



90th Annual Central States Dahlia Society Show Report

Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe, IL.
September 17 & 18, 2022

COURT OF HONOR

BEST of SHOW – 'Clearview Edie' – James Kassner - CSDS SUSTAINERS AWARD - Fred Brill's 82nd Birthday is lovingly honored by his daughter Rachel, who is the sponsor of this award.

Largest Bloom in Show - 'My Hero' – Axel Joob - CSDS TRAVELING TROPHY – Romaine Campise sponsors this award in 2022. Romaine expresses, "Sharing the love of dahlias is great way to spend quality time with each other."

Most Perfect "AA" Bloom in Show – 'Bryn Terfel' – James Kassner - CSDS VISIONARIES AWARD - 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 "A" Bloom in Show – 'Clearview Edie' – James Kassner - CSDS BENEFACTORS AWARD - Robert Jones was a dedicated member of Central States Dahlia Society. He was an unassuming fellow & truly a gentleman. He passed not too long after receiving his Accredited Judge status. Our society is better because of him. Award sponsors, Marian & Jerry Landerholm.

Most Perfect "B" Bloom in Show – 'Brian R' – James Kassner - CSDS FOUNDERS AWARD - Anna & Jan Kivistik, Anne Koons's grandparents, are held in fond remembrance by Anne & George Koons, sponsors of this award.

Most Perfect "BB" Bloom in Show – 'Parkland Rave' – Ed Zych - Two special mentors are being honored with this award sponsored by Jim Kassner. The first is his father who imparted the values of discipline, competitiveness & dedication to work. The second is Frank Campise who mentored Jim as he gained skills as a grower of fine dahlias.

Most Perfect "AA" or "A" ID Dark Red Bloom in Show - 'Spartacus' – The Ritchies - Henry Carlson sponsors this award in 2022 in loving remembrance of his wife Dorothy & his son Christopher.

Best 2022 United States Introduction – 'Jody Meggos' – K&W Dahlias - Frederick Brill sponsors this award in memory of his teacher Robert F. Betz, Ph.D., "who infected me with the love of nature."

Best 3 Miniature Bloom Entry in Section G – ‘Clearview Jennae’ – K&W Dahlias - Daniel & Marjorie Kaplan sponsor this award in loving remembrance of their parents.

Most Perfect 3 “AA” Blooms Section I – ‘AC Pillow’ – James Kassner - Trinidad & Benedicto Andrade, the parents of Lydia & Teodocia & Santiago Marcelo, the parents of Priscillo, are lovingly remembered by the Marcelos, sponsors of this award.

Most Perfect 3 “A” Blooms Section I – ‘Clearview Edie’ – James Kassner - Grace Ehrlich is held in loving remembrance by her husband Irwin Ehrlich, sponsor of this award.

Most Perfect 3 “B” Blooms Section I – ‘Manor Jayne’– Mac Boyer - Kathy Franklin was a friend of our society who we lost too soon. We’ll continually hold dear the image of her smiling face as she partnered with her late husband Dan in many dahlia activities. Marian & Jerry Landerholm.

Most Perfect 3 “BB” Blooms Section I – ‘AC MP’– Laura Matz - Alex & Sally Jacob, the parents of Barbara Sylvan are held in loving remembrance by daughter Barbara, sponsor of this award.

Best 5 Bloom Entry in Sections V3, V6 & V9 – ‘Jody Meggos’ – K&W Dahlias - Fran & Trish Jansta honor their mother Frances Zabrauskas with this 2022 CSDS award sponsorship.

Best 10 Bloom Entry in Section V17 – ‘Sungate’s Star’ - K&W Dahlias - This award is sponsored by the CSDS members who funded this year’s awards program. We recognize the fine CSDS members who have given encouragement & support to our other dahlia-growing members.

SPECIAL 2022 CSDS COMPETITIONS

CSDS PRESIDENTIAL CHALLENGE AWARD - ‘Ketchup & Mustard’ – Heinz Pieniak - Award sponsored by CSDS President George Koons who chose this year’s challenge variety.

FRANK CAMPISE MEMORIAL AWARD - ‘Kelvin Floodlight’ – Heinz Pieniak - The award for the Best ‘Kelvin Floodlight’ in Show is sponsored by Central States Dahlia Society members who fondly remember Frank Campise & especially for all he did to inspire people to grow dahlias.

