



2022 Yearbook

Leaside Garden Society

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Our Mission

To establish a friendly meeting place to share, encourage, award and educate on the fundamental values and principles of gardening, concerns about the environment and to create a horticultural legacy within the community; **to be an inspiration for gardening everywhere**.

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Monthly Meetings and Speakers

The Leaside Garden Society traditionally meets nine times each year at the Leaside Public Library. However, until this pandemic has officially been declared over, we have planned a terrific programme of interesting and informative presentations online via Zoom. Before every Zoom meeting, each member will receive an invitation via email to join the meeting with the necessary link. All Zoom meetings will start at 7:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month (except July, August and December) until further notice. We hope that by the end of the year we will be able to meet in person. We will let you know if this happens! Just a reminder: Yearly membership is \$25, single; \$30, family. Guests are always welcome.

2022 Programme

(All speakers are scheduled to give online presentations. Formats may change when the COVID situation improves.)

January 13	Gardens of Scotland Heinke Thiessen
February 10	Orchids Tena Van Andel
March 10	Rain Gardens Rain Gardens United: Marc Yamaguchi
April 14	Container Gardening and Soil Preparation Anna Leggatt
May 12	Space Invaders: Invasive Species Richard Dickinson and Spring Sharing Virtual Show
June 9	Planting for the Fall Paul Gellatly

Monthly Meetings and Speakers (continued)

June 18	Magical Gardens of Leaside Tour		
	11 a.m.–4 p.m.		
	and June Show		
	12:30 p.m3:30 p.m. at Leaside Library		
September 8	Pesto Pizzazz!		
	Yvonne Tremblay		
September 10	September Show		
	12:30 p.m3:30 p.m. at Leaside Library		
October 13	Wild, Weird and Wacky Weather		
	David Chapman		
November 10	Annual General Meeting		
	with a Special Presentation by		
	We the Roots: Hydroponics in Leaside		

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Virtual Garden Tour— Karen Keay's garden

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The Ontario Horticultural Association (OHA) is a volunteer, charitable organization whose mission is to provide leadership and assist in the promotion of education and interest in all areas of horticulture and related environmental issues in Ontario, through an expanding network of horticultural societies dedicated to the beautification of their communities. The OHA is the umbrella organization for the 270 garden and horticultural societies in the province. For ease of administration and to give a sense of community the province is divided into 19 Districts. District directors oversee and support the societies in their districts, acting as sources of information and facilitating liaison with the umbrella body (the OHA) and between societies. District 5 encompasses 15 societies, Leaside Garden Society being one of them.

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Schedule of Events

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Blue and gold Spiderwort entered into one of the shows by Christine Simmons

Presidents' Message

As the saying goes: "Hope springs eternal," and that is certainly true of gardeners in general and the members of the Leaside Garden Society in particular. Indeed, it could be said that gardeners are the perfect models of optimism and patience. This time last year we were hoping that the pandemic would soon be over and that we would once again be able to meet with family and friends. Instead, we endured a very difficult winter and spring, but we still clung to the hope that by the fall and winter life would be back to normal. But here we are again, facing another spring of virtual meetings. The good news is that we have a fantastic line-up of speakers for the coming year; our shows will go on (virtually as need be) and we are planning a plant sale to raise funds for the scholarship that was put on hold in 2021. And of course, we hope that before the summer arrives, we will be able to see one another at LGS meetings in person.

What gives us reason to be hopeful? You, our members, who have stayed with us through thick and thin, who donated so generously to our very successful members-only plant sale, who shared photos of their plants and gardens for a virtual tour, and who volunteered in so many ways throughout the year to keep the society strong and the community gardens blooming. We are especially grateful for the ongoing support from the board who have worked so hard, and stayed hopeful, during another challenging year.

We do hope that you will continue to find the time to help in whatever way you can to support the health of the society. The board is always happy to welcome new faces, but if that is not your thing there will be opportunities to plant annuals hopefully (once again with the children from the local schools); to maintain and water the gardens at the library; to help find the best front gardens in Leaside and Bennington Heights, and so much more!

We hope to see you at our meetings and other events, live or not, throughout 2022!

Joanna and Nora



A collection of flowers entered by Joanna Blanchard in the September show

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Life Memberships

Alice Carriman Ella Irving Helen Koyama Bev Money June Murdoch Barry Schneider

The criteria to honour a member with life membership in a horticultural society are long-time membership and continued interest in horticulture. It serves as recognition of participation in the society and contribution to its programmes. A member so honoured receives a Life Membership Certificate and card.

Leaside Garden Society Code of Conduct

A guiding principle of the Leaside Garden Society (LGS) is that everyone is entitled to be treated with courtesy and respect at all times. Although the LGS promotes freedom of expression and open communication, we expect all members to adhere to this principle.

The Code of Conduct is available in detail on our website or on request in hard copy from the president.

