



SEPTEMBER 6, 2025

A WAVE OF ROSES

YANKEE DISTRICT'S LOBSTERFEST ROSE SHOW

Chatham Community Center
702 Main Street Chatham, Massachusetts

RULES FOR ROSE SPECIMEN ENTRIES

1. Except as noted in the schedule, competition is open to all rose growers regardless of residence. All entries must have been grown by the exhibitor in his or her own private outdoor garden. Only one person or team from any one garden may enter a Class.
2. Entries will be received from 8:00 am to 10:15 am, Saturday September 6, 2025. Judging will begin at 10:30 am. The show will open to the public at 12:00pm or when judging is complete.
3. The show committee will furnish all containers, including those specified for challenge classes. All entries must be accompanied by a securely folded entry tag showing: class, variety name, and the exhibitor(s)' name(s). Please complete both portions of the entry tag.
4. Wedges and supports are permitted. An entry may be penalized if wedging material extends above the top of the vase, according to its degree of distraction
5. A rose must be exhibited under its American Exhibition Name (AEN). Roses must be listed with an AEN in one of the American Rose Society recognized publications: Modern Roses, Official List of Approved Exhibition Names for Exhibitors & Judges, Handbook for Selecting Roses, Recent Registrations on the ARS website, the online Modern Roses database. If a variety is not listed in any of the official ARS publications listed, the Combined Rose List (CRL) or a listing on www.helpmefind.com may be used as a reference. Improperly named roses must be corrected and then re-placed appropriately.
6. This is an alphabetical show. Except for challenge classes and classes specifying multiple

varieties, all roses in each class will be placed alphabetically and each variety in each class shall constitute a separate class to be judged separately.

7. Gold, silver and bronze certificates will be awarded to Queen, King, and Princess of Show. Miniature Gold, Silver and Bronze Certificates will be awarded to Miniature Queen, King and Princess of Show. Miniflora Gold, Silver and Bronze Certificates will be awarded to Miniflora Queen, King and Princess of Show. Shrub Gold, Silver and Bronze Certificates will be awarded to Shrub Queen, King and Princess of Show. Best of Class Certificates will be awarded in all other classes.
8. During placement, only the Show Committee will be permitted in the show area, however, exhibitors shall be allowed to place their entries in all classes without restriction. During the judging, only Judges, Clerks, and members of the Show Committee shall be permitted in the show area.
9. A challenge class exhibit may not be touched, moved, or adjusted by any person other than the exhibitor prior to the judging of the class. Exhibits should be placed so that they do not interfere with those of any other exhibitor.
10. Horticulture Division entries in violation of ARS rules (or Show Rules for Challenge classes), shall be disqualified. (NOTE: side buds, etc. are no longer Disqualifications).
11. Trophies will be awarded on Saturday, 2:00 pm
12. The Yankee District shall not be liable for loss or damage to entries, containers, or property, or for injury to persons attending the rose show. Liability of all nature is disclaimed.
13. Judging shall be in accordance with rules & regulations of the American Rose Society, including the "**Step Back**" procedure which allows judges to exhibit in shows which they are judging & all decisions of the judges are final. Blue ribbon winners only will be eligible for a trophy award.
14. Specimens will be judged on a 100-point scale as follows:

Form	25 points
Color	20 points
Substance	15 points
Stem & Foliage	20 points
Balance & Proportion	10 points
Size	10 points

Section A

YANKEE DISTRICT CHALLENGE CLASSES

Each container in classes 1 through 4 must have its own entry tag.

Classes 1 through 4 are open only to ARS members residing in the Yankee District.

— Class 1 —

J. Horace McFarland Memorial Trophy

Five (5) hybrid tea blooms, each a different variety, displayed in separate containers. This class is open to ARS Members residing within the Yankee District.

— Class 2 —

Ralph S. Moore District Award

Seven (7) miniature roses, each a different variety, exhibited in separate containers. All roses must be at exhibition stage. This class is open to ARS members residing within the Yankee District.

— Class 3 —

Yankee Rosarian Trophy

Three (3) different shrub varieties (classic or modern), one bloom or spray (two or more blooms), exhibited in three separate containers. This class is open to ARS Members residing within the Yankee District.

— Class 4 —

Yankee District Ben Williams Miniflora Trophy

Five (5) miniflora blooms, each a different variety, displayed in separate containers. This class is open to ARS Members residing within the Yankee District.

Section B

HORTICULTURAL CLASSES

— Class 5 —

One exhibition form Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora bloom. Side-buds may be penalized.

Queen, King and Princess of Show

— Class 6 —

One open Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora bloom. Stamens prominently showing. Side-buds may be penalized.

— Class 7 —

One Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora bloom whose exhibition stage is considered a decorative form.

— Class 8 —

One Floribunda bloom. Side-buds may be penalized.

— Class 9 —

One Floribunda or Polyantha spray

— Class 10 —

One exhibition form Miniature bloom. Side-buds may be penalized.

Miniature Queen, King and Princess of Show

— Class 11 —

One Miniature or Miniflora spray

— Class 12 —

One exhibition form Miniflora bloom. Side-buds may be penalized.

Miniflora Queen, King and Princess of Show

— Class 13 —

One open Miniature or Miniflora bloom. Stamens prominently showing. Side-buds may be penalized.

— Class 14 —

One bloom or spray of a Climber Varieties classified as: Large Flowered Climbers (LCl), Hybrid Wichuranas (HWich), Ramblers (R) or Hybrid Giganteas (HG)

— Class 15 —

One Classic Shrub bloom or spray Shrub varieties classified as: Kordeii (Kor), Hybrid Moyesii (HMoy), Hybrid Musk (HMSk) or Hybrid Rugosa (HRg)

— Class 16 —

One Modern Shrub (S) bloom or spray

Shrub Queen, King and Princess of Show

Old Garden Roses (OGR) Old Garden Roses are roses classified in classes that existed prior to 1867.

These classes include: Species (S), Alba (A), Ayrshire (Ayr), Bourbon (B), Climbing Bourbon (Cl B), Boursalt (Bslt), Centifolia (C), China (Ch), Climbing China (Cl Ch), Damask (D), Eglanteria (Eg), Gallica (Gal), Hybrid Bracteata (HBc), Hybrid Foetida (HFt), Hybrid Multiflora (HMult), Hybrid Perpetual (HP), Climbing Hybrid Perpetual (Cl HP), Hybrid Sempervirens (HSem), Hybrid Setigera (HSet), Hybrid Spinosissima (HSpn), Moss (M), Climbing Moss (Cl M), Noisette (N), Portland (P), Tea (T), Tea (Cl T) plus a few other obscure varieties (listed in ARS publications as Miscellaneous OGRs [Misc. OGR]). Please list the Date of Introduction on Entry Tag (if available).

— Class 17 —

Dowager Queen

Old Garden Rose varieties introduced prior to 1867, including roses of unknown dates, but known to have been in existence prior to 1867

— Class 18 —

Victorian Award

Old Garden Rose varieties introduced in 1867 or after, or with unknown dates of origin after 1867

Section C

CHALLENGE CLASSES

— Class 19 —

Rose Bowl, Large roses

One rose of any type other than miniature or miniflora, at any stage of beauty, floating in a bowl of clear water. No foliage visible.

— Class 20 —

Rose Bowl, Miniature / Miniflora roses

One miniature or Miniflora rose, at any stage of beauty, floating in a bowl of clear water. No foliage visible.

— Class 21 —

English Box, Large Roses

Six blooms (of 1 to 3