

Victoria Dahlia Society

Victoria Dahlia Society 77th Annual Show



2023 - *Camano Ariel*

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2023 Flowers of the Year



VICTORIA DAHLIA SOCIETY

77th Annual Show

Aug 19 & 20, 2023

Prospect Lake Community Hall

5358 Sparton Road

Victoria, B.C.

2023 Flower of the year – Single – Elsie Huston A ID DP

2023 Flower of the year – Triple – Connie Pei Yang M FD Y

2024 Flower of the year – Single – Vassio Meggos A ID L

2024 Flower of the year – Triple - AC CJ BB SC OR

PLEASE NOTE – The Victoria Dahlia Society is not following the PNDC combined schedule. Please follow the information in the next few pages.

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Driving Directions

Traveling 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,
- Turn right on Sparton Road immediately after the Save on Gas
- Arrive at the Prospect Lake Community Hall
- 5358 Sparton Road on the left

Traveling South on Pat Bay Highway 17 from Sidney/ Swartz Bay ferry terminal:

- At Exit 21, turn right towards Saanichton on Mount Newton Cross Road
- Turn left on Wallace Drive at the second four-way-stop intersection
- Drive four kilometres along Wallace Drive
- Turn left on West Saanich Road
- Drive 7km South on West Saanich Road,
- Turn left on Sparton Road immediately after the corner Cafe
- 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)

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Program

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

Friday August 18, 2023

05:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Staging and placement of dahlia entries.

Saturday August 19, 2023

07:00 am - 10:00 am	Staging and placement of dahlia entries
10:00 am	Clerks/judges meeting in staging area
10:15 am	Judging begins
01:00 pm – 4:00pm	Show opens to the public
06:00 pm	Dinner – to be announced at the show

Sunday August 20, 2023

12:00 am – 4:00pm	Show opens to the public
4:00 pm -	Breakdown and cleanup

Prospect Lake Barbecue being held on Sunday August 20th, 2023

(after the show)

Note: American Dahlia Society (ADS) Seedling entries should be staged by 9:00 am on Saturday, August 19, so evaluation can be started as soon as possible.

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Show Chair	Barry Willoughby email: bawilloughby@telus.net
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Publicity	Jessica, Liz & Anton
Judges	Barry Willoughby
Classification	Any Senior Judge

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GENERAL RULES

- 1) Exhibitors are requested to keep their total number of entries to 50 or less due to a shortage of judges and time constraints.
- 2) For the 2023 Dahlia Show, all 'micro' dahlias as reclassified in the 2023 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.
- 3) 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. The Society will not be responsible for loss or damage to any container.
- 4) Exhibitors MUST show the name of every displayed exhibit on the entry tag, including the basket, bowl and vase classes.
- 5) Exhibits must have the Classification part of the entry tag completed. If help is needed, see any Senior Dahlia Judge.
- 6) All blooms exhibited must have been grown by the exhibitor.
- 7) Exhibitors may make up to 50 entries in any class, provided the entries are of different varieties, except for sections 50 & 51, where the number of entries is unlimited.
- 8) Points will be awarded in all classes.
- 9) 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.
- 10) 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**

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class, then it must receive a “Best of Type” ribbon (where applicable - Section 1 to 10) and also a Division Champ ribbon.

- 11) 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.
- 12) Entries placed in the wrong class as to color 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.
- 13) A vase is defined as a container having a diameter at the mouth less than the measure of its height.
- 14) A bowl is defined as a container having a diameter at the mouth at least equal to, but usually greater than, its height.
- 15) A basket is defined as a decorative container with a fixed handle.
- 16) 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, gypsophylla or other minutely flowered plants (sometimes referred to as filler) may be considered as foliage.
- 17) **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 2023 ADS Classification Handbook.
 - Classification includes all of the following cultivar information:
 - Name Type Size Color
 - 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.

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18) 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).

19) **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.

20) **UNDISEMINATED CULTIVARS:** These may be entered against classified cultivars in accordance with the 2023 ADS Classification and Handbook of Dahlias requirements (see page 12/13).

21) **UN-CLASSIFIED ENTRIES:** Any Senior Judge may classify blooms that are named and coded as to size, color and type by initialing 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.

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22) 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).

23) FILLER: The filler for vases will be supplied.

24) FOLIAGE: In accordance with the ADS rule, the first pair of leaves must be attached and shown above the filler.

25) DAHLIA SIZE CLASSIFICATION:

Giant	AA	over 10"
Large	A	8" to 10"
Medium	B	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	P	up to 2"
Mignon Singles	MS	up to 2"

26) POINTS FOR DAHLIAS PER ADS JUDGING RULES:

Colour	20	Foliage	10
Form	30		
Substance	10	Bloom Position	10
Stem	10	Uniformity	10

27) 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.

28) The Show Committee reserves the right to remove from the show tables, after judging, any bloom or exhibit which becomes unattractive.

29) 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.

