**The Daffodil and Hosta Society of Western Pennsylvania**



Proudly Presents

**The 29th Pittsburgh Hosta Show**

accredited by the

American Hosta Society

**June 17, 2023**

**Soergel Orchards**

2573 Brandt School Road

Wexford, PA 15090

 **Show Events**

Entries Accepted: Friday June 16, 2023, 5:00 - 8:00 P.M.

Saturday: June 17, 2023, 8:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Show Judging 11:00 A.M.

 Plant Sales begin at 10:00 A.M.

**Open to the Public – Free Admission**

SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2023

1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

**American Hosta Society**

 The AHS is an international not-for-profit educational organization founded in 1968 to promote interest in the genus *Hosta*. Services to members include: ***The Hosta Journal*** issued three times a year; round robin letters; and an annual convention. Check our membership desk at the show for an AHS brochure or contact Sandie Markland, AHS Membership Secretary, P.O. Box 7539 Kill Devil Hills NC 27948.

# American Hosta Society

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# Daffodil and Hosta Society of Western Pennsylvania

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**DHSWP HOSTA SHOW JUDGES**

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**DHSWP HOSTA SHOW Committee**

Chairperson Jim Kalka Vice-Chair Megan Danik

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Plant Sales Gary Gahagan Hospitality Megan Danik

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Placement Megan Danik Schedule Jim Kalka

The Hosta Show Committee and the Daffodil and Hosta Society of Western Pennsylvania appreciate the contribution of our judges in evaluating our show and making it an accurate representation of local culture. We also wish to thank Soergel Orchard staff for their hospitality and assistance in the staging of this show.

 Exhibitors, please remember that judging will occur on Saturday morning, but entries will remain in place until 4:00 PM. Specimen leaves should be chosen with this in mind; leaves approaching maturity will hold their form better than immature or past-prime leaves.

Daffodil and Hosta Society of Western Pennsylvania membership information will be available at the education and information table. We can also be contacted at [www.dhswp.com](http://www.dhswp.com) or join us on Facebook [www.facebook.com/DHSWP](http://www.facebook.com/DHSWP).

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GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. Anyone who wishes to exhibit may do so. However, section and higher awards are limited to AHS members. Any exhibitor who is not an AHS member and wins a section or higher award will be asked to become an AHS member. If the winner refuses membership, the Show Chair may either present the award to the next qualified entry or leave the award vacant.
2. Entries will be received from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Friday June 16, 2023, and 8:00 A.M. to 10:30 AM Saturday June 17, 2023
3. Judging will begin at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, June 17, 2023. All entries must remain in place until Saturday, June 17th, 4:00 PM. Entries, entry tags, ribbons, and awards may be claimed from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM Saturday, June 17th. Entries remaining after 4:00 PM on Saturday will be disposed of by the Dismantling Committee.
4. Entry tags must be properly completed by the exhibitor. Incorrect entry tag information will be corrected by the Classification Committee, and entries may be disqualified at the discretion of the Classification Committee.
5. During the time of judging, only the Show Chair, Show Co-Chair, AHS Judges Chair, Judges, and Clerks are permitted in the immediate judging areas.
6. Divisions I-Horticulture, II-Container Grown Hosta, III-Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect, IV- Educational Displays and VII - Specialty Division will be judged by panels of three to four American Hosta Society show judges including one master judge per panel. The American Hosta Society Point Scoring System will be used to break a tie in judging major awards. Each panel of judges will be the final authority of each class it judges.
7. All judges’ decisions are final.
8. Care will be taken, but no responsibility shall be incurred by any person, group, or organization for any accidents, damages, injuries, thefts, or omissions or commissions of any kind or nature from this show.
9. All entries designated as registered cultivars and species shall either be listed in the current year's AHS Hosta Show Classification List or shall have had registration data recorded in an official publication of The American Hosta Society by the date of the show to be considered registered for show purposes.
10. For all show divisions, provided entries score the minimum points, each sub-class (or class if there are no sub-classes or section if there are no classes) is allowed the awarding of only one blue, one red, one yellow, and one white ribbon. In Division I, Sections I-V and Section XI, each registered cultivar or species constitutes a separate name sub-class. Each seedling or sport entry in Sections VI-X is a separate sub-class and is eligible for any ribbon. For Section XII, each unregistered named cultivar constitutes a separate name sub-class within each alphabetical letter class.