Archives

Our Archive Team met at the library recently to file items that were collected since the beginning of the pandemic. It was great to be able to work together to accomplish this after such a long time. We are continuing to collect materials that record each year's meetings and other activities and capture the major challenges and many successful transitions which LGS has experienced as we continue in this "virtual" pattern. It appears at this time that virtual meetings will continue into 2022 at least for the earlier part of the year and possibly much longer. Our collection of materials will continue to show how events and activities were handled during these unusual times.

Linda Wickland, Mary Bailey, Mary Slinn, and Sheila Whiteley

Community Planting

For over two decades, the LGS has maintained the gardens at Lyndhurst Centre. Every Monday morning from April to October, a group of members and non-members meet at Lyndhurst to plant, water, and weed the gardens. They continue to be a source of pleasure for the staff and patients and bring a feeling of satisfaction to the volunteers. A small team of volunteers also maintains the three gardens at the Leaside Library. This comprises mostly of weeding and watering but also includes the planting of bulbs in the autumn for spring bloom.

We are anticipating a renovation of the entrance garden by Parks staff in the spring of 2022 to include more pollinating perennials. Staff and the public often comment on the beauty provided at both sites and this makes the work even more gratifying. These projects will continue in 2022. We are always looking for volunteers, even for a short commitment

Barry Schneider

"Fun-Raiser"

This is fun for all participants at the monthly meetings and brings in some resources for the society's various programmes: the gardens by the library, at Lyndhurst, and at a few elementary schools in the neighbourhood. The prizes are chosen with gardeners in mind, often seasonal and occasionally surprising! Sadly, we are unable to have our in-person fun-raiser during the pandemic. But when we are able to meet, the prize table will be ready!

Gardens of Distinction

"You fight dandelions all week-end, and late Monday afternoon there they are, pert as all get out, in full and gorgeous bloom, pretty as can be, thriving as only dandelions can in the face of adversity." *Hal Borland, Sundial of the Seasons, 1964*

The year 2021 marked the eighth year of recognizing front gardens with a Garden of Distinction award. Our adversity with the pandemic continued, but so did our judging of front gardens in Leaside, Bennington Heights, and new this year Kilgour Estate.

Our committee walked the streets of our wonderful community and were able to award nine Garden of Distinction awards.

The winning gardens were chosen from dozens of outstanding gardens that made the committee's decision a worthy exercise in debate and insight. In the end we found these nine gardens to have a special appeal on our senses associated with qualitative criteria such as cohesiveness of design, variety of plant materials, use of hard landscaping, use of accent materials, use of colour, and maintenance/care.

The winning front Gardens of Distinction can be found at the following addresses: 184 Noel Avenue, 8 Rolland Road, 116 Bessborough Drive, 70 Donegall Drive, 107 Bessborough Drive, 330 Bessborough Drive, 298 Laird Drive, 25 Rykert Crescent, and 69 Brentcliffe Road

Honourable Mention goes to 102 Leacrest Road and 98 Parklea Drive.

I would like to thank all of the committee members for their vigorous effort walking the streets of Leaside, Bennington Heights and Kilgour Estate, eyes attuned to gardens while being pandemic careful—Joanna Blanchard, Deborah Browne, Bernice Holman,

Karen Keay, Helen Koyama, Karen Martin, Jane Monteith, as well as our beloved President Nora Campbell who had the honour to present the awards to some very excited and humbled homeowners.

Jim Hartley

Garden Tour

Once again this year, the Magical Gardens of Leaside Tour was a virtual event. We asked members to send in photos of their garden, either in the city or the country, with a maximum of six photos per member. The committee this year was comprised of Bernice Holman, Connie Uetrecht, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Joanna Blanchard, Karen Keay and myself. We met regularly from mid-September to early November with almost daily meetings at the end when the deadline was approaching. Special thanks to Karen's son Connor without whom the end result may not have been possible! The response from our membership was quite extraordinary with 28 members participating and a total of 175 photos received, including some of the Leaside Library garden, the Canoe and the Lyndhurst gardens which were taken by some of our members. We also requested that members write a short caption for each photo, some of which were quite entertaining. If a member so wished, we suggested that they take a photo of a similar area of their garden at different seasons. Others preferred to send close-ups of their peony or geranium or a stunning photo of their garden after the rain. In the end, we received some wonderful photos which showcased the varied gardens of our members. To find the tour link, go to the society's website at www.leasidegardensociety.org. We hope to see you next year on the tour!

Margaret Rousseau

Junior Gardeners and Community Outreach

The pandemic has not allowed us to organize any bus trips or public plantings with the children. We hope to continue our programmes with the children later on.

Helen Koyama

Membership

In 2021 the Leaside Garden Society had 97 members and welcomed 11 new members. The love of gardening brings together a diverse group of individuals. The Leaside Garden Society attracts master gardeners and novice gardeners; young, not so young and in-between age gardeners; gardeners of large gardens, small gardens, sunny gardens and shade gardens, balcony gardens and gardens in pots. We come together through monthly meetings to learn from our speakers about many garden-related topics. In 2021 all our meetings were held via ZOOM. Hopefully, in 2022, in-person meetings will be able to resume later in the year. We were able to continue with Gardens of Distinction awards and the Community Garden Award. We continued with our plantings and maintenance of the gardens at the Library, including the Butterfly garden and also the gardens at Lyndhurst. We held a virtual Plant Sale for members only with members' plants and also had a virtual Garden Tour of members' gardens. We publish a monthly newsletter with excellent articles and information which keeps us connected and informed. Please renew your membership for 2022 and please encourage others to join our group of happy gardeners. Everyone is welcome and made to feel welcome!

