



**YOUTH COMPETITION
OHA 112th Convention
July 27-29, 2018
Ambassador Hotel and Conference Centre
Kingston, ON**

Host: District 3 – “From Shore to Shield”

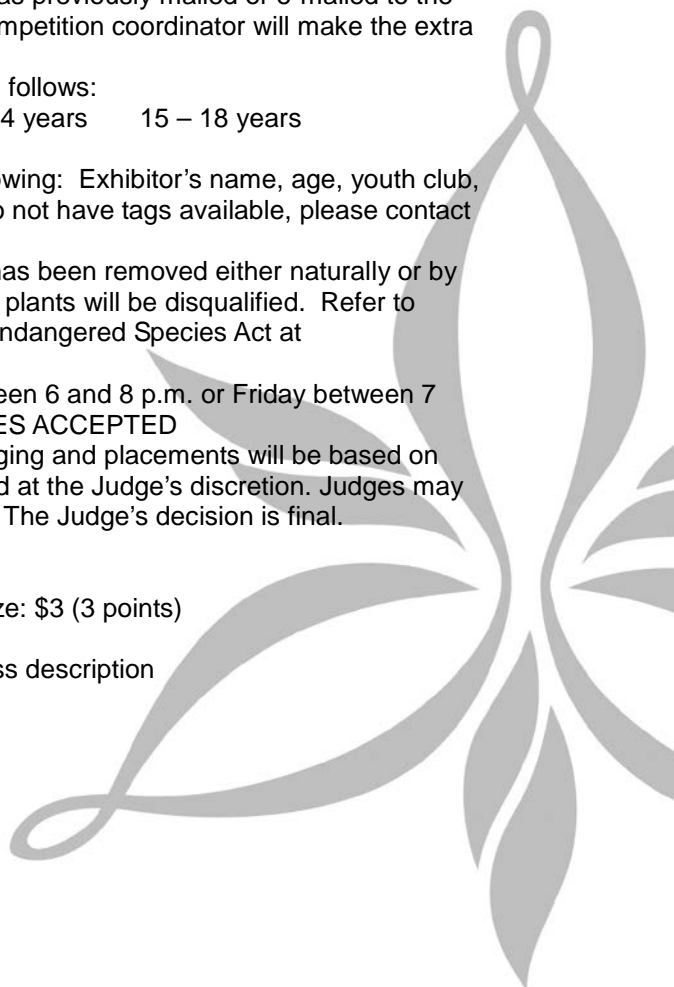
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1. **Theme:** This competition is inspired by the convention theme and linked to the other competitions through the class title “The Old Apple Tree” as a means to explore creative expression. There are no Youth classes in the Photography competition. These classes are now part of the Youth Competition.
2. **Eligibility:** Each exhibitor must be a youth member or a youth club leader In Good Standing of a society/club (hereafter society) In Good Standing with the Ontario Horticultural Association (OHA).
3. **Entry:**
 - a. Each class is either “Only one entry per Club” or “Open to all youth members”. The Ruby Lobban High Points Award (Class 15) is for the youth club with highest total point aggregate from awards in the youth competition so no need to apply.
 - b. Please provide the coordinator with an estimated list of entries on a **Youth Competitions Entry Form by June 1, 2018**. Please estimate high, as the number of entries help determines the space allotted for the youth competition.
 - c. All entries must be registered with the youth competition coordinator (or clerk) with the Youth Competitions Entry Form at the convention. If the form was previously mailed or e-mailed to the youth competitions coordinator by June 1st, the youth competition coordinator will make the extra copies required.
 - d. Age groupings for youth competition classes 1 – 9 are as follows:
Junior: 6– 8 years 9 – 11 years Senior: 12 – 14 years 15 – 18 years
These groupings, DO NOT apply for classes 8 - 14.
 - e. Each entry must have an entry tag securely attached showing: Exhibitor’s name, age, youth club, society and district. Use your local society tags. If you do not have tags available, please contact the youth competition coordinator.
 - f. Dried plant material is material from which the moisture has been removed either naturally or by artificial means. Scarce, protected, or endangered native plants will be disqualified. Refer to Government of Ontario, Ministry of Natural Resources “Endangered Species Act at www.ontario.ca/speciesatrisk.
 - g. Entries at the convention must be placed Thursday between 6 and 8 p.m. or Friday between 7 and 8 a.m. Judging starts at 9:30 a.m. **NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED**
4. **Judging:** Criteria vary and are outlined in the schedule. Judging and placements will be based on merit. Honourable Mention (HM) placements may be awarded at the Judge’s discretion. Judges may withhold an award if, in their opinion, an exhibit is not worthy. The Judge’s decision is final.
5. **Awards:**

Classes 1-9: OHA ribbons and cash prizes
1st prize: \$5 (5 points), 2nd prize: \$4 (4 points), 3rd prize: \$3 (3 points)
HM (up to 3): \$1 (1 point each)
Classes 10-15: OHA ribbons and prizes stated below the class description
Best in Show Rosette, Section B: Artistic Creativity (5 points)
Judge’s Choice Rosette, Section C: Floral Design (5 points)
6. **Viewing:** All entry tags will be open at the convention.

