



2019

The Greater Philadelphia
Dahlia Society
Annual Dahlia Show



LONGWOOD
GARDENS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society

is proud to present
THE 2019 ANNUAL DAHLIA SHOW.

My dahlias have been really enjoying the weather this year. I have an abundance of dahlias growing in my garden. My wife has been spreading the joy of dahlias by delivering vases of dahlias each week to various spots around the community. I am excited about displaying the dahlias at the annual show of The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society. I hope your dahlias are growing well and that you will enter some blooms or arrangements in our show.

Although somewhat hectic, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday are fun days for most of us at the show. It's rewarding to see so many people involved and working together to produce a truly spectacular dahlia show. Entering even just a few blooms makes the days even more exciting. Plan to come, plan to help out, but especially plan to bring some blooms!

Do not forget that The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society is fortunate to be able to present our show in the beauty of Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. If you help or enter blooms, your entrance fee to Longwood Gardens is waived. In addition to the beautiful dahlias in our show, the gardens are spectacular and the evening fountain show should not be missed. What a wonderful way to spend a day or two.

Wes Bowers
President, Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society

Show Schedule

Friday, September 20, 2019

- **2 to 9 pm** Staging

Saturday, September 21, 2019

- **6 to 10:30 am** Staging

Exhibits **MUST** be ready for judging by 10:30 am.

Judges should be ready for their responsibilities by 10:45 am.

- **10:45 am to 1 pm** Judging

Only judges and clerks will be allowed on the floor during judging.

Judges may not participate in decisions involving their own interests or entries; judges must step out and get a substitute judge.

- **1 pm to 6 pm** Show open to public
- **8:15 pm** Illuminated Fountain Show
British Invasion

Sunday, September 22, 2019

- **9 am to 6 pm** Show open to public
- **6 pm** Show closes with tear-down

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Information for Exhibitors, Judges and Members

All exhibitors, judges, and members may enter Longwood Gardens via the Business Entrance in order to avoid paying the Gardens entrance fee. The gated Business Entrance is located on Conservatory Road.

The gate attendant will point you in the general direction. There will be signs marked "Flower Show Exhibitors" (or something to that effect!). Follow the signs to the bloom unloading area. Longwood students will assist you with loading your cart and getting everything to the staging area. As soon as you unload, move your car to the parking lot; you will be directed to the appropriate lot.

Coffee and snacks will be served Saturday morning near the staging areas.

If you have any questions about how to get to Longwood Gardens or for any emergency, please call Brent Grant at 610-388-6317 (home) or 610-368-9967 (cell).

DIRECTIONS TO



LONGWOOD
GARDENS

Longwood Gardens is located on US Route 1, about three miles northeast of Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. It is easily accessible from I-95 or Route 926.

For GPS or Google Maps/Mapquest/internet mapping, use the following addresses:

For the business entrance —

409 Conservatory Road, Kennett Square PA

For the main entrance —

1001 Longwood Road, Kennett Square PA

For more information about Longwood, including detailed directions on how to avoid tolls if arriving from the south, visit www.longwoodgardens.org or call 610-388-1000.

Rules of Exhibition

1. ALL EXHIBITORS must sign in at the registration table.
2. UNIFORM ENTRY TAGS must be used. Tags can be obtained at the Show or by contacting the Show Secretary. Tags must be completely filled in, top and bottom, with variety name, section, class number, and exhibitor's name to qualify for an award.
3. NUMBER OF EXHIBITS. Any person may have any number of different varieties in any class, but no more than two may be of the same variety. Each exhibitor in Division II, Juniors, may have an unlimited number of entries.
4. BLOOMS shown in competition must be grown by exhibitors entering them, except in Division VI and Division VII.
5. A SMALL GROWER grows plants for pleasure, does not sell for a profit, has never been employed as a gardener, and grows less than 75 hills.
6. CONTAINERS will be supplied by Show Committee, except in basket, design, and Dilly Dahlia....ing divisions. (Some baskets and vases are available.)
7. CLASSIFICATION. All entries in the show will be judged in accordance with the current official American Dahlia Society classification as to size, form and color.
8. SUPPORTING STEM. The use of any material to support dahlia stems above the container will disqualify the exhibit.
9. ALL THREE BLOOM ENTRIES must be of same variety.
10. SETS OF LEAVES. All blooms should have at least ONE set of leaves.