Christine Simmons

Newsletter

The newsletter is published nine times a year and is sent to members by email about a week before each of the monthly meetings. Each edition contains information on the upcoming meeting and also includes news of LGS happenings, OHA events, TBG news, gardening tips, and general horticultural and environmental information. There are still some members who receive the newsletter by Canada Post, but we encourage transmission by email so you will receive it several days earlier, in colour, and it stores easily for future reference. The newsletter is a good way to stay in touch if you are unable to attend a meeting.

Eileen Fitzpatrick

Plant Sale

The LGS virtual plant sale was a resounding success!

Having paused the plant sale in 2020, and with pandemic restrictions still in effect, the society was motivated to come up with a new format. After some brainstorming sessions and much discussion, a "virtual" plant sale was decided on. Members divided their perennials, potted up extra seedlings and posted descriptions and photos of the plants that they had available. Arrangements for payment and pick-up provided an opportunity for a little socially distanced interaction—an added bonus, as we had all missed seeing each other.

The funds that were raised will assist the society in providing the LGS Founders' Scholarship in 2022.

It couldn't have happened without you! A big THANK YOU to all who participated and made the sale such a success.

Karen Keay and Karen Martin

Photography Competition

The Photography Competition is held yearly to select the photo that will become the cover photo of the yearbook for the following year. The photo is also used on other promotional activities such as the bookmark. The competition is only open to Leaside Garden Society members. Members can submit up to three photos taken within the year. All the details on how to enter the competition can be found on page 47 of the yearbook. The winner of the photography competition for the 2022 yearbook cover is Allan Caister for his photograph of Butterfly Weed.

Christine Simmons

Publicity

We have had another different year in 2021 of living through COVID-19 times and experienced how it affects public relations and our personal lives. Notifications were sent to our publications regarding our monthly Speaker Series that are continuing to be held online successfully with the Zoom platform.

Press Releases about special events such as the Community Award and updates were sent monthly to 10 publications. This also includes online gardening magazine sites. We have had an excellent response and positive feedback from the editors and publishers regarding our programme and our ability to continue as an organization through these unprecedented times. There were a number of new members too. During these times this makes perfect sense as it is good to be connected and gain some stimulation and knowledge through the Speaker Series.

The publication Neighbours of Leaside & Bennington Heights magazine continues to support our society with special featured articles and photos that have been submitted. Recently in the November issue, the magazine included a half page article with two photos about our Community Award winner and the other runners-up.

Since LGS was unable to have an in-person Garden Tour last year, we had a virtual garden tour of the members' gardens. Thank you to Margaret and the committee for all the hard work and hours, as the end result was very relaxing and beautiful to watch. The tour was posted on our website thanks to Malcolm. As we had to do the same thing this year, we are planning to have 2021's virtual garden tour on the website too. This provides wonderful exposure that is also free to watch by anyone interested in gardening and our society. Note cards and bookmarks will be available soon.

Other publications such as the East York Chronicle, Landscape Ontario, Hi Rise News, South Bayview Bulldog, Garden Making, Leaside Streeter, I Can Garden, Mark Cullen's newsletter, OHA Trillium and of course Leaside Life have been super supporters. They love to receive news!! Please let

Activity Reports for 2021 (continued)

me know if there is anything that you would like to be publicized such as special articles. Be sure to Reach for The Sky!



Virtual Garden Tour-Deborah Browne's garden

Deborah Browne

Refreshments

Until we meet again, bring a cup of tea or other refreshment and your favourite treat to our Zoom meetings.

Brooke Weslak

Shows

The virtual nature of our shows this year has enticed more of our members to participate in our shows during the COVID lockdown. The Show Team would like to thank the 24 members who shared photos of the bounty of their gardening. They include: Janet Ahier, Joanna Blanchard, Sheila Bražys, Deborah Browne, Nora Campbell, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Heather Gray, Ray Greene, Christine Halpern, Jim Hartley, Karen Keay, Anna Leggatt, Karen Martin,

Activity Reports for 2021 (continued)

Kathy Martin, Michele Petick, Margaret Rousseau, Marilyn Sanders, Christine Simmons, Barry Schneider, Ted Tritchew, Carol Twine, Connie Uetrecht, Brooke Weslak, and Jane Wilson.

There were three virtual shows in May, June and September. The May Sharing Show focused on a photo of a container-grown flowering or foliage plant, herb or favourite bloom from our gardens. Members were requested to share something special about the bloom or plant they shared. Eleven people participated. A PowerPoint presentation was sent to all members for their viewing.