Friday	12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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7. **Return:** Entry removal not permitted until after the competition is closed on Saturday. Entries and prizes are to be picked up Sunday between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. or if necessary, by special arrangement with the Coordinator. A signature is necessary for receipt of materials.

SECTION A: WRITING

Open to all youth members

Junior: Class 1 and 2 – Ages 6 to 8 and 9 to 11 - not to exceed 150 words.

Senior: Class 1 and 2 - Ages 12 to 14 and 15 to 18 - should have a minimum of 150 words.

Judging Criteria: Subject matter 70% Neatness and spelling 30%

Class 1 Wayside Wonders

The plants, weeds, shrubs and trees that grow in our waysides are important to insect pollinators such as bees, flies, butterflies and moths, wasps, and beetles. Pollinators and flowering plants need each other. Choose 2 to 3 flowers, shrubs or trees that commonly grow along our road sides and show why they are just as important to pollinators as those plants from nurseries and garden centers". To be composed in your own words; information may be computer/ internet generated and researched. Drawings (hand or pre-drawn), photos and/or magazine/website pictures are allowed. Display in a folder with a clear cover so that title page is visible

See: <http://www.feedthebees.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/A-Landowners-Guide-to-Conserving-Native-Pollinators-in-Ontario.pdf>

Class 2 The Old Apple Tree

A poem at least 8 lines to be presented on a 22 cm x 28 cm (8.5"x11") piece of paper or card stock and enhanced with drawings (hand or pre-drawn), photos, and/or magazine/website pictures.

SECTION B: ARTISTIC CREATIVITY

Open to all youth members

Judging Criteria: Interpretation of title	20%	Use of appropriate material	30%
Creativity	30%	Neatness	20%

Best in Show Rosette to be awarded.

Class 3 Reach for the Sun

Create a post card for Sandbanks Provincial Park using dried pressed plant material. Dyed plant material is not allowed. Not to exceed 13 cm x 18 cm (5" x 7")

<https://www.ontarioparks.com/park/sandbanks>

Class 4 From Shore to Shield

Create a flyer on 22 cm x 28 cm (8.5" x 11") paper or card stock advertising at least 4 native plants, shrubs or trees suitable for planting in District 3. Include name of plant and basic growing conditions (i.e. sun/shade, soil conditions etc.). You may use drawings, computer generated or magazine photos, coloured pencils, crayons, markers and/or paints to complete your picture.

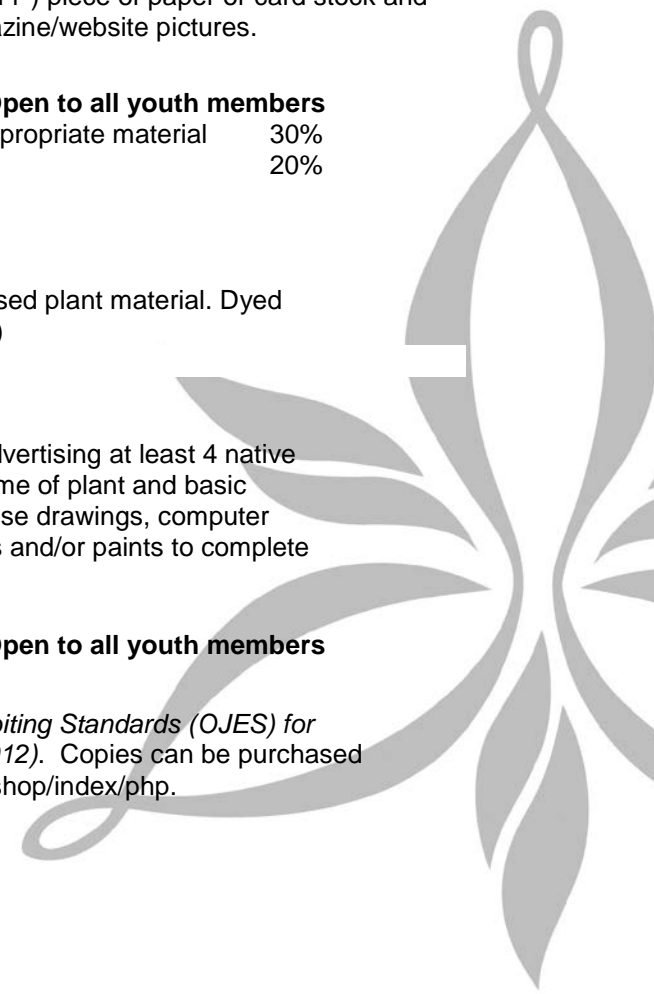
SECTION C: FLORAL DESIGN

Open to all youth members

Accessories permitted

Judging Criteria: In accordance with the *Ontario Judging & Exhibiting Standards (OJES) for Horticulture and Floral Design (2003, reprinted 2007, 2010, and 2012)*. Copies can be purchased from the OHA; order form on-line at <http://www.gardenontario.org/shop/index/php>.

