



YOUTH COMPETITION  
OHA 114<sup>th</sup> Convention  
London July 2021

- **New awards**

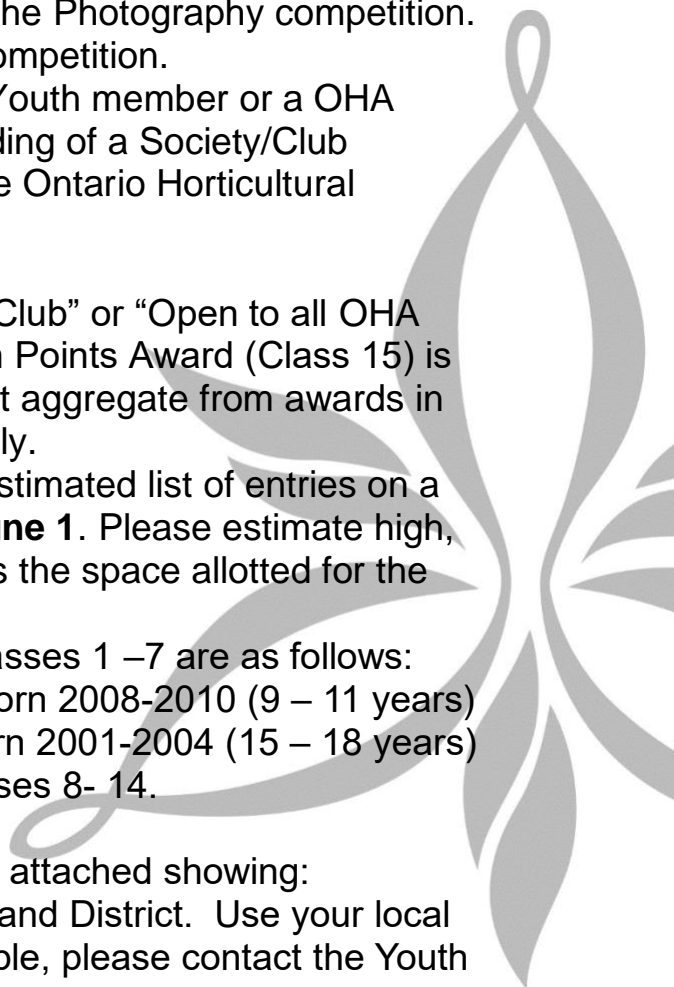
**Host: District 10**

**Theme: Inspired by Nature, Learning Growing, Blooming.**

**Coordinator: Catherine McGill**, 303 Morrison Dr, Caledonia, N3W 1A2  
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1. **Theme:** This competition is inspired by the convention theme and linked to the other competitions through the class title: **“Inspired by Nature, Learning, Growing, Blooming.”** as a means to explore creative expression. There are no Youth classes in the Photography competition. These classes are now part of the Youth Competition.
2. **Eligibility:** Each exhibitor must be a OHA Youth member or a OHA Youth Club Member or leader in good standing of a Society/Club (hereafter Society) in good standing with the Ontario Horticultural Association (OHA).
3. **Entry:**
  - a. Each class is either “Only one entry per Club” or “Open to all OHA youth members”. The Ruby Lobban High Points Award (Class 15) is for the Youth Club with highest total point aggregate from awards in the Youth competition so no need to apply.
  - b. Please provide the coordinator with an estimated list of entries on a **Youth Competitions Entry Form by June 1**. Please estimate high, as the number of entries help determines the space allotted for the Youth Competition.
  - c. Age groupings for Youth Competition Classes 1 –7 are as follows:  
A: Born 2011-2013 (6 – 8 years)    B: Born 2008-2010 (9 – 11 years)  
C: Born 2005-2007 (12-14 years)    D: Born 2001-2004 (15 – 18 years)  
These groupings DO NOT apply for classes 8- 14.

