

New England Daylily Society Daylily Exhibition

Saturday, July 13, 2024
at New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill
11 French Drive, Boylston, MA

Our upcoming exhibition on **July 13th** will be here before you know it, and we need everyone to participate. We still need **volunteers for set-up on Friday, clerks on Saturday, and membership.**

We need your entries!!

Please make the time to exhibit at least 2 or 3 scapes. It's easier than you think, and it only takes 1 scape to win Best in Show. You can also submit "off-scape" flower blooms. This requires little time in grooming and the public will get to see cutting edge daylilies. We hope you will try your hand at grooming, but if you do not want to groom your scapes you can put your entries in the Display Only section. We will have 9 judges who are driving long distances (some from New York) to judge our show and we want to make it worth the trip for them. The exhibition is a great opportunity to see what others are growing and add to your wish list. The success of our exhibition depends on members getting involved. Remember, you can exhibit current or older daylilies. We look forward to seeing everyone there! It promises to be a wonderful time. **If you have any questions, you can contact Lis Murphy, Exhibition Chair, at murphyelis1549@gmail.com or Nancy Stern at sternnancy@aol.com.**

Upon Arrival

If you are bringing scapes to display you can arrive anytime starting at 7:30 am. Drive past the "do not enter" sign to the rear of the building. You can park briefly to unload your car and then move your car to the main parking lot. Please stop at the front desk to check in and get an admission sticker. If you are not exhibiting, selling, or volunteering at the show you will be charged regular admission to Tower Hill. You will be able to groom your scapes in the Orangerie where you will find the vases and hangtags for display. If you have any questions about how to groom your daylilies, there will be others there to help answer your questions. After grooming your scapes, fill out a hangtag with your name, address, name of cultivar, and Division number – Division I is for on-scape daylilies and Division II is for off-scape daylilies. **Your scapes need to be in Classroom A/B by 10:30 am at the very latest for classification and placement.**

If anyone has a daylily that was introduced by a New England hybridizer and wants to enter it in that category let the classification volunteers know so it can be placed correctly. This category cannot win Best in Show but can win the New England Daylily Award.

If you will be bringing scapes to the show and have not yet signed up, please respond to Lis Murphy so your name can be added to the list of exhibitors, vendors, and volunteers for Tower Hill.

Judging of Scapes

Judging will begin promptly at 11:00 am. **Clerks** should arrive by 10:30 am. **Note: Clerks can exhibit scapes and are encouraged to do so.**

Friday, July 12 Set-up

We NEED two volunteers

Vases will need to be unpacked and filled 1/3 full with water and placed on carts for use by daylily exhibitors the following morning. With a couple of people helping, this work should only take about an hour. Tower Hill will set up the tables for us. **Please email Lis Murphy at murphylis1549@gmail.com if you can help.**

Daylily Sales and Membership Table

We NEED one more volunteer to help at the Membership Table

Membership Table: We need one more person to man the membership table for a couple of hours to explain the benefits of joining the daylily society and sign up anyone wanting to join. **Please email Lis Murphy at murphylis1549@gmail.com if you can help.**

Daylily Sales - A reminder to those selling their daylilies NEDS gets 20% of your gross sales.

AGENDA FOR THE DAY

7:30 am – 10:30 am	Grooming of scapes in the Orangerie
8:30 am – 10:30 am	Classification and Placement of Entries
10:30 am	Clerks assemble in Classroom A/B
11:00 am	Judging begins in Classroom A/B
11:00 am – 12:00 noon	Presentation by Marlene Harmon of Harmon Hill Farm “Daylilies from Seed to Flower” in the Southeast Link
11:00 am – 3:30 pm	Membership and Information Table open in the Northwest Link
11:00 am – 3:30 pm	Daylily Sales Tables open in the Northwest Link
12:30 pm – 1:00 pm	Demonstration of Dividing a Daylily by Steve Greene In the Southeast Link
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Daylily Exhibition open to the public in Classroom A/B
3:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Cleanup – We need volunteers to empty and pack up vases

TIPS FOR ENTERING THE EXHIBITION

Selecting Flowers

- Take a walk around your garden a few days before the show to see what may be opening on show day
- Select scapes with little or no insect damage on buds or scapes
- Look for even budding and branching
- Look for strong scapes that are straight and close to registered height
- Scapes that will require extensive grooming to correct problems should be left in the garden
- To prevent water spotting on blooms avoid overhead watering the night before
- Decide how many scapes you want to bring and how to transport them to the show; don't select more daylilies than you can groom in time to enter them in the show

Making a grooming kit:

These are items that you'll want to put together ahead of time and bring to the show to groom your scapes:

- Small scissors to trim brown from bracts
- Exacto knife to trim scapes
- Pen for filling out entry hangtags
- Stick-on address labels to make filling out the hangtags faster
- Q-tips to clean off scapes and blooms

Grooming tips:

- The idea is to make everything look green
- Freshen up or trim off bud scars where previous blooms have been, using an Exacto knife or small scissors
- Trim to a point any brown on bracts
- Remove seedpods and spent blooms
- Remove buds or other open flowers that distract from the best blooms on a scape
- Clean off pollen that has fallen onto the petals and sepals with a Q-tip
- Do not remove any anthers
- Nothing below the vase lip is judged so don't waste time grooming there
- If you can do any of your grooming before arriving at the show it will save time

GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. Exhibition is open to all daylily growers. Horticultural entries must have been grown, groomed and entered by the exhibitor(s). Entries may not be entered by anyone not at the same physical address as the owner/grower of the daylily. (Exhibitors may not ask anyone to enter their flowers for them).
2. Only AHS members are eligible to win AHS rosettes and other society sponsored awards. However, they may be new members who join at show.
3. All entries will be received (checked by Classification Committee) between the hours of 07:30 am and 10:30 am Late entries arriving after 10:30 am (acknowledged by Classification Committee) may be entered **FOR DISPLAY ONLY and will not be judged. Entries will not be placed in the display area after 11:00 am.** No entry may be removed before 3:30 pm. Exhibits not removed by 4:00 pm will be discarded. Ribbons and awards, if not claimed at this time, will be made available at a later date upon request.
4. Uniform containers and official AHS entry tags will be furnished by the *New England Daylily Society*.
5. **Only members of the Placement Committee are permitted to place entries in the display area.**
6. Judging will begin promptly at 11:00 am. Only Judges, Clerks, General Show Chair, Judges' Chair, Classification Chair and the Photographer will be allowed in the exhibition area during judging.
7. Show officials and the *New England Daylily Society* will exercise all precautions for protecting exhibits but neither they *nor the New England Botanic Garden at Tower Hill* will be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.

HORTICULTURE RULES

1. All horticulture exhibits eligible for AHS rosettes and medals must be entered on-scape.
2. Registered cultivars are to be entered on scapes whose overall height does not exceed 36".
3. All seedlings (including pre-registered cultivars) shall be severed as near to the base as possible regardless of the height. If the height of the seedling makes transport difficult, if not impossible, the exhibitor may trim the excess scape height, preserving the cut portion of the scape. The cut portion of the scape must then be placed alongside the base of the container holding the entry.
4. A seedling having won the AHS rosette in any other show is not eligible.
5. Entry tags for seedlings must be marked with the word SEEDLING in the space for cultivar name. Names, numbers or any other identifying marks are not permitted on the visible portion of the folded tag.
6. Eligibility for exhibitors in the Youth sections shall continue through the end of the calendar year following the youth's eighteenth birthday. *(If youth entries are to be confined to the Youth section, this must be stated in the schedule. However, youth entries may not be denied in the Seedling and Achievement sections.)*
7. Cultivars listed on the official spider list must be exhibited in Section 6 unless they are: (1) part of a local collection, (2) a Youth Section exhibit, or (3) registered as a multiform cultivar. *(Refer to Multiform Classification Code).*
8. Cultivars whose names are not listed in the AHS checklists or supplements may not be exhibited in any Division, Section, Class or Group where registered cultivars are specified. They must be entered in the seedling section (Section 9). They may also be entered in the Ophelia Taylor Horticultural award (Section 12) in Class 2. They may also be entered in the Achievement Medal (Section 10), however, this option is only available to the hybridizer of the entry. The entry tag must be marked with the word SEEDLING in the space for cultivar name. Names, numbers or any other identifying marks are not permitted on the visible portion of the folded tag.
9. Unusual form cultivars, registered as such, must be entered in Section 7 and only those listed on the official Unusual Form cultivars list may be entered in Section 7 unless they are: (1) part of a local collection, (2) a Youth Section exhibit, or (3) registered as a multiform cultivar. *(Refer to Multiform Classification Code).*
10. Double form cultivars, registered as such, must be entered in Section 5 and only those listed on the official Double Form Cultivars list may be entered in Section 5 unless they are: (1) part of a local collection, (2) a Youth Section exhibit.
11. Only one entry per named class is allowed per household.

HORTICULTURE SCALE OF POINTS

	On Scape Registered Cultivars	On Scape Seedling	Off-Scape Registered Cultivars
Distinction	-	25	
Flower			
Color	10	10	20
Form	10	10	20
Texture	10	10	20
Substance	10	10	20
Size of Flower	10	-	10
Scape			
Height and Strength	15	10	
Buds	10	10	
Branching	10	10	
Condition and Grooming	15	5	10
Total	100	100	100

SPECIAL HORTICULTURE DIVISION AWARDS

The AHS Achievement Medal is awarded to the originator of each entry of 3 scapes from a single seedling in Division I, Section 10, scoring an average of 90 points or more, and which in the opinion of the judges shows adequate merit and distinctiveness as compared with existing cultivars. Entries must be entered by number as assigned by the Classification Committee. Each of the judges on the panel assigned to judge the entries will point score each scape individually. The score sheets will be returned to the General Show Chair and Tabulation Committee Chair who will tabulate the scores. Scores will NOT be official until they have been verified by the Exhibitions Chair or the Exhibitions Committee.

The AHS Award of Appreciation, a rosette, may be given at the discretion of the local show committee, not the judges, to one or more noncompetitive educational exhibits in Division III to show appreciation for the significant efforts involved.

LOCAL AWARDS

Note: Local rules cannot require a judge to be asked to judge induced tetraploids or species for which no registered standard exists, or to treat behavior, like double or polychromous flower characteristics, as a merit if the exhibits are not registered as such.

1. New England Daylily Award

This award is given to the exhibitor of the finest specimen on-scape of a registered daylily originated in New England. The entry does not have to be made by the hybridizer. Any number of entries may be made by the same exhibitor as long as each entry shown is a different cultivar.

One award \$25.00

2. Sweepstakes Winner (Youth Classes)

First Prize \$15.00

3. AHS Sweepstakes Winner

Awarded to the exhibitor winning the most blue ribbons in Division I, Sections 1-9.

First prize \$25.00, Runner-up \$15.00

4. Best-in-Show

Winner will receive \$50.00 award