

Music City Rose Show

presented by the

Nashville Rose Society



Saturday, September 13 ♦ 1 p.m.–5:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 14 ♦ 11 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Cheekwood Botanical Estate & Gardens

1200 Forrest Park Drive

Nashville, Tennessee 37205

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Thanks to our Rose Show Judges!

The American Rose Society judges that give so freely of their time and resources are essential to the success of any rose show. They often travel many miles giving up their weekend time because they love roses, and they appreciate the rosarians and rose societies they serve. The Nashville Rose Society greatly appreciates our 2025 panel of judges.

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RULES FOR THE SHOW

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE

This show is governed by the rules and regulations of the American Rose Society for the exhibition of garden roses as they appear in *the Guidelines and Rules for Judging Roses* (revised 2020).

Entries in violation of ARS or Show Rules will be disqualified. In case of any conflict between this schedule and the *Guidelines*, this schedule will govern.

1. **PLACE:** Cheekwood Estate & Gardens – Massey Hall. **TIME:** The back gate opens at 6 a.m. on Saturday, September 13, 2025. The front gate opens at 8 a.m. **If you plan to enter the back gate 6-8 a.m., please contact Gene Meyer so your name will be on a list for the guard.** The preparation area at Massey Hall will open at 6 a.m. Horticulture entries will be placed by show personnel from 7-10 a.m. on Saturday. Challenge exhibits will be placed by the exhibitor. **Judging will begin at 10:30 a.m.** The show will be open to the public from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, September 14. Please clean your work area when finished prepping roses. **Exhibitor numbers are required on entry tags and may be obtained in advance from Marty Reich (615-833-0791 or marty615@bellsouth.net), at the August meeting or on the placement table the day of the show.**
2. Judging will be in accordance with rules and regulations of the American Rose Society, and all decisions of the judges will be final. Blue ribbon winners only will be eligible for trophy awards. Each separate variety will be judged on its own merits and awards made accordingly. The judges are not required to award a blue ribbon in any specimen or challenge class.
3. With the exception of unregistered seedlings, entries must be entered using the **approved American Exhibition Name (AEN)** as listed in the following: ***Modern Roses 12, Official List of Approved Exhibition Names, and Handbook for Selecting Roses*, recent registration on the ARS website and the online Modern Roses database.** The online Modern Roses database is the most up-to-date reference and will take precedence over all other references. If a variety is not listed in any of the above official ARS sources, the *Combined Rose List* may be used as a reference. A found rose that has an AEN and a classification may be entered in the horticulture class appropriate for its classification. Entries bearing accepted synonyms, such as recognized trade names, are not considered to be misnamed. Misspellings and the use of abbreviations are neither a disqualification nor a penalization. Any rose having two or more names is not eligible for entering under multiple names.
4. The following point scale will be utilized by the judges:

Form: 25 points	Balance and Proportion: 10 points	Color: 20 points	Size: 10 points
Substance: 15 points	Stem and Foliage: 20 points	TOTAL: 100 points	
5. **Disqualifications:**
 - a. A foreign substance applied to enhance the beauty of the entry.
 - b. Misnamed. Rose is not the variety given on the entry tag or an accepted synonym.
 - c. Unlabeled or Mislabeled. Entry lacks an entry tag or the exhibitor's name, a class number, and/or the name of the variety is not given on the entry tag.
Exhibitor's name visible, if not corrected before the entry is judged.
 - d. A challenge class entry that does not satisfy the requirements of the class in which it is entered.
 - e. Any entry that was not grown outdoors and/or not grown by the exhibitor.
6. **Penalization:**
 - a. Stem on Stem or Side Buds should be considered a fault in stem & foliage, to be penalized to the degree of its impairment. Anything below the lip of the vase is of no consequence in judging.
 - b. Misplaced, Mislabeled, Misspelled. If a rose is misspelled or misnamed, judges are encouraged to write the proper name or spelling of the rose for the exhibitor. Any rose in the wrong class may be moved to its proper class and the class re-judged if necessary.

