Victoria Dahlia Society 73nd Annual Show



Mingus Toni Seedling



2019 Flowers of the Year



Victoria Dahlia Society 73rd Annual Show

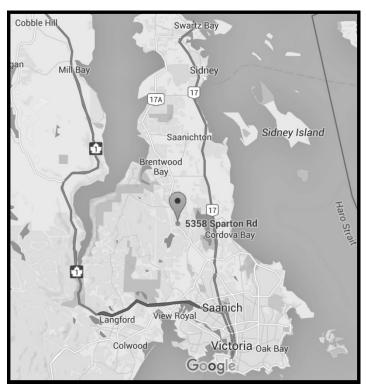
at

Prospect Lake Community Hall 5358 Sparton Road Victoria, B.C.

on

August 17th and 18th, 2019

open to the public
Saturday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Sunday 11:00 am - 4:00 pm*
*in conjunction with the PLDCA annual BBQ (see Note p3)





Travelling North on Pat Bay Highway 17 from Victoria

take Exit 11 Royal Oak Drive
turn left on Royal Oak Drive
travel 500m West on Royal Oak Drive
turn right on West Saanich Road
drive 4.5km north on West Saanich Road,
immediately after the Save on Gas
turn right on Sparton Road
arrive at the Prospect Lake Community Hall
5358 Sparton Road on the left

<u>Travelling South on Pat Bay Highway 17</u> from Sidney / Swartz Bay ferry terminal

at Exit 21, turn right towards Saanichton
on Mount Newton Cross Road
at the second four-way-stop intersection
turn left on Wallace Drive
drive four kilometres along Wallace Drive
turn left on West Saanich Road
drive 7km South on West Saanich Road,
immediately after Tia's Heritage Cafe
turn left on Sparton Road
arrive at the Prospect Lake Community Hall
5358 Sparton Road on the left

(tip: you can follow the signs to The Butchart Gardens, but only as far as travelling South on West Saanich Road)

Note: Sunday August 18, 2019 the Prospect Lake District Community Association hosts its annual BBQ. Membership in the Community Association is required to partake in the BBQ, but can be paid for at the time of the BBQ. For more information visit www.pldca.ca

PROGRAM

The show is open to all exhibitors, members and non-members. There is no entry fee.

Friday, August 16, 2019

5:00 pm - 11:00 pm Staging and placement of dahlia entries

Saturday, August 17, 2019

7:00 am - 10:00 am Staging and placement

of dahlia entries

10:00 am Clerks/Judges meeting in

staging area

10:15 am Judging begins

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Show is open to the public

6:00 pm Dinner –

to be announced at the show

Sunday, August 18, 2019

11:00 am - 4:00 pm* Show is open to the public

*In conjunction with the PLDCA Annual BBQ Sunday afternoon and evening (see Note p. 2)

Monday, August 19, 2019

9:00 am - 11:00 am Break down and clean up

Note: American Dahlia Society (ADS) Seedling entries should be staged by 9:00 am on Saturday, August 17, so evaluation can be started as soon as possible.

VICTORIA DAHLIA SOCIETY

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Classification any Senior Judge

GENERAL RULES

- 1.(a)Exhibitors are requested to keep their total number of entries to 50 or less due to a shortage of judges and time constraints.
- 1.(b)For the 2019 Dahlia Show, all 'micro' dahlias as reclassified in the 2019 American Dahlia Society Classification Handbook will be entered in the next larger size category. For example, the collarette 'Kelsey Day Glo' now classified as 9103 will be entered as 9003. All other 'micro' dahlias will be entered accordingly to the larger size category.
- Flowers shall be shown in containers as supplied by the Society, except in basket, bowl and vase classes for which exhibitors shall provide their own containers. This Society will not be responsible for loss or damage to any container.
- Exhibitors MUST show the name of every displayed exhibit on the entry tag, including the basket, bowl and vase classes.
- Exhibits must have the Classification part of the entry tag completed. If help is needed, see any Senior Dahlia Judge.
- 5. All blooms exhibited must have been grown by the exhibitor.
- Exhibitors may make as many entries as they desire in any class provided the entries are of different varieties, except for sections 50 & 51, where the number of entries is unlimited.
- Points will be awarded in all classes.
- 8. Judges may withhold awards when entries are deemed to be unworthy. Decisions of the judges shall be considered final. Judges must disqualify themselves from judging or influencing the judging in any classes where they have an interest. Complaints must be brought forward within ½ hour of judging completion.

