



Ontario Horticultural Association District 2 2025 Photo Competition



Theme – Valley Views

Class 1: **Orange You Nice!** – photo of an orange flower(s) representing the 2024 colour of the year.

Class 2: **Roses Galore** – photo of a Rose bush, branch or single flower (not cut flowers)

Class 3: **Year of the Snake** - photo of a garden with a visiting snake of any kind.

Class 4: **Country Fair** – photo of any horticultural exhibit(s) at a country fair.

Class 5: **District 2 Floral Emblem – The Bloodroot** – Either in a clump or individually.

Class 6: **District 2 Tree - White Pine** – can be 1 tree or several, or a branch showing cones.

Class 7: **Black and White** – A winter scene in black and white (no colour).

All photos must contain:

40% Horticultural Value – *each photo should contain at least 40% plants, fruits or vegetables, flowers, ornamental plants or trees.*

40% Photographic Value – *exposure, clarity, focus, lighting, resolution.*

20% Appearance & Impact – *produces a memorable experience for the viewer.*

Rules:

1. Exhibitors must be a member in good standing of a Horticultural Society within District 2.
2. All photos submitted to be taken within 2021-2025. (If unsure, right click on photo, go to properties, click on details then look for the date the photo was taken.)
3. Entries will be accepted in digital format.
4. Please provide photos in .jpg/.jpeg format with a High Resolution. Photos should be at least 2 mb or larger in size, otherwise they will not show well in the PowerPoint presentation.
5. Photos less than 1 mb will be disqualified. Not all camera phones take high resolution photos.
6. Photos may be adjusted for lighting and colour balance or cropped but should not be enhanced by adding photo elements.

7. Two entries per exhibitor per class.
8. Take care to ensure photos are entered into the correct class. Identify entries as follows: **RENAME** your photos using the following format: **Your Name_Society Name_Class Number** eg: **debrabelleuve_SmithsFalls_Class1_1**. For Society name, please use the full name, not just initials.
9. Please **ATTACH** your photo to your email. Do not INSERT into the email message. Submit your entries to Debra Bellevue by **March 15, 2025**. Photos can be sent by email as an attachment (one photo per email) to district2photos@gmail.com **Subject line: D2 Photo Competition**. Or they can be placed on a memory stick, CD or SD Card and mailed to Debra Bellevue 266 Brockville Street Apt 318, Smiths Falls, ON K7A 0B7. For return of your media (CD/DVD, memory stick or SD Card), please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
10. Winning photos entered in a previous District 2 competition will not be accepted.
11. Please do **not** enter photos with text embedded on them including name or date. They will be disqualified.
12. Photos will be submitted to an external judge. The judge's decision is final.
13. Photos will be presented in a slideshow format at the D2 2025 AGM.
14. The Best in Show winner of the D2 Photo Competition will be presented with a framed print of his/her photo.