### 11. Division I - Horticulture (Cut leaf) Rules

Containers will be provided by the Daffodil and Hosta Society of Western Pennsylvania. Bloom scapes are not permitted in this division.

Sections I- V (Registered Cultivars and Species), XI (Youth Exhibits) and XII (Unregistered Named Cultivars) require ONE leaf per entry. Sections VI- X require TWO leaves per entry. Sports shall be indicated on the entry tag as

"Sport of (Name of Cultivar)". Seedlings shall be indicated on the entry tag as "Seedling (Hybridizer's Identification Number)". An exhibitor may enter more than one horticultural specimen in a single class provided each entry is of a different variety**. Multiple entries of the same cultivar are not permitted.** All entries must have been grown by the exhibitor. Persons placing entries in Section XI-Youth Exhibits must be 18 years of age or younger as of the date of the show. All leaves entered should be representative of the plant and should be taken from plants approaching maturity.

### 12. Division II - Container Grown Hosta Rules

Container-grown Hostas must have been grown by the exhibitor and must be established in the containers in which they are grown. **Only registered cultivars or Hosta species may be exhibited in this division and only one Hosta may be grown in each container.** Container and plant must be clean. The plant should be centered in the container. Inner containers or container liners are allowed but must not be visible. Only one type of ground cover material is allowed per exhibit. Ground covers may be any natural non-living material such as bark chips or stones, or an indigenous moss of one variety only.

### 13. Division III - Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect Rules

Self-contained trough or container gardens of any size may be entered for judging as an arrangement. Multiple varieties of Hosta and other plant material may be used. **Hostas must be a strong focal point of the** entry. No artificial plant material is allowed. Plants and container must be clean. Accessories are permitted. Individual plants need not be identified. However, if the exhibitor would like to identify the material, an identification ledger card to the side of the exhibit is acceptable.

14. **Division IV - Educational Displays Rules**

Educational displays must pertain to Hosta.

### 15. Division V - Non-Competitive Exhibits Rules

Entries in this division are not judged. The exhibit may be a single cut leaf, a Hosta bloom scape, a container grown plant, or any other display deemed to be of interest to the show observers. However, the plant material must be Hosta predominant, the exhibit must be tastefully presented, and the material must be in good condition. The Show Chair may refuse placement of any exhibit that does not meet these requirements.

16 **DIVISION VII –Specialty Division**

. **Unregistered Seedlings and Sport Plants Rules**

1. Entries should be unregistered seedlings or sports of distinction.
2. Plants must have at least two growth eyes and be similar in characteristics.
3. Plants to be displayed in a clean container but do not have to be established in said container.
4. Bloom scapes may be removed at exhibitor’s discretion.

**SHOW DIVISIONS**

**DIVISION I HORTICULTURE** (Cut Leaf)

Section I Giant-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species

Section II Large-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species

Section III Medium-Leaved Registered Cultivars

Section IV Small-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species

Section V Miniature-Leaved Registered Cultivars and Species

Section VI Giant-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings

Section VII Large-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings

Section VII Medium-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedling

Section IX Small-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings

Section X Miniature-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings

Section XI Youth Exhibits of Registered Cultivars and Species

Displayed in Alphabetical Order

Section XII Unregistered Named Hosta Cultivars Displayed in

Alphabetical Order

Entries in Sections I-X are to be displayed using the following Color Classes:

 Class 1 – Green (All Shades)

 Class 2 – Blue (All Shades)

 Class 3 – Yellow (All Shades)

 Class 4 – White Margined

a. Yellow, White or Chartreuse Center

b. Green to Blue Center

 Class 5 – Yellow Margined

a. Yellow, White or Chartreuse Center

b. Green to Blue Center

 Class 6 – Green or Blue Margined

1. Yellow, White or Chartreuse Center
2. Green to Blue Center (distinct from margin color)

 Class 7 – Streaked or Mottled

Class 8 – Others (including early season variants)

**DIVISION II- CONTAINER GROWN HOSTA**

Section I Container displays not exceeding a total height or width of

18 inches

Section II Container displays with a height or width of greater than

18 inches

**DIVISION III- TROUGH/CONTAINER GARDENS ARRANGED FOR EFFECT**

Section I Concrete Composition

Section II Ceramic, Terra Cotta, Bronze and other metals

Section III Plastics and other man-made materials

Section IV Natural Materials, Stone, Wood, Baskets, ect.

