



PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION
115th OHA Convention
July 20th – 23rd, 2023
“Rock Your Garden World”

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RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. This competition is inspired by the convention theme “Rock Your Garden World”
2. The competition is open to members in good standing of a Society/Club (hereafter Society) in good standing with the Ontario Horticultural Association (OHA).
3. Entries are limited to ONE per exhibitor in each class. The submission of an entry to the photography competition implies that the exhibitor gives consent to the OHA to make further use of the photo. The images may be used for any purpose that the OHA designates, but the exhibitor retains ownership of the photograph.
4. **Entries must be mailed to the OHA Photography Coordinator and postmarked no later than May 1, 2023.** If desired, a self-addressed, stamped envelope can be included so materials can be returned. No electronic stamping by post office accepted.
5. Photographs must have been taken in Ontario (except for Class 1 and Class 10) during the past 24 months by the exhibitor and must not have been previously entered in the OHA Photo Competition. All photographs must include horticultural content.
6. Photographs that contain an identifiable person(s) shall have a permission form (for individuals in the photo). Failure to submit this form will result in the entry being disqualified.
7. Entries must be COLOUR PRINTS (unless stated otherwise). Print to be MOUNTED, NOT MATTED, **on white or black backing**. Mounted size to be 5” x 7” (outside measurement). The photo is to be no larger than 4” x 6”. No name or lettering is permitted on the front side of the print or mount. Noncompliance will result in disqualification. If you are unclear about these rules, call or email the Coordinator.
8. Each print must have ONE label **firmly affixed** to the back of the entry with the name, address, Society and District of the exhibitor, as well as Class number and Title attached on the TOP CENTRE (this will ensure the photo is judged the way you wish it to be viewed).
9. Each competitor needs to provide a separate sheet with the following information (see below for template):
 Name, Address, Phone number, Email, Society, District, Number of Entries, Method of Return.

New this Year: In addition to the mailed mounted images, participants are required to submit a digital copy of each photograph. This can be submitted on a flash drive (USB stick) mailed with their printed entries or via Dropbox to the coordinator’s email address or simply emailed with the subject line “2023 OHA Photo Competition”. Submitted digital files must be at least 2MB. Digital files must be named as such: Name of photographer_District_Society_Class number. Example: Anne Johnston_District 2_OHS_Class 3.

10. Reasonable security will be supplied; however, the OHA assumes no responsibilities for loss or damage.
11. Judging and placements will be based on merit. The Judge’s decision is final. Honourable Mention (HM) placements may be awarded at the Judge’s discretion.

Judging Scale

Horticultural Value	40%
Photographic Value	40%
Appearance & Impact	20%

12. Awards: OHA ribbons and cash prizes 1st \$10 2nd \$8 3rd \$6 HM \$0

Rosettes for Judge’s Choice and Best in Show

13. Public Viewing: Friday: 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.
 Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Absolutely no **removal** is permitted until after the competition is closed on Saturday.

Entries and prizes are to be picked up Sunday between 7:30 – 9:00 a.m. or if necessary, by special arrangement with the Coordinator. A signature is necessary for receipt of materials.

14. Entries, prizes and USB will be returned to the exhibitor by mail ONLY if a stamped, self-addressed envelope had been included with the entry. No electronic stamping by post office accepted.

Class 1: **Rock Your Garden World** – Rock gardens of the world: local, provincial, national or international

Class 2: **Stony Art** – Stone sculpture in a garden

Class 3: **Garden Wall** – Stone/rock fence in a garden

Class 4: **Like a Rock** – Speckled flower or leaf/leaves

Class 5: **Rock the Night Away** – A garden or flower(s) at night

Class 6: **Dancing Angels** – A Garden or flowers in motion

Class 7: **Wild About Gardening** – Native flowers

Class 8: **The Devil is in the Detail** – Macro/extreme close-up photography

Class 9: **The Voice of the Garden** – Pollinators/birds on a flower(s) or in the garden

Class 10: **Falling for Autumn** – Photo of fall-coloured trees/plants that includes a rock/stone element. Canada.

Class 11: **Noir et Blanc** – Black and white garden or flower(s) image

Class 12: **Chilled Out** – Snow/ice on plants or in the garden

Please Provide the Following Information with Your Entry Package:

Name:	
Address:	
Telephone Number:	
Email:	
Society:	
District:	
Method of Return: Pick Up by...	
Mail: Stamped Envelope Included	
Number of Entries:	
Circle Classes Entered: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	