



Queensland Council of Garden Clubs Inc.

Presents

Plant & Floral Fair 2025

Schedule

The Auditorium, Brisbane Botanic Gardens Mt Coot-tha
Mt Coot-tha Rd Toowong

Acceptance of Entries	Thursday 27 March 2025 Friday 28 March 2025	2pm – 6pm 7am – 8.30am
Judging of Exhibits	Friday 28 March 2025	9am
Show Open	Friday 28 March 2025 Saturday 29 March 2025	10am – 3.30pm 9am – 3pm
Presentation of Prizes	Saturday 29 March 2025	2.30 pm
Removal of Entries	Saturday 29 March 2025	3.00pm

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. All exhibitors must belong to a member club or society of Queensland Council of Garden Clubs Inc.
2. All exhibitors should comply with the standards set in The Australian Horticultural Show and Judges Manual.
3. There is no fee to enter any exhibit.
4. All entries in Sections 2, 3, 4 (Classes 10 to 59) must be owned (for at least 3 months) and grown by the Exhibitor and of Bench Standard in their species, otherwise, they may be rejected by the steward.
5. Hours of acceptance of entries will be strictly adhered to. All exhibits must be staged by 8.30am Friday when the hall will be closed for judging.
6. List of entries may be emailed to secretary2@qcgq.net by 5pm Wednesday 26 March 2025
7. Exhibits to be named, if known, on cards provided.
8. Stewards only will be allowed to move entries.
9. The judges' decision will be final.
10. Due care will be taken with exhibits; however, QCGC will not accept responsibility for any loss or damage.
11. No exhibit shall be removed before 3pm Saturday.

Conditions of Entry Section 1 - Floral Art

12. Flowers for Section 1 (Floral Art) may be bought.
13. Exhibitors enter the category according to the levels in their own club.
14. Exhibitors in Section 1 (Floral Art) that have won Novice or Intermediate categories twice in previous QCGC's Plant & Floral Spectacular or A Garden A-Fair are required to advance to the next category – unless otherwise approved by GCGC.
15. All exhibits must be the individual exhibitor's own work.
16. Plant material must predominate in all exhibits.
17. Any plant material in its natural state may be used. Artificially coloured plant material is permissible.
18. NO ARTIFICIAL PLANT MATERIAL IS ALLOWED
19. Drapes, bases and accessories may be used.
20. Fresh plant material must be in water or water retaining material unless it remains fresh without water for the full period of the show.
21. Any style of exhibit is permitted unless otherwise stated.

Conditions of Entry Section 2 Cut - Flowers and Foliage

22. Entries in Section 2 (Cut Flowers and Foliage) should be staged in plain bottles (green preferred) - some bottles will be available for exhibitors.
23. No more than two cuts of a particular "variety" per exhibitor in any class of Section 2 (Cut Flowers and Foliage) (eg a person may enter 6 roses but only 2 of a Queen Elizabeth).

Conditions of Entry Section 5 - Photography

24. Photograph must be taken by exhibitor and not won any previous QCGC Photography competition.
25. Each exhibitor may enter up to 3 photographs per class.
26. Size printed 15cm x 20cm (6"x8")
27. No personal identifiers or watermark can appear in the photograph.
28. Entry form and photograph must be posted to **PO Box 5545, Stafford Heights Qld 4053** and received by 5pm **Friday 7 March 2025**.
29. By entering a photograph you agree that it can be used on QCGC website, social media or other promotional material.
30. Copyright of the photographs belongs to the exhibitor.

Conditions of Entry Section 6 - Society Display

31. Size: floor space 2m x 2m. Maximum height 2m
32. Open to all specialist plant societies or special interest groups, other than garden clubs.
33. Horticultural material should predominate.
34. Entry form must be received by 5pm **Friday 14 March 2025 either to PO Box 5545, Stafford Heights Qld 4053** or email secretary2@qcg.net
35. Table and 2 chairs provided if required.

ALLOCATION OF POINTS

Sections 1 – 5

Each entry	1 point
First in class	5 points
Second in class	3 points
Highly commended	1 point

Section 6

Each entry	10 points
First in class	5 points
Second in class	3 points
Highly commended	1 point

SECTION 1 – FLORAL ART

Category A: Open

- Class 1 Perfectly Poised
- Class 2 Glass and Grass
- Class 3 City Sunset
- Class 4 Conversation Piece

