

GARDEN PRODUCE

CONVENOR: 604-463-6922 or email home-arts-registration@countryfest.com

Registration forms may be sent by email to home-arts-registration@mrpmcountryfest.com and payment can be made by eTransfer (see the Registration tab on the website). Alternatively, you can bring your registration form(s) to the office before or on Monday, July 15, 2024.

ENTRY FEE: \$1.00 per class

REGISTRATION FORM & PAYMENT DEADLINE: Monday, July 15, 2024

PRIZES: 1st - \$5* 2nd - \$3 3rd - \$2 – Special prizes awarded in the theme classes are at the judges' discretion (*\$1 of the 1st prize purse has been donated by the Maple Ridge Garden Club.)

Home Arts & Garden Rules

1. EACH EXHIBITOR MUST HAVE THEIR OWN REGISTRATION FORM
2. REGISTRATION FORMS AND PAYMENT DEADLINE IS Monday, July 15, 2024
3. NO NEW ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY THAT ARTICLES ARE BROUGHT INTO THE FAIR THAT HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED AS OF THE JULY 15th DEADLINE. FOR THOSE WHO HAVE PURCHASED BLANK TAGS, CLASS INFORMATION MAY BE COMPLETED AT TIME ENTRIES ARE DROPPED OFF.
4. ONE ENTRY PER CLASS PER PERSON.
5. ALL ENTRIES MUST NOT HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY ENTERED IN MAPLE RIDGE FAIR/COUNTRY FEST.
6. ALL ENTRIES ARE LEFT AT EXHIBITOR'S OWN RISK

2024 Entry drop off and pick up dates to remember:

Tuesday, July 23rd: Photography, Scrapbooking, Needlework, Arts, Crafts & Hobbies entries in between 4pm & 8pm

Thursday, July 25th: Home Cooking and Garden Produce entries in between 4pm & 8pm

Friday, July 26th: Home Cooking and Garden Produce entries in between 10am & noon

Monday, July 29th: Pick up entries in between 4pm & 7pm

To avoid extra workload for volunteers we need everyone to pick up their articles after the fair. We need prior written permission for those who are unable to pick up their articles or if you are unable to have someone come and pick them up for you. We have limited time having the building and there will be lack of security in the building if articles are left. Note: No special prizes will be mailed to winners.

Theme Classes – "FUN AND GAMES"

This year, the theme of the Home Arts and Garden building is "FUN AND GAMES". Using your creativity, imagination and decorative skills, show us your vision using the "FUN AND GAMES" theme. This theme allows you to have fun and let your imagination go wild. You are permitted to use any interpretation of the theme you would like.

PLEASE SEE GENERAL RULES ABOVE

Exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor. (Persons who earn 50% or more of their income from the sales of garden/produce are not permitted to enter those classes).

DIVISION RULES (Please see general rules at the beginning of Prize Book)

DIVISION 1 - Vegetables, Culinary Herbs, Fruits & Berries, and Cut Blooms.

DIVISION 2 - Decorative Flowers and Potted Plants

DIVISION 3 - Junior Garden

1. EXHIBITORS IN DIVISION 1 MUST GROW EXHIBITS - Vegetables, Culinary Herbs, Fruits & Berries, and Cut Blooms.

2. EXHIBITORS IN DIVISION 2 - DECORATIVE FLOWERS DO NOT HAVE TO GROW THE FLOWERS. Some containers will be available for cut blooms.

3. EXHIBITORS IN ALL DIVISIONS WILL BE ABLE TO PURCHASE BLANK ENTRIES/TAGS IN ADVANCE. Blank tags allow the exhibitor to choose classes based on availability of garden crops. No tags are to be purchased after entry deadline.

4. FOR DIVISION 1, NO MORE THAN ONE PERSON CAN EXHIBIT FROM THE SAME GARDEN IN THE SAME CLASS. This does not apply to Division 2 or 3.

5. NO LATE ENTRIES ALLOWED. Exhibitors are expected to attach their own tags to their entries.

6. THERE ARE NO REFUNDS FOR UNUSED TAGS.

DIVISION 1 - VEGETABLES, CULINARY HERBS, FRUITS & BERRIES, and CUT BLOOMS

Definitions:

AV – Any variety

AOV - Any other variety

Bloom – fine powdery or waxy substance when referring to fruits and vegetables

Bloom - an individual flower only when referring to cut blooms

Spike - thick upright stem carrying several blooms

CVA - colour variation allowed unless specified

Named - variety must be named

NOTES:

- Please count carefully to make sure entries match numbers as listed with classes.
- All vegetables should be free of pests, blemishes or mechanical injuries (marks left by shovel, hoe or fork.)
- Entries should be washed but NOT SCRUBBED, free from dirt, roots intact, and tops removed to 1" unless otherwise specified (see Rhubarb for example of exception)
- Vegetables & fruits will be judged for uniformity, size, condition, colour, quality & form.
- One vegetable in each category, MAY BE CUT by the judge.
- Fruit SHOULD NOT be polished or waxed
- Cut flower blooms should not be passed their prime.