Each entry must have an entry tag securely attached showing:  
Exhibitor’s name, age, Youth Club, Society and District. Use your local Society tags. If you do not have tags available, please contact the Youth



Competition Coordinator.

Dried plant material is material from which the moisture has been removed either naturally or by artificial means. Scarce, protected, or endangered native plants will be disqualified. Refer to Government of Ontario, Ministry of Natural Resources "Endangered Species Act at [www.ontario.ca/speciesatrisk](http://www.ontario.ca/speciesatrisk).

d. Entries at the Convention must be placed Thursday between 6 and 8 p.m. or Friday between 7 and 8 a.m. Judging starts at 9:30 a.m. NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED

e. Permission form must accompany EACH Youths entry- 1 per youth, Permission to use the youth's name/ age /details in OHA publications.

4. **Judging:** Criteria vary and are outlined in the schedule. Judging and placements will be based on merit. Honorable Mention (HM) placements may be awarded at the Judge's discretion. Judges may withhold an award if, in their opinion, an exhibit is not worthy. The Judge's decision is final.

5. **Awards:**

Classes 1-9: OHA ribbons and cash prizes

1<sup>st</sup> prize: \$5 (5 points), 2<sup>nd</sup> prize: \$4 (4 points), 3<sup>rd</sup> prize: \$3 (3 points) HM (up to 3): \$1 (1 point each)

Classes 10-14: OHA ribbons and prizes stated below the class description

\*Best in Show Rosette, Section B: Artistic Creativity (5 points)

\*Judge's Choice Rosette, Section C: Floral Design (5 points)

6. **Viewing:** All entry tags will be open for viewing at the convention.

Friday 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

7. **Return:** Entry removal not permitted until after the competition is closed on Saturday. Entries and prizes are to be picked up Sunday between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. or if necessary, by special arrangement with the Chair. A signature is necessary for receipt of materials if not picked up by leader.

**SECTION A: WRITING Open to all youth members**

A & B: Class 1 and 2 - not to exceed 150 words.  
 C & D: Class 1 and 2 - should have a minimum of 150 words.

Judging Criteria: Subject matter 70%  
 Neatness and spelling 30%

**Class 1 - I Grew it!**

Growing anything for the first time can be amazing, could me a flower, vegetable or even a plant for a pollinator. In your own words, explain why growing what you did is so important, it might be for your kitchen or for a caterpillar's tummy. You can use information from the computer/ internet generated and researched. Drawings (hand or pre-drawn), photos and/or magazine/website pictures are allowed. Display in a folder with a clear cover so that title page is visible

**Class 2 - I Need That!**

Show the plant and the insect that eats it! Explain what the partnership is, in your own words, using drawings (hand or pre-drawn), photos, and/or magazine/website pictures. Give other examples of plants that fall into this category.

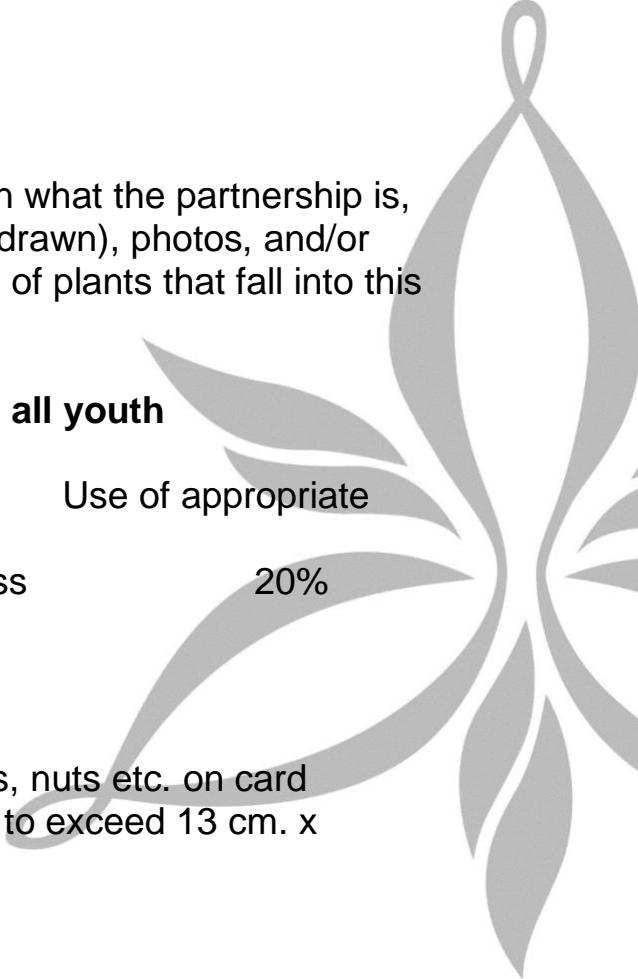
**SECTION B: ARTISTIC CREATIVITY. Open to all youth members**