- c. Grooming materials (Q-tips, labels, cotton balls, etc.) shall be carefully removed by the judge, or if asked the clerk, before judging begins in that class.
 - d. Thrips, Mites, Aphids, and other natural things may be blown off by a judge or otherwise ignored unless patently distracting. The entry may be penalized only to the degree of its distraction.
 - e. Wedging material above the neck of the vase to be penalized to degree of distraction.
7. All blooms in specimen and challenge classes must have been grown in the exhibitor's own outdoor garden. Except for junior exhibitors, no more than one exhibitor may place blooms from the same garden. Couples may exhibit as a team but not individually also. If two specimens of the same variety in the same class are entered by the same exhibitor, both entries will be automatically disqualified. An exhibitor may enter any **specimen or challenge class** as many times as desired as long as no cultivar is repeated and the class states that it is allowed.
 8. Official entry tags and uniform containers will be furnished by the Show Committee unless otherwise stated in this schedule. Both sections of an entry tag must be completed showing section, class, variety, exhibitor name and address, and exhibitor number.
 9. Wedges are permitted. However, any wedging material used should not extend above the top of the vase or cause distraction to the exhibit which could be cause for penalization.
 10. English boxes, artist's palettes, mini vase/twelve, and floating bowls will be furnished by the Show Committee while they last. Privately owned English or American Boxes may be used if they conform to the size and color of the boxes provided by the Show Committee. Large boxes should be **approximately** 11" wide x 14" deep, 7" tall at the back and 5" tall at the front. The miniature box should be **approximately** 4½" wide x 6¾" deep, 5" tall at the back and 3½" tall at the front. All English Boxes should be covered in black velvet or painted black. **Any privately owned exhibition box or other container is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor. The NRS and Cheekwood Botanical Gardens are not liable for any loss.**
 11. This is an alphabetical show. All horticulture exhibits are to be placed by the placement personnel. District and NRS Challenge Classes must be placed by the exhibitor; and it is the exhibitor's responsibility to finalize the staging and placement of their exhibits prior to the start of judging.
 12. During judging only Judges, Clerks, and Show Committee personnel are permitted in show area.
 13. Keepsake awards, ribbons, and trophies can be picked up at 4 p.m. on Sunday, September 14. Anyone not able to pick up awards should make other arrangements. Any ribbons not claimed will be recycled.
 14. All entries (except seedling classes) will become the property of the Rose Show Committee and may be sold, auctioned, or donated.
 15. Horticulture judges may enter any class they are not assigned to judge except those classes eligible for royal court (Classes 8, 9, 34). Exhibition HT and miniature and miniflora specimens will be entered in the Judge's classes (Classes 20 and 21). Arrangement judges are also not eligible to receive any Royalty Awards in arrangements. Judges may enter arrangements in the Judge's Classes (Division II, Section D, Class 11). Judge's entries are not eligible for Best of Show.
 16. Best in Show will be selected by all judges from winners in Division I and II.
 17. Neither the American Rose Society, Nashville Rose Society nor Cheekwood Botanical Gardens will be liable for loss or damage to entries, containers, or property, or for injury to persons attending the rose show.
 18. Should any question arise, the answer to which is not found in ARS rules or this show schedule, the answer shall be determined by the Show Chairman and shall be final.

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE
SECTION A
MINIATURE ROSE CHALLENGE CLASSES

NOTE: All winning entries receive Keepsake Trophies and NRS or ARS Certificates. Exhibitor will place own entries in challenge classes and may stage entries in any manner desired. **Entries requiring more than one container should have one entry tag per container.**

CLASS 1. Miniature and/or Miniflora English Box. Six exhibition stage miniature and/or miniflora roses, any combination of cultivars, exhibited in a box provided by the show committee. (See Horticulture Rule No. 10.) No foliage permitted. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 2. Stages of Bloom. Three miniature or miniflora blooms of the same variety showing three stages of development: one bloom ¼ open with sepals down, one bloom at exhibition stage, and one bloom fully open with stamens showing, exhibited in separate containers provided by the show committee. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 3. Three Miniature or Miniflora Roses. Three miniatures or minifloras at exhibition stage, any combination of cultivars, exhibited in separate containers provided by the show committee. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 4. Mini Spray Challenge. Three mini or miniflora sprays the same or different cultivars, in separate containers. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 5. Miniature or Miniflora Artist's Palette. Five miniature or miniflora roses, five different varieties at exhibition stage representing the colors of paint the artist uses. Palettes provided by the show committee while they last. No foliage permitted. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 6. Miniature Rose in a Bowl. One miniature bloom at exhibition stage in clear water in a bowl provided by the show committee. No foliage permitted. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 7. Miniflora Rose in a Bowl. One miniflora bloom at exhibition stage in clear water in a bowl provided by the show committee. No foliage permitted. ARS Certificate.