VEGETABLES

100. Basket of Garden Produce - Vegetables fruit & herbs grown in your own garden.

101. Beans, AV 5 –with stem on variety, named

102. Cabbage - 1 head with some leaves for cover, roots trimmed

103. Cauliflower, Broccoli, & Broccoli rape (Rapini)– 1 head with some leaves for cover; roots trimmed

108. Rhubarb – 3 stalks; leave 3" of the tops on cut in a semi-circle (moon shaped); variety named

109. Zucchini – 1 with stem on; variety named

110. Squash – 1 with stem on; variety named

111. Swiss Chard – 3 AV in water; variety named

112. Kale – 3 AV in water; variety named

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- 104. Cucumber - 1 any variety, variety named
- 105. Garlic, 3 heads with 2" thin stems, variety named
- 106. Garlic, - heaviest bulb, 1 variety named
- 107. Onions - 4 with necks folded over – variety named, cooking

- 113. Vegetables – AOV not listed in another class; variety named
- 114. Vegetables – 3 colourful collection; varieties named
- 115. Vegetables – funniest shaped

BEST IN SHOW – Vegetables – Rosette

CULINARY HERBS

- 130. Basil - 5 cuts AV in water, variety named
- 131. Chives - 5 cuts in water, variety named
- 132. Herbs - 5 cuts AOV in water, variety named
- 133. Mint -5 cuts AV in water, variety named
- 134. Oregano - 5 cuts AV in water, variety named
- 135. Parsley - 5 AV cuts in water, variety named

- 136. Rosemary- 5 AV cuts in water, variety named
- 137. Sage - 5 AV cuts in water, variety named
- 138. Thyme - 5 AV cuts in water, variety named
- 140. **THEME CLASS** - Potted Herbs, 3 or more varieties named in a container with Theme - "**FUN AND GAMES**"

BEST IN SHOW – Culinary Herbs – Rosette

FRUIT

All categories must have their natural coating and not be washed or waxed

- 146. Blueberries – 5 AV with stem on, variety named
- 147. Other Berries – 5 AV with stem on, variety named

- 148. Tree fruit – 4 AV with stem on, variety named

BEST IN SHOW – Fruit – Rosette

CUT BLOOMS

- 155. Arrangement - Annuals 5 or more varieties 1 vase, named
- 156. Arrangement - perennials 5 or more varieties 1 vase, named
- 157. Clematis – 5 blooms AV, named
- 158. Dahlias - 1 bloom AOV, not listed
- 159. Dahlias – Ball 1 CVA, named
- 160. Dahlias – Cactus 1 CVA up to 5", named
- 161. Dahlias – Cactus 1CVA over 5", named
- 162. Dahlias – Decorative 1 CVA up to 5", named
- 163. Dahlias – Decorative 1 CVA over 5", named
- 164. Dahlias - water lily CVA 1 bloom, named
- 165. Daisies – 5 blooms named
- 166. Flowers - 5 AOV not listed, named

- 167. Gladiolus - 1 AV single spike, named
- 168. Hydrangea - Lace Cap 3 cuts same colour, named
- 169. Hydrangea – Mop head 3 cuts same colour, named
- 170. Lily – Asiatic or Oriental 1 cut stamen removed, named
- 171. Marigold - 6 AV, named
- 172. Pansies – 5 AV named
- 173. Petunias – 5 AV, named
- 174. Phlox – 3 AV named
- 175. Rose – Single stem, named
- 176. Rudbeckia – 5 stems, named
- 177. Sweet Peas – 5 cuts, named

BEST IN SHOW – Cut Blooms – Rosette

DIVISION 2 - DECORATIVE FLOWERS and POTTED PLANTS

Definitions:

Arrangement - consists of fresh cut material in a container, with a base if necessary, may include accessories. Foliage optional.

Composition - may consist of dried, weathered or treated plant materials and/or accessories.

NOTE: Flowers in the decorative classes do not need to be grown by the exhibitor. Artificial flowers are not permitted.