- 9. To be eligible for a higher award, an exhibit must have won a first in its class. If an exhibit has won in its class, and it was the only entry in that class, then it must receive a "Best of Type" ribbon (where applicable - Section 1 to 10) and also a Division Champ ribbon.
- Best Dahlia in Show will be selected from the best single entry in Sections 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, and 37. Best Triple in Show will be selected from the best triple entry in Sections 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, and 38.
- 11. Entries placed in the wrong class as to colour or type may be properly placed and classified by the Judges Chair or a Senior Judge, but this must be done before judging of the section begins.
- 12. A vase is defined as a container having a diameter at the mouth less than the measure of its height.
- 13. A bowl is defined as a container having a diameter at the mouth at least equal to, but usually greater than, its height.
- 14. A basket is defined as a decorative container with a fixed handle.
- 15. Where the words "any foliage" appear in connection with a section or class, it signifies that foliage other than dahlia self-foliage may be used. Foliage may be used to enhance the decorative effect. Statice, gypsophylia or other minutely flowered plants (sometimes referred to as filler) may be considered as foliage.

CLASSIFICATION

- All entries are to be classified in accordance with the latest American Dahlia Society (ADS) Classification and Handbook of Dahlias in which it appears. Use the Pacific Northwest Supplemental Classification Listing, of the 2019 ADS Classification Handbook.
- Classification includes all of the following cultivar information:

Name Type Size Colour

 Classification information must be provided on the entry tags. The Exhibitor must know the name of the cultivar, or if it is a new cultivar not yet named, provide a code number.

17. EXHIBITOR DIVISIONS

OPEN: Experienced exhibitors, who have been consistent winners of head table and/or special awards during prior show seasons, are required to enter in this division. Exhibitors who have not consistently won head table and/or special awards during the immediate past three show seasons are encouraged to return to the Amateur Division. Entry Tags: **WHITE**

AMATEUR: This division is for knowledgeable exhibitors who show dahlias for fun and experience. Exhibitors in this division are encouraged to remain until they consistently win head table and/or special awards for three consecutive show seasons. Entry Tags: **YELLOW**

NOVICE: An exhibitor who is inexperienced in the showing of dahlias, and who may remain in this division for up to ten (10) ADS dahlia shows regardless of winnings. They will end the show season in the same exhibitor category as they started, instead of moving up mid-season. Entry Tags: **PINK**

JUNIOR: A person who is 16 years of age or under

Entry Tags: **BLUE**

SPECIAL CLASSES – Open to all Exhibitors

Entry Tags: WHITE

Exhibitors may elect to exhibit in a higher division, but then must place all their exhibits in those sections / classes. If two exhibitors are showing flowers grown in the same garden, then they both must show in the exhibitor division of the highest exhibitor (exception is Juniors will always show in Junior division).

18. MAKING ENTRIES: Exhibitors must use the appropriate entry tags available from the Show Secretary, or at the show in the staging area. Tags must be filled out completely and displayed with each exhibit.

- UNDISSEMINATED CULTIVARS: These may be entered against classified cultivars in accordance with the 2019 ADS Classification and Handbook of Dahlias requirements (see page 11).
- 20. UN-CLASSIFIED ENTRIES: Any Senior Judge may classify blooms that are named and coded as to size, colour and type by initialling the entry's Show Tag. This also includes any seedlings with a numeric prefix followed by a name. But any entry with a wholly numeric identification name can be placed on an exhibit table without being signed off by a Senior Judge.
- 21. CONTAINERS: Exhibits should be staged only in containers supplied by the Society (Exception: members' own matching vases may be used). Bowls, baskets and materials are to be supplied by the exhibitor (see definitions).
- 22. FILLER: The filler for vases will be supplied.
- 23. FOLIAGE: In accordance with the ADS rule, the first pair of leaves must be attached and shown above the filler.
- 24. DAHLIA SIZE CLASSIFICATION:

Giant	AA	over 10"
Large	Α	8" to 10"
Medium	В	6" to 8"
Small	BB	4" to 6"
Miniature	MIN	up to 4"
Ball	BA	over 3.5"
Miniature Ball	MB	2" to 3.5"
Pompons	Р	up to 2"
Mignon Singles	MS	up to 2"

25. POINTS FOR DAHLIAS PER ADS JUDGING RULES:

Colour	22		
Form	28		
Substance	15	Bloom Position	5
Stem	10	Uniformity	5
Foliage	10	Distinction	5

- 26. All blooms will become the property of the Show Committee and will be disposed of at the closing of the show as the Committee feels appropriate.
- 27. The Show Committee reserves the right to remove from the show tables, after judging, any bloom or exhibit which becomes unattractive.
- 28. Neither the Victoria Dahlia Society, its representatives, nor the show venue and its management shall be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits, personal property, or for injury sustained by exhibitors or visitors.

Flowers Of The Year for 2020 for the Victoria Dahlia Society Chi Ef 25 (single)

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SAMPLE SHOW TAG

VICTORIA DAHLIA SOCIETY

15 Section No.

Little Beeswings

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NOTE: 4-digit **ADS Classification** Number

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Some Town Town

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6212
ADS or Class No.

Little Beeswings

Classification

Exhibitor My Name

Some Street Address

Some Town Town

JUDGES:

DIVISION CHAMPIONS in all Sections are given separately for Novice, Amateur, and Open. These Division Champions are then judged against each other for the head table winner.

Best of Type to be selected for each form and for each of Novice, Amateur, and Open in Sections 1 - 10 only.

Section 2 Triple GIANT (AA) Section 4 Triple LARGE (A) Section 1 Single GIANT (AA) Section 3 Single LARGE (A)

Section 5 Single MEDIUM (B) Section 7 Single SMALL (BB)

Section 10 Triple MINIATURE Section 6 Triple MEDIUM (B) Section 8 Triple SMALL (BB) Section 9 Single MINIATURE The following ADS Class Mumbers apply to Sections 1 - 10

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NOTE: No Best of Type awarded.	Section 11 Single BALL	Section 13 Single MINIATURE BALL S	Section 15 Single POMPON	Section 17 Single STELLAR	Section 19 Single WATERLILY	Section 21 Single NOVELTY DOUBLE S	Section 23 Single PEONY

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8001	8002	8003	8004	8005	9008	8007	8008	8009	8010	8011	8012	8013	8014	8015

MICRO DAHLIAS - see page 5 rule 1(b) for entering 2019 reclassified 'micro' dahlias

BiColor

Variegated

Dark

 Orchid

Orchette

Single

90/6

Mignon

DIVISION CHAMPIONS in all Sections are given separately for Novice, Amateur, and Open. These Division Champions are then judged against each other for the head table winner.

NOTE: No Best of Type awarded.

Blend Flame Section 38 Triple MIGNON SINGLE Section 28 Triple NOVELTY OPEN The following ADS Class Numbers apply to Sections 25 - 38 Section 30 Triple COLLARETTE **Bronze** Section 26 Triple ANEMONE Section 34 Triple ORCHETT Light Section 32 Triple ORCHID Section 36 Triple SINGLE Blend Purple / Black Lavender Dark Red Red Section 37 Single MIGNON SINGLE Section 27 Single NOVELTY OPEN Section 29 Single COLLARETTE Dark Pink Section 33 Single ORCHETTE Section 25 Single ANEMONE Section 31 Single ORCHID Section 35 Single SINGLE Pink Orange Yellow White Nov. Open Anemone Collarette

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SPECIAL CLASSES

*******SECTIONS 50-56 USE WHITE TAGS******

No Section Champion rosettes for Special Classes (all of these entries have a specific rosette for the winning entry).

Blue and Red ribbons as appropriate are to be awarded for each CLASS. The best overall entry from each Section will be brought to the Head Table.

SECTION 50: FLOWER OF THE YEAR (Single)

Class 110 Lady Darlene

Exhibitors are unlimited in the number of entries they may make for Flower of the Year (Single).

SECTION 51: FLOWER OF THE YEAR (Triple)

Class 111 Clearview Daniel Exhibitors are unlimited in the number of entries they may make for Flower of the Year (Triple).

