



**Central States Dahlia Society
91st Annual Fall Dahlia Show 2023
Chicago Botanic Garden
September 16 & 17, 2023**

COURT OF HONOR

BEST of SHOW

KENORA VALENTINE

K & W Dahlias

SUSTAINERS AWARD - Jo and Robert Sawyer dedicate this award in memory of Jo's father, Julius Cohn, who was a prize-winning Rosarian and taught her to love growing flowers.

Largest Bloom in Show

AGGIE WHITE

Jim and Debbe Kassner

TRAVELING TROPHY - Debi & Mike Hartel sponsor this award honoring the late Frank Campise for his mentorship to those he encouraged and assisted with the joys and rewards of growing dahlias. His enthusiasm was contagious, and I was infected!

Most Perfect AA in Show

AGGIE WHITE

Jim and Debbe Kassner

VISIONARIES AWARD - Romaine Campise sponsors this award. Romaine expresses "Sharing the love of dahlias is great way to spend quality time with each other."

Most Perfect A in Show

KENORA VALENTINE

K & W Dahlias

BENEFACTORS AWARD - Sharon & Fred Brill honor their daughter Rachel "who has assisted her father, Fred, to continue planting his home dahlia garden thereby remaining active in dahlia culture."

Most Perfect B in Show

BRACKEN SARAH

Warren and Rhonda Vigor

FOUNDERS AWARD - Trinidad & Benedicto Andrade, Lydia's parents, and Teodocia & Santiago Marcelo, the parents of Priscillo, are lovingly remembered by Lydia and Priscillo Marcelos, sponsors of this award.

Most Perfect BB in Show

MANOR JUBILEE

The Ritchies

MENTORS AWARD - Grace Ehrlich is held in loving remembrance by Irwin Ehrlich, sponsor of this award.

Most Perfect AA or A Dark Red ID

SPARTACUS

Tom Krewenka

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Best New U.S. Introduction**MAKS ARLOW****Rosemarie Magura***This special award is sponsored by the members of Central States Dahlia Society***Best 3 Bloom Miniature in Section G****ROSE TOSCANO****K & W Dahlias***Marjorie & Daniel Kaplan sponsor this award in loving remembrance of their parents.***Most Perfect 3 AA Blooms Section I****DANUM METEOR****Jerry and Marian Landerholm***Anna & Jan Kivistik, Anne Koons' grandparents, are held in fond remembrance by Anne & George Koons, sponsors of this award.***Most Perfect 3 A Blooms Section I****ALLEN'S TSUNAMI****Jim and Debbe Kassner***Debi & Mike Hartel sponsor this award honoring Romaine Campise for her support of her devoted husband Frank and his love for Dahlias. She continued his legacy growing Dahlias once Frank departed to greener pastures and fields... that certainly are filled with Dahlias!***Most Perfect 3 B Blooms Section I****BLOOMQUIST JEAN****K & W Dahlias***Clifford Stoll, the father of Conrad Stoll & Linda Kudelka is held in fond remembrance. He loved gardening & always had many varieties of flowers in his garden. He introduced us to dahlias & the love of watching things grow. Conrad & Janet Stoll, Linda & Joe Kudelka are the award sponsors.***Most Perfect 3 BB Blooms Section I****CORRABELL NOEL****Warren and Rhonda Vigor***Jo and Robert Sawyer dedicate this award to all the wonderful CSDS members who have taught us so much and are so supportive.***Best 5 Bloom Entry Section V3, V6, & V9****ALVA'S SUPREME****The Ritchies***Henry Carlson sponsors this award in loving remembrance of his wife Dorothy & his son Christopher.***Best 10 Bloom Entry Section V17****PAM HOWDEN****K & W Dahlias***Pat & Katy Moran sponsor this award in honor of their parents Clara & Dave Moran.***Best Image in the Show****CLOSE UP VIEWS****Jackie Myers***This special award is sponsored by the members of Central States Dahlia Society***Special Central States Dahlia Society Competitions****President's Challenge Award****HAPET CHAMPAGNE****Kevin Maloney***Award sponsored by CSDS President, George Koons, who chose this year's challenge variety.***Frank Campise Memorial Award****KELVIN FLOODLIGHT****Ed Zych***June Leuthner sponsors this award in the name of Thomas Leuthner, her late husband. "Tom really liked 'Spartacus' & 'Kelvin Floodlight' as well as most "A" dahlias."*