SPECIMEN BLOOM COMPETITIONS

SECTION A 1 to 30 HILLS

Best “AA” – ‘Wyn’s Neon Dream’ – Robin Hill

Best “A” – ‘Kenora Wildfire’ - Jim Kochevar

Best “B” – ‘Hapet Champagne’ – Dan Kaplan

Best “BB” – ‘Parkland Rave’ – Ed Zych

Largest Bloom – ‘Penhill Watermelon’ - Jim Kochevar

Sweepstakes – Jim Kochevar – 31 Pts.

Sweepstakes Runner-up – Ed Zych - 29 Pts. Awarded the Tacoma Dahlia Society Pin

Best AA FD Bloom – ‘Kelvin Floodlight’ – Jim Kochevar

Best AA ID Bloom – ‘KA’s Khaleesi’ – Ed Zych

Best AA SC Bloom – ‘Wyn’s Neon Dream’- Robin Hill

Best A FD Bloom – ‘Ketchup & Mustard’ – Robin Hill

Best A ID Bloom – ‘Bohemian Spartacus’ – Ed Zych

Best A SC Bloom – ‘Kenora Wildfire’ – Jim Kochevar

Best B ID Bloom - ‘Bloomquist Jean’ - Jim Kochevar

Best B SC Bloom - ‘Woodland’s Wildthing’ – Conrad Stoll

Best B IC Bloom – ‘Camano Sitka’ – Sue Fitzgerald

Best B LC Bloom – *'Hapet Champagne'* – Dan Kaplan
Best BB FD Bloom – *'3013'* – Lydia Marcelo
Best BB ID Bloom - *'Colorado Classic'* – Robin Hill
Best BB IC Bloom - *'Parkland Rave'* – Ed Zych
Best BB LC Bloom – *'3501'* – Lydia Marcelo

SECTION B 31 to 60 HILLS

Best "AA" – *'Kelvin Floodlight'* – Heinz Pieniak

Best "A" – *'Kenora Wildfire'* – Mike Hartel

Best "B" – *'Tahoma Surething'* – Mike Hartel

Best "BB" – *'Clearview Citron'* – Mike Hartel

Largest Bloom – *'My Hero'* – Axel Joob

Sweepstakes – Heinz Pieniak – 83 Pts.

Sweepstakes Runner-up – Mike Hartel – 68 Pts. Awarded the American Dahlia Society Medal

Section B Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA FD Bloom – *'Kelvin Floodlight'* – Heinz Pieniak
Best AA ID Bloom – *'My Hero'* – Axel Joob
Best AA SC Bloom – *'Wyn's Neon Dream'* – Heinz Pieniak
Best A FD Bloom – *'Ketchup & Mustard'* – Heinz Pieniak
Best A ID Bloom – *'Elsie Huston'* – Heinz Pieniak
Best A SC Bloom – *'Kenora Wildfire'* – Mike Hartel
Best A LC Bloom – *'Show-N-Tell'* – Fred Brill
Best B FD Bloom – *'Lady Darlene'* – David Sales
Best B ID Bloom – *'Bloomquist Jean'* – Mike Hartel
Best B SC Bloom – *'Woodland's Wildthing'* – Mike Hartel
Best B C Bloom – *'Tahoma Surething'* – Mike Hartel
Best B IC Bloom - *'Camano Sitka'* – Heinz Pieniak
Best B LC Bloom - *'Hapet Champagne'* – Mike Hartel
Best BB FD Bloom – *'Ferncliff Copper'* – Rosemarie Magura
Best BB ID Bloom - *'Hollyhill Black Beauty'* – Fred Brill
Best BB SC Bloom – *'Hollyhill Jitterbug'* – Mike Hartel
Best BB C Bloom – *'Bear Creek Sunrise'* – Rosemarie Magura
Best BB IC Bloom – *'Clearview Citron'* – Mike Hartel

SECTION C 61 to 120 HILLS

Best "AA" – *'AC Jeri'* – Kevin Maloney

Best "A" – *'Wyn's Desert Glow'* – Charles Craig

Best "B" – *'AC Abby'* – Kevin Maloney

Best "BB" – *'Bear Creek Sunrise'* – Laura Matz

Largest Bloom – *'AC Youge'* – Laura Matz

Sweepstakes – Laura Matz - 86 Pts.