THE MINIATURE/MINIFLORA ROYAL COURT and AWARDS

MINIATURE QUEEN Best blue-ribbon winner in Section B, Class 8.
ARS Gold Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MINIATURE KING Second-best blue-ribbon winner in Section B, Class 8.
ARS Silver Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MINIATURE PRINCESS Third best blue-ribbon winner in Section B, Class 8.
ARS Bronze Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MINIATURE COURT OF HONOR Fourth through eighth best blue-ribbon winners in Section B, Class 8.
NRS Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MINIFLORA QUEEN Best blue-ribbon winner in Section B, Class 9.
ARS Gold Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MINIFLORA KING Second-best blue-ribbon winner in Section B, Class 9
ARS Silver Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MINIFLORA PRINCESS Third best blue ribbon in Section B, Class 9.
ARS Bronze Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MINIFLORA COURT OF HONOR Fourth through eighth best blue-ribbon winners in Section B, Class 9.
NRS Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MINIATURE NOVICE QUEEN Best blue-ribbon winner in Section B, Class 10 (Miniature Novice).
Novice Queen may be considered for the Royal Court.
ARS Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE

SECTION B

MINIATURE ROSES – SINGLE STEM ENTRIES

NOTE: Exhibitor may make multiple entries in Classes 8-14 as long as each is a different cultivar.

CLASS 8: One bloom per stem miniature roses or their climbing counterparts at exhibition stage. Top eight roses are eligible for Queen, King, Princess, and Royal Court. ARS Mini Certificates.

CLASS 9: One bloom per stem miniflora at exhibition stage. Top eight roses are eligible for miniflora Queen, King, Princess, and Royal Court. ARS Miniflora Certificates.

CLASS 10: Miniature Novice Queen. An exhibitor who has never won a blue ribbon in a horticulture or challenge class in an accredited ARS rose show is eligible for novice classes. One bloom per stem miniature or miniflora at exhibition stage. Multiple entries per exhibitor allowed. Novice Queen may be considered for the Royal Court. Novice exhibitors only, ARS Certificate.

CLASS 11: Miniature Sprays. One stem of a miniature rose having more than two blooms. (Buds are allowed but are not counted as a bloom.) ARS Certificate.

CLASS 12: Miniflora Sprays. One stem of a miniflora rose having two or more blooms. (Buds are allowed but are not counted as a bloom.) ARS Certificate.

CLASS 13: Single Miniatures/Minifloras. One bloom per stem single miniature/miniflora having **4-8 petals**. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 14: Open Bloom Miniatures/Miniflora. One bloom per stem miniature/miniflora rose fully open with stamens showing. ARS Certificate.

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE
SECTION C
LARGE ROSES – CHALLENGE CLASSES

NOTE: All winning entries will receive Keepsake Trophies and ARS or NRS Certificates. Exhibitor will place entry in all challenge classes and stage entry in any manner desired, not to exceed 12" in width. **Entries requiring more than one container should have one entry tag per container.**

CLASS 15. English Box. Six hybrid tea/grandiflora roses at exhibition stage exhibited in a box provided by the show committee. No foliage permitted. (See Horticulture Rule No. 10.) ARS Certificate.

CLASS 16. American Box. Nine hybrid tea/grandiflora roses at exhibition stage exhibited in a box provided by the show committee (2 available) or the exhibitor. No foliage permitted. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 17. Rose in a Bowl. One bloom of a hybrid tea or grandiflora rose at **exhibition stage**, in plain water in a bowl provided by the show committee. No foliage permitted. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 18. Rose in a Bowl. One bloom of a hybrid tea or grandiflora at **fully open stage** with stamens showing, in plain water in a bowl provided by the show committee. No foliage permitted. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 19. Rose in a Bowl. One bloom of a shrub or old garden rose at any stage in plain water in a bowl provided by the show committee. No foliage permitted. ARS Certificate.

The judge's classes (20 and 21) are open to all judges working this show. Judges may exhibit three cultivars per class. An exhibitor number is not required. See Horticulture Rule No. 15.

CLASS 20. Judges Mini/Miniflora. One bloom per stem mini or miniflora at exhibition stage. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 21. Judges Hybrid Tea. One bloom per stem hybrid tea or grandiflora or their climbing counterparts at exhibition stage. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 22. Stages of Bloom. Three hybrid tea/grandiflora blooms of the same variety showing three stages of development: One bloom ¼ open with sepals down, one bloom at exhibition stage, and one bloom fully open with stamens showing, exhibited in separate containers. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 23. Three Roses. Three hybrid tea/grandiflora roses, the same or different cultivars, at exhibition stage exhibited in one container. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 24. Small Garden Challenge. Restricted to persons with gardens having 75 or fewer roses. Three HT/Gr, one bloom per stem, any combination of cultivars at exhibition stage, exhibited in one container. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 25. Senior Challenge. Restricted to persons 65 years or over. Two hybrid tea/grandiflora roses, any combination of cultivars, at exhibition stage exhibited in separate containers. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 26. Hi-Lo. One each one bloom per stem hybrid tea and miniature or miniflora rose that look alike at exhibition stage exhibited in separate containers. A plastic stand is available to elevate the mini. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 27. EarthKind™ Roses. Two stems of any variety of rose designated as EarthKind™ in separate containers.