Judging Criteria:	Interpretation of title	20%	Use of appropriate
	material	30%	
	Creativity	30%	Neatness
			20%

Best in Show Rosette to be awarded.

**Class 3 Blooming Beauty**

Create a seed mosaic using seeds, beans, lentils, nuts etc. on card stock. Seeds should not be painted or dyed. Not to exceed 13 cm. x 18 cm (5 x 7 in.).



## **Class 4 Nature in my Backyard**

Create flyer on 22 cm x 28 cm (8.5" x 11") paper or card stock. Show us a special guest you may see in your own backyard. What does it eat? Describe it, does it turn into something else? Teach us some interesting facts about your garden friend. You may use drawings, computer generated or magazine photos, coloured pencils, crayons, markers and/or paints.

## **SECTION C: FLORAL DESIGN    Open to all youth members**

Accessories permitted

Judging Criteria: In accordance with the *Ontario Judging & Exhibiting Standards (OJES) for Horticulture and Floral Design (Second Edition 2019 edition)*. Copies can be purchased from the OHA; order form on-line at <http://www.gardenontario.org/shop/index/php>.

Judge's Choice rosette to be awarded.

## **Class 5 Bloom**

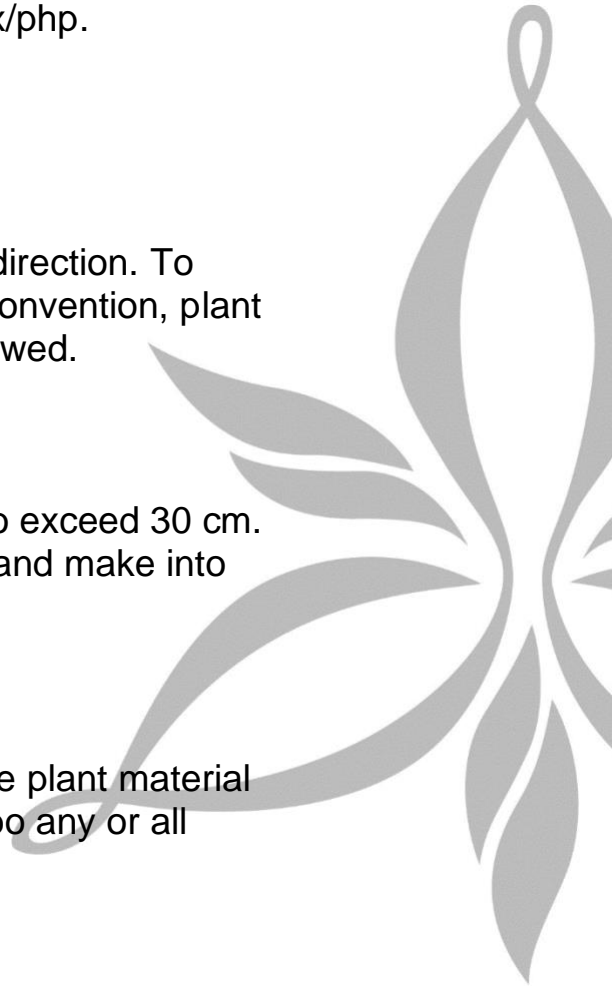
A pave design not to exceed 24 cm./10 in. in any direction. To ensure your design will last for the 3 days of the Convention, plant material should be conditioned. Dried material allowed.

