

PUGET SOUND DAHLIA ASSOCIATION / SEATTLE DAHLIA SOCIETY Combined Show

August 23 & 24, 2025

Sky Nursery

18528 Aurora Avenue N. Shoreline, WA 98133

Saturday, August 23

Entries may be brought to Sky Nursery 7:00 am to 9:30 am
OK to use driveway by back door for drop-off 7:00 am to 9:00 am
Judges and clerks are to organize the section(s) they will judge 9:30 am to 9:45 am
Judges' meeting in show hall by Head Table 9:45 am

Judging of the show will immediately follow the meeting.

Show open to the public 9 am to 6:00 pm

Sunday, August 24

Show open to the public 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Awards Presentation 3:15 pm
Show closes, entries may be removed 4:00 pm

Entries may not be removed until show closes.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From I-5 southbound

- Take 205th Street exit and go west 1 mile to Aurora Ave N. (Highway 99) and turn south on Aurora.
- Turn left on 185th and then turn left onto Midvale Ave.
- Go 2 blocks and turn through the gate into Sky Nursery.

From I-5 northbound

- Take 175th Street exit and turn left.
- Go 1 mile west to Aurora Ave. N. (Hwy 99) and then turn right.
- Go one mile, turn right onto 185th St and then take first left onto Midvale Ave. N.
- Go 2 blocks and turn left through the gate into Sky Nursery.

Entries may be placed beginning at 7 am; access is at Midvale Ave N (1 block east). Exhibitors are to quickly unload their entries and then move their vehicles to regular parking. Exhibitor Parking: South Parking Lot.

NOTE: Parking will be on the west side of the building, not in front of the main customer entrance to Sky Nursery.

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SPECIAL ENTRIES

Novice - Pink Tags, Amateur - Yellow Tags, Open - White Tags

FEDERATION DAHLIA OF THE YEAR -- *Skipley TNT Ball* (Single-Bloom Entry)

- Novice Class 261A
- Amateur Class 261B
- Open Class 261C

CHALLENGE FLOWER -- *Sandia Bertha* (Single-bloom entry)

This category is open only to those who have made prior arrangements to enter this class by contacting Art Chmura or by visiting the PSDA online store at www.pugetsounddahlias.com. Those eligible are encouraged to make as many entries of quality blooms as possible. Cash prizes in each class will depend on the number of entrants. In addition, all exhibitors will receive a ticket for each entry. During the awards presentation, one ticket will be drawn for a \$100 cash prize.

- Novice Class 263
- Amateur Class 264
- Open Class 265

SPECIALS OPEN TO NOVICE, AMATEUR & OPEN

Use White Tags

- VARIEGATED Class 266
- Single-bloom entry, any size, any type

- BICOLOR Class 267
- Single-bloom entry, any size, any type

- PSDA or SDS ORIGINATION Class 268

Originated by any past or present home member of PSDA or SDS who include (but are not limited to): Mike Alexander, Tom Ball, Bill Batts, Steve & Sandy Boley, Bill Bonneywell, Emil Budin, Dave Burton, Art Chmura, Ed Corning, Jack Crawford, Bill Dun gan, Lou Eckhoff, Al & Michelle Kaas, Jean Knutson, Harold Miller, Vic Pennington, Carl Probizanksi, Bill Schwinck, Bob Surber, Marge Thatcher, Phil Traff, Annie Walker, Colin Walker, Roger Walker, Dick Williams.

COLLECTIONS

- WATERLILY COLLECTION Class 269
- 3 different waterlily dahlias

- BALL, MINIATURE BALL, & POMPON COLLECTION Class 270
- 1 each ball, miniature ball, pompon

- SMALL/MEDIUM COLLECTION Class 271
- 3 different medium (B) and/or Small (BB) dahlias

MEDIUM, SMALL, & MINIATURE COLLECTION Class 272
1 each medium (B), small (BB), miniature – all of the same form

OPEN-CENTERED COLLECTION Class 273
3 different open-centered dahlias

NINE-BLOOM CHALLENGE Class 274
9 blooms in 3 containers, all of the same variety OR all of the same color, OR all of the same form.
Exhibitors must utilize provided risers.

Note: The winning nine-bloom entry will receive a \$50 cash prize.

PHIL TRAFF ORIGINATION..... Class 275
Single-bloom entry, any dahlia originated by Phil Traff

JACK CRAWFORD MEMORIAL Class 276
Any informal decorative dahlia.

FLOATING WATERLILY DAHLIA Class 277
A waterlily bloom with less than a 2-inch stem free floating in clear water in a container.

GARDEN VASE WITH DAHLIAS Class 278
Bring a vase suitable for home display and fill it with seven or more dahlias. Other flowers and vegetation are allowed but dahlias must dominate. There will be an award for the best vase as well as a drawing from among all entries for a cash prize. Note: Bring as many vases as you would like; a maximum of 4 tickets for the drawing will be allowed per exhibitor.

OLD-FASHIONED DAHLIA BOUQUET Class 279
Water only; no filler or staging material in container. This is not a flower arrangement. The bouquet should utilize a container such as a jug, urn, bottle, old pot. . . or use your imagination. Foliage and any other inconspicuous natural plant materials are allowed. This class will be judged

PEOPLE’S CHOICE The entry receiving the most votes from the public will win the Tom & Twyla Ball award. The public will be invited to vote for people’s choice from among all entries on the head table.

ARRANGEMENT ENTRIES

Novice - Pink Tags; Amateur - Yellow Tags; Advanced Amateur - White Tags

TASTEBUDS IN FULL BLOOM

SPICY CLASS 301
Combine warm- to hot-colored dahlias of your choice into a tiered level design. Multiple containers may be used. No height restrictions.

SAVORY Class 302
Create an S curve arrangement. Integrate a variety of types and sizes of dahlias into your design. No height restrictions.

ZESTY Class 303
Construct an edgy, angular design emphasizing strong angles that may be acute, obtuse, reflex, right, or a combination of angles. Use cactus-type dahlias. No height restrictions.

RICH Class 304
Showcase dramatic, deep, intense, dark-colored dahlias in a cascade design. Emphasis on downward rhythmic movement. The downward lines may be curved, straight, zigzag, interrupted, or may be a combination. A minimum of components may extend upward. No height restrictions.

SALTY Class 305
Fashion a petite arrangement not to exceed 8 inches in any direction. Incorporate rocks and/or crystals into your creation.

Juniors Only (Blue Tags)

Want to try your hand at an arrangement? You'll find your designated area on the arrangement table.

SWEET..... Class 306
Use a dish or jar suitable for holding your favorite candy. Apply multiple colors of dahlias in your design.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Unless otherwise specified, arrangements can have a maximum footprint of 24 inches square. To verify these arrangement lines, go to the arrangement scorecard section in this *Dahlia Annual*. Please refer to <https://www.nwdahlia.org/judging-classes/> and scroll down to “scorecards and resources for judges” and click on Arrangement Line Characterizations for the descriptions of arrangements and designs featured for these classes.