

Roehampton Garden Society
Founded 1873
(Member of the London Gardens Society)



Horticultural Shows
2025

The Autumn Show

Saturday 30th August at 3.00 pm

Exhibits cleared at 4.20, followed by auction at 4.30.

St Margaret's Church, Putney Park Lane, Putney SW15 5HU

Newsflash

An exhibitor can now enter any number of exhibits in each of the classes except the collections (no. 19, 54 & 55). For example, if you have 2 different varieties of potatoes or apples then you can make 2 separate entries in those classes.

SCHEDULE FOR THE AUTUMN SHOW

Saturday 30th August – 15.00 – 17.00 St Margaret's Church

** Signifies the class has a special prize or cup. Entries between 09.30 and 12.15, staging of exhibits until 13.00. Advice available on the day during entry taking/staging.*

Section A – Flowers

1. Vase of 1 giant or large dahlia of any variety
2. Vase of mixed dahlias, not more than 7 blooms
3. Vase of decorative dahlias, not more than 5 blooms
4. Vase of pompon dahlias, not more than 7 blooms, not to exceed 5 cm
5. Vase of cactus dahlias (approx. 10 cm), not more than 5 blooms
6. Vase of ball flowered dahlias (larger than 5cms), not more than 5 blooms
7. A vase of mixed perennial flowers (foliage allowed)
8. * Vase of cut flowers, 4 or more varieties, any foliage, arranged for all-round effect. **(Society vases must be used, available on day)**
9. Vase of 3 or more annuals (can be mixed)
10. Vase of orange &/or yellow flowers, foliage allowed, can include flowers from other classes
11. Vase of stems of a flowering shrub, e.g. fuchsia, not more than 5 stems, can be mixed
12. Vase of HT roses, 4 stems
13. Vase containing 1 HT rose
14. Vase of multiflora roses, 3 stems
15. A table decoration, maximum length 25 cm
16. Vase of 3 gladioli stems

Section B - Flowers and Vegetables, mixed

17. An exhibit of 2 each of 2 different vegetables or fruits, can be either just vegetable or fruits or mixed
18. Any 1 specimen each of 1 kind of vegetable and 1 kind of flower

Special Entry

19. ***Harvest Collection** – a display of home-grown **vegetables, fruits and flowers** in any combination in a basket or suitable container (all elements must be present).

Section C - Vegetables

20. 2 aubergines
21. 9 French beans, with stalks
22. 9 runner beans, with stalks
23. 9 of any other bean, with stalks
24. 3 beetroots, globe or cylindrical, with 7.5 cm foliage
25. 1 green cabbage, with at least 5 cm stalk
26. 1 red cabbage, with at least 5 cm stalk
27. 3 carrots, any one variety, with 10 cm tops
28. A winter vegetable such as kale, cauliflower, leek, parsnip, sprouts – see guidelines for numbers
29. a) 2 cucumbers – grown under protection
b) 2 cucumbers – grown outdoors
30. 1 celeriac, see guidelines for presentation.

31. 3 garlic bulbs – see guidelines for presentation
32. 4 different herbs, in small bunches (under 25 cms)
33. A pot of one type of home-grown annual herb, growing.
34. 1 marrow, (no more than 35cms in length) any variety, any colour
35. 4 onions, dressed for presentation, see guidelines
36. a). 5 peppers, chilli
b). A pot of growing chillies
37. a). 3 peppers, sweet (capsicum)
b). A pot of growing capsicums
38. 5 potatoes, white, any one variety, washed
39. 5 potatoes, coloured, any one variety, washed. See guidelines.
40. 6 radishes, with roots, foliage trimmed to 4cm
41. a) 9 shallots, pickling, (under 30mm)
b) 9 shallots, exhibition
See guidelines for presentation.
42. 1 pumpkin, any variety, see guidelines for presentation
43. 1 squash (winter or summer), any variety
44. 2 sweetcorn, with 2cm of stalk. Husk & filaments still attached & pulled back on one side to show cob.
45. 3 tomatoes, large- fruited ("Beefsteak"), with calyx, min. diam. 7.5 cm
46. 6 tomatoes, medium- fruited, with calyx
47. 9 tomatoes, any colour, small fruited (cherry-type), with calyx, not exceeding 3.5 cm diam.
48. 6 Tomatoes, plum type, with calyx

49. 1 truss tomatoes, ripe or unripe
50. 2 courgettes, any colour or variety
51. 10 stalks of leaf vegetables – e.g. spinach, leaf beat, chard
- 52.a) 1 lettuce, any variety, with roots
52.b) A display of 3 different seasonal vegetables that you like in a salad (see description in guidelines)
53. Any 1 vegetable not in Section C above

Note: In classes 54 & 55, the no. of vegetables /fruits to be as in classes C20– 52a) & D60-66 where applicable (e.g. 3 carrots, 1 squash)

- 54.*Collection of vegetables and / or fruits of 5 different kinds, in a box or tray not to exceed 60cm x 45cm,
55. Collection of vegetables of 3 different kinds, frontage space not to exceed 60 cm

A veg too far.....