For our June Show, entries were solicited in five classes, one photo per member per class:

Rose,

Any perennial or biennial,

A flowering plant grown in a container,

A terrarium or planter containing three or more cultivars, and A design in a basket, "Flower Girl's Basket"

Eighteen members participated, submitting 41 photos for sharing. A PowerPoint presentation was sent out by email to members in July.

For our September Virtual Show, we encouraged members to enter photos that were taken when their flowers and vegetables were at their peak. For this non-judged show, we solicited one photo per member from each of the following categories:

Any Cut Specimen—a single flower or foliage Collection of mixed flowers

A growing plant or plants in a container

Any edible fruit or vegetable on the plant or on a plate

A miniature design-An Appetizer for a Thanksgiving Dinner

Fourteen members submitted 42 entries for display in a PowerPoint presentation which was shared with members in October. Thank you to Joanna Blanchard for preparing the show.

Connie Uetrecht

Website

Visit our website for information on the current happenings of the society. You will find the list of speakers and topics for every meeting in 2022, upcoming events, newsletters and much more. Please visit us at www.leasidegardensociety.org.

Malcolm Geast

Yearbook

The yearbook contains all the information you need to know as a member of the Leaside Garden Society. This includes contact information for all board members, activity reports, OHA events, the programme for our monthly meetings and detailed show information.

Carolyn Metcalfe



Virtual Garden Tour-Karen Keay's garden

Leaside Garden Society Founders' Scholarship

Due to the pandemic and the uncertainty that went with it we decided not to award a scholarship in 2021. However, as the New Year approaches we find ourselves in a healthy financial position, so we have decided to go ahead in 2022. During the winter and spring the committee will be advertising, reviewing applications and making a final recommendation to the board, with the hope that a worthy candidate will be presented with the scholarship in the fall.

Joanna Blanchard



Virtual Garden Tour-Eileen Fitzpatrick's garden

President's Award—Barry Schneider

Barry, with a few volunteers, has devoted hundreds of hours refurbishing and maintaining all eight gardens at Lyndhurst. The patients, their families and the staff are most appreciative of the beautiful results of all the work done. (Consider joining Barry and volunteering for an hour or two any Monday morning from May through till October, at the top end of Sutherland Drive.) Barry also has enhanced and maintained the Commemorative Garden at Leaside Public Library, keeping our boxwood logo looking healthy and the plantings attractive for this Leaside landmark. His dedication is a genuine bonus to our society. Barry deserves our sincere thanks for his contributions to maintaining the beauty of these public gardens.

Nora Campbell

June Murdoch Award—Karen Keay and Karen Martin

This award is presented annually to a member who made an exceptional contribution during the past year. It was created as a way of recognizing Past President June Murdoch's contribution to volunteer work within the society. In spite of the challenges of the pandemic, the two Karens stepped up and orchestrated our first virtual plant sale. They spent many hours devising how to do it and created an effective online platform. The sale was a tremendous success! Now they'll have to take turns sharing June's beautiful silver bowl!

Nora Campbell



Virtual Garden Tour— Eileen Fitzpatrick's garden

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Community Garden Award

The Community Garden Award is given to a business or institution, which has brightened up its corner of Leaside with planting or landscaping. Even though it has been a difficult year we were happy to see individual initiative at both Krawchuk Lane and 879 Millwood, where the tenants had put a lot of effort into giving enjoyment to passers-by. Six finalists were presented to the Board, who selected "Aroma Coffee Bar" at the Longo's Plaza as the winner. All spring, summer and autumn they maintained a colourful array of planters on their patio.

President Nora Campbell presented the award to Connie Lau, Manager, and thanked her for all the enjoyment given to pedestrians and customers, remarking that, "The patio made everyone feel that they could be in Europe."

The runners-up were "Avoca Chocolates" at 850 Millwood, Krawchuk Lane, Kelvingrove Apartments, Marant Engineering and 879 Millwood. Each runner-up received a letter signed by Nora.

Bernice Holman



Nora presenting the Community Garden Award to Connie Lau

2021 Show Awards and Points Ranking

No show points or awards were presented in 2021 but we did have two very successful virtual flower shows in the spring and fall, thanks to several members' submissions.

Flower Shows Made Easy

The experience of participating in flower shows can be a very positive and enjoyable part of your membership especially during times of change to our normal life because of COVID-19. We will start the year with a Winter Virtual House Plant Show followd by a Virtual Spring Sharing Show and are hoping to have an in-person show in June and in September. In case we are not able to have a live show at those times, the schedule also includes a plan for virtual shows in June and in September. Virtual shows will not be judged. The tips below, which pertain specifically to in-person shows, also provide information applicable to virtual shows.

• Read over the upcoming show schedule often to see if anything in your garden might fit the categories. Or, stroll around your garden and look for nice individual flowers — most categories request only "1–3 blooms or stems" to enter. Once you have a few prized flowers in mind, find the matching category in the show schedule, and start cutting and conditioning. The Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards handbook, Second Edition, 2019, will help you to understand what the judges are looking for. It can be obtained from the show chair.

