

# **Floriculture Youth Shows**

## **FIESTA**

**New Mexico State Fair  
September 9-25, 2011  
(Closed Mondays & Tuesdays)**

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# Youth Shows

**Saturday, September 17, 2011**

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## Special Rules

### Entry Acceptance

Youth entries will be accepted between 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM on the day of the show. No entries in the Youth Flower Show will be accepted on any other dates or at any other times. Judging will begin at 9:15 AM

### Entry Completion

We recommend you arrive before 8:00 AM to allow time for completing the entry tags and placing entries in containers. Entries must be COMPLETED by 9:00 AM. You **MUST** be off the floor by 9:00 AM. **No Exceptions** will be made.

Entry tags may be obtained in advance at the Albuquerque Garden Center, 10120 Lomas NE (505) 296-6020 or the Extension Office at 1510 Menaul NW (505) 243-1386 and the Flower Building during the Fair.

Exhibitors may enter through Gate 4 on San Pedro NE, park in Lot 4 until 8:30 AM (Only unloading is permitted behind the Flower Building). Anyone staying after 9:00 AM must move their vehicle to Parking Lots #1, #8 or #9.

### Who May Compete

All Youth exhibits can be entered by the youth, or on behalf of the youth by a teacher, organization leader, parent or family member. It is recommended that the youth be present when possible.

### Class Subdivisions by Age

All classes in Horticulture and Design will be subdivided by age of exhibitor. Exhibitors should write their age in the upper right hand corner of each entry card. Entry cards will be further marked by the show committee.

Those not yet Age 4 by August 31st will be awarded a lavender ribbon and not judged.

Age 4 through 7	Red
Age 8 through 11	Yellow
Age 12 through 14	Green
Age 15 through 17	Blue

# Section A - Horticulture

## All Entries Must Have Been Grown By The Exhibitor

Container-grown plants must have been the property of and cared for by the exhibitor for at least three (3) months. Combination planters must have been grown together for at least 6 weeks.

Pots may be no larger than 12 inches inside diameter and 15 inches high.

Exhibitors may enter one of each kind, variety, or color in each class.

Entries with naturally occurring foliage on stem should not have the leaves removed except those below water level in container.

Entries should be correctly named (Ask for help!) The Botanical (Latin) name is needed for a Rosette Ribbon.

Classes may be divided as to kind, variety, and color as well as age level of the exhibitor. The work must have been done by the exhibitor.

Refer to "General Rules and Horticulture" as stated in Division I (Horticulture).

## Classes 1-6

1. Marigold, 1 bloom.
2. Dahlia, 1 bloom
3. Rose, 1 stem with bloom
4. Cosmos, 1 bloom
5. All other flowers, 1 stem with 1 bloom or spray
  - a. All other flowers, 1 bloom
  - b. All other flowers, 1 spray
6. Multiple Exhibit
  - a. 3 stems with bloom of one variety
  - b. 3 stems with bloom of different varieties; each variety must be different and named.

## Classes 7-12

7. 1 container-grown plant, one plant only
8. Planter, with 2 or more plants, must have been grown together for at least 6 weeks.
9. Seedpod, fresh or dried
10. Any fruit or vegetable (displayed on a plate provided by show committee).
  - a. 1 large (ex: pumpkin)
  - b. 3 medium - same kind (ex: zucchini, chilies, tomatoes)
  - c. 5 small - same kind (ex. cherry tomatoes, beans, radishes)
11. Tree or shrub, one branch not over 30 inches above container.
12. Herbs
  - a. 3 stems (foliage only)
  - b. 3 stems, with bloom or seed

## Section B - Design

# Fiesta

All entries must have been designed by the exhibitor.

The exhibitor need not have grown plant materials in these classes.

Only one entry may be entered in each class by each exhibitor.

Each exhibit **MUST** be the work of the exhibitor and placed by the exhibitor.

Accessories are permitted in all classes. No artificial plant materials may be used. Fruits or vegetables may be used: if cut, they must be sealed unobtrusively with plastic wrap or other sealer.

No prepared food products are allowed in any exhibit.

Each exhibit must contain some plant material.

Exhibitors may further title their entries if desired, with a title or an explanation on a 3" X 5" card.

Each Class is subdivided by age group.

### Class 1

#### Chupacabra (Vampire Goat)

An animal or creature made-up of fruits and/or vegetables and/or flowers. Animal should be placed on some type of base-tray, platter, plaque, etc., so that it can be moved.

- (R) Ages 4 through 7
- (Y) Ages 8 through 11
- (G) Ages 12 through 14
- (B) Ages 15 through 17

### Class 2

#### Para Del Centro De La Mesa (For the Center of the Table)

A design using all fresh plant material suitable for a table centerpiece.

- (R) Ages 4 through 7
- (Y) Ages 8 through 11
- (G) Ages 12 through 14
- (B) Ages 15 through 17

## Class 3

### Una Mezcla De Deseño (A Mixture of Designs)

A creative design interpreting the title, no larger than 24 inches wide, 36 inches tall and 18 inches in depth. The designer has complete choice of plant material (all fresh, all dried or a combination of the two) but some plant material must be used). **No artificial plant material may be used.**

- (R) Ages 4 through 7
- (Y) Ages 8 through 11
- (G) Ages 12 through 14
- (B) Ages 15 through 17

### Scale of Points for All Designs in Division III

Conformance (to schedule requirements)	20
Design (elements, principles)	42
Artistic Concept (selection and/or organization)	12
Expression (interpretation of the class by exhibitor)	10
Distinction (marked superiority in all respects)	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

## Awards

### Individual Awards

In the show, one State Fair Special may be given in each Section A and B for each age category, and a "Youth Achievement Award" may be given to the overall most outstanding horticultural entry and the most outstanding design entry.

### Special Award

At the Awards Presentation on Sunday, September 25, 2011 at 6:30 PM a special award will be given to the youth (in each age group) with the most blue ribbons in Division III. **Ribbons won in the adult classes do not count.** The exhibitor must have won ribbons in both Sections A and B and entered in both shows. Ties will be broken by counting red ribbons and if necessary, yellow ribbons.