The current 23 **EarthKind™** varieties are: Belinda's Dream, Caldwell Pink, Carefree Beauty, Cecile Brunner, Climbing Pinkie, Ducher, Duchesse de Brabant, Else Poulsen, Georgetown Tea, Knock Out, La Marne, Mme Antoine Mari, Marie Daly, Monsieur Tillier, Mrs. Dudley Cross, Mutabilis, New Dawn, Perle d'Or, Reve d'Or, Sea Foam, Souvenir de St. Anne's, Spice, and The Fairy.

Entries are to have been grown by the exhibitor without any chemical sprays. Roses not on this list but grown without the use of chemical sprays are also accepted. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 28. Nashville Rose Society Challenge. Five roses from different classes in separate containers, from any of the following classes: hybrid tea, grandiflora, floribunda, classic shrub, modern shrub, climber, old garden rose pre-1867, old garden rose 1867 or later, miniature, or miniflora. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 29. Three Spray Challenge. Any combination of three sprays from the classes of hybrid tea/grandiflora, floribunda, miniature or miniflora sprays, shown in separate containers, the same or different varieties. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 30. Shrub/OGR Challenge. Three shrub or old garden roses, the same or different cultivars in any combination, at exhibition stage in separate containers. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 31. Basket of Shrub Roses. One basket of shrub roses only, any combination of varieties. Exhibitor furnishes basket. Oasis permitted. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 32. Music City Challenge. One rose specimen (single bloom or spray) at its best exhibition stage named for a country music entertainer, song, etc. NRS Certificate.

CLASS 33. The 'Crescendo' Challenge. Using your favorite challenge class, showcase the 'Crescendo,' hybrid tea rose named in honor of the Nashville Symphony Orchestra. The entry may be any class from a floating bowl, English Box, or rose in a picture frame to three or five stems at exhibition stage and everything in between. The class will be won by the entry that best showcases 'Crescendo'. Multiple entries allowed. NRS Certificate.

THE ROYAL COURT AND AWARDS

Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

QUEEN OF SHOW Best blue-ribbon winner in Section D, Class 34 (one bloom per stem hybrid tea, grandiflora or climbing counterparts).

ARS Gold Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

KING OF SHOW Second-best blue-ribbon winner in Section D, Class 34.

ARS Silver Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

PRINCESS OF SHOW Third best blue-ribbon winner in Section D, Class 34.

ARS Bronze Medal Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

COURT OF HONOR Fourth through eighth best blue-ribbon winners in Section D, Class 34.

NRS Certificates and Keepsake Trophies.

NOVICE QUEEN Best blue ribbon in Section D, Class 35 (Novice Hybrid Tea). Novice Queen may be considered for the Royal Court.

ARS Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

MODERN SHRUB AWARD Best blue ribbon in Section D, Class 43 (modern shrub).
ARS Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

DOWAGER QUEEN Best blue ribbon in Section D, Class 45 (OGR before 1867).
ARS Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

VICTORIAN QUEEN Best blue ribbon in Section D, Class 46 (OGR 1867 and later).
ARS Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

GENESIS AWARD Best blue ribbon in Section D, Class 47 (species roses).
ARS Certificate and Keepsake Trophy.

DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE

SECTION D

LARGE ROSES SINGLE STEM ENTRIES

Exhibitors may make multiple entries in Classes 34-50 as long as each is a different cultivar. All winning entries will receive Keepsake Trophies and NRS or ARS Certificates. **NOTE:** In sections calling for multiple blooms or spray, buds are allowed but cannot be counted as a bloom.

CLASS 34. Hybrid Teas, Grandifloras, or their Climbing Counterparts at exhibition stage. One bloom per stem. Top eight blue ribbons are eligible for Queen, King, Princess, and Royal Court. ARS and NRS Certificates.