The Norman Hines "Best and Worst" Seedling Competition

Best
Worst

Sonia Harmon
Sonia Harmon

Specimen Bloom Competitions

Section A 1 - 30 Hills

Best AA	AC BEN	Robin Hill
Best A	VASSIO MEGGOS	Sue Fitzgerald
Best B	AC ABBY	Robin Hill
Best BB	KARMA GOLD	Sue Fitzgerald
Largest Bloom	VASSIO MEGGOS	Sue Fitzgerald
Sweepstakes	53 Points	Robin Hill
Sweepstakes Runner-up	46 Points	Sue Fitzgerald

Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Minnesota Dahlia Society

Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA Formal Decorative	KELVIN FLOODLIGHT	Edward Zych
Best AA Informal Decorative	NICK SR.	James Kochevar
Best AA Semi Cactus	AC BEN	Robin Hill
Best A Informal Decorative	VASSIO MEGGOS	Sue Fitzgerald
Best A Semi Cactus	CLEARVIEW JONAS	Robin Hill
Best B Formal Decorative	GLORIOSA	Robin Hill
Best B Informal Decorative	CAFE AU LAIT	Robin Hill
Best B Semi Cactus	WOODLAND'S WILDTHING	Conrad Stoll
Best B Cactus	AC ABBY	Robin Hill
Best BB Formal Decorative	KARMA GOLD	Sue Fitzgerald
Best BB Informal Decorative	MINGUS TONI	Linda Kudelka
Best BB Semi Cactus	EMBRACE	Sue Fitzgerald
Best BB Cactus	TANJOH	Dale Czarnecki

Section B 31 - 60 Hills

Best AA	AC BEN	Heinz Pieniak
Best A	FELIDA SPLENDOR	Rosemarie Magura
Best B	AC ABBY	Mike Hartel
Best BB	SANDIA COMANCHE	Mike Hartel
Largest Bloom	AC BEN	Heinz Pieniak
Sweepstakes	67 Points	Rosemarie Magura
Sweepstakes Runner-up	65 Points	Mike Hartel

Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Portland Dahlia Society

Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA Semi Cactus	AC BEN	Heinz Pieniak
Best A Formal Decorative	KETCHUP & MUSTARD	Heinz Pieniak
Best A Informal Decorative	VASSIO MEGGOS	Heinz Pieniak
Best A Semi Cactus	CLEARVIEW LAROUX	Rosemarie Magura
Best A Cactus	CLEARVIEW SUNDANCE	Mike Hartel

Best A Lacinated	FELIDA SPLENDOR	Rosemarie Magura
Best B Formal Decorative	STERLING SILVER	Rosemarie Magura
Best B Informal Decorative	BLOOMQUIST JEAN	Mike Hartel
Best B Semi Cactus	CLEARVIEW TAMMY	Mike Hartel
Best B Cactus	AC ABBY	Mike Hartel
Best B Lacinated	CITRON du CAP	Dale Czarnecki
Best BB Formal Decorative	TEMPEST	Axel Joob
Best BB Informal Decorative	HOLLYHILL BLACK BEAUTY	Mike Hartel
Best BB Semi Cactus	DADDY'S LITTLE GIRL	Rosemarie Magura
Best BB Incurved Cactus	CLEARVIEW CITRON	Mike Hartel
Best BB Lacinated	SANDIA COMANCHE	Mike Hartel

Section C 61 - 120 Hills

Best AA	PENHILL WATERMELON	Tom Krewenka
Best A	SPARTACUS	Tom Krewenka
Best B	HAPET CHAMPAGNE	Kevin Maloney
Best BB	FELIDA RUFFLES	Kevin Maloney
Largest Bloom	PENHILL WATERMELON	Tom Krewenka
Sweepstakes	83 Points	Kevin Maloney
Sweepstakes Runner-up	40 Points	Laura Matz

Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Lake County Dahlia Society

Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA Informal Decorative	PENHILL WATERMELON	Tom Krewenka
Best AA Semi Cactus	AC PILLOW	Laura Matz
Best A Formal Decorative	KETCHUP & MUSTARD	Tom Krewenka
Best A Informal Decorative	SPARTACUS	Tom Krewenka
Best A Lacinated	FELIDA SPLENDOR	Laura Matz
Best B Formal Decorative	GLORIOSA	Kevin Maloney
Best B Informal Decorative	BLOOMQUIST JEAN	Kevin Maloney
Best B Semi Cactus	WOODLAND'S WILDTHING	Kevin Maloney
Best B Cactus	AC ABBY	Kevin Maloney
Best B Lacinated	HAPET CHAMPAGNE	Kevin Maloney
Best BB Informal Decorative	FELIDA RUFFLES	Kevin Maloney
Best BB Semi Cactus	TAHOMA RAINIER	Kevin Maloney
Best BB Incurved Cactus	JESSICA	Kevin Maloney

Section D More Than 120 Hills

Best AA	MY HERO	Danny Helgerson
Best A	HERCULES	Danny Helgerson
Best B	ALLEN'S STRING THEORY	Danny Helgerson
Best BB	EMBRACE	K & W Dahlias
Largest Bloom	MY HERO	Danny Helgerson
Sweepstakes	76 Points	Danny Helgerson
Sweepstakes Runner-up	41 Points	K & W Dahlias

Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Badger State Dahlia Society

Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA Informal Decorative	MY HERO	Danny Helgerson
Best A Informal Decorative	HERCULES	Danny Helgerson
Best A Laciniated	FELIDA SPLENDOR	Danny Helgerson
Best B Formal Decorative	EDNA C	K & W Dahlias
Best B Informal Decorative	BLOOMQUIST JEAN	K & W Dahlias
Best B Semi Cactus	BLOOMQUIST LAURA	Danny Helgerson
Best B Laciniated	ALLEN'S STRING THEORY	Danny Helgerson
Best BB Formal Decorative	GAYLEN ROSE	K & W Dahlias
Best BB Informal Decorative	MANOR JUBILEE	K & W Dahlias
Best BB Semi Cactus	EMBRACE	K & W Dahlias
Best BB Laciniated	LAKEVIEW GERTIE	Danny Helgerson

Section E Open to All

Best AA	AGGIE WHITE	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best A	HAMARI GOLD	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best B	BRACKEN SARAH	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Best BB	MANOR JUBILEE	The Ritchies
Largest Bloom	AGGIE WHITE	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Sweepstakes	129 Points	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Sweepstakes Runner-up	112 Points	The Ritchies

Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Southeastern Michigan Dahlia Society

Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA Formal Decorative	FAIRWAY SPUR	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best AA Informal Decorative	AGGIE WHITE	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best AA Semi Cactus	ROQUE STARBURST	Jerry and Marian Landerholm
Best AA Incurved Cactus	HOLLYHILL MOONSONG	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best A Formal Decorative	WHITE ALVA'S	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best A Informal Decorative	HAMARI GOLD	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best A Semi Cactus	AITARA MAJESTY	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best A Incurved Cactus	MEL'S LOUISA	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Best B Formal Decorative	BRACKEN SARAH	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Best B Informal Decorative	HART'S BONNIE	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Best B Semi Cactus	MAKS SORBET	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Best B Incurved Cactus	CLEARVIEW DANIELLE	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Best B Laciniated	MANOR JAYNE	The Ritchies
Best BB Formal Decorative	BLOOMQUIST BARBARA	The Ritchies
Best BB Informal Decorative	MANOR JUBILEE	The Ritchies
Best BB Semi Cactus	DADDY'S LITTLE GIRL	Jim and Debbe Kassner
Best BB Incurved Cactus	PARKLAND RAVE	Jim and Debbe Kassner

Section F - Micro Blooms

Best Single Bloom Fully Double	SUITZUS JULIE	Mr & Mrs Herb Gunner
Best Single Bloom Open Center	KELSEY SPIRIT	K & W Dahlias
Best Three Bloom Open Center	KELSEY BRAMBLE	K & W Dahlias

Section G - Three Bloom Miniatures

Best 3 Bloom Miniature-Formal Dec	ROSE TOSCANO	K & W Dahlias
Best 3 Bloom Miniature-Semi Cactus	ANITA BONITA	The Ritchies
Best 3 Bloom Miniature-Incurved Cactus	AC LEVI	Laura Matz
Three Most Perfect Miniature Blooms	ROSE TOSCANO	K & W Dahlias