Category B: Intermediate

- Class 5 One of a Kind
- Class 6 Glowing Ambers
- Class 7 Twisted and Textured

Category C: Novice

- Class 8 Gathered from the Garden
- Class 9 Rustic Rhythm

SECTION 2 - CUT FLOWERS AND FOLIAGE

- Class 10 1 Hybrid Tea Rose any colour
- Class 11 1 Rose full bloom
- Class 12 1 Stem/Cut Floribunda Rose(s)
- Class 13 1 cut of Miniature/Patio Rose, multiple blooms
- Class 14 1 Dahlia, Formal or Informal Decorative, blooms must measure 160mm or above
- Class 15 1 Dahlia, Formal or Informal Decorative, blooms must measure under 160mm
- Class 16 1 Dahlia, Cactus or Semi Cactus, blooms must measure 160mm or above
- Class 17 1 Dahlia, Cactus or Semi Cactus, blooms must measure under 160mm
- Class 18 1 Dahlia, any other recognised type
- Class 19 1 Hibiscus - any variety
- Class 20 1 cut of Australian Native Flower
- Class 21 1 cut of Flowering Tree or Shrub (not otherwise provided for)
- Class 22 1 cut of Vine or Creeper
- Class 23 1 cut of Geranium or Pelargonium
- Class 24 1 cut of Orchid
- Class 25 1 cut of Flowering Bulb, Rhizome or Tuber (not otherwise provided for)
- Class 26 1 Gerbera - double
- Class 27 1 Gerbera - single
- Class 28 1 Gerbera - any other variety
- Class 29 1 cut of Foliage from Shrub or Tree
- Class 30 1 cut of Foliage (not otherwise provided for eg. leaf)
- Class 31 1 cut of Bracts / Berries
- Class 32 1 cut not otherwise provided for

SECTION 3 - CONTAINER PLANTS

Classes 33 – 49: *Maximum container size 25cm unless otherwise specified.*

- Class 33 Begonia in flower
- Class 34 Begonia
- Class 35 Anthurium in flower
- Class 36 Dendrobium Orchid in flower (may be mounted)
- Class 37 Orchid in flower (may be mounted) (not otherwise provided for)
- Class 38 Plant in flower, bract, or berry - container over 150mm (not otherwise provided for)
- Class 39 Plant in flower, bract, or berry - container 150mm or under (not otherwise provided for)
- Class 40 Palm/s (one variety)
- Class 41 Cactus or Succulent
- Class 42 Bromeliad
- Class 43 Bromeliad – in flower or inflorescence
- Class 44 Dieffenbachia
- Class 45 Aglaonema
- Class 46 Fern or Fern Ally - container over 150mm
- Class 47 Fern or Fern Ally - container 150mm or under
- Class 48 Foliage Plant – container over 150mm (not otherwise provided for)
- Class 49 Foliage Plant – container 150mm or under (not otherwise provided for)

Classes 50 – 52: *Maximum container size 35cm*

- Class 50 Fern in hanging container
- Class 51 Plant in flower in hanging container
- Class 52 Plant in hanging container (not otherwise provided for)

SECTION 4 - HOME GROWN PRODUCE

- Class 53 1 bunch of mixed herbs (in water - plain glass container)
minimum 4 types (excludes chillies)
- Class 54 1 herb/s growing in a container, **maximum container size 25cm** (excludes chillies)
- Class 55 Root / tuber vegetable with leaves/stems, (see note below)
e.g. 3 beetroot, 5 radish, 3 potatoes
- Class 56 Leaf or stem vegetable with roots/stem, (see note below)
e.g. lettuce, bunch celery, bunch rhubarb
- Class 57 Vegetable not otherwise provided for with roots/stem/leaves,
(see note below)
e.g. pumpkin – 1, cucumber – 3, cherry tomatoes - 10
- Class 58 Citrus with stem, (see note below)
e.g. lemon – 3, cumquats – 10
- Class 59 Fruit not otherwise provided for with stem
e.g. passion fruit – 5, strawberries – 10, berries – 10, pawpaw -
1, including Avocado

(For further number of items per entry and length of stems / roots / leaves refer to the Australian Horticultural Show and Judges Manual available at the show.)

SECTION 5 – PHOTOGRAPHY

Photograph (colour)

- Class 60 Close up of a flower
- Class 61 Visitor to my garden (non-human)

SECTION 6 - SOCIETY DISPLAY

- Class 62 Society display

PRIZES and TROPHIES

Clubs and Societies

1. The **Dr. Jarvis Nye Perpetual Trophy** will be presented to the Club or Society gaining the highest number of points overall.
2. The **Ambassador Dr. Jarvis Nye Perpetual Trophy** will be presented to the Club or Society gaining the highest number of points in Section 1 Floral Art.
3. The **Harold Caulfield Perpetual Trophy** will be presented to the Club or Society gaining the highest number of points in Section 2 Cut Flowers and Foliage.
4. The **Carina Garden Club Dr. Jarvis Nye Perpetual Trophy** will be presented to the Club or Society gaining the highest number of points in Section 4 Home Grown Produce.
5. **\$30.00** will be presented to the Clubs or Societies gaining the highest number of points in Sections 1 - Floral Art, 2 - Cut Flowers and Foliage, 3 - Container Plants, 4 - Home Grown Produce, 5 Photography.
6. **\$125** will be awarded to the winner of Section 6 Society Display. Second place will receive \$100.00.

Individual exhibitor

7. The **President's Trophy** will be presented to the exhibitor gaining the highest individual points.
8. The **Noela Abeya Perpetual Trophy** will be presented for the best rose.
9. The **Turner Perpetual Trophy** will be presented for the best fern or fern ally.
10. A prize will be given to the exhibitor gaining the most points in Section 1 Floral Art Category A Advanced.
11. A prize will be given to the exhibitor gaining the most points in Section 1 Floral Art Category B Intermediate.
12. A prize will be given to the exhibitor whose exhibit shows the most promise in Section 1 Floral Art Category C Novice.
13. A prize may be given for the winning exhibit in selected classes (1 - 61).

Best Exhibit

14. The Best Exhibit in each of sections 1 to 4 will receive a prize.