*******SECTIONS 50-56 USE WHITE TAGS******

SECTION 52: FLOATING WATERLILIES

Class 112 Single, one variety
Class 113 Triple, same variety

The stems must be no longer than 2", with the flowers in clear water and a non-footed bowl. Quality, colour, form, proportion, and balance will be used to judge this section.

******SECTIONS 50-56 USE WHITE TAGS*******

BASKET SCORING	i
Quality of Blooms	
Colour	10
Form	10
Substance	5
Stem & Foliage	5
Uniformity	<u>20</u>
Sub-Total	50
Quality of Arrangeme	nt
Proportion & Balance	30
Distinction	<u>20</u>
Sub-Total	50

Technical Aspects and	NG
Condition (Clean, Fresh, Properly Conditioned Blooms and Foliage)	
	40
Distinction and Creativity	20
Staging and Artistic Appearance	20
Condition and Suitability of Container	
	10
Size of Blooms In Proportion to Container	<u>10</u>
Total	100

Proportion refers to the arrangement of blooms and foliage as related to each other and to the container.

Distinction refers to the overall effect of colour, harmony, artistic values of material, condition of basket and plant material, and overall neatness.

A Basket is a container with a handle, which may or may not be concealed according to the desired effect. Points should not be taken off if the handle is showing, unless the total effect is marred.

Vases and Bowl definitions can be found under General Rules at the beginning of the Catalogue.

Any foliage that is minutely flowered, such as statice, gypsophylia, etc., may be used in basket and bowl classes. The exhibitor should take care that the foliage and filler material is suitable and does not detract from the display of the blooms. Artificial supports are not allowed.

*******SECTIONS 50-56 USE WHITE TAGS******

SECTION 53: BOWLS AND VASES OF DAHLIAS

Class 114	Bowl - Small (BB) sizes
Class 115	Bowl - Blooms 2"- 4" diameter
Class 116	Bowl - Blooms under 2" diameter
Class 117	Bowl - Pompons
Class 118	Vase - Exhibitor's choice

SECTION 54: BASKETS

Class 119

One (1) or more varieties. NO BUDS

Class 115	Glant (AA), Large (A) or Medium (b) 31263
Class 120	Decorative
Class 121	Cactus / Laciniate
Class 122	Ball
Class 123	Miniature Ball
Class 124	Pompon
Class 125	Other types, one type per basket
Class 126	Waterlily
Class 127	Miniature Basket (8" max, dimension
	excluding the handle, and should use smaller
	cultivars)

Giant (AA) Large (A) or Medium (B) sizes

*******SECTIONS 50-56 USE WHITE TAGS******

SECTION 55: JUNIOR DIVISION (use blue entry tags)

SINGLE BLOOM CLASSES
Class 128 Any size or type

DOUBLE BLOOM CLASSES
Class 129 Any size or type

SECTION 56: ADS SEEDLING BENCH

Three Blooms of one cultivar

Note: the ADS Seedling Bench is offered in cooperation with the American Dahlia Society (ADS). It is open to all exhibitors. Show officials and exhibitors must read and adhere to the rules for entries and judging as printed in the ADS Classification and Handbook of Dahlias.

HEAD TABLE AWARDS

Best Overall Single in Show	\$50	Best Collarette Single	\$25
(Sections 1 – 38 only)		Best Collarette Triple	\$25
Best Overall Triple in Show	\$50	Best Orchid Single	\$10
(Sections 1 – 38 only)		Best Orchid Triple	\$15
Best Giant (AA) Single	\$25	Best Orchette Single	\$10
Best Giant (AA) Triple	\$25	Best Orchette Triple	\$15
Best Large (A) Single	\$25	Best Single Single	\$10
Best Large (A) Triple	\$25	Best Single Triple	\$15
Best Medium (B) Single	\$25	Best Mignon Single	\$10
Best Medium (B) Triple	\$25	Best Mignon Triple	\$15
Best Small (BB) Single	\$25	Best Flower of the Year (Single)	\$25
Best Small (BB) Triple	\$25	Best Flower of the Year (Triple)	\$25
Best Miniature Single	\$25	Best Floating Waterlilies	\$25
Best Miniature Triple	\$25	Best Bowl / Vase	\$30
Best Ball Single	\$25	Best Basket	\$40
Best Ball Triple	\$25	Best Junior Entry	\$25
Best Miniature Ball Single	\$20	Best ADS Seedling Bench	rosette
Best Miniature Ball Triple	\$25		
Best Pompon Single	\$15		
Best Pompon Triple	\$20		
Best Stellar Single	\$25		
Best Stellar Triple	\$20		
Best Waterlily Single	\$25		
Best Waterlily Triple	\$25		
Best Nov. Double Single	\$10		
Best Nov. Double Triple	\$15		
Best Peony Single	\$10		
Best Peony Triple	\$15		
Best Anemone Single	\$25		
Best Anemone Triple	\$15		
Best Novelty Open Single	\$10		
Best Novelty Open Triple	\$15		