CLASS 35. Hybrid Tea Novice Queen. An exhibitor who has never won a blue ribbon in a horticulture or challenge class in an accredited ARS rose show is eligible for Novice classes. One bloom per stem hybrid tea or grandiflora at exhibition stage. Multiple entries per exhibitor allowed. The Novice Queen may be considered for the Royal Court. Novice exhibitors only. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 36. Open Bloom Specimens. One bloom per stem hybrid tea/grandiflora at the fully open stage with stamens showing. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 37. Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora Spray. Must have two or more blooms per stem. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 38. One Bloom Floribunda. One bloom per stem floribunda at exhibition stage, naturally grown with no side buds permitted. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 39. Floribunda Spray. One stem floribunda with two or more blooms. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 40. Polyantha Spray. One stem of a polyantha having two or more blooms. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 41. Climbers and Ramblers. One stem of a climber or rambler with two or more blooms. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 42. Classic Shrub Roses. One bloom or spray of a rose from any of the following four shrub classes: hybrid musk, hybrid rugosa, hybrid moyesii, or kordesii. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 43. Modern Shrub Roses. One bloom or spray from the shrub class(es) **excluding** David Austin roses. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 44. David Austin Shrub Roses. One bloom or spray David Austin shrub rose. NRS Certificate.

In Classes 45-46, the date of introduction of the rose should appear on the entry tag. Dates of introduction may be found in *Modern Roses* or *The Combined Rose List*.

CLASS 45. Old Garden Roses (Dowager). One bloom or spray of an old garden rose introduced before 1867, and roses known to have been in existence before 1867. Eligible for Dowager Queen

Award. An ** in the *Handbook for Selecting Roses* designates those roses eligible for ARS Dowager Queen Certificate. **State year on entry tag.** If the date is unknown, "UNK" should be used.

CLASS 46. Old Garden Roses (Victorian). One bloom or spray of an old garden rose introduced in 1867 or later, and roses with unknown dates of introduction. Eligible for ARS Victorian Queen Certificate. **State year on entry tag.** If the date is unknown, "UNK" should be used.

CLASS 47. Species Roses. One bloom or spray of a rose designated in ARS publications as species rose (Sp). ARS Genesis Award Certificate.

CLASS 48. The Most Fragrant Rose Challenge. One bloom of any rose at exhibition stage. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 49. Seedling Rose. One bloom or spray of a rose that is not currently listed in *Modern Roses*, or *The Combined Rose List*. State on entry tag whether specimen is hybrid tea, miniature, miniflora, shrub, etc. ARS Certificate.

CLASS 50. Found Rose. A cultivar whose correct name is unknown that has been given a temporary name until the correct name can be determined. A found rose that has an AEN and a classification may be entered in the class appropriate for its classification. NRS Certificate.

Class 51: Best in Show. To be selected by all judges from winners in Division I and II. ARS Certificate.



Top Row: HT Queen: Ricky Lockhart 'Hot Princess', Miniature Queen: Ricky Lockhart 'Arcanum', Miniflora Queen: Ricky Lockhart 'Whirlaway'

Bottom Row: Best Modern Shrub: Gene Meyer 'Sally Holmes', Best Three Roses: Gene Meyer 'Hot Prince', Photography Queen, Gold, Best Macro: JeRee Faught 'Julie Andrews'

DIVISION II – ROSE ARRANGEMENTS

The Arrangement Division will be governed by the *Guidelines for Judging Rose Arrangements* of the American Rose Society.

SHOW RULES: By entering this show given under **ARS** rules, exhibitors agree to abide by those rules.

1. All roses must be outdoor garden grown and must be of high quality.
2. A rose or roses must be the dominant flower in all arrangements.
3. The ARS American Exhibition Name of all roses in each arrangement must be written on the entry tag.
4. **AG** should be written or checked on the entry tag if roses are arranger grown so the entry will be eligible for an ARS medal certificate.
5. One entry per exhibitor is allowed in each class, but an exhibitor may enter as many classes as desired.
6. Accessories are allowed unless stated otherwise in the schedule.
7. Flowers other than roses and dried and/or treated dried plant material are allowed unless prohibited by the schedule.
8. A card of intent may be included with an arrangement as an explanation of the arranger's interpretation of the theme or class title unless the schedule specifically forbids it.
9. An arrangement incorrectly placed in a class will be judged in the class in which it is placed.
10. All exhibits should be the work of the exhibitor and not exhibited in any previous show.
11. Only the exhibitor may touch or move an arrangement. However, in extreme circumstances, if all efforts to locate the exhibitor have failed, the Arrangement Chair may carefully move an arrangement.
12. **Advance reservations ARE REQUIRED.** Closing date is Thursday, September 11, at 8 p.m. If unable to fill the reserved space, the exhibitor is required to notify arrangements chairperson.
13. For reservation of space and exhibitor's number, call, email, or write to Mary Ann Hext, 1997 Browning Road, Rockfield, KY 42274, 270-781-8171, mhext@outlook.com.
14. Exhibitors may place their own arrangements under the supervision of the Placement Committee. All designs using HT/Gr roses will be staged in a space 36" wide by 30" deep. Miniature rose designs will be staged in a space 12" wide by 12" deep. Table covers will be black. The designer may select an appropriate mat, pedestal, or base for his/her arrangement and may provide their own freestanding background which will be judged as an integral part of the design.
15. The Arrangement Committee will exercise all reasonable care, but it cannot be responsible for the exhibitor's properties. Properties should be inconspicuously marked with the exhibitor's name.
16. The Arrangement Committee reserves the right to mark "Not for Competition" any exhibit not of show quality, late entries, and those not conforming to the schedule. The decision of the committee is final.
17. Entries will be placed from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m., Saturday, September 13, 2025.
18. This is a two-day show; therefore, arrangers are responsible for providing sufficient mechanics necessary to maintain the roses for a two-day period. No exhibit, ribbon and/or award may be removed from the show area until after 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 14, 2025, unless approved by the show chairman and chairman of arrangements.

