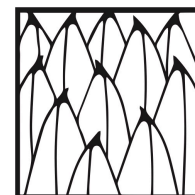




Central Coast Cactus and Succulent Society's Annual Show



Preparing Plants and Entering the Show

1. Re-pot any plants weeks prior to the Show so they have a chance to stabilize in the pot.
 2. Water plants no later than one week prior to the Show in order to avoid wet tables.
 3. Present your plant in its most beautiful appearance by having a clean plant and container with an appropriate top dressing.
 4. *Consider entering plants that might not be well represented* to increase your chances of taking a prize.
 5. Each plant must have an entry card with its correct name and Classification # (help available at Show).
 - Cards may be picked up at the club meeting prior to the show.
 - There are 74 horticultural classifications for show entries and the **Division and Classification numbers must be included on the entry card.**
 - The numbers are in the Show Schedule on the club's website or available at the club meetings prior to the Show
 - If you don't know what Classification your plant is, someone should be able to identify it for you.
 - In addition to plants, there are categories for educational displays and arts and crafts.
 6. **Make a list of all your entries** so you will be sure to pick up all plants after the show closes.
 7. Entries are judged against other entries in their Category only, *not* against all entries in the show.
 8. There are four **Categories** of entries:
 - Youth; there are 2 Classes for Youth Growers:
 - Youth Growers Under 11
 - Youth Growers - 11 to 18 (*or still in high school*)
 - **Novice**/ Green Entry Card, for exhibitors who have won ten or fewer blue ribbons previously and includes **Rookies**
 - Anyone who has entered a cumulative total of fewer than 8 entries is a **Rookie** and as such is eligible for a big ribbon for the most impressive rookie entry.
 - *Rookies should be certain to check the "Rookie" box*
 - **Advanced**/ Yellow Entry Card, for all other amateur entrants with *more than ten* blue ribbons
 - **Open**/ Pink Entry Card, for professional/ commercial growers and anyone else who is comfortable competing with the professionals.
 - ❖ Note: The counts of entries and ribbons *include* those at shows sponsored by other clubs in addition to the CCCSS's shows.
 - ❖ Any entrant may show in a more advanced class at their option, regardless of the class definitions.
9. Bring any plant stands needed.
 10. **Remove plant tags** from pot.
 11. Arrange to have your plants at the Show at the designated time on Friday. (*See the Show Schedule*)
Late plants will not be allowed to enter.
 12. You are responsible for placing your plants in their respective Classifications:
 - To help the Clerks organize the plants for the Judges Please place your plants:
 - *Novice* on the left side
 - *Advanced* in the middle
 - *Open* on the right
 - **Large plants** should be placed to the rear of the table.
 13. **Pick up ALL your plants at the Show's conclusion on Sunday.** Double-check against your list!