TIP: A "bloom" includes any bud with colour, even if it is not fully opened. (See rule #9 on page 31)

• **Grow your own exhibits**. "Cultural" class entries MUST have been grown for at least three months by the exhibitor. Designs, however, can use flowers you've purchased as well as those found in your garden, if you choose.

TIP: Houseplants may only be exhibited once in any threemonth period, and the exhibitor must have owned the plant for at least three months. • Select the best flowers you have for exhibition. Be choosy and examine them closely. Damaged petals, "leggy" plants, pest-nibbled leaves or blooms that are "past their prime" are things a judge will notice.

TIP: Groom all plants, flowers and foliage before showing. Clean the container, top up with fresh soil, wash leaves and remove damaged leaves or petals and insects.

- **Condition your flowers**. Fresh cut flowers should be cut with a sharp knife (and put into warm water immediately) the day before a show and conditioned overnight to look their best. *TIP: Cut flowers prefer water that is room temperature or warmer; roses like hot water.*
- Arrive early to the show so that volunteers can help you fill out show entry tags (see page 30), identify plants if necessary, and help you place your exhibit.

TIP: Use return address labels on both parts of the show entry tag for quick tag completion and keep your yearbook handy with your "exhibitor number" and show schedules.

TIP: You may earn more points if you label your entries with both botanical and common names.

- **Read the show rules and definitions**. (See pages 30–35) *TIP: To qualify, pay strict attention to notations on the show schedule regarding size of container, number of blooms, stems, sprays and overall size of designs.*
- **Display cut flowers attractively**. Arrange flowers to create a pleasing effect. All cultivars in an exhibit should be as nearly alike as possible in size, form, colour and maturity. Generally, blooms should not touch one another or rest on the rim of the container or vase.

TIP: With three flowers, arrange so they are the same height in the container—even if you need to boost the bottom of the stems with newspaper inside the container!

Above all have fun! Think positively and enjoy sharing the best of your gardening.

Rules for Exhibitors for In-Person Judged Shows

In order to exhibit:

- 1. All shows are open to bona fide members of the society for the current year. When two or more members are jointly operating a garden, they cannot compete against each other, except in design classes.
- 2. All flowers, vegetables and fruits, including container grown plants, for the cultural classes must have been grown by the exhibitor for no less than three months unless otherwise stated.

Container grown plants may contain more than one plant, but only one cultivar per pot, except where otherwise stated. Plants may be exhibited once in any three-month period.

- 3. Obtain an entry number from the show coordinator.
- If possible, pick up entry cards from the show coordinator at the monthly meeting prior to the show. (One card per entry.)
- On the show entry card, write your name and entry number, the "Section" and "Class" from the show schedule, the horticultural specimen and design material where possible.

Ceaside Garden Society			EN	
SECTION		class #1		
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EXHIBITOR'S NO123 NAME _Joe and Mary Bloom				
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1ST AWARD	2ND	3RD		
SECTION _	Α	. class <u>_</u> #	<u>±1</u>	
EXHIBITOR'S NO. 123				

Remember to **complete both the top and bottom parts of the entry card** to ensure you receive points for your entry.

6. All entries must be in place and tagged before closing time.

Cultural

- 7. Each entry must be displayed in one container, unless otherwise stated.
- 8. Several types of vases and plates are supplied by the society. The exhibitor may use his/her own container only if so specified in the show schedule.
- 9. Only the **exact number of blooms, sprays, stems**, etc. specified for any class are to be exhibited. More or fewer than the number called for in a class will disqualify that exhibitor. **A bud showing colour is considered a bloom**.
- 10. Entries are limited to two per person in each class except in "any other" classes, in which there is no limit. **Multiple** entries in a class must be of different cultivars.
- 11. The foliage of horticultural specimens may be washed and brushed but not oiled or waxed.
- 12. Collection classes are to be judged from the front unless specified. All material must be grown and arranged by the exhibitor. All collections will be judged horticulturally as well as decoratively.
- 13. Potted plant containers should be of proper size for the plant, clean, unobtrusive and in good condition. The container should not exceed 20 cm (8 inches), unless specified.

Design

- 14. Exhibitors may enter only one design in each class.
- 15. All designs must be the work of the exhibitor, but flowers and other plant material used may be obtained from any source.
- 16. Any type of plant material—living, dried, treated—may be used. A discreet use of painted, treated material and artificial grapes is permitted, but no other artificial material may be used, unless otherwise stated. Accessories are permitted with all designs unless otherwise stated.
- 17. Wiring or tying of flowers as well as other mechanics are permitted but they **should not be visible**, unless they are an integral part of the design.
- 18. All designs are viewed and judged from the front only unless otherwise stated.
- 19. Moving or disturbing any exhibit, other than your own, is not permitted.

Show Committee

- 20. The society's show committee has full charge of staging, judging and handling of all shows as well as any complaints. The show committee reserves the right to make any additional rules deemed necessary for the success of the show.
- 21. Only those designated by the show chair are permitted to enter the show area during the judging.
- 22. At the discretion of the show chair, classes may be subdivided if warranted, e.g. too many entries within the class.
- 23. The show committee may visit or appoint a member to visit the gardens of exhibitors at any time.