11. PACHYSANDRA, CHRYSANTHEMUM, OR BOXWOOD may NOT be brought into Longwood Gardens.
12. THE DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES ARE FINAL.
13. UNWORTHY ENTRIES. Judges will withhold award when they consider any entry unworthy.
14. TRI-COLOR will be awarded for each form where applicable and worthy.
15. BASKET SCORECARD: Baskets are judged on the quality of the blooms and of the arrangement.
 - a. Quality of blooms 50%
 - 1) Color 10%
 - 2) Form 10%
 - 3) Substance 5%
 - 4) Stem and foliage 5%
 - 5) Uniformity 20%
 - b. Quality of arrangement, proper balance 30%
 - c. Distinction—overall effect, including color harmony, artistic application of all the materials used in the entry 20%
16. REMOVAL OF EXHIBITS. No exhibit may be removed at any time during the show except by permission of the Show Committee.
17. ADDITIONAL RULES. The Show Committee reserves the right to make additional rules and classes, to change the schedule as becomes necessary, to remove from the table before or after judging any exhibit it considers to be in poor condition, or to make such further rules as it deems necessary for the proper conduct of the Show.
18. LIABILITY for loss or damage is disclaimed by The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society.

Rules for Artistic Design Exhibitors

1. Advanced registration is requested by September 12, 2019.
Contact: Susan Bunkin
204 Cafferty Road, Pipersville PA 18947
215-297-8653 bhive@ptd.net
2. The dahlia is to be the predominant flower in each design. Secondary flowers and foliage may be used to complement the dahlias unless otherwise noted. Boxwood, pachysandra and chrysanthemum may not be used.
3. An exhibitor may enter only one design in a class, but may enter more than one class.
4. Entries must be designed by the exhibitor.
5. A novice is anyone who has never won a blue ribbon in a design class at a Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society show.
6. Staging is on Friday, September 20 from 2 to 9 pm, and Saturday, September 21, between 6 am and 10:30 am. Exhibits must remain in place until the close of the show at 6 pm, Sunday, Sept.22, and then be removed promptly.
7. Exhibits will be displayed on 8-foot tables with table covers. Accessories, backgrounds and mats are permitted in all classes unless otherwise stated.
8. List plant varieties on a 3" x 5" card placed by the design.
9. The artistic designs will be judged by accredited flower show judges from The Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania.
10. General Exhibition Rules 1, 2, 11, 16, 17 and 18 apply to Artistic Design as well.

While every effort will be made to protect the exhibits, neither The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society nor Longwood Gardens will be responsible for their safety, either during or at the closing of the show.

KEY to 4-Digit Class Numbers

Every dahlia cultivar is classified by
a four-digit class number defined by
American Dahlia Society specifications.

FIRST AND SECOND DIGITS

FOR SIZED DAHLIAS, the first digit is determined by the size and the second digit is determined by the form.

FIRST DIGIT	AA	0	SECOND DIGIT	FD	0
(SIZE)	A	1	(FORM)	ID	1
	B	2		SC	2
	BB	3		C	3
	M	4		IC	4
	MC	5		LC	5

FOR ALL OTHER DAHLIAS, the first two digits are assigned according to their form:

BA	60	WL	73	AN	82	O	92
MB	61	MWL	74	MAN	83	MO	93
P	62	NX	76	NO	86	OT	94
ST	70	MNX	77	MNO	87	MOT	95
MST	71	PE	80	CO	90	S	96
		MPE	81	MCO	91	MS	97

THIRD AND FOURTH DIGITS

FOR ALL DAHLIAS, the third and fourth digits are determined by their color, using the following chart:

White	01	Purple/black	09
Yellow	02	Light blend	10
Orange	03	Bronze	11
Pink	04	Flame	12
Dark pink	05	Dark blend	13
Red	06	Variegated	14
Dark red	07	Bicolor	15
Lavender	08		

EXAMPLE: Windhaven Highlight is size B, Incurved Cactus form and yellow. B is 2, IC is 4, Yellow is 02. The 4-digit class number is therefore 2402.