Judge's Choice rosette to be awarded.



Class 5 Along the Shore

Your interpretation. To include plant material found along a local river bank or lake shore. Not to exceed 30 cm (12") any direction. Conditioning material is important.

Class 6 Garden Bones

A small design using dried plant material, A small design can be 13.9 cm – 25.4 cm (5 ½ - 10") but must not exceed 24.4 cm. (10") in any direction.

Class 7 Gardening Rocks

A design incorporating rock(s), not to exceed 30 cm (12") in any direction.

SECTION D: PHOTOGRAPHY

Entries must be colour prints (unless stated otherwise). Print to be mounted not matted. Mounted size to be 5" x 7" (outside measurement). The photo is to be no larger than 4" x 6". The photo should contain a horticultural element. Photos with identifiable persons will be disqualified. An entry implies that the exhibitor gives consent to the OHA to make further use of the entry in any way that it designates. Ownership of the entry is retained by the exhibitor.

Class 8 Garden Gems

Your interpretation.

Class 9 Curb Appeal

A front garden.

SECTION E: PLANTS

Cash prizes donated by Anna Peterson, St. Mary's, District 10 Director, 2005 - 2010

1st prize - \$6 2nd prize - \$5 3rd prize - \$4 (no points)

Class 10 Boxed In

One entry per Club; may be a combined effort.

A window box not larger than 61 cm (24") in any direction. Should contain at least 5 cultivars. Please attach names of cultivars to your entry card. Accessories permitted

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Class 11 My Favourite Dessert

Open to all youth members

A drawing/photo of your favourite local fruit with a recipe which includes that fruit in the ingredients. For example: "Apple" with a recipe for apple crisp.

Entry to be a drawing (hand or pre-drawn) on 22 cm x 28 cm (8.5" x 11") sheet of paper. May use crayon, paint, pencil crayon, magazine pictures, etc. in any combination. Drawing should indicate the name of the fruit in the title or in a line at the bottom of the picture.

Judging Criteria: Subject matter 70% Neatness and spelling 30%

SECTION F: FINE ARTS

Class 12 Harry Wyma Fine Arts Award – "Dawn"

Open to all youth members

Your interpretation. Should have a horticultural element. Any medium: painting, drawing, sculpture, carving, fiber art, etc. not to exceed 50 cm (20") in any direction. Dry plant material is permitted.

Judging Criteria: Interpretation of title 20% Creativity 20% Originality 30% Skill 30%
 1st prize - \$10.00 + plaque 2nd prize - \$8.00 3rd prize - \$6.00

Donated by Harry Wyma, Ridgeway, District 11 Director 1983-1988, OHA President 1990

Class 13 Maisie Bray Award - "Serviceberry"

Only one entry per Club; may be a combined effort

This plant can be found throughout District 3 is native and is the District floral emblem. Create a poster to include the entire plant (including the root) plus the printed name, common and botanical and some facts about this plant. It is to be composed on firm board type material e.g. Bristol board. Drawing may be coloured in any media (pen, crayon, pencil crayon, etc.).

Judging Criteria: Subject matter 70% Neatness and spelling 30%

1st prize - \$10.00 2nd prize - \$8.00 3rd prize - \$6.00

Donated by Maisie Bray, Lion's Head, District 8 Director 1978 – 1983

SECTION G: SPECIAL AWARDS AND COMPETITION FOR YOUTH CLUB LEADERS

Class 14 Ruby Bryan Award

Only one entry per Club

In a scrapbook provide a descriptive account of the Youth Club activities for the 2017 Calendar Year or School Year. This should include a pictorial and illustrated description and narrative about specific subjects, meetings and projects. There is no limitation to the size. May be done by youth club leader. On the entry tag, please state "Calendar or School" year.

Judging Criteria: On content only, not as a scrap-booking project

1st prize - \$10.00 2nd prize - \$8.00 3rd prize - \$6.00

Donated by Ruby Bryan, Englehart, District 12 Director 1964–1969, OHA President 1972

Class 15 Ruby Lobban High Points Award

This award is based on the highest point aggregate for a youth club from awards in the youth competition.

1st prize - \$15.00 2nd prize - \$10.00 3rd prize - \$5.00

In memory of Ruby Lobban, a member of the Owen Sound Horticultural Society, and District 8 Assistant Director, 1970-83.

NOTE: The Frances Lemke Award for the youth club that has been the most active and innovative in the previous calendar year or school year is no longer part of the Youth Convention Competition. To enter, fill out an entry tag (please state "Calendar or School") and attach to the Youth Activity Report. Deadline June 1, 2018.

Mail to:

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Sponsored by the Past Presidents' Council In memory of Frances Lemke. Award: \$25