INFRINGEMENT OF THE FOLLOWING RULES WILL RESULT IN SEVERE PENALTY

1. Painted or dyed fresh plant materials and live creatures are not allowed.
2. The use of plant materials on the state or local conservation list is not permitted.
3. The flag of any country, state, or organization may not be used in an arrangement or as a decoration in any way.
4. Abstraction of the rose bloom (abstraction by drying for Dried Arrangement or Craft Item Classes excepted).
5. Nonconformance with stated requirements of Special Classes
6. Use of roses other than miniature or miniflora in any Miniature arrangement class.

Severe penalization shall consist of the arrangement being ineligible for a first-place or higher award. An arrangement so penalized can at most be awarded second place. There are two causes for disqualification of an arrangement:

1. Roses not outdoor grown.
2. Use of artificial plant material.

ARS SCORE CARD FOR JUDGING ARRANGEMENTS

CONFORMANCE (5 points per Category) - 15 points

- a. Naming of roses
- b. Conformance to type of design
- c. Other specific requirements of schedule

DESIGN (5 points per Principle) – 30 points

Points may be deducted for degree of impairment.

1. **Balance** – Both physical and visual stability should be evident. Balance should be featured front to back, side to side, top to bottom, and may be either symmetrical or asymmetrical. Balance should be achieved within the design as well as the outline.
 2. **Dominance** – The stronger effect of one or more of the elements in a design. Dominance is observed in color, shape, forms, etc. Roses must be the dominate flower.
 3. **Contrast** – The use of unlike qualities or elements to emphasize difference. Contrast is achieved using color, shapes, and texture in any or all components.
 4. **Rhythm** – A visual path traveling through a design. Rhythm may be achieved through repetition of colors, shapes and sizes which shows movement but unifies the whole.
 5. **Proportion** – A visually pleasing relationship of the amount of plant material to the container and the arrangement to the allowed space. Plant material other than roses should not be dominant. The size of an accessory should complement and should not dominate.
 6. **Scale** – The visual size relationship of each part of a design to each other part. Particular attention should be given to the size of an arrangement to its allowed space. The arrangement must be confined to the allowed space. The size of an accessory if used should complement and should not dominate.
- **PERFECTION OF THE ROSE(S) – 30 Points**
Roses should be in peak condition, of good substance, and with fresh foliage. Other plant materials in good condition. Plant materials and container should harmonize in color.

CREATIVITY AND EXPRESSIVENESS – 15 Points

Imaginative and creative handling and use of materials.

DISTINCTION – 10 Points

Uniqueness: sets the design apart, superiority in every aspect - includes technical execution/construction. Including condition of non-rose plant material.

TOTAL – 100 Points

American Rose Society Arrangement Awards

American Rose Society Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medal certificates must have a minimum of 92 points. They must have only arranger grown roses in design and must designate on entry tag "arranger grown" or "AG" in upper right corner of entry tag. A first-place design should score 90 points or higher for a blue ribbon. A second-place design should score 85 points or higher for a red ribbon; and a third-place design should score 80 points or higher for a yellow ribbon. The best blue ribbon winning entries will be eligible for the following awards:

Classes 1, 2 - Royalty Award

Classes 3, 4 - Artist Award

Classes 5, 6 - East Asian Award

Class 7 - Court of Etiquette Award

Class 8 - Personal Adornment Award

Class 9 - Duke Award

Class 10 - Novice Certificate

Class 11 - Best Judge's Certificate

Class 12, 13 - Mini Royalty Award

Class 14, 15 - Mini Artist Award

Class 16 - Mini East Asian Award

ROSE ARRANGEMENTS

"Birds of a Feather"

SECTION A - TRADITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

Eligible for Royalty Award

Class 1: "On the Wings of a Dove" - Mass Arrangement.

Class 2: "As the Crow Flies" - Line or Line Mass Design.