**DIVISION IV - EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS**

There are no sections in Division IV - Educational Displays.

Educational displays must pertain to Hosta. The show chair

may bar entry to any exhibit that does not meet this requirement.

 **DIVISION V - NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS**

Entries in this division are not judged. The exhibit may be a single cut leaf, a Hosta bloom scape, a container grown plant, or any other display deemed to be of interest to the show observers. However, the plant material must be Hosta predominant, the exhibit must be tastefully presented, and the material must be in good condition. The Show Chair may refuse placement of any exhibit that does not meet

these requirements.

**DIVISION VII- SPECIALTY DIVISION, SEEDLING AND SPORT PLANTS**

1. Entries should be plants of distinction.
2. Bloom scapes may be removed or left intact at the exhibitor’s discretion.
3. Plants must have at least two growth eyes and they should be similar in characteristics.
4. All entries in each Section must be unregistered and unnamed.

Section I – Seedling

Section II - Sports

**SHOW AWARDS**

**Best of Show - Horticulture -** Awarded to the best species or registered cultivar entry in Division I - Horticulture and is selected from the section winners in Sections I-V and Section XI. (Please note that entries in Section XII- Unregistered Named Cultivars are not eligible to receive this award.) This award is a large triple streamer pink and white rosette ribbon.

**Best Seedling or Sport Award -** Awarded to the best seedling or sport entry in Division I- Horticulture and is selected from the section winners in Sections VI-X. This award is a large triple streamer green and white rosette ribbon.

**Sweepstakes Award -** Awarded to the exhibitor who wins the largest number of blue ribbons in Division I- Horticulture. (In case of a tie, count red ribbons, then yellow ribbons if necessary, to break the tie.) This award is a medium triple streamer Maroon rosette ribbon.

**Grand Awards -** Awarded to the best entries in Division II - Container Grown Hosta, Division III.- Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect, Division IV - Educational Displays, VII- Specialty Seedling and Sports. Entries must have scored 95 points to win. For Divisions II and III, Grand Awards will be chosen from the Section Award winners. These awards are medium triple streamer purple rosette ribbons.

**Section Awards -** Awarded to the Best of Section winners in divisions containing sections. All section award winners must have scored at least 95 points. These awards are medium single streamer purple ribbons.

**Class Awards -** Awarded to Best of Class winners in divisions containing classes. All class award winners must have scored at least 95 points. These awards are single streamer green ribbons.

 The following ribbon awards are awarded in accordance with rules set forth by AHS:

 **First Place Blue Ribbons -** Entries must score 90 or more points to receive this award.

**Second Place Red Ribbons -** Entries must score 85 or more points to receive this award.

**Third Place Yellow Ribbons -** Entries must score 80 or more points to receive this award.

**Fourth Place White Ribbons -** Entries must score 75 or more points to receive this award.

**Division VII Specialty Division, Seedling and Sport Plants –** Entries will be judged according to the AHS point scales for judging Hosta (see page 10). These awards will be First Place Blue, Second Place Red, Third Place Yellow Forth Place White ribbon. Best of section award will be a medium single streamer purple ribbon.