Sweepstakes Runner-up – Kevin Maloney – 76 Pts. Awarded the Dahlia Society of California Medal

Section C Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA FD Bloom – *'Kelvin Floodlight'* – Kevin Maloney
Best AA ID Bloom - *'Nick Sr.'* - Laura Matz
Best AA SC Bloom – *'AC Jeri'* – Kevin Maloney
Best A ID Bloom - *'Spartacus'* – Kevin Maloney
Best A SC Bloom – *'Clearview Edie'* – Kevin Maloney
Best A C Bloom – *'Wyn's Desert Glow'* – Charles Craig
Best B FD Bloom – *'Formby Perfection'* – Charles Craig
Best B ID Bloom - *'Westerton Lillian'* – Charles Craig
Best B SC Bloom – *'Woodland's Wildthing'* – Kevin Maloney
Best B C Bloom – *'AC Abby'* – Kevin Maloney
Best B LC Bloom – *'Manor Jayne'* – Laura Matz
Best BB FD Bloom - *'Formby Art'* - Kevin Maloney
Best BB ID Bloom – *'Colorado Classic'* – Laura Matz
Best BB SC Bloom - *'AC CJ'* – Laura Matz
Best BB C Bloom – *'Bear Creek Sunrise'* – Laura Matz
Best BB IC Bloom – *'Parkland Rave'* – Laura Matz

SECTION D 120 or MORE HILLS

Best "AA" – *'Nick Sr.'* – Mac Boyer

Best "A" – *'Lakeview Tony'* – Danny Helgerson
Best "B" – *'Sylvia Craig Hunter'* – K&W Dahlias
Best "BB" – *'Jody Meggos'* – K&W Dahlias
Largest Bloom – *'Nick Sr.'* – Mac Boyer
Sweepstakes – K&W Dahlias - 99 Pts.
Sweepstakes Runner-up – Danny Helgerson – 56 Pts. Awarded the Lane County Dahlia Society Medal

Section D Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA ID Bloom – *'Nick Sr.'* – Mac Boyer
Best AA SC Bloom – *'Danum Meteor'* – K&W Dahlias
Best A FD Bloom - *'Kenora Valentine'* - K&W Dahlias
Best A ID Bloom – *'Vassio Meggos'* – K&W Dahlias
Best A SC Bloom – *'Lakeview Tony'* – Danny Helgerson
Best B FD Bloom – *'Sylvia Craig Hunter'* – K&W Dahlias
Best B ID Bloom – *'Bloomquist Jean'* – K&W Dahlias
Best B C Bloom – *'AC Abby'* – K&W Dahlias
Best B IC Bloom - *'AC Susi'* – Danny Helgerson
Best B LC Bloom – *'Manor Jayne'* – Mac Boyer
Best BB FD Bloom - *'Colleen Mooney'* - K&W Dahlias
Best BB ID Bloom - *'Manor Jubilee'* – Mac Boyer
Best BB SC Bloom – *'Jody Meggos'* – K&W Dahlias
Best BB C Bloom – *'Bear Creek Sunrise'* – K&W Dahlias
Best BB IC Bloom - *'Parkland Rave'* - K&W Dahlias
Best BB LC Bloom – *'Sandia Comanche'* – Danny Helgerson

SECTION E OPEN to ALL

Best "AA" – *'Bryn Terfel'* – James Kassner
Best "A" – *'Clearview Edie'* – James Kassner
Best "B" – *'Brian R'* – James Kassner
Best "BB" – *'Jessica'* – James Kassner
Largest Bloom – *'Bryn Terfel'* – Jim Kassner
Sweepstakes – Jim Kassner – 180 Pts.
Sweepstakes Runner-up – The Ritchies – 114 Pts. Awarded the Central West Dahlia Society of Australia Medal

