



PUBLICATIONS COMPETITION  
**OHA 115<sup>th</sup> Convention**  
**July 20-23, 2023**

**Host: District 2**

**Theme: Rock Your Garden World™**

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**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. **Eligibility:** The competition is open to a Society/Club (hereafter Society) or District In Good Standing with the Ontario Horticultural Association (OHA).
2. **Entry:**
  - a. All entries must be **mailed** to the coordinator, **postmarked no later than May 1**.
  - b. Each Society or District is allowed one entry per class.
  - c. Each entry must have an entry tag with the Class Number, Class Title, Society, District, and contact person's Name, Address and Telephone Number. The entry tag should be taped or stapled to the upper right corner of the entry. If needed, an entry tag template is available on the OHA website.
  - d. Entries should not reveal Member Name/Contact Information without written permission.
  - e. Reasonable security will be supplied but the OHA assumes no responsibilities for loss or damage.
3. **Judging:** Class placements based on the judging criteria specified below. Honourable Mention (HM) awarded at the judge's discretion. "Best in Show" based on merit and selected from entries placing 1st. "Judge's Choice" based on personal preference from all other entries. Judges may withhold an award if, in their opinion, an exhibit is not worthy. The judge's decision is final.
4. **Awards:** OHA ribbon and cash prize:
 

1st \$10	2 <sup>nd</sup> \$8	3 <sup>rd</sup> \$6	HM \$2
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 Best in Show – Rosette and \$20 (Donated by Doug Culbert)  
 Judge's Choice – Rosette and \$20 (Donated by Doug Culbert)
5. **Viewing:** All entries will be displayed with tags open at the convention. The show will be open:
 

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

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
6. **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 - 8:30 a.m. or if necessary, by special arrangement with the Coordinator. Materials will not be returned by mail, so please designate someone for pick up. A signature is necessary for receipt of materials.

**YEARBOOK**

Entries are for the convention year (2023).

Entries must meet the criteria as stated for the class; otherwise the entry will be disqualified.

**Judging Criteria** (Classes 1-6 inclusive):

Information: Table of Contents, Meeting/Events Schedule(s) and Locations, News, etc.

Design Principles and Elements: balance, proportion, scale, white space

Appropriate use and style of font(s)

Illustrations/Graphics/Photos: appropriate use, source credit, quality of reproductions & paper  
Originality and Overall Effect

- Class 1 Yearbook Cover: Primarily Computer-Generated Graphics**  
Back & front, inside & outside only.  
Society and OHA logos should be present.  
Graphics artist credit.
- Class 2 Yearbook Cover: Cover Illustrations Primarily Photographic**  
Back & front, inside & outside only.  
Society and OHA logos should be present.  
Photo credit should be given.
- Class 3 Yearbook: Full Letter Size**  
216 mm x 279 mm (8.5" x 11.0").  
Maximum cover size ~ 230 mm x 290 mm.  
(9" X 11.5") including binding(s).
- Class 4 Yearbook: Letter Size Folded into Booklet Style**  
~ 216 mm x 149 mm (8.5" X 5.5").  
Maximum cover size ~ 230 mm x 152 mm (9" X 6") including binding(s).
- Class 5 Yearbook: Legal Size Folded into Booklet Style**  
~ 216 mm x 18 mm (8.5" X 7").  
Maximum cover size ~ 230 mm x 190 mm (9" X 7.5") including bindings.
- Class 6 Yearbook Youth**  
No restrictions on dimensions.  
May be scrapbook format.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Entries must not have been previously submitted to the provincial competition.  
As appropriate, entry should:

- Clearly state the OHA District along with the name of the Society.
- Should include the OHA logos, any local Society logo/floral emblem/other, artist/photo credit
- Be submitted in their original size and format to meet class requirements (i.e. black & white, colour, etc.)

For larger newsletters, ONLY the first 10 pages will be judged.

### Judging Criteria (Classes 7-15 inclusive):

Information: purpose, date, time, place, cost, contacts	/10
Design Principles and Elements: balance, proportion, scale, white space, texture	/30
Appropriate use and style of font(s)	/20
Illustrations/Graphics/Photos: appropriate use/credit, quality of reproductions & paper	/30
Originality and Overall Effect	/10

- Class 7 Special Event Poster**  
For an event taking place between July 2022 and June 2023 inclusive. Minimum letter size (216 mm x 279 mm; 8.5" x 11.0").
- Class 8 Special Event Brochure/Pamphlet/Flyer**  
For an event taking place between July 2022 and June 2023 inclusive.  
Folded or unfolded.  
Maximum legal size (279 mm x 356 mm; 11" x 14").

- Class 9 Brochure, Pamphlet or Flyer**  
From a period between July 2022 and June 2023 inclusive.  
Folded or unfolded.  
Maximum legal size (279 mm x 356 mm; 11" x 14").
- Class 10 Newsletter: Cover Illustrations Primarily Photographic in Origin**  
From a period between July 2022 and June 2023 inclusive.  
To include two different issues, each under 10 pages.  
Should have photo credit.
- Class 11 Newsletter: Cover Graphics Primarily Computer-Generated**  
From a period between July 2022 and June 2023 inclusive.  
To include two different issues, each under 10 pages. Should have graphics credit.
- Class 12 Youth Journal/Scrapbook/Other**  
Current year.  
Material promoting and/or documenting youth activities in a specific District/Area/Society. No restrictions on dimensions.
- Class 13 Bookmark**  
Current year.
- Class 14 Promotional /Partnership**  
From a period between July 2022 and June 2023 inclusive.  
Promotional item identifying a partnership with an outside agency.  
Maximum letter size (216 mm x 279 mm; 8.5" x 11.0").

## SHOW SCHEDULE

- Class 15 Show Schedule from the Current Year**  
Should be written as a standard show (at least 2 divisions including Horticulture and Design with a minimum of five classes in each).  
Schedule must be accompanied by complete Rules & Regulations governing the show.  
Submission should be in the original colour, format and size from Society material.  
Entries submitted as entire Yearbooks will not be judged.

**Judging Criteria:** Placement based on guidelines in the *Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards for Horticulture and Floral Design* (2019 onwards) and the following:

Clarity of rules and regulations	/10
Other information – location, date, times	/05
Setup/organization of material	/10
Originality, seasonal suitability & diversity of types of horticultural	/25
Originality of theme/class titles for decorative classes	/30
Clarity & suitability of class entry criteria	/20