**THE AMERICAN HOSTA SOCIETY**

**POINT SCALES FOR JUDGING HOSTA**

 **REGISTERED CULTIVARS AND SPECIES DIVISION I, SECTIONS I - V and SECTION XI**

Form 15

Size 15

Color and Pattern 25

Texture 15

Substance 15

Condition and Grooming 15

**Total Points** 100

**UNREGISTERED NAMED HOSTA CULTVARS**

**DIVISION I, SECTIONS XII**

Form 15

Size 15

Color and Pattern 25

Texture 15

Substance 15

Condition and Grooming 15

**Total Points** **100**

**UNREGISTERED SEEDLINGS AND SPORTS**

**DIVISION1, SECTIONS VI - X**

Form 15

Size 15

Color and Pattern 25

Texture 15

Substance 15

Condition and Grooming 15

**Total Points** **100**

**CONTAINER GROWN HOSTA**

**DIVISION II**

Form 15

Size 15

Color and Pattern 25

Texture 15

Substance 15

Condition and Grooming 15

**Total Points** **100**

**TROUGH/CONTAINER GARDENS ARRANGED FOR EFFECT**

**DIVISION II**

Form 15

Size 15

Color and Pattern 25

Texture 15

Substance 15

Condition and Grooming 15

**Total Points** **100**

**EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS**

**DIVISION IV**

Educational Value Theme,

 Originality, Material Used 50

Staging, Arrangement,

Attractiveness, Neatness 50

**Total Points** **100**

**NON-COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS**

**DIVISION V**

Not Judged – No Scale of Points

**UNREGISTERED SEEDLING AND SPORT PLANTS**

**DIVISION VII**

Form 20

Color and Pattern 30

Texture 20

Substance 20

Condition and Grooming 10

**Total Points** **100**

 **Local Awards**

We offer a number awards at our Hosta show each year. There are American Hosta Society awards and our local awards. The AHS awards are sponsored by the national club and we adhere to their guidelines. Our club awards are judged separately. However, criteria for judging both AHS and local awards are the same and the judges must be accredited by the AHS. An exhibitor can win awards in either or both venues. To win the AHS awards, the exhibitor must be a member of the AHS.

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| **Award** | **Sponsor** | **Award2** |
| Red/Purple Petiole | Alicia Perez | $30.00 |
| Best Large Leaved: Sections II & XI | Gary & Susan Gahagan | $40.00 |
| Best Novice Entry: Sections I-V & XI | Chuck and Anne Olescyski | $25.00 |
| Best Medium Variegated Leaved: Sections III & XI Class 4 thru 8 | Chuck and Anne Olescyski | $25.00 |
| Best Blue: Sections I - V & XI, Class 2 | Megan Danik | $30.00 |
| Best in Show Division I Sections 1-V and Section XI | DHSWP | $50.00 |
| Best Hosta of The Year Selections | Alicia Perez | $30.00 |
| Best Seedling or Sport Sections: VI-X | DHSWP |   |
| Sweepstakes: | DHSWP | $50.00 |
| Danik Memorial Ruffled Edge Hosta | Megan Danik | $30.00 |
| Best Large Variegated Leaved: Sections II &XI | DHSWP **Tom Tindall Award** | $30.00 |
| Danik Memorial Best Opposite | Friends | $30.00 |
| Best Miniature Leaved: Sections 5 & XI | Margie Elliott & Jim Kalka | $25.00 |
| Best Trough | NARGS\*\* | $25.00 |
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| \* Gift cards to DJ"s Greenhouse |  |  |
| \*\* NARGS Gift card to Soergel Orchards |   |   |

**Suggestions for Exhibitors**

All specimens should be cut late the day before the show; *avoid immature leaves*. Use a sharp *single edged razor* and cut stem on a slant; this helps for rapid moisture intake. Cut specimens should be placed in cool water, in a dark cool, draft-free place for several hours or overnight to condition them. When gathering the leaves, take a piece of masking tape and write the name of the hosta on it with a waterproof pen and fix the tape to the stem; masking tape will stick well if the stem is dry. *Any visible marks on the stem are a fault.* After the show tag is made out, discard the masking tape. When selecting leaves from the garden, hold them up to the light and look for small pinholes. If holes are present, select another specimen. Using a cotton swab wash gently in water with mild dish detergent added. Blue leaves are swished only in clear water to preserve the blue coat. After drying, any remaining dirt *on leaf front or back and stem* is removed with Q-tips. Do not use a hair dryer on the blue leaves as it removes the blue coating or bloom. Crumbled pantyhose works well, especially to clean the backs of the leaves.

**Directions to Soergel Orchard**

**From the North/Cranberry/Erie areas**

Take I-79 South to exit at Rout 910 Wexford, turn left at traffic light. Travel East on Route 910 to traffic light at Brandt School Road, approximately 2/10 miles. From **far right lane**, turn right on Brandt School Road. Soergel Orchards is 0.1 miles on right.

**From the South/Pittsburgh**

Take I-279 to I-79 North, or take I-79 North, to Route 910 Wexford exit. Turn right onto 910 (Orange Belt). From **far right lane**, take first right onto Brandt School Road. Soergel’s is 1/10th mile on right

