by Vera Blankley
For new exhibitors with the most Blue ribbons.

AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY BRONZE MEDAL

Best New Seedling in Show

ADS SEEDLING BENCH EVALUATION

The American Dahlia Society seedling bench evaluation for 2022 is offered in cooperation with the ADS and is open to all exhibitors. All must follow the rules for entries and judging, as printed in the latest edition of the *2023 Classification and Handbook of Dahlias listed on ADS website*.

ARTISTIC DAHLIA ARRANGEMENT

Dahlias must be the predominate flower, but other plant material from the garden is encouraged. No size restriction. All materials must be natural or dried natural. Dahlias grown by others are permissible. To be displayed on pedestals approximately 42 inches high with a 14 – 16 inch square top.

Not to be judged.

VISIT US ONLINE

Information about The Greenwich Dahlia Society of the Greenwich Botanical Center can be found at the GBC's website, **www.greenwichbotanicalcenter.org**

or by calling 203-869-9242.

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