DIVISION I OPEN TO ALL

Single Bloom SECTION	CLASSIFICATION NUMBERS	Three Blooms SECTION
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Section AA	0001-0515	3 AA
Section A	1001-1515	3 A
Section B	2001-2515	3 B

Single Bloom entry: use ADS classification numbers

Three Bloom classes: For the above sections **ONLY** (AA,A,B)

Six forms **ONLY** (FD,ID,SC,C,IC,LAC), all colors in one class

Section BB	3001-3515	3 BB
Section M	4001-4515	3 M
Section BA	6001-6015	3 BA
Section MB	6101-6115	3 MB
Section P	6201-6215	3 P
Section ST	7001-7015	3 ST
Section MST	7101-7115	3 MST
Section WL	7301-7315	3 WL
Section MWL	7401-7415	3 MWL
Section NX	7601-7615	3 NX
Section MNX	7701-7715	3 MNX
Section PE	8001-8015	3 PE
Section MPE	8101-8115	3 MPE
Section AN	8201-8215	3 AN
Section MAN	8301-8315	3 MAN
Section NO	8601-8615	3 NO
Section MNO	8701-8715	3 MNO
Section CO	9001-9015	3 CO
Section MCO	9101-9115	3 MCO
Section O	9201-9215	3 O
Section MO	9301-9315	3 MO
Section OT	9401-9415	3 OT
Section MOT	9501-9515	3 MOT
Section S	9601-9615	3 S
Section MS	9701-9715	3 MS

SECTION	FLOWER OF THE YEAR	2019
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APRIL DAWN 2110 B ID LB

DIVISION I OPEN TO ALL (continued)

Basket or Container

SECTION	QUANTITY	CLASS	SIZE/FORM
C5	5 or more	0001-1515	AA, A
C7	7 or more	2001-3515	B, BB
		6001-6015	BA
		7001-7015	ST
		7301-7315	WL
C9	9 or more	4001-4515	M
		6101-6115	MB
C11	11 or more	6201-6215	P
		7101-7115	MST
		7401-7415	MWL
		7601-9715	NX,MNX,PE, MPE, AN, MAN, NO, MNO, CO, MCO, O, MO, OT, MOT, S, MS

Baskets may be mixed colors but must be of the same form.

Other foliage is permitted.

Each winner of the Basket Section receives a Rosette.

Best Basket of the Sections goes to the Court of Honor.

DIVISION II JUNIORS (under age 18)

SECTION	CLASSIFICATION NUMBERS
Section 1 AA,A	One bloom 0001-0515, 1001-1515
Section 2 B,BB	One bloom 2001-2515, 3001-3515
Section 3 M,BA,MBA	One bloom 4001-4515, 6001-6015, 6101-6115
Section 4 P,ST,MST,	One bloom 6201-6215, 7001-7115,
WL,MWL,NX,MNX	7301-7415, 7601-7715
Section 5 All others	One bloom 8001-9715

DIVISION III AMERICAN DAHLIA SOCIETY SEEDLING BENCH EVALUATION

Offered in cooperation with the American Dahlia Society. Open to all exhibitors. Entries consist of three blooms from the same seedling grown for at least three years. Exhibitors, show officials and judges must read and adhere to the rules for **Seedling Bench Evaluation** printed in the current edition of the American Dahlia Society's *Classification and Handbook of Dahlias*.

DIVISION IV SMALL GROWERS

Open to those who qualify under Exhibition Rule #5.
Persons who qualify under this rule may also exhibit in other divisions of the show. The best entry of each section receives a Rosette and goes to the Court of Honor.

SECTION	CLASSIFICATION NUMBERS
Section I	
AA and 3AA	0001-0515
A and 3A	1001-1515
B and 3B	2001-2515
Section II	
BB and 3BB	3001-3515
M and 3M	4001-4515
BA and 3BA	6001-6015
MB and 3MB	6101-6115
P and 3P	6201-6215
Section III	
ST and 3ST	7001-7015
MST and 3MST	7101-7115
WL and 3WL	7301-7315
MWL and 3MWL	7401-7415
NX and 3NX	7601-7615
MNX and 3MNX	7701-7715
Section IV	
PE and 3PE	8001-8015
MPE and 3MPE	8101-8115
AN and 3AN	8201-8215
MAN and 3MAN	8301-8315
NO and 3NO	8601-8615
MNO and 3MNO	8701-8715
CO and 3CO	9001-9015
MCO and 3MCO	9101-9115
O and 3O	9201-9215
MO and 3 MO	9301-9315
OT and 3OT	9401-9415
MOT and 3MOT	9501-9515
S and 3S	9601-9615
MS and 3MS	9701-9715