Section E Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA FD Bloom – *'Bonaventure'* – James Kassner
Best AA ID Bloom - *'Bryn Terfel'* - James Kassner
Best AA SC Bloom – *'Danum Meteor'* – Jim Kassner
Best A FD Bloom - *'Kenora Valentine'* - James Kassner
Best A ID Bloom – *'Spartacus'* – The Ritchies
Best A SC Bloom – *'Clearview Edie'* – James Kassner
Best B FD Bloom – *'Brian R'* – James Kassner
Best B ID Bloom - *'Bloomquist Jean'* – James Kassner
Best B SC Bloom - *'Magic Moment'* – Jerry & Marian Landerholm
Best B C Bloom – *'Clearview Genie'* – James Kassner
Best B IC Bloom - *'Hollyhill Cotton Candy'* - James Kassner
Best B LC Bloom – *'Manor Jayne'* – James Kassner
Best BB FD Bloom – *'Gaylen Rose'* – James Kassner
Best BB ID Bloom - *'Hollyhill Kris Kringle'* - James Kassner
Best BB SC Bloom – *'Jody Meggos'* – James Kassner
Best BB C Bloom – *'AC MP'* - The Ritchies
Best BB IC Bloom - *'Jessica'* – James Kassner
Best BB LC Bloom - *'Tahoma Laurie J'* - The Ritchies

SECTION F3 MICRO BLOOM COMPETITION

Best Single Bloom Open Center – *'Elvira'* – The Ritchies
Best 3 Bloom Open Center – *'Elvira'* – The Ritchies

THREE BLOOM ENTRIES SECTIONS G & H

Most Perfect 3 Bloom Miniature Decorative – *'Clearview Jennae'* – K&W Dahlias

Most Perfect 3 Bloom Informal Decorative – ‘*Brookside J Cooley*’- K&W Dahlias
Most Perfect 3 Bloom Cactus – ‘*Weston Spanish Dancer*’ – K&W Dahlias
Most Perfect 3 Ball Blooms - ‘*Clearview Daniel*’ – K&W Dahlias
Most Perfect 3 Miniature Ball Blooms – ‘*Skipley Snoho Bill*’ – James Kassner
Best 3 Bloom Novelty Fully Double – ‘*Valley Porcupine*’ – K&W Dahlias
Most Perfect 3 Bloom Waterlily - ‘*Pam Howden*’ - K&W Dahlias
Most Perfect 3 Blooms Orchette – ‘*Fancy Pants*’ - K&W Dahlias
Sweepstakes – K&W Dahlias – 33 Pts.
Sweepstakes Runner-up – David Sales - 4 Pts. Awarded the Badger State Dahlia Society Medal

MULTIPLE BLOOM COMPETITION SECTION J

Most Perfect 6 Different “BB” Size Blooms – ‘*Bloomquist Barbara*’, ‘*Parkland Rave*’, ‘*Bear Creek Sunrise*’, ‘*Manor Jubilee*’, ‘*Jody Meggos*’, ‘*Colorado Classic*’ - K&W Dahlias
Best “BB” Bloom in Section J – ‘*Parkland Rave*’ – K&W Dahlias

SECTION N Seedlings One Year Old

Best 1st Year Seedling - ‘*22-1*’ – Charles Craig – Awarded the Elkhart Dahlia Society Medal

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION SECTION Q

Best Image of Show – ‘*Single Bloom Images*’ – Vida Wu
Single Bloom Images – Vida Wu
Multiple Bloom Images – Jamielynn Wedoff
Close-up Views – Vida Wu
Black & White Images – Vida Wu
Dahlias in the Garden – Jamielynn Wedoff
Sweepstakes – Vida Wu – 16 Pts.
Sweepstakes Runner-up – Jamielynn Wedoff – 14 Pts. Awarded the Southtown Dahlia Club Medal

ARTISTIC DESIGN COMPETITION SECTION R

Theme: “*The Beatles*” an artistic floral depiction using dahlias. The four classes include “*Lucy in the Sky with Dahlias*,” “*Octopus Garden*,” “*Something..*” & “*Yesterday*”

Overall Winners:

1st Place – “*Lucy in the Sky with Dahlias*” – Karen Schaid Wagner

2nd Place – “*Octopus Garden*” – Karina Koenen

3rd Place – “*Somewhere...*” – Diane Greenawalt

4th Place – “*Yesterday*” – Lindalee Stuckey

5th Place - “*Somewhere...*” – Sheila Kanak

People’s Choice – “*Lucy in the Sky with Dahlias*” – Debbe Kassner

Note: A special award is presented to this year’s People’s Choice winner in honor of the Chicago Botanic Garden’s 50th Anniversary

SECTION V MULTIPLE BLOOMS

V3 – 5 Blooms – ‘*Hollyhill Funhouse*’ – The Ritchies – Awarded the Douglas County Dahlia Society Medal

V9 – 5 Blooms - ‘*Jody Meggos*’ – K&W Dahlias – Awarded the Greater Cincinnati Dahlia Society Medal

V17 - 10 Blooms – ‘*Sungate’s Star*’ - K&W Dahlias – Awarded the Dahlia Society of Alabama Medal

Sweepstakes - K&W Dahlias - 7 pts.