ADDITIONAL VDS SPONSORED PRIZE MONEY

Novice – Best Medium (B) Single	\$10
Novice – Best Medium (B) Triple	\$15
Amateur – Best Medium (B) Triple	\$15
Novice – Best Small (BB) Single	\$10
Novice – Best Small (BB) Triple	\$15
Amateur – Best Small (BB) Triple	\$15
Novice – Best Miniature Single	\$10
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Novice – Best Ball Single	\$10
Novice – Best Ball Triple	\$10
Amateur – Best Ball Triple	\$15
Novice – Best Stellar Single	\$10
Novice – Best Stellar Triple	\$10
Amateur – Best Stellar Triple	\$15
Novice – Best Waterlily Single	\$10
Novice – Best Waterlily Triple	\$10
Amateur – Best Waterlily Triple	\$15

OTHER DAHLIA SHOWS IN 2019

August 24-25 Nanaimo Gladiolus & Dahlia Society

Country Club Mall 3200 N Island Highway

Nanaimo, BC

Aug 31 - Sept 1 Vancouver Dahlia Society

VanDusen Garden Vancouver, BC

Aug 29 - Sept 2 ADS National Show

hosted by the West Michigan Dahlia Society

Grand Rapids Mi.

September 14-15 Fraser Valley Dahlia Society

George Preston Rec. Centre

Langley, BC

Future Shows: August 15-16 2020 – Victoria Dahlia Society

2020 ADS National Show - Wenatchee, WA

The Victoria Gladiolus Club started in 1946 and held annual shows in the Crystal Gardens. In 1951 or 1952 two Club members, Bill Kempster and Dorothy Eveleigh starting growing dahlias and exhibiting them in the Club shows which were then held in the Victoria Curling Rink. At about this time the Club changed its name to the Victoria Gladiolus and Dahlia Society. Over the years dahlias grew to become the dominant interest and in 2001 gladiolus was dropped from the club name.

In the 1950's, a number of club members started to hybridize dahlias and exhibit in shows in Oregon, Washington and BC. Dorothy Eveleigh and Bill Kempster's wife, Bea, were active in the Flower Arrangers Guild – hence the historical participation of flower arrangers in the Victoria Dahlia Society (VDS) show. Bea also did all the illustrations in the "Cook's Manual" which became the American Dahlia Society's official "Guide to Judging Dahlias".

Bill Kempster was also instrumental in the foundation of the Horticultural Center of the Pacific (now Glendale Gardens). He started a dahlia garden at the Horticultural Center which the Victoria Dahlia Society later took over. In 1994 it became the Victoria Dahlia Trial Garden, a sanctioned seedling dahlia garden of the American Dahlia Society.

The Pacific Northwest Dahlia Conference was suggested by Tony DeRooy who at the time the conference began lived in Everett, Washington. The conference was formed in 1954 and Victoria joined in 1968. Bill and Bea Kempster were the prime movers in joining.

Today the conference oversees the training and certification of judges & classifies any blooms that may grow to a different form, size or colour in the Pacific Northwest. Visit pndcdahlia.com for more information

THANKS

The Victoria Dahlia Society wishes to express its thanks to the volunteers & exhibitors for all their efforts in preparing the show, the prize sponsors, as well as the Prospect Lake District Community Association, without whom this show could not be provided free to the public.

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