DECORATIVE FLOWERS

186. Arrangement – in a mug or teacup

187. Colours in Harmony – arrangement using 2 to 3 colours

188. Arrangement incorporating garden tools or home décor items

189. Arrangement incorporating baking or cooking utensils

190. Cube Design – a square arrangement

191. First time around – for 1st time exhibitors max size 12" square

192. Gardeners Delight – arrangement using fruit, vegetables, flower, herbs

193. Theme design - max 12" X 12" featuring the theme "**FUN AND GAMES**"

194. Theme design – max 12" x 12" featuring the theme "**Maple Ridge's 150th Anniversary***"

195. Miniature Arrangement 4" or under

196. Mono Colour – arrangement using only 1 colour or shades of that colour

[*194 - See Maple Ridge Museum website for ideas](#)

197. Oriental Design – Design of Oriental style

198. Name that song – incorporating theme "**FUN AND GAMES**"

199. Reflective Beauty – arrangement using a mirror

200. Second Time around – composition using recycled products

201. Special Occasion – Christmas, Halloween design accessories opt.

202. Tool Time – floral arrangement using tools up to 18" container

203. Arrangement using ribbons, lace and garlands

204. Unusual—an arrangement in an unusual container

205. Wild Life – arrangement using wild

207. THEME CLASS – table top arrangement viewable from all sides. Theme "**FUN AND GAMES**"

BEST IN SHOW – Decorative Flowers – Rosette

POTTED PLANTS The exhibitor must own these plants for at least four months prior to Country Fest dates. Plants should be pest free and not have any other plants in the same pot except for the basket or dish gardens and have not previously been entered in Country Fest.

219. Bonsai, named

220. Cactus or Succulent, named

221. Flowering outside plant, named – single plant type

222. Flowering indoor plant, named – single plant type

223. Non flowering plant - named

226. Garden or patio planter - featuring theme "FUN AND GAMES". Any size or shape, potted plants allowed, min. 3 different plants

227. Terrarium Miniature Garden max. size 12" x 12" featuring theme "FUN AND GAMES"

BEST IN SHOW - Potted Plant – Rosette

DIVISION 3 - JUNIOR GARDEN PRODUCE

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NOTE: PLEASE BE SURE TO HAVE AGE WRITTEN ON EACH REGISTRATION FORM

Ages 6 and Under Classes

1700. Collection of garden flowers – reflective of theme or incorporating sports equipment theme

"FUN AND GAMES"

1701. Vegetables or fruit – up to 3 different - fruits with stem on, named

1703. Terrarium miniature garden – max. size 12" x 12" featuring the theme **"FUN AND GAMES"**

1704. My Favourite Colour - an arrangement using your favourite colour, greenery allowed

1705. Nature collection - flowers, leaves, weeds etc. at least 3 different types max. size 12" x 12"

1706. Novelty fruit or vegetable creature- (may have accessories)

1707. Bee Friendly pollinator plant in a container

BEST IN SHOW – Jr. Garden Produce – Age 6 and Under - Rosette

Ages 7 - 9 Years Classes

1711. Collection of garden flowers - reflective of theme or incorporating sports equipment theme

"FUN AND GAMES"

1712. Collection of wild flowers - named

1713. Vegetables or fruit – up to 3 different - fruits with stem on, named

1715. Terrarium miniature garden – max. size 12" x 12" featuring the theme **"FUN AND GAMES"**

1716. My Favourite Colour - an arrangement using your favourite colour, greenery allowed

1717. Nature collection - flowers, leaves, weeds, etc. at least 3 different types max. size 12" x 12"

1718. Novelty fruit or vegetable creature with eyes - (may have lace, ribbon, pipe cleaners, plastic eyes)

1719. Bee Friendly pollinator plant - in a container. named

BEST IN SHOW – Jr. Garden Produce – 7 - 9 Years – Rosette

Ages 10 - 12 years

1726. Collection of garden flowers – reflective of theme **"FUN AND GAMES"**

1727. Carved potato stamp – your design, submit stamp and sample

1728. Vegetables or fruit – up to 3 different – fruits with stem on, named

1730. Terrarium Miniature Garden – max size 12"x 12" reflective of theme **"FUN AND GAMES"**

1731. My favourite colour – an arrangement using your favourite colour, greenery allowed

1732. Novelty fruit or vegetable creature – with eyes, may have accessories

1733. Bee Friendly pollinator plant – grown in a container, named

BEST IN SHOW – Jr. Garden Produce – 10 - 12 Years - Rosette

Ages 13 - 16 years

1741. Collection of garden flowers – reflective of theme **“FUN AND GAMES”**”

1742. Carved potato stamp – your design, submit stamp and sample

1743. Collection of wild flowers -named

1744. Vegetables or fruit – up to 3 different - fruits with stem on, named

1746. Terrarium miniature garden – max. size 12 x 12 featuring the theme **“FUN AND GAMES”**

1747. My favourite colour - an arrangement using your favourite colour, greenery allowed

1748. Original character or animal - made from garden materials reflective of theme **“FUN AND GAMES”**

1749. Bee Friendly pollinator plant – grown in a container, named

BEST IN SHOW – Jr. Garden Produce – 13 - 16 Years – Rosette