DIVISION V UNDISSEMINATED CULTIVARS

One bloom

DIVISION VI

DILLY DAHLIA...ING

This division allows dahlia lovers to demonstrate the simple and abundant beauty of dahlias in their favorite containers. Space allotted is 24" x 24". Container to be provided by exhibitor. Foliage and filler allowed as long as dahlias predominate. Rules of Exhibition 1, 2, 11, 16, 17 and 18 apply. Note especially that pachysandra, chrysanthemum and boxwood may not be used. Winner will be chosen in a "People's Choice" competition, voted on by visitors to the show. A ribbon will go to the winner.

DIVISION VII

ARTISTIC DESIGN

WHAT'S IN A (DAHLIA) NAME?

See Rules of Exhibition for Artistic Design on page 6.

Class 901 AC RING OF FIRE

A hanging design in a black standing frame 20" wide x 30" high. Frames are provided by the committee. Contact Sue Bunkin to reserve. Limited to six (6) entries.

Class 902 TINY TREASURE

A small design of your choice. Not to exceed 15" in any direction.

**For Classes 903 through 906, space allotted for each is 24" x 24".
No height restrictions.**

Class 903 BLOOMQUIST PUMPKIN

A design in a pumpkin,

Class 904 WINDHAVEN HIGHLIGHT

A tall creative mass design with an emphasis on height.

Class 905 BOLD ACCENT

A design of your choice.

Class 906 SANTA'S HELPER

A festive holiday design.

Court Of Honor

BEST SINGLE FULLY DOUBLE BLOOM IN SHOW

BEST 3 FULLY DOUBLE BLOOM IN SHOW

BEST SINGLE OPEN CENTER BLOOM IN SHOW

BEST 3 OPEN CENTER BLOOM IN SHOW

KING OF THE SHOW

BEST AA DECORATIVE BLOOM

BEST AA CACTUS BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM AA

BEST A DECORATIVE BLOOM

BEST A CACTUS BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM A

QUEEN OF THE SHOW

BEST B DECORATIVE BLOOM

BEST B CACTUS BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM B

PRINCE OF THE SHOW

BEST BB DECORATIVE BLOOM

BEST BB CACTUS BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM BB

PRINCESS OF THE SHOW

BEST MINIATURE (M) DECORATIVE BLOOM

BEST MINIATURE (M) CACTUS BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM MINIATURE (M)

BEST BALL (BA) BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM BALL (BA)

BEST STELLAR (ST) BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM STELLAR (ST)

BEST WATERLILY (WL) BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM WATERLILY (WL)

DUKE OF THE SHOW

BEST MINIATURE BALL (MB) BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM MINIATURE BALL (MB)

BEST POMPON (P) BLOOM

BEST 3 BLOOM POMPON (P)

Court Of Honor

DUCHESS OF THE SHOW

BEST NOVELTY DOUBLE CENTER (NX) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM NOVELTY DOUBLE CENTER (NX)
BEST PEONY (PE) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM PEONY (PE)
BEST ANEMONE (AN) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM ANEMONE (AN)
BEST NOVELTY OPEN CENTER (NO) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM NOVELTY OPEN CENTER (NO)
BEST COLLARETTE (CO) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM COLLARETTE (CO)
BEST ORCHID (O) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM ORCHID (O)
BEST ORCHETTE (OT) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM ORCHETTE (OT)
BEST SINGLE (S) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM SINGLE (S)
BEST MIGNON SINGLE (MS) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM MIGNON SINGLE (MS)
BEST MICRO (MC) BLOOM
BEST 3 BLOOM MICRO (MC)

