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Central Ohio Hosta Society  
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# Buckeye Hosta Fever

A Show of Hosta Leaves



2026 AHS Convention - Dublin, OH

&

COHS 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hosta Show

**Embassy Suites by Hilton  
5100 Upper Metro Place  
Dublin, OH, 43017**

## Show Activity Dates & Times

Activity	Location	Date	Time
Hosta Show Registration & Prep	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prefunction Area & Wellington Boardroom	Wednesday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	1:00pm – 6:00pm 7:00pm – 9:00pm
		Thursday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:00am – 9:00am
Hosta Show Entries Received	Wellington Boardroom Foyer	Wednesday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	1:00pm – 6:00pm 7:00pm – 9:00pm
		Thursday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:00am – 9:00am
Hosta Judges & Clerks Instructions	Avery	Thursday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am – 9:30am
Hosta Show Judging	Waterford, Limerick, & Wellington Boardrooms	Thursday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am – 12:30am
Artistic Design Registration & Prep	Kildare Boardroom	Wednesday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	1:00pm – 2:30pm
Artistic Design Judging	Kildare Boardroom	Wednesday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	2:30pm – 4:00pm
Artistic Design Open	Kildare Boardroom	Wednesday, June 10 <sup>th</sup>	4:00pm -10:00pm
		Thursday, June 11 <sup>th</sup>	7:00am – 10:00pm
		Friday, June 12 <sup>th</sup>	7:00am – 10:00pm
		Saturday, June 13 <sup>th</sup>	7:00am – 3:30pm
Hosta Show Open	Waterford, Limerick, & Wellington Boardrooms	Thursday June 11 <sup>th</sup>	12:30pm – 2:00pm
		Friday, June 12 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am – 9:00am
		Saturday, June 13 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm – 5:30pm

**This Hosta Show is Accredited by  
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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. Each exhibitor may enter up to 20 leaves.
2. Horticulture and Educational entries (Divisions I, II, III and IV) will be received on Wednesday, June 10, 2026 from 1:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M., and 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 PM., and on Thursday, June 11, 2026 from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. Entries received after 9:00 A.M. will be placed in a non-competitive exhibit area without exception. Judging will begin at 9:30 A.M. All entries must remain in place until the end

of the show. Entries must be removed on Saturday between 3:00 P.M. and 4:30 P.M. Entries remaining after 4:30 P.M. will be disposed of by the Staging Committee unless other arrangements have been made with the Show Chair.

3. 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.
4. During the time of judging, only the Show Chair, Show Co-Chair, AHS Judges Chair, Judges, Clerks Chair, and Clerks are permitted in the immediate judging areas.
5. Divisions I-Horticulture Displays 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. All decisions of the judges are final.
6. Division VI-Artistic Design will be judged by National Garden Club Flower Show Judges following the rules set forth in the Handbook for Flower Shows by the National Garden Clubs, Inc.
7. Division VI-Artistic Design entries will be received Wednesday, June 10, 2026 between 1:00 P.M. and 2:30 P. M. Judging will begin at 2:30 P. M. All entries must remain in place until the end of the show. Entries must be removed on Saturday, June 13, 2026 between 3:30 P.M. and 5:00 P.M.
8. All decisions of the judges are final.
9. 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.
10. 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 in order to be considered registered for show purposes.
11. **For Division I**, provided entries score the minimum points, each sub-class 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 exhibit or group of exhibits of a 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 the ribbon it earns. For Section XII, each unregistered named cultivar constitutes a separate name sub-class, displayed alphabetically,

12. **Division I – Horticulture (Cut Leaf) Rules**

Containers will be provided by the Central Ohio Hosta Society.

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 as a whole and should be taken from plants approaching maturity.

Sections I through XII – Each exhibitor is limited to a total of 20 cut leaf entries.

13. **Division II—Container Grown Hostas 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 mature hosta plant, which may consist of multiple divisions of that single plant, 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.

14. **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.

15. **Division IV – Educational Displays Rules**

Educational displays must pertain to hostas.

16. **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.

17. **Division VI – Artistic Design Rules**

**Section A—Buckeye Memories**

Eligible for the Petite Award.

All are designs with designer's choice of materials.

Designs must be staged on 12" boxes. Underlays are optional.

Class I—Mini Treasures

The design must not exceed 12" in any dimension.

Class II—Playing with Hosta

The design must not exceed 12" in any dimension.

**Section B—Beautiful Ohio**

Eligible for the Designers Choice Award.

All are designs with designer's choice of materials.

Designs must be staged to be seen from all sides. Underlays are optional.

Class III—Natural Wonders

The design may contain weathered wood or fresh, dried and/or treated plant material.

Design may be up to 30" tall, 24" wide, and 18" deep.

Class IV—A Buckeye for Good Luck

A Line-Mass design.

Design may be up to 30" tall, 24" wide, and 18" deep.