SAMPLE SHOW TAG

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NOTE: 4-digit
ADS Classification
Number

VICTORIA DAHLIA SOCIETY							
<u>15</u> Section No.	<u>6212</u> ADS or Class No.						
<u>Little Beeswings</u> Name Of Cultivar							
<u>P FL</u> Classification							
Exhibitor <u>My Name</u>							
Address <u>Some Street</u>							
Town <u>Some Town</u>							
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<u>P FL</u> Classification							
Exhibitor <u>My Name</u>							
Address <u>Some Street</u>							
Town <u>Some Town</u>							

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.

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| Section 1 Single GIANT (AA) | Section 2 Triple GIANT (AA) |
| Section 3 Single LARGE (A) | Section 4 Triple LARGE (A) |
| Section 5 Single MEDIUM (B) | Section 6 Triple MEDIUM (B) |
| Section 7 Single SMALL (BB) | Section 8 Triple SMALL (BB) |
| Section 9 Single MINIATURE | Section 10 Triple MINIATURE |

The following ADS Class Numbers apply to Sections 1 - 10

Size	Form	White	Yellow	Orange	Pink	Dark Pink	Red	Dark Red	Lavender	Purple / Black	Light Blend	Bronze	Flame	Dark Blend	Variegated	BiColor
AA	FD	0001	0002	0003	0004	0005	0006	0007	0008	0009	0010	0011	0012	0013	0014	0015
	ID	0101	0102	0103	0104	0105	0106	0107	0108	0109	0110	0111	0112	0113	0114	0115
	SC	0201	0202	0203	0204	0205	0206	0207	0208	0209	0210	0211	0212	0213	0214	0215
	C	0301	0302	0303	0304	0305	0306	0307	0308	0309	0310	0311	0312	0313	0314	0315
	IC	0401	0402	0403	0404	0405	0406	0407	0408	0409	0410	0411	0412	0413	0414	0415
	LC	0501	0502	0503	0504	0505	0506	0507	0508	0509	0510	0511	0512	0513	0514	0515

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A	FD	1001	1002	1003	1004	1005	1006	1007	1008	1009	1010	1011	1012	1013	1014	1015
	ID	1101	1102	1103	1104	1105	1106	1107	1108	1109	1110	1111	1112	1113	1114	1115
	SC	1201	1202	1203	1204	1205	1206	1207	1208	1209	1210	1211	1212	1213	1214	1215
	C	1301	1302	1303	1304	1305	1306	1307	1308	1309	1310	1311	1312	1313	1314	1315
	IC	1401	1402	1403	1404	1405	1406	1407	1408	1409	1410	1411	1412	1413	1414	1415
	LC	1501	1502	1503	1504	1505	1506	1507	1508	1509	1510	1511	1512	1513	1514	1515
B	FD	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	ID	2101	2102	2103	2104	2105	2106	2107	2108	2109	2110	2111	2112	2113	2114	2115
	SC	2201	2202	2203	2204	2205	2206	2207	2208	2209	2210	2211	2212	2213	2214	2215
	C	2301	2302	2303	2304	2305	2306	2307	2308	2309	2310	2311	2312	2313	2314	2315
	IC	2401	2402	2403	2404	2405	2406	2407	2408	2409	2410	2411	2412	2413	2414	2415
	LC	2501	2502	2503	2504	2505	2506	2507	2508	2509	2510	2511	2512	2513	2514	2515
BB	FD	3001	3002	3003	3004	3005	3006	3007	3008	3009	3010	3011	3012	3013	3014	3015
	ID	3101	3102	3103	3104	3105	3106	3107	3108	3109	3110	3111	3112	3113	3114	3115
	SC	3201	3202	3203	3204	3205	3206	3207	3208	3209	3210	3211	3212	3213	3214	3215
	C	3301	3302	3303	3304	3305	3306	3307	3308	3309	3310	3311	3312	3313	3314	3315
	IC	3401	3402	3403	3404	3405	3406	3407	3408	3409	3410	3411	3412	3413	3414	3415
	LC	3501	3502	3503	3504	3505	3506	3507	3508	3509	3510	3511	3512	3513	3514	3515
MIN	FD	4001	4002	4003	4004	4005	4006	4007	4008	4009	4010	4011	4012	4013	4014	4015
	ID	4101	4102	4103	4104	4105	4106	4107	4108	4109	4110	4111	4112	4113	4114	4115
	SC	4201	4202	4203	4204	4205	4206	4207	4208	4209	4210	4211	4212	4213	4214	4215
	C	4301	4302	4303	4304	4305	4306	4307	4308	4309	4310	4311	4312	4313	4314	4315
	IC	4401	4402	4403	4404	4405	4406	4407	4408	4409	4410	4411	4412	4413	4414	4415
	LC	4501	4502	4503	4504	4505	4506	4507	4508	4509	4510	4511	4512	4513	4514	4515

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NOTE: No Best of Type awarded.

