



## Horticulture Competition Rules & Regulations

The Central Florida Fair, March 1, 2018 – March 18, 2018, has added two Adult Horticulture competitions, as well as, two new and exciting competitions in the Youth division. Exhibitors are expected to grow and care for their plant(s). The competition will showcase and recognize individual achievement in plant growth and care. Plants grown by persons other than the exhibitor are strictly prohibited from entry into the Horticulture Competition.

**The new Adult Horticulture Competition is open to all persons 18 and over.**  
**The Youth Horticulture Competition is open to all students from 1<sup>st</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade.**

### REGISTRATION

All entry forms for The Central Florida Fair Horticulture Competition must be received by 5:00pm on February 21, 2018. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to use our fast and free, online entry form, which can be found on our website, [www.centralfloridafair.com](http://www.centralfloridafair.com) For further information, please contact Leslye Domingo at (407) 295-3247 or [Leslye@centralfloridafair.com](mailto:Leslye@centralfloridafair.com).

### ONLINE ENTRY INFORMATION

1. Find the link on our website [www.centralfloridafair.com](http://www.centralfloridafair.com) - select **Competitive Exhibits** and choose what competition to enter.
2. Click the large banner that says "Click Here to Register Online".
3. Go to Login (on the left) and choose Exhibitor as the type of account (you will have to create a new account even if you entered online last year). Choose the option "I am a new exhibitor". If you have to make changes after you've registered select, "I have previously registered".
4. Follow the steps to complete your entries, print your receipt, and you're done!

### EXHIBITOR CHECK IN

Entries will be accepted during the following dates and times:

Saturday, February 24, 2018	10:00 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday, February 25, 2018	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Entries must be picked up at the same location on: (Entries CANNOT be picked up early!)

Monday, March 19, 2018	10:00 am – 4:00 pm
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A numbered tag with detachable stub is attached to each individual entry. This stub is your receipt and must be surrendered when you claim your exhibit. **BE SURE THAT YOU RECEIVE A STUB FOR EACH ARTICLE ENTERED.**

### PLANT ELIGIBILITY

All plants must be purchased and paid for by *the Exhibitor* and be in his or her possession by **December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. The plants must be grown at home or personally cared for in a nursery. Each Exhibitor is eligible to enter all classes, however only one entry per class is permitted. Plants entered on the official entry form must be the same plants Exhibitor checks in at the Central Florida Fair.

Plants will be graded and inspected at entry time. All plant material must be high quality, free from insects and diseases and of a marketable size. Containers shall be attractive and clean. Containers must be of the following acceptable sizes –

- 4" or 6" container (1 gallon)
- 8" or 10" container (3 gallon)

### RESTRICTIONS

The Horticulture Judges reserve the right to reject exhibits of inferior quality and diseased plants. The following criteria will be the basis for accepting and rejecting entries.

- A) Freedom from insects, disease, nutritional stress and excessive cold injury;
- B) Sufficiently rooted in the container;
- C) Acceptable size for the container based on the competition entered.

## Adult Horticulture Competition

### **Division A: CONTAINERS & COLLECTIONS**

Entered items may not be more than four (4) feet in any direction  
Entered items must have aesthetically pleasing design, variety of plants, and contrast of color.

**Collections** must be six different species of one genre, in one Container. **Terrariums** must have lids.

<u>Class Code #</u>	<u>Description</u>
AHA-01	Dish Gardens
AHA-02	Terrariums
AHA-03	Collections

### **Division B: FAIRY GARDENS**

Entered items may not be more than four (4) feet in any direction  
Entered items must be aesthetically pleasing, contain a variety of Textures, and a whimsical mock habitat to include a house, and 1-3 plants, with other optional items to enhance the design.

<u>Class Code #</u>	<u>Description</u>
AHB-01	Fairy Garden
AHB-02	Seasonal Theme Fairy Garden

### Awards for Adult Competition

First Place	\$25
Second	\$15
Third	\$10

## Youth Horticulture Competition

The Youth Competition has been established to encourage students to explore horticultural science. This year we are adding a new and exciting Fairy Garden Competition to promote student's creativity and interest in horticultural sciences. For the Youth Horticulture Competition students are expected to grow and care for their plant(s). The competition will showcase and recognize individual achievement in plant growth and care. Plants grown by any persons other than the exhibiting student are strictly prohibited from entry into the Youth Horticulture Competition.

### **Division A: WOODY ORNAMENTALS**

An entry in this division shall consist of 1-3 plants of same species.

<u>Class Code #</u>	<u>Description</u>
OHA-01	Senior Woody Ornamental
OHA-02	Intermediate Woody Ornamental
OHA-03	Junior Woody Ornamental

### **Division D: VEGETABLES**

An entry in this division shall consist of 1-3 plants.

<u>Class Code #</u>	<u>Description</u>
OHD-01	Senior
OHD-02	Intermediate
OHD-03	Junior

### **Division B: FOLIAGE PLANTS**

An entry in this division shall consist of 1-3 plants of same species.

<u>Class Code #</u>	<u>Description</u>
OHB-01	Senior Foliage Plant
OHB-02	Intermediate Foliage
OHB-03	Junior Foliage Plants

### **Division E: FAIRY GARDEN**

Any entry in this division shall consist of 3 mixed species plants, and be self-contained.

<u>Class Code #</u>	<u>Description</u>
OHE-01	Senior
OHE-02	Intermediate
OHE-03	Junior

### **Division C: CACTUS**

An entry in this division shall consist of 1-3 plants of same species.

<u>Class Code #</u>	<u>Description</u>
OHC-01	Senior Cactus
OHC-02	Intermediate Cactus
OHC-03	Junior Cactus

### **Division F: MINI-SCAPE**

An entry in this division shall consist of 3 mixed and be self-contained in a 4' square planter.

<u>Class Code #</u>	<u>Description</u>
OHF-01	Senior
OHF-02	Intermediate
OHF-03	Junior

### AWARDS

The following awards will be presented to exhibits in each Age Group (Junior, Intermediate, and Senior):

**Junior:** 8 – 12 years of age ~ **Intermediate:** 13 – 15 years of age ~ **Senior:** 16 – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Best of Show	\$25
First Place	\$10
Second Place	\$8
Third Place	\$5

Please note that all prize money awarded in connection with the Horticulture Exhibits shall be cashed by the recipient within 90 days from that date of the check. If the recipient fails to timely negotiate said check, all monies due recipient shall be considered a contribution to the Central Florida Fair by the recipient. Any disputes regarding premium awards must be reported to the Fair Office by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The Fair does not guarantee payment of additional premiums if notification is not received by that date. (No exceptions!)