1. Hosta leaves must be the prominently featured foliage in all designs. Fresh material may not be treated. Some dried and/or treated plant materials and hosta blooms are permitted. No artificial flowers, foliage, fruit or vegetables may be used. Contrived flowers and manipulated foliage made from hosta leaves are permitted.
  2. An exhibitor may enter one entry per class. Plant material need not be grown by the exhibitor, but the design work must be done by the exhibitor. Four entries in each class are required for the show to be judged.
  3. Staging for all classes will be covered tables.
  4. Designs will be placed on Wednesday, June 10 between 1:00-2:30 P.M. Judging will take place between 2:30-4:30 P.M.
  5. Materials used must remain reasonably fresh for 4 days. Designs may be removed on Saturday, June 13th, from 3:30-5:00 P.M.
  6. The National Garden Clubs, Inc. Handbook for Flower Shows, 2024 revision, will be the reference for judging. The handbook can be found at [gardenclub.org/flower shows](http://gardenclub.org/flower-shows).
  7. The property of the exhibitor should be inconspicuously marked with the owner's name and address. All reasonable care will be taken, but the show committee will not be responsible for any loss.
- Pre-registration is required for exhibition in this Division. Contact the Design Chair by June 1, 2026 to reserve your space.

Design Chair: Text Karen Ciula (614) 329-2235. E-mail [kciula@icloud.com](mailto:kciula@icloud.com)

## 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 and Species
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 VIII	Medium-Leaved Unregistered Sports and Seedlings
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 6 – Green or Blue Margined
Class 2 – Blue (All Shades)	a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center
Class 3 – Yellow (All Shades)	b. Green to Blue Center (distinct from margin color)
Class 4 – White Margined	Class 7 – Streaked or Mottled
a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center	Class 8 – Others (including early season variants)
b. Green to Blue Center	
Class 5 – Yellow Margined	
a. Yellow, White, or Chartreuse Center	
b. Green to Blue Center	

### Division II – Container Grown Hosta

### Division III – Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect

### Division IV – Educational Displays

### Division V – Non-Competitive Displays

### Division VI – Artistic Design

Pre-registration is required for exhibition in this Division. Contact the Design Chair by June 1, 2026 to reserve your space.

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## POINT SCALES FOR JUDGING HOSTA

<b>Registered Cultivars and Species</b> Division I, Sections I-V and Section XI	
Form and Size	30 points
Color and Pattern	30 points
Texture and Substance	20 points
Condition and Grooming	20 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>

<b>Container Grown hostas</b> Division II	
Form and Size	25 points
Color and Pattern	25 points
Texture and Substance	25 points
Condition and Grooming	25 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>

<b>Unregistered Named Hosta Cultivars</b> Division I, Section XII	
Form and Size	30 points
Color and Pattern	30 points
Texture and Substance	20 points
Condition and Grooming	20 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>

<b>Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect</b> Division III	
Variety	20 points
Condition	30 points
Arrangement	30 points
Container – Relative to Arrangement	20 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>

<b>Unregistered Seedlings and Sports</b> Division I, Section VI - X	
Distinction	40 points
Form and Size	15 points
Color and Pattern	15 points
Texture and Substance	15 points
Condition and Grooming	15 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>

<b>Educational Displays</b> Division IV	
Educational Value Theme, Originality, Effectiveness	60 points
Staging Arrangement, Attractiveness, Neatness, Materials Used in Exhibit	40 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>

<b>Artistic Design – Division VII</b>			
Conformance	14 points	Organization	8 points
Design	48 points	Expression	8 points
Selection of Components	8 points	Distinction	14 points
Total: 100 points			

<b>Non-Competitive Exhibits</b> Division V	
<i>Not Judged – No scale of points</i>	

## 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 blue 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 certificate, and a medium triple streamer blue rosette ribbon.

**Grand Awards** – Awarded to the best entries in Division II – Container Grown Hostas, Division III – Trough/Container Gardens Arranged for Effect, and Division IV – Educational Displays. Entries must have scored 95 points in order to win.

**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.

### SHOW COMMITTEE

Show Co-Chair—Beth Veldey

Show Co-Chair – Kim Larsen

Judges Chair—Jane Adkins

Classification Chair—Kim Larsen

Clerks Chair—Cathy Mojzisek

Placement Chair— Marilyn Ruff

Tabulation Chair—Barbara Myers

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## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

### THE AMERICAN HOSTA SOCIETY

Membership in The American Hosta Society offers participation in all national activities including a National Convention; three issues of The Hosta Journal, each with nearly 100 pages, many interesting and informative articles, and dozens of color and black-and-white pictures which detail all national, regional, and local hosta society activities. Dues are \$30 individual, \$34 family membership, or \$12 for an E-Membership, per year (U.S.). Membership is on a calendar year basis. Send inquiries regarding membership to:

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AHS Website – [www.hosta.org](http://www.hosta.org)

### REGION 4 GREAT LAKES HOSTA SOCIETY

Members of The American Hosta Society in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Western New York, constituting Region 4 of the American Hosta Society are automatically members of the Great Lakes Hosta Society. It distributes an annual newsletter and it offers an annual meeting which includes judges' clinics, educational seminars, and plant sales. For additional information, please contact:

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The Central Ohio Hosta Society is affiliated with The American Hosta Society. The Membership Secretary publishes newsletters each year, and the Society meets four times a year at places announced in the newsletter. It sponsors this Hosta Show and garden tours each year. All memberships are on a calendar year basis. Individual dues are \$10 per year or \$25 for 3 years. Send inquiries regarding membership to:

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