

DIVISION V - BOTANICAL ARTS

RULES

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Rules specifically for SECTION A: Photography

1. All General Rules apply.
2. Additional Guidelines for Botanical Arts Photography are printed in the *HB* pages 95,96.
3. The NCC Standard System of Awarding will be used. The Scale of Points for judging Botanical Arts Photography are listed in the Handbook for Flower Shows page 131, and shown below.
4. Section A is open to all amateur photographers who are members of a garden club with membership in the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs.
5. Entry period begins on November 1, 2017 and ends on **February 28, 2018** at 11:59 PM EST. Entries submitted before or after the Entry Period will not be eligible. The digital image(s) is to be emailed to kathleen.pruett@icloud.com. In the email subject line reference "FFGC Photo". An email verification of receipt will be sent to you. (IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE AN EMAIL RECEIPT, YOU ARE NOT ENTERED.)
6. Participants may enter up to one (1) entry per class. FFGC reserves the right to reject any additional entries or entries that do not comply with Official Rules. By entering, you indicate your unconditional agreement to, and acceptance of, these Official Rules and FFGC's decisions, which are final and binding. A scanned signed copy of the Official Rules is to accompany the digital image(s). No photographic entry will be accepted without a signed copy of the Official Rules.
7. Photos must be a single color image submitted in a jpeg format at 8" x 10" with 100 resolution. Each jpeg is to be labeled with the last name of the photographer, followed by the first name, and the entry class. EXAMPLE: Smith, Betty Class 4
8. Photos that have been digitally altered beyond standard optimization (removal of dust, cropping, reasonable adjustment to exposure, color and contrast, etc.) will be disqualified. No photos with recognizable people in the image will be accepted.
9. The digital image(s) will be used for judging, displayed on the FFGC website and become part of a slide show to be shared at the FFGC Convention.
10. Judging will be conducted by two professional photographers and a judge with both flower show and photography expertise selected by The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. In early March, the three judges will choose the top four photos in each class and from these the Botanical Arts Photography Award. The

participants with the top four photos in each class will be contacted by Photography Chair, Kathleen Pruett. Exhibitors will then supply a color 8" x 10" print with an 11" x 14" white over mat (no frame allowed) accompanied by a 3" x 5" index card identifying the plant material photographed, preferably with current scientific designation, for display at the convention.

"FABULOUS LAND OF INNOVATION"

SECTION A "Photographing Florida's Natural Beauty"

Intended to stimulate garden/gardening interest, photographic abilities, and NGC goals and objectives.

CLASS 1. "Celebrating Florida's Natural Heritage"	4 entries	<i>HB</i> pg 95
A heritage tree in Florida is a large, individual tree with unique value, which is considered irreplaceable. The major criteria are age, rarity, and size, as well as aesthetic, botanical, ecological, and historical value.		
A photograph featuring a Heritage Tree(s).		
CLASS 2. "Florida's Shore Life"	4 entries	<i>HB</i> pg 95
A photograph featuring plant life in/or close to water.		
CLASS 3. "Florida's Blooming Beauty"	4 entries	<i>HB</i> pg 95
A photograph featuring blooming gardens or blooming tree(s).		
CLASS 4. "Multiplying Florida's Bounty"	4 entries	<i>HB</i> pg 95
A photograph featuring pollinator(s) on a plant.		

Photography Scale Of Points	
Conformance	5
Interpretation of Class Title	10
Composition	25
Artistry/Creativity	25
Technical Achievement	25
Distinction	10
TOTAL	100

Eligible for **Botanical Arts Photography Award**. (*HB* pg 45, 95-96)
 Not eligible for exhibiting credit. Consultant Kathleen Pruett 386-451-0472 cell
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