SECTION B - MODERN ARRANGEMENTS

Eligible for Artist Award

Class 3: "Pheasant Under Glass" - Underwater Design. Must have a focal area of the design placed under water in a clear or transparent container. Approximately 1/3 of the design as a minimum should be under water. The full design may be placed under the level of the water level. The level of the water in the container is up to the arranger.

Class 4: "Phoenix Rising from the Ashes" - Designers Choice. Any Modern Design using any type of materials. Type of design must be stated on entry tag.

SECTION C - EAST ASIAN ARRANGEMENTS

Eligible for East Asian Award

Class 5: "Graceful as a Swan" - Design in a low container, water showing, using only natural plant material.

Class 6: "Soar Like an Eagle" - East Asian Free Style design.

SECTION D - SPECIAL CLASSES

Class 7: "Hen Party" - An informal exhibition table design. Eligible for Court of Etiquette Award

Class 8: "Proud as a Peacock" - Fresh roses used to decorate a hat. Exhibitor to provide display or stand. Eligible for Personal Adornment Award.

Class 9: "Night Owl" - Design must be larger than 10 inches in height, width, or depth, but must not exceed 20 inches in height, width, or depth. No accessories permitted. Designer's choice of style which must be stated on entry tag. Any class of rose may be used. Eligible for Duke of Arrangements Award.

Class 10: "Happy as a Lark" – Novice Class. This class is for exhibitors who have never won a blue ribbon in an Arrangement Design Section of an ARS rose show. Design may be Standard or Miniature. Designer's choice of style which must be on entry tag. Eligible for Best Novice Award.

Class 11: "Silly Goose" – Judge's Class. Designer's choice of design, but type of design must be stated on entry tag. Eligible for Best Judge's Award.

ARRANGEMENTS USING MINIATURE/MINIFLORA ROSES

Arrangements using Miniature and Miniflora Roses not to exceed 12 inches overall.

SECTION E – TRADITIONAL MINIATURE ROSE ARRANGEMENTS

Eligible for Mini Royalty Award

Class 12: "COCK OF THE Walk" – Miniature Mass Design.

Class 13: "Ducks in a Row" – Miniature Line or Line Mass Design.

SECTION F – MINIATURE MODERN ARRANGEMENTS

Eligible for Mini Artist Award

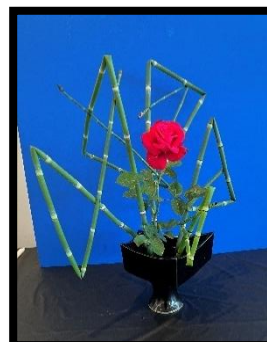
Class 14: "The Buzzards are Circling:" – Synergistic Design. (3 or more separate units creating a whole)

Class 15: "Crazy as a Loon" – Designer's choice of style which must be stated on entry tag.

SECTION G– EAST ASIAN MINIATURE ARRANGEMENTS

Eligible for East Asian Award

Class 16: "My Little Chickadee" – Any Design in the East Asian Manner.



2024 ARS Gold/Royalty & Best in Show: Barbara Taube, ARS Silver/Duchess: Mary Ann Hext,
ARS Bronze/Artist: Mary Ann Hext, Court of Etiquette: Janie Hagan, Duke: Mary Ann Hext
2024 ARS Mini Gold/Mini Royalty: Mary Ann Hext, ARS Mini Silver/East Asian: Barbara Taube,
ARS Mini Bronze/Mini Artist: Barbara Taube

DIVISION III – ROSE PHOTOGRAPHY

Rules:

1. All roses shown in photography entries must have been grown in an outdoor garden. They do not have to be grown by the exhibitor. If the rose photographed was grown by the photographer, the exhibitor should indicate such by writing "EG" in upper right corner of the entry tag.
2. All photographs must be the work of the exhibitor and must be the work of a single exhibitor.
3. Exhibitors are limited to **three entries per class**, and each must be a different variety. Duplicate photos may NOT be entered in different classes.
4. Photos must be entered prior to 10 a.m. Saturday morning. Entries may be removed at 4 p.m. on Sunday.
5. Photos must be 5"x 7" in a mat of any color with outside dimensions no larger than 8"x10. Orientation may be landscape or portrait.
6. All roses must be correctly identified using ARS approved exhibition names (See Horticulture Rule No. 3) with the exception of Class 6.
7. Exhibitors must completely fill out an ARS miniature horticulture entry tag and paperclip it to the upper left corner of the photo. The exhibitor should place nothing identifying the photographer on the front of the photograph; however, the photographer's name should be on the back of the photo (sticker may be used) in case the tag is misplaced. Entry tags and paper clips will be provided. EG should be written if the rose in the photo is exhibitor grown.
8. Any photo which has previously won best of class, queen, king, princess or gold, silver, bronze certificate in a local, district, or national photography show or first place in an ARS contest or appeared in an ARS calendar is not eligible to be entered in this local show.
9. The use of photo editing should be kept to a minimum. Editing is limited to cropping, rotation, lightening, darkening, minor clean up corrections for camera sensor dirt, or sharpening of the image; overuse will be penalized (other than Class 6). Class 6 allows the use of photo editing software as this class encourages creative interpretation.
10. All rights to the submitted photos are retained by the owners of the photos. However, by entering the contest, the owner agrees to allow the Tenarky District Rose Society and its local societies to use photos in the local, district and/or national publications and/or websites including Facebook.
11. The Rose Show Committee and Judges will exercise due caution to protect all exhibits, but neither the American Rose Society, Nashville Rose Society, or Cheekwood Botanical Gardens will assume any liability in loss or damage to the photography.
12. Nashville Rose Society certificates will be given to the Best in each class. ARS photography rosettes may be awarded for Queen, King, and Princess. ARS Certificates may be awarded if Exhibitor Grown.
13. Judging shall be in accordance with the current ARS Guidelines and Rules for judging Rose Photography. Judges may bestow or withhold any award, including ribbons or dots, as they deem appropriate. The decision of the judges is final.

Please note the following definitions:

- An exhibition bloom is a specimen that has one bloom per stem without side buds at its most perfect phase of possible beauty. An exhibition bloom is generally one-half to two-thirds open, gracefully shaped with sufficient petals symmetrically arranged in a circular outline and tending to a high center.
- An open bloom must have stamens showing.
- A spray has two or more blooms per stem with or without unopened side buds.
- Roses classified as single or semi-double roses by the ARS are generally at their most perfect phase when fully open.

ROSE PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

Class 1: One Exhibition Bloom, hybrid tea, grandiflora, floribunda – no side buds, at its most perfect stage.

Class 2: One Exhibition Bloom, miniflora or miniature – no side buds, at its most perfect stage

Class 3: One Fully Open Bloom, any type of rose (including singles) with stamens showing – no side buds.

Class 4: One Spray, any type of rose with two or more blooms showing color and petals unfurling.

Class 5: Macro Photography: an extreme close-up photo of any part of the rose or rose plant with clarity and a sense of originality, black & white, sepia, or combinations of these are permitted in this class.

Class 6: Creative Interpretation: photo should evoke a sense of originality, a new and different way of imagining a rose with the mind's eye; may include electronic processes used to alter the original image, such as filtering, merging, dropping, shadowing, blurring, painting, texturizing, layering, burning, cloning, etc. The name of the rose is NOT required but can be used.

Class 7: Arrangement: a photo of an arrangement following *ARS Guidelines for Judging Rose Arrangements*. Roses do not need to be identified. The name of the arranger MUST be indicated.

SCORE CARD FOR JUDGING ROSE PHOTOGRAPHY

Conformance:5 points

Conformance to the rules of the schedule and rules of the class.

Specific Section: 50 points

The Rose: the *ARS Guidelines for Judging Roses* will be used as a reference guide.

Macro Photography: Clarity in the photograph and a sense of originality will be used. Extreme close-up is an aspect that must be followed.

Creative Interpretation: The photograph should evoke a sense of originality and a new and different way of imagining the rose or roses with the mind's eye. Photographic technique will be given preference.

Arrangements: the *ARS Guidelines for Judging Rose Arrangements* will be used as a reference guide.

Composition: 15 points

Includes point of interest, simplicity, contrast, balance, framing, viewpoint, direction of movement and diagonals, where applicable.

Technique: 15 points

Correct exposure, lighting, sharp focus for main subject, and other relevant technical factors.

Distinction: 15 points

Something that sets a photograph apart from others in its class. Everything about the photograph is well done, but in addition, its visual impression evokes a visceral feeling that may be intangible – the “Wow” factor.

Total:100 points

WEEKEND EVENTS

(All in Massey Auditorium)

Saturday, September 13 at 2:30 p.m.

Seminar on the “Basics of Growing Roses”

Presented by: Ron Daniels, ARS Master Rosarian and NRS Past President

FREE TO PUBLIC

Following the Saturday Seminar

“Rose Therapy” by Ron Daniels

Meet the Author & Book Signing



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Mass Arrangement - Best in Show 2024 NRS Rose Society Show exhibited by Barbara Taube

Rose Show Photos pages 10, 14, and above: Cindy Worch & Mary Ann Hext

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