Sweepstakes Runner-up – The Ritchies – 4 Pts. - Awarded The National Capital Dahlia Society Medal

SHOW AWARD SPONSORSHIP SUPPORTING NOVICE SECTION W
THE CSDS MENTORS AWARD - *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.*

SECTION W NOVICE GROWERS 1 to 60 HILLS

Best "AA" – *'Wanda's Aurora'* – Herb & Lynn Gunner

Best "A" – *'Islander'* – Sonia Harmon

Best "B" - *'Gloriosa'* – Beth Sair

Best "BB" - *'Brookside Snowball'* – Steve Smuk

Largest Bloom – *'Kelvin Floodlight'* – Beth Sair

Sweepstakes – Rhonda Cantrell – 64 Pts.

Sweepstake Runner-up – Sonia Harmon – 39 Pts. - Awarded the Book "Dahlias in Australia"
"The Winkie Way" A gift from Anne Menzel, wife of the late John Menzel of Australia.

Section W Blooms Receiving Certificates

Best AA FD Bloom – *'Wanda's Aurora'* – Herb & Lynn Gunner

Best AA ID Bloom – *'Winkie Colonel'* – Jenny Jones

Best AA SC Bloom - *'Wyn's King Salmon'* – Jenny Jones

Best A ID Bloom – *'Islander'* – Sonia Harmon

Best A SC Bloom - *'No Name'* – Jarrett Pasowicz

Best B FD Bloom – *'Gloriosa'* – Beth Sair

Best B ID Bloom - *'Honeymoon'* – Jenny Jones

Best B SC Bloom - *'Netherton Cindy'* – Jenny Jones

Best B IC Bloom – *'Hollyhill Hello Dolly'* – Rhonda Cantrell

Best B LC Bloom – *'Northlake Heritage'* – Rhonda Cantrell

Best BB FD Bloom – *'Brookside Snowball'* – Steve Smuk

Best BB ID Bloom - *'Nicholas'* – Sonia Harmon

Best BB SC Bloom - *'Hollyhill Jitterbug'* – Beth Sair

Best BB C Bloom - *'Hollyhill Zarina'* – Rhonda Cantrell

Best BB IC Bloom – *'Pink Bubblegum'* – Beth Sair

SINGLE BLOOM COMPETITION SECTION X

Most Perfect Miniature - *'Badger Twinkle'* – James Kassner

Most Perfect Ball - *'Jackie's Red Devil'* – Charles Craig

Most Perfect Miniature Ball - *'Westerton Pearl'* – James Kassner

Most Perfect Pompon - *'Pride of Place'* - K&W Dahlias

Most Perfect Stellar - *'Bloomquist Pumpkin'* - Laura Matz

Most Perfect Waterlily - *'Pam Howden'* - K&W Dahlias

Most Perfect Novelty Fully Double - *'Steve O'* – Jenny Jones

Most Perfect Anemone - *'Sandia Summertime'* - K&W Dahlias

Most Perfect Collarette - *'Baron Aunt Dorothy'* - K&W Dahlias

Most Perfect Orchid - *'Sungate's Star'* - K&W Dahlias

Most Perfect Orchettes - *'Fancy Pants'* - K&W Dahlias

Most Perfect Single - *'RaeAnn's Wild One'* – Laura Matz

Sweepstakes – K&W Dahlias – 125 Pts.

Sweepstakes Runner-up – Rhonda Cantrell - 53 Pts. Awarded the Puget Sound Dahlia Association Medal

The members of Central States Dahlia Society thank everyone who made the 90th Central States Dahlia Society Show a success. We look forward to seeing you at our show next year!

CENTRAL STATES DAHLIA SOCIETY'S SPECIAL ANNUAL AWARDS

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

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 & 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 & present, who through their dedication, devotion & 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's 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 organization to new heights. The VISIONARIES AWARD commends those members, past & 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 & 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 & programs.

MENTORS AWARD - Providing instruction & information to new dahlia growers is key to the continued success of our society. The MENTORS AWARD recognizes our experienced grower/members, who give their valuable knowledge & time to assist people who are new to dahlias & 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.