

HOW TO FILL OUT ENTRY CARDS FOR FLOWER SHOWS

Summer is upon us and along with it, come our flower shows.

Below are examples of entry cards with instructions to help you fill them out correctly and win that blue ribbon! Not only are flower shows meant to showcase your achievements, they are meant to educate the public. A person should be able to read the name and go out and buy that exact plant.

General information for all cards

- An entry card must be filled out completely for every horticultural specimen or design class that is entered. This should be done in advance of the show to save time at drop off.
- Use pencil or waterproof pen. Address labels may also be used.
- The name of the show, date, division, section and class number can be found on the schedule. You will be given an entry number by the show chairman.
- The bottom of the card should then be folded up to hide your name. Attach it to or place it next to the entry.

Example #1

Horticulture with a Binomial Name

Latin name
Genus + species
underlined

Variety or Cultivar
in single quotes

Common Name
in parentheses

National Garden Clubs, Inc.			
Tri-County Fair FS			8-1-18
FLOWER SHOW			DATE
DIVISION	SECTION	CLASS No.	ENTRY No.
I	B	15	0123
<u><i>Echinops ritro</i></u>			
‘Veitch’s Blue’			
(Globe Thistle)			
EXHIBITOR Ima Flower			
ADDRESS Petaltown, USA 45678			
CLUB Petaltown Garden Club			
1st	2nd	3rd	Honorable Mention
EXHIBIT SCORED 90+			

Not sure of the plant name?

Check the plant tag if you still have it. The flower show schedule will usually list the genus and common name. To find the species, variety or cultivar, ask your club members, a local nursery or the show’s Horticulture Consultant. You can also check online, in plant catalogs or plant encyclopedias.