56. The biggest marrow
57. The longest runner bean
58. The heaviest pumpkin
59. The largest diameter sunflower
- 59 (a) An ugly or funny shaped fruit or vegetable

Section D - Fruit

All fruit to be displayed on a small plate to see each individual fruit.

60. 3 cooking apples, with stalks, any one variety
61. 3 dessert apples, with stalks, any one variety
62. 12 blackberries, with calyx
63. 1 bunch of grapes
64. 3 pears, with stalks, any one variety
65. 12 raspberries, with calyx
66. 12 of any hybrid berry, with calyx (e.g. boysenberry, loganberry, tayberry).
67. Exhibit of any other edible fruit excluding those above

Section F - Children (under14)

- 73. Funny animal or person made of anything grown
- 74. Colour picture of a vegetable or fruit (Any medium – i.e. paint, crayon)
- 75. A collage made from pictures in a seed catalogue
See also competition below.

Section G – Cookery.

All items to be covered and ingredients listed.
See separate guidelines.

- 76. A seasonal dip
- 77. A seasonal pastry based savoury item of cookery- e.g. samosa, quiche. Can be any type of pastry.
- 78. A savoury vegan dish.
- 79. Plain, wholemeal or speciality bread (any size/shape), can be gluten free. Present on a board.
- 80. Glass jar of chutney.

- 81. Glass jar of pickled vegetables, one type or mixed.
- 82. Glass jar of jam (not jelly)
 - a) Soft fruit – e.g. strawberry
 - b) Stone fruit – e.g. plum, cherry
- 83. a) Glass jar of jelly (fruit)
b) Glass jar of jelly (herb)
- 84. A glass jar of marmalade
- 85. A cake made from a seasonal vegetable, e.g. beetroot, pumpkin
- 86. Any other cake
- 87. 6 fruit scones
- 88. Your favourite dessert
- 89. A plate of 6 biscuits, any type
- 90. My favourite tea time treat – can be sweet or savoury, present on a small plate
- 91. Homemade fruit cordial

Competitions (to be judged by visitors to the Show):

- 1. An allotment, gardening or horticulture related photograph, black and white or colour, no larger than A5.
- 2. Photograph as above – entrants to be under 16
- 3. A flower display in a teapot, (any age)

Only one exhibit per person in the competitions

RULES governing the Roehampton Garden Society's Competitions

1. All exhibits must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for at least 2 months prior to the Show.
2. The Society reserves the right to inspect gardens and allotments of exhibitors to ensure that only bona-fide exhibits are entered.
3. A member shall be allowed to show only produce of any kind grown by him or herself except where otherwise stated.
4. An exhibitor can enter any number of exhibits in each of the classes except the collections (no. 19, 54 & 55). For example, if the exhibitor has 2 different varieties of potatoes or apples then 2 separate entries can be made in the class.
5. In showing flowers, no foliage or bloom other than that of the flower specified in the schedule may be shown, except where otherwise stated.
6. Exhibit cards will be supplied by the Society for all exhibits, showing the schedule number of the class, which must be placed in position with the exhibit.
7. The entrance fee to be 20p for each entry, (except children's entries).
8. All children's entries must be the unaided work of the child.
9. No unauthorised person to be in the Church / Hall during the judging.
10. No exhibit to be removed from the Church / Hall before the advertised time. Exhibits remaining 15 minutes after the time of closing will be assumed to be donated for the auction.
11. Points in all cases to be: 4 for 1st, 3 for 2nd, 2 for 3rd and 1 for Highly Commended
12. The Committee, while exercising all reasonable care, cannot be held responsible for the loss of, or damage to, exhibitors' vases, plates etc.
13. Nothing in the foregoing rules shall prejudice the Committee's right to exercise their discretion in any of the matters concerning the administration of the Society's competitions.