Judging

24. For the June and September shows, an accredited judge qualified to judge both horticulture and design.

The judge will assess each entry utilizing the criteria for Design and Horticulture Divisions outlined in the Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards, Second Edition, 2019.

- 25. In Horticultural Sections the judge is looking at:
 - a. the condition of the entry—its physical state (conditioning, cleanliness, free of insects or damage);
 - b. the form of the plant material—whether it is characteristic of that cultivar;
 - c. whether the entry complies with the schedule requirements (e.g. only one stem entered when three are required); and
 - d. whether the entry is "outstanding" of its type.
- 26. In the Design Section, the judge is looking for:
 - a. creativity/originality;
 - b. artistic merit;
 - c. compliance with the schedule (e.g. size of design); and
 - d. the condition of the materials.
- 27. The judge reviews the exhibits in each class for their quality and chooses the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and, where applicable, Honourable Mention for each at their discretion. Occasionally the judge may not award a first-place ribbon if none of the entries is of high enough standard.
- 28. If, in the opinion of the judge, entries in a class are substandard, the entire class may be cancelled. The judge's decision is final.

Show Rules (continued)

- 29. For the June Show the judge chooses the "Best in Show" for each of the Rose, Cultural, and Design sections from the 1st place exhibits. The exhibitor of the 1st place rose will also receive the Frank Comper Rose Award. For the September Show, the judge chooses a "Best in Show" from the 1st place exhibits in the following sections:
 - a. Cut Specimens
 - b. Collections
 - c. Plants Grown in Containers
 - d. Edible Fruit and Vegetables
 - e. Design
- 30. In addition, at each of the June and September shows, the judge may award two "Judge's Choice" ribbons (one in the Cultural section and one in the Design section.

Points

- 31. The show coordinator records and calculates the points after the June and September shows and tallies the total points for the year in order to determine the annual awards. These calculations are reviewed for accuracy by another member of the show committee.
- 32. Points to be awarded are as follows:

	1st	2nd	3rd	HM	
Cultural Classes	6	4	2	1	
Design Classes	8	6	4	2	
Collections	8	6	4	2	
"Best in Show"			5 points		
Honorary "Judge's Choice" Ribbon			no points		

Rules for Participants in Virtual Shows

- 33. All virtual shows are open to bona fide members of the society for the current year.
- 34. All flowers, vegetables, fruit, and container-grown plants must be grown by the participant for no less than three months unless otherwise stated. Designs must be the work of the participant but flowers and plant material may be obtained from any source.
- 35. Photos should be in the best resolution possible. They may be in either portrait or landscape format.
- 36. Virtual shows will not be judged. Participation will be acknowledged in our newsletter.

Definitions

Design: A combination of fresh and/or dried plant materials including vegetables or fruit, with or without other objects, arranged to create an artistic unit. The design may include container(s), base(s) and/or accessories. Unless otherwise specified, the design should be no more than 61 cm (24 inches) in width and depth; height is unlimited.

Design using two containers: A design arranged in two containers to create an artistic unit.

Small Design: A design with dimensions from 13.9 cm to 25.4 cm (5.5 to 10 inches) and which must not exceed 25.4 cm (10 inches) in any direction, including the container, base and/or accessories.

Miniature Design: A design with maximum dimensions of 12.7 cm (5 inches) in any direction including the container, base and/or accessories. For good proportion, the container should not exceed 3.8 cm (1.5 inches) in height.

Thursday, February 10, 2022

The Winter Show will be virtual and will focus on house plants. Beginning in January take photos of your favourite house plants when they are at their peak—flowering or foliage. (e.g. Amaryllis, Paper Whites, a fern, flowering Cyclamen etc.) Send up to two photos to connieuetrecht420@gmail.com, either landscape or portrait, in each of the following classes by February 20.

Class

- 1. Forced bulb or bulbs—you need to have planted it yourself but it is not necessary that you have had it for three months
- 2. Flowering plant in a pot—any size
- 3. Foliage plant—in a pot—any size

The show team will format the photos into a PowerPoint presentation that will be emailed to members in early March.



Coleus overwintered indoors from an outdoor planter entered by Brooke Weslak in the September Virtual Show

Thursday, May 12, 2022

The Spring Sharing Show will be a virtual show with an in-person option if we are able to meet in the library for the May programme.

Theme: Your Choice to Share

Take a photo of a favourite bloom or branch from your garden in the spring of 2022 when it is at its peak. You may enter up to two photos in each of the following classes:

Class

- 1. Tulip—a single stem in a vase or in your garden
- 2. Daffodil—a single stem in a vase or in your garden
- 3. Any other flowering bulb—a single stem in a vase or in your garden
- 4. Flowering branch—one branch of any size in a vase or on the bush
- 5. Flowering perennial—1 to 3 blooms or stems in a vase or a photo of the perennial in your garden

Remember you must have had the plant for at least three months. Send your photos to connieuetrecht420@gmail.com by May 9. Connie will share the photos at the May 12 meeting as a PowerPoint or in an article in the June newsletter.