Section 11 Single BALL	Section 12 Triple BALL
Section 13 Single MINIATURE BALL	Section 14 Triple MINIATURE BALL
Section 15 Single POMPON	Section 16 Triple POMPON
Section 17 Single STELLAR	Section 18 Triple STELLAR
Section 19 Single WATERLILY	Section 20 Triple WATERLILY
Section 21 Single NOVELTY DOUBLE	Section 22 Triple NOVELTY DOUBLE
Section 23 Single PEONY	Section 24 Triple PEONY

The following ADS Class Numbers apply to Sections 11 - 24

Form	White	Yellow	Orange	Pink	Dark Pink	Red	Dark Red	Lavender	Purple / Black	Light Blend	Bronze	Flame	Dark Blend	Variegated	BiColor
Ball	6001	6002	6003	6004	6005	6006	6007	6008	6009	6010	6011	6012	6013	6014	6015
Min. Ball	6101	6102	6103	6104	6105	6106	6107	6108	6109	6110	6111	6112	6113	6114	6115
Pompon	6201	6202	6203	6204	6205	6206	6207	6208	6209	6210	6211	6212	6213	6214	6215
Stellar	7001	7002	7003	7004	7005	7006	7007	7008	7009	7010	7011	7012	7013	7014	7015
Waterlily	7301	7302	7303	7304	7305	7306	7307	7308	7309	7310	7311	7312	7313	7314	7315
Nov. Double	7601	7602	7603	7604	7605	7606	7607	7608	7609	7610	7611	7612	7613	7614	7615
Peony	8001	8002	8003	8004	8005	8006	8007	8008	8009	8010	8011	8012	8013	8014	8015

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NOTE: No Best of Type awarded.

Section 25 Single ANEMONE	Section 26 Triple ANEMONE
Section 27 Single NOVELTY OPEN	Section 28 Triple NOVELTY OPEN
Section 29 Single COLLARETTE	Section 30 Triple COLLARETTE
Section 31 Single ORCHID	Section 32 Triple ORCHID
Section 33 Single ORCHETTE	Section 34 Triple ORCHETTE
Section 35 Single SINGLE	Section 36 Triple SINGLE
Section 37 Single MIGNON SINGLE	Section 38 Triple MIGNON SINGLE

The following ADS Class Numbers apply to Sections 25 - 38

Form	White	Yellow	Orange	Pink	Dark Pink	Red	Dark Red	Lavender	Purple / Black	Light Blend	Bronze	Flame	Dark Blend	Variegated	BiColor
Anemone	8201	8202	8203	8204	8205	8206	8207	8208	8209	8210	8211	8212	8213	8214	8215
Nov. Open	8601	8602	8603	8604	8605	8606	8607	8608	8609	8610	8611	8612	8613	8614	8615
Collarette	9001	9002	9003	9004	9005	9006	9007	9008	9009	9010	9011	9012	9013	9014	9015
Orchid	9201	9202	9203	9204	9205	9206	9207	9208	9209	9210	9211	9212	9213	9214	9215
Orchette	9401	9402	9403	9404	9405	9406	9407	9408	9409	9410	9411	9412	9413	9414	9415
Single	9601	9602	9603	9604	9605	9606	9607	9608	9609	9610	9611	9612	9613	9614	9615
Mignon	9701	9702	9703	9704	9705	9706	9707	9708	9709	9710	9711	9712	9713	9714	9715

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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 **Elsie Huston**

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 **Connie Pei Yang**

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

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.

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

BOWL & VASE SCORING	
Technical Aspects and 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

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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

One (1) or more varieties. NO BUDS

Class 119	Giant (AA), Large (A) or Medium (B) sizes
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)

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

SECTION 55: JUNIOR DIVISION (use blue entry tags)

SINGLE BLOOM CLASSES

Class 128	Any size or type
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DOUBLE BLOOM CLASSES

Class 129	Any size or type
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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.

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HEAD TABLE AWARDS

Entry	Award
Best Overall Single in Show (Sections 1 – 38 only)	\$50
Best Overall Triple in Show (Sections 1 – 38 only)	\$50
Best Giant (AA) Single	\$25
Best Giant (AA) Triple	\$25
Best Large (A) Single	\$25
Best Large (A) Triple	25\$
Best Medium (B) Single	\$25
Best Medium (B) Triple	\$25
Best Small (BB) Single	\$25
Best Small (BB) Triple	\$25
Best Miniature Single	\$25
Best Miniature Triple	\$25
Best Ball Single	\$25
Best Ball Triple	\$25
Best Miniature Ball Single	\$20
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
Best Collarette Single	\$25
Best Collarette Triple	\$25
Best Orchid Single	\$10

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Best Orchid Triple	\$15
Best Orchette Single	\$10
Best Orchette Triple	\$15
Best Single Single	\$10
Best Single Triple	\$15
Best Mignon Single	\$10
Best Mignon Triple	\$15
Best Flower of the Year (Single)	\$25
Best Flower of the Year (Triple)	\$25
Best Floating Waterlilies	\$25
Best Bowl / Vase	\$30
Best Basket	\$40
Best Junior Entry	\$25
Best ADS Seedling Bench	rosette

Additional VDS SPONSORED PRIZE MONEY

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Entry	Award
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
Novice – Best Miniature Triple	\$15
Amateur – Best Miniature Triple	\$15
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

Victoria Dahlia Society

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 Trial Garden was discontinued in early 2000. The Dahlia club now has a dahlia garden at the Prospect Lake Community Hall which includes some seedling dahlias as well as other varieties.

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 pncdahlia.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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