Section H - Three Blooms Other Forms

Best Three Bloom - Ball	CLEARVIEW DANIEL	The Ritchies
Best Three Bloom - Pom	PRIDE OF PLACE	K & W Dahlias
Best Three Bloom - Stellar	BLOOMQUIST PUMPKIN	K & W Dahlias
Best Three Bloom - Novelty Fully Double	VALLEY PORCUPINE	K & W Dahlias
Best Three Bloom - Anemone	BJ RIVAL	The Ritchies
Best Three Bloom - Orchid	HONKA	The Ritchies
Best Three Bloom - Single	RAEANN'S ALYXANDRIA	Laura Matz
Best Three Bloom - Mingon Single	KELSEY DWARF	K & W Dahlias
Sweepstakes Winner	36 Points	K & W Dahlias
Sweepstakes Runner-up	26 Points	The Ritchies

Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Central West Dahlia Society

Section J - Six Blooms

Most Perfect 6 Different AAs or As KENORA VALENTINE (Best Bloom) K & W Dahlias

James Kassner sponsors this award in honor of two mentors. Jim's father who imparted the values of discipline, competitiveness & dedication to work and Frank Campise who mentored Jim as his interest in growing dahlias increased.

Most Perfect 6 Different Bs AC ABBY (Best Bloom) K & W Dahlias

Marian & Jerry Landerholm sponsor this award in honor of Henry "Hank" Carlson. Hank has been a steadfast & dedicated member, always willing to pitch in when work needs to be done.

Most Perfect 6 Different BBs JODY MEGGOS (Best Bloom) K & W Dahlias

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Section K - Ten Blooms

Most Perfect 10 Different AAs or As KA'S KHALEESI (Best Bloom) Jim and Debbe Kassner

Marian & Jerry Landerholm sponsor this award in honor of longtime member & friend Irwin Ehrlich. Irwin has contributed in innumerable ways to the benefit of Central States Dahlia Society.

Section N - One Year Seedling

Best One Year Seedling	CO, RED & YELLOW	The Ritchies
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Section Q - Photography Competition

Best Single Bloom Image		Vida Wu
Best Multiple Bloom Image		Vida Wu
Best Close-Up View		Jackie Myers
Best Black & White Image		Vida Wu
Best Dahlias in the Garden		Vida Wu
Best Dahlias in the Show		
Best Image in the Show	CLOSE UP VIEWS	Jackie Myers
Sweepstakes	22 Points	Vida Wu
Sweepstakes Runner-up	8 Points	Jackie Myers

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Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Michigan Dahlia Society

Section R - Artistic Design Competition

First Place	CITY OF THEBES	Karen Johanson
Second Place	NILE RIVER	Debbe Kassner
Third Place	PYRAMIDS	Nancy Rogers
Fourth Place	NILE RIVER	Bill Hessel
Fifth Place	BOY KING	Judi Doycheck
People's Choice	NILE RIVER	Debbe Kassner

Section V - Multiple Blooms

V3, V6 & V9 - Best 5 Bloom Entry	ALVA'S SUPREME	The Ritchies
V12 - 5 Blooms Miniature	20TH AVE & BAKER RD.	K & W Dahlias
V17 - 10 Blooms Any other type	PAM HOWDEN	K & W Dahlias
V18 - 5 Blooms Any other type	SUNGATE'S STAR	K & W Dahlias
Sweepstakes	9 Points	K & W Dahlias
Sweepstakes Runner-up	8 Points	The Ritchies

Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Dahlia Society of California

Section W Novice Growers 1 - 60 Hills

David Sales is honoring his mentor the late Frank Campise by supporting show awards in Section W. It was Frank who encouraged David to grow dahlias

Best AA	KELVIN FLOODLIGHT	Gloria Rogers
Best A	CLEARVIEW JONAS	Jenny Jones
Best B	NETHERTON CINDY	Jenny Jones
Best BB	JUST PEACHY	Sonia Harmon
Largest Bloom	EMORY PAUL	Gloria Rogers
Sweepstakes	58 Points	Sonia Harmon
Sweepstakes Runner-up	52 Points	Jenny Jones

Rosemarie Magura sponsors a special award to the Novice Runner-up, a book by Kristine Albrecht & Brian Sprinsock titled Dahlias Seed to Bloom: A Dahlia Grower's Companion.

Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA Formal Decorative	KELVIN FLOODLIGHT	Gloria Rogers
Best AA Informal Decorative	EMORY PAUL	Gloria Rogers
Best AA Semi Cactus	AC BEN	Keith Hill
Best A Formal Decorative	KENORA VALENTINE	Jenny Jones
Best A Informal Decorative	KA'S CLOUD	Sonia Harmon
Best A Semi Cactus	CLEARVIEW JONAS	Jenny Jones
Best B Formal Decorative	GLORIOSA	Gloria Rogers
Best B Informal Decorative	WESTERTON LILIAN	Mr & Mrs Herb Gunner
Best B Semi Cactus	NETHERTON CINDY	Jenny Jones
Best BB Formal Decorative	MISS AMARA	Sonia Harmon
Best BB Informal Decorative	COLORADO CLASSIC	Jackie Myers
Best BB Semi Cactus	JUST PEACHY	Sonia Harmon

Section X Single Bloom Entries

Most Perfect Miniature	WESTON SPANISH DANCER	The Ritchies
Most Perfect Ball	CLEARVIEW DANIEL	The Ritchies
Most Perfect Miniature Ball	SKIPLEY SNOHO BILL	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Most Perfect Pom	PRIDE OF PLACE	K & W Dahlias
Most Perfect Stellar	BLOOMQUIST PUMPKIN	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Most Perfect Waterlily	KELGAI ANN	Warren and Rhonda Vigor
Most Perfect Novelty Fully Doubled	VALLEY PORCUPINE	K & W Dahlias
Most Perfect Peony	BISHOP OF LLANDAFF	The Ritchies
Most Perfect Anemone	MEXICO	Kevin Maloney
Most Perfect Collarette	KELSEY ANNIE JOY	Laura Matz
Most Perfect Orchid	SUNGATE'S STAR	K & W Dahlias
Most Perfect Orchette	FANCY PANTS	The Ritchies
Most Perfect Single	RAEANN'S ALYXANDRIA	Laura Matz
Most Perfect Mignon Single	KELSEY DWARF	K & W Dahlias
Sweepstakes Winner	81 Points	K & W Dahlias
Sweepstakes Runner-up	70 Points	Warren and Rhonda Vigor

Sweepstakes Runner-up receives a medal from the Inland Empire Dahlia Society

CENTRAL STATES DAHLIA SOCIETY'S SPECIAL ANNUAL AWARDS

FOUNDERS AWARD - The Founders Award recognizes those individuals without whom there would be no Central States Dahlia Society. They organized the Society during the early 1930's. Their original intent was to form the "World's Fair Dahlia Society." They planned and developed a dahlia garden at the site of Chicago's two-year "Century of Progress World's Fair." From this beginning, the Society evolved into a thriving organization. It remains so today.

SUSTAINERS AWARD - The Sustainers Award recognizes the many members, past and present, who through their dedication, devotion, and hard work have made it possible for the Society to succeed. These have been people willing to "roll up their sleeves" to get the job done. This award recognizes those members who have done what is necessary to sustain the Society.

VISIONARIES AWARD - Central States Dahlia Society owes much to those members who, over the years recognized the need to move the organization to new heights. The Visionaries Award commends those members, past and present, who have been willing to present positive ideas for change. These people have been essential to our continued success.

BENEFACTORS AWARD - Much of the Society's good fortune has resulted from the special generosity of its members. The Benefactors Award honors our members, past and present, who have gone beyond the basic financial requirements of membership to provide the Society with the extra funds necessary to perpetuate its many purposes and programs.

MENTORS AWARD - Providing instruction and information to new growers is key to the continuing success of the Society. The Mentors Award recognizes our experienced grower/members who give their valuable knowledge and time to assist people who are new to dahlia growing and to anyone seeking to learn more about our flower. There is no higher calling in our Society than the willingness to promote the love of dahlias.

All traveling trophies except the "Largest in Show" were retired in 1974.