In the event that we are able to meet in the library on May 12, please bring ONE specimen in one of the classes above to the meeting to share with those in attendance.

Saturday, June 18, 2022 in conjunction with the LGS Garden Tour

Leaside Library 165 McRae Drive

Show run under the Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards, Second Edition, 2019

Entries received 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Judging starts at 10:45 a.m.

Removal of entries between 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

(*Please see the show rules and definitions on pages 30 to 35*) Entries will **not** be received after 10:30 a.m.

Public viewing of the exhibits from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

In the event that we are unable to have a show in the library on June 18, we will have a virtual show with five Classes. These Classes are listed after the June Show schedule.

Cultural—Sections A, B and C

(Please see show rules on pages 30 to 35) Containers will be provided

Section A—Rose

Class

1. Rose, 1 bloom or spray with attached foliage

Section B—Cut Specimens

Class

- 2. Iris, any cultivar, 1 stem
- 3. Aquilegia (Columbine), 3 stems with foliage
- 4. Clematis, 1 flower with foliage
- 5. Heuchera (Coral Bells), foliage, 3 leaves from a single

cultivar

- 6. Paeonia (Peony), 1 bloom
- Any other perennial or biennial, growth habit under 38 cm (15 inches), 3 stems
- Any other perennial or biennial, growth habit at least 38 cm (15 inches), 3 stems
- 9. Any other flowering bulb, corm or tuber, 1 stem, spike or spray
- 10. Hosta foliage, variegated, 1 leaf
- 11. Hosta foliage, plain, 1 leaf
- 12. Hosta foliage, 3 leaves, one from each of three cultivars

Section C—Flowering Branches and Plants Grown in Containers

For classes 15 and 16 container size not to exceed 20 cm (8 inches)

Class

- 13. Flowering branch, not to exceed 91 cm (36 inches)
- 14. Flowering branch, growing in a container
- 15. Foliage plant, growing in a container
- 16. Succulent, includes cactus, not grafted, 1 cultivar
- 17. A terrarium or planter (any size) to contain not less than3 different cultivars; may include cactus and grafted cactus

Section D—Design

Theme: Outdoor Sports

(Please see design rules and definitions on pages 32 to 35) (Accessories will be permitted in all design classes)

Space allotment: 61 cm (24 inches) width and depth, height is unlimited, unless otherwise specified.

June Show (continued)

Class

- 18. *In Play* A design incorporating a piece of sports equipment
- a) **Experienced** exhibitor
- b) Novice exhibitor
- c) Youth
- 19. *Love Game* A design using two containers
- a) **Experienced** exhibitor
- b) Novice exhibitor
- c) Youth
- 20. *Gala Evening* A miniature design
- a) **Experienced** exhibitor
- b) Novice exhibitor
- c) Youth

Virtual Show—If we are unable to have a June Show in person

You do not have to complete an entry form to participate in this show. There will be no judging of your entry, just an opportunity for you to feature your garden flower, plant, planter or design. Please provide your name, the Class your photo represents and the name of your specimen if you know it. Submit ONE photo only per class:

- 1. Rose—one bloom or spray or the rose bush in your garden
- 2. Any perennial or biennial—three stems or the plant growing in your garden
- 3. A flowering plant grown in a container

June Show (continued)

- 4. A planter containing three or more cultivars—we will allow an exception to the three-month ownership rule
- 5. A design—*Gala Evening*—a miniature design

Submit your entries to connieuetrecht420@gmail.com by June 13, 2022. The virtual show will be a Power Point slide show that will be distributed in July.



Queen Elizabeth grandiflora rose entered by Michele Petick in the June Virtual Show

Saturday, September 10, 2022

Leaside Library 165 McRae Drive

Show run under the Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards, Second Edition, 2019

Entries received 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Judging starts at 10:45 a.m.

Removal of entries between 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

(Please see the show rules and definitions on pages 30 to 35)

Entries will **not** be received after 10:30 a.m.

Public viewing of the exhibits from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

In the event that we are unable to have a show in the library on September 10, we will have a virtual show with five Classes. The virtual show will be presented in October. These Classes are listed after the September Show schedule.

Sections A to D—Cultural

(Please see show rules on pages 30 to 35) (Containers will be provided)

Section A: Cut Specimens

Class

- 1. Any Rose, 1 bloom or spray with attached foliage
- 2. Anemone (Japanese Anemone), 1 stem
- 3. Begonia, any type, 1 stem
- 4. Coleus foliage, 1 cultivar, 3 stems
- 5. Coleus foliage, 1 stem of each of 3 different cultivars
- 6. Dahlia, 1 bloom
- 7. Pelargonium (Geranium), 1 stem with foliage
- 8. Hydrangea, any cultivar, 1 head