TO APPROPRIATE SECTION FOR FINAL JUDGING

BEST SMALL GROWER ENTRY FROM DIV. IV (0001-2515)
BEST SMALL GROWER ENTRY FROM DIV. IV (3001-6215)
BEST SMALL GROWER ENTRY FROM DIV. IV (7001-7715)
BEST SMALL GROWER ENTRY FROM DIV. IV (8001-9715)
BEST JUNIOR ENTRY FROM DIV. II
BEST "FLOWER OF THE YEAR"

TO COURT OF HONOR

LARGEST BLUE RIBBON BLOOM
SMALLEST BLUE RIBBON BLOOM
BEST BASKET OR CONTAINER
BEST UNDISSEMINATED CULTIVAR

SIZE CLASSIFICATION OF DAHLIAS *

DIAMETER

over 10 inches	AA	(Giant)
over 8 to 10 inches	A	(Large)
over 6 to 8 inches	B	(Medium)
over 4 to 6 inches	BB	(Small)
up to 4 inches	M	(Miniature)

over 3.5 inches	BA
over 2 to 3.5 inches	MB
up to 2 inches	P

over 2 inches	ST, WL, NX, PE, AN, NO, CO, O, OT, S
up to 2 inches	MST, MWL, MNX, MPE, MAN, MNO, MCO, MO, MOT, MS

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS *

FORMS

AN	Anemone-flowering	PE	Peony-flowering
BA	Ball	S	Single
C	Straight Cactus	SC	Semi-Cactus
CO	Collarette	ST	Stellar
FD	Formal Decorative	WL	Waterlily
IC	Incurved Cactus		
ID	Informal Decorative		
LC	Lacinated		

MAN	Micro Anemone
MB	Miniature Ball
MC	Micro
MCO	Micro Collarette
MNO	Micro Novelty Open Center
MNX	Micro Novelty Double Center
MO	Micro Orchid
MOT	Micro Orchette
MPE	Micro Peony
MS	Mignon Single
MST	Micro Stellar
MWL	Micro Waterlily
NO	Novelty Open Center
NX	Novelty Double Center
O	Orchid-flowering
OT	Orchette
P	Pompon

COLOR CLASSES

BI	Bicolor
BK	Black
BR	Bronze
DB	Dark Blend
DP	Dark Pink
DR	Dark Red
FL	Flame Blend
L	Lavender
LB	Light Blend
OR	Orange
PK	Pink
PR	Purple
R	Red
V	Variegated
W	White
Y	Yellow

* source: *ADS 2019 Classification and Handbook of Dahlias*

The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society

www.philadahlia.org

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More Information

For additional information about growing dahlias, check out:
www.philadahlia.org—the website of The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society
www.dahlia.org—the website of The American Dahlia Society
www.coloradodahlias.net—the website of The Colorado Dahlia Society
www.dahliaaddict.com—a list of varieties with suppliers

The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society

The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society is a non-profit organization formed in 1948 for the purpose of stimulating interest in and promoting the culture and development of the dahlia, disseminating information relating to the dahlia, and giving public exhibitions.

We solicit the aid of all flower lovers. Further information about the Society will cheerfully be given by members in attendance at the Dahlia Show. You may also want to visit www.philadahlia.org.

For information about membership in the Society, please contact Rick Lazarick, 8 Blackwood Dr, EWING NJ 08628-2601, ricklazarick@gmail.com, 609-433-1793.

Annual dues are payable by September 30 for the following year. Applicable membership rates are:

GPDS Family / Single	\$15.00
GPDS Senior (65+) / Junior (<18)	\$12.00
GPDS with ADS Single	\$39.00
GPDS with ADS Family	\$42.00
GPDS Senior/Junior with ADS Single	\$36.00
GPDS Senior/Junior with ADS Family	\$39.00

All GPDS memberships include the quarterly publication of *Dilly Dahlia...ing*.

GPDS with ADS memberships also include membership in the American Dahlia Society, which entitles the member to the quarterly ADS bulletin and the *Annual Classification and Handbook of Dahlias*.

The Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society meets quarterly. March, May, and November meetings are held at Longwood Gardens. We conduct a tuber sale for the May meeting; we sell dahlia tubers at the Longwood Main Entrance. The August meeting is a pot-luck picnic at a member's home.

Delight

*in
each
day*



*Dahlia
Dahlia*