## **Class 6 Fun Flowers**

A Contrived arrangement, made in pie plate, not to exceed 30 cm. (12 inches) in any direction. E.g. Paint pinecones and make into flowers, Flat or on skewer stems.

## **Class 7 Walk in Nature**

A design using a walking shoe/boot, should include plant material found out on a walk in Nature. Dried, Fresh, Combo any or all allowed.



## **SPECIAL AWARDS FOR YOUTH MEMBERS**

**Class 8- 11** are Open classes for all youth members (no age categories) Prize amounts awarded to individuals, prizes described with each class.

***Following Classes are NOT age separated so No age code required.***

### **Class 8. Weed? I think NOT - Open to all youth members**

A collection of what many thinks are weeds but have healing or edible properties, 2 different cultivars

Entry to be a drawing (hand or pre-drawn) on 22 cm x 28 cm (8.5" x 11") sheet of paper. May use crayon, paint, pencil crayon, magazine pictures, etc. in any combination. Drawing should indicate the name of the plant with uses of plant.

Judging criteria: Subject matter 70% Neatness and spelling 30%

1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$6; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$4 (no points), hm \$2 (no Points)

### **SECTION D: PHOTOGRAPHY- Open to all youth members**

Entries must be colour prints (unless stated otherwise). Print to be mounted not matted. Mounted size to be 5" x 7" (outside measurement). The photo is to be no larger than 4" x 6". The photo should contain a horticultural element. Photos with identifiable persons will be disqualified. An entry implies that the exhibitor gives consent to the OHA to make further use of the entry in any way that it designates. Ownership of the entry is retained by the exhibitor.

**\*New!**

**William D. Clingersmith Youth Photography Award (classes 9 & 10)**

All age classes are eligible. Awarded to the youth who has been chosen to have the best photograph across all youth photography classes. \$20 award & Best in Show Rosette

In memory of William Clingersmith- who is responsible for introducing me to nature and the outdoors, and always encouraged my work with the OHA. Kelly Clingersmith-Taylor OHA Secretary.

**Class 9 Caterpillars can Fly!**

2 photos mounted together showing walking and flying stages

**Class 10. Visitors to my Garden**

Your interpretation.

**SECTION E: FINE ARTS**

**\*Changes in Award**

**Class 11 Harry Wyma Fine Arts Award – Nature is Amazing  
Open to all youth members**

Your vision. Any medium: painting, drawing, sculpture, carving, fiber art, etc. not to exceed 50 cm (20”) in any direction. Dry plant material is permitted.

Judging criteria: Interpretation of title 20% Creativity 20% Originality 30% Skill 30%

1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$10.00 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$8.00 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$6.00

Donated by Harry Wyma, Ridgetown,  
District 11 Director 1983-1988, OHA President 1990

**SECTION E: PLANTS Classes 12-15 are CLUB awards One entry per Club**

**SECTION F: PLANTS USE CLUB NAME ON TAG**

**Class 12 Herbs I love**

**One entry per Club; may be a combined effort.**

A potted collection of herbs not to exceed 61 cm (24") in any direction. Should contain at least 5 cultivars. Please attach names of cultivars to your entry card.

Judging criteria: In accordance with the *Ontario Judging & Exhibiting Standards (OJES) for Horticulture and Floral Design (2019 Second Edition)*. Copies can be purchased from the OHA; order form on-line at <http://www.gardenontario.org/shop/index/php>.

1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$6; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$5; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$4 (no points), hm \$2 (no Points)  
Cash prizes donated Jane McDonald, Youth Competitions Past Youth Chair. **Monies go to club total not individual members**

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**Class 13 Maisie Bray Award - Phragmites**

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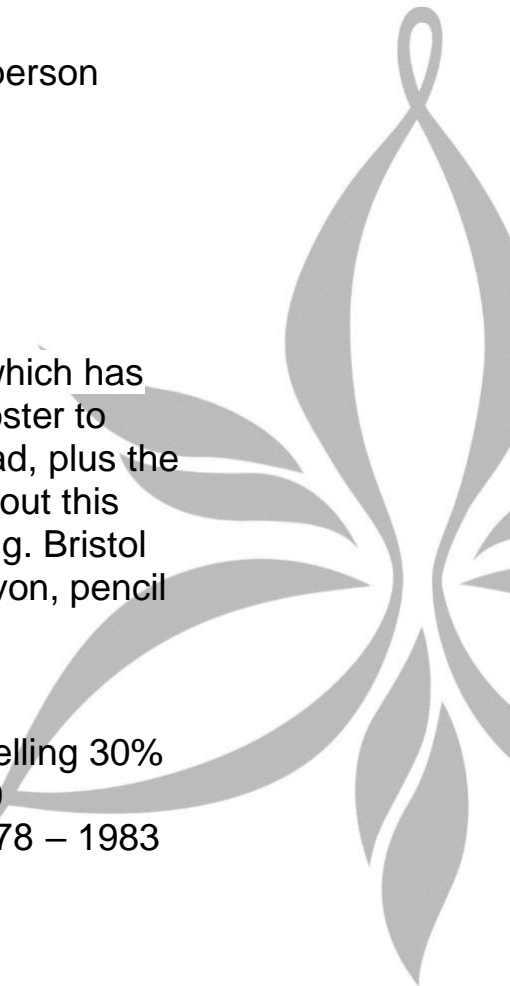
Phragmites australis is a very common Invasive grass which has taken a firm hold in most corners of Ontario. Create a poster to include description of plant and ways to combat its spread, plus the printed name, common and botanical and some facts about this plant. It is to be composed on firm board type material e.g. Bristol board. Drawing may be coloured in any media (pen, crayon, pencil crayon, etc.).

[www.invadingspecies.com/invasive-phragmites](http://www.invadingspecies.com/invasive-phragmites)

Judging Criteria: Subject matter 70% Neatness and Spelling 30%

1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$10.00 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$8.00 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$6.00

Donated Maisie Bray, Lion's Head, District 8 Director 1978 – 1983



## **SECTION G: SPECIAL AWARDS AND COMPETITION FOR YOUTH CLUB LEADERS**

### **Class 14 Ruby Bryan Award      Only one entry per Club**

In a scrapbook provide a descriptive account of the Youth Club activities for the 2019 Calendar Year or School Year. This should include a pictorial and illustrated description and narrative about specific subjects, meetings and projects. There is no limitation to the size. May be done by Youth Club leader. On the entry tag, please state "Calendar or School" year.

Judging criteria: On content only, not as a scrap-booking project

1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$10.00 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$8.00 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$6.00

Donated by Ruby Bryan, Englehart, District 12 Director 1964–1969, OHA President 1972

### **Class 15 Ruby Lobban High Points Award**

This award is based on the highest point aggregate for a Youth Club from awards in the Youth competition.

1<sup>st</sup> prize - \$15.00 2<sup>nd</sup> prize - \$10.00 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$5.00

In memory of Ruby Lobban, a member of the Owen Sound Horticultural Society, and District 8 Assistant Director, 1970-83.

### **Class 16 The Frances Lemke Award.**

#### **\*Changes in Award**

This cash award of \$25 will awarded annually at the discretion of the Youth Committee to an individual member or a Youth group displaying exemplary work on a project or craft. The award is sponsored by the OHA Past Presidents' Council in memory of Frances Lemke.

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