- 9. Phlox, any colour, 1 stem
- 10. Rudbeckia, 3 stems
- 11. Salvia, any colour, 3 stems
- 12. Sedum, 3 heads
- 13. Any other flower grown as an annual, 3 stems
- 14. Any other perennial or biennial, growth habit under 38 cm (15 inches), 3 stems
- Any other perennial or biennial, growth habit at least 38 cm (15 inches), 3 stems
- 16. Any other flowering bulb, corm or tuber, 1 stem
- 17. Ornamental grass or sedge, variegated, 1 cultivar, 3 stems
- 18. Ornamental grass or sedge, solid, 1 cultivar, 3 stems
- 19. Ornamental grass or sedge, 1 stem of each of 3 different cultivars
- Any flowering or fruiting branch, not to exceed 91 cm (36 inches)

Section B: Collections

(All collections must be displayed in the exhibitor's own containers)

Class

- 21. Collection of foliage only (foliage to be named)
- 22. Collection of mixed flowers, more is better (flowers to be named)
- 23. Collection of cut herbs, more is better (herbs to be named)

Section C: Plants Grown in Containers

(For classes 24, 26, 28, 32, and 33 container size not to exceed 20 cm (8 inches). NO size limit for other classes)

Class

24. Succulent (includes cactus, not grafted) 1 cultivar

- 25. A mixture of succulents and/or cacti (includes grafted cactus)
- 26. Herb, named, 1 cultivar
- 27. A mixture of herbs in a container
- 28. A plant grown for its foliage, 1 cultivar
- 29. A mixed planter, predominately foliage
- 30. Flowering plant, 1 cultivar
- 31. A mixed planter, predominately flowering plants (can include foliage plants as accents)
- 32. Trailing plant, 1 cultivar
- 33. Orchid

Section D: Edible Fruit and Vegetables

(Plates will be provided)

Class

- 34. A cluster of tomatoes (2 or more), 1 cultivar, with calyx, growing together (natural variation in maturity is permitted)
- 35. Tomatoes (3), 1 cultivar, with calyx
- 36. A collection of tomatoes, 1 (with calyx) from each of 3 or more different cultivars, named
- 37. Any fruit (3), 1 cultivar
- 38. Any vegetable (1)
- 39. A collection of at least 3 different kinds of fruit and/or vegetables

Section E: Design

Theme: Field to Table

Please see design rules and definitions on pages 32 to 35) (Accessories will be permitted in all design categories)

Space allotment: 61 cm (24 inches) width and depth, height is unlimited, unless otherwise specified.

Class

- 40. *Food for Thought* A design contained in a fruit or vegetable
- a) **Experienced** exhibitor
- b) Novice exhibitor
- c) Youth
- 41. *Farmer's Market* A design incorporating at least three fruits and/or vegetables
- a) **Experienced** exhibitor
- b) Novice exhibitor
- c) Youth
- 42. *Colours of Harvest* A small design
- a) **Experienced** exhibitor
- b) Novice exhibitor
- c) Youth

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- 1. Any cut specimen-single flower or foliage
- 2. Collection of mixed flowers—please name the flowers
- 3. A growing plant or plants in a container or planter
- 4. Any edible fruit or vegetable on the plant or on a plate

5. Colours of Harvest-a small design

Submit photos to connieuetrecht420@gmail.com by September 10, 2022. The show team will create a PowerPoint presentation which will be shared with members in October.



Fairy rose entered by Margaret Rousseau in the September Virtual Show



Tomatoes—Sunrise Bumble Bee—entered by Chris Halpern in the September Virtual Show

Photography Competition Process and Rules

The winner of the 2021 photography competition was Allan Caister for his photograph of Butterfly Weed. See his photograph on the cover of this 2022 yearbook! This photograph and the three finalists' photos will also be on our popular note cards and available to purchase.

2022 Photography Competition for 2022 LGS Yearbook Cover

Rules

- Entries which do not adhere to the basic rules will be eliminated from the pre-selection process.
- All entries **must be printed in "portrait" style, 5**" x 7" with a matte finish and no borders.
- Entries are limited to photos taken by a LGS member.
- Subjects of photos do not have to be from the member's own garden.
- A maximum of three prints may be submitted per member.
- All prints must have a corresponding full-sized digital file suitable for use on the yearbook cover if the entry is the winner. Please submit a photograph with the highest resolution possible.
- Entries must be clearly identified with entrant's name, plant or flower variety. Please indicate the top of the image if it is not obvious.

Criteria for Preliminary Judging

- Horticultural relevance
- Composition and design
- Overall photographic quality—please make sure that your entries are in focus
- Artistic impact and interpretation

All entries must be submitted by September 10, 2022. They can be handed in at any monthly meeting or at the September Show on

Photography Competition (continued)

September 10. Preliminary judging will be made by the Photography Committee and the semi-finalists selected. The final vote will be by the members of the LGS in attendance at the October meeting. The winner will be announced at the November meeting.

All entries will be returned after judging is completed. LGS reserves the right to copy and publish any entry in club publicity or use any entry for fundraising projects. Please contact Christine Simmons at christinebsimmons@hotmail.com if you have any questions.



A miniature design, "Beet Soup,"by Sheila Bražys



Virtual Garden Tour-Eileen Fitzpatrick's garden



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One of the Gardens of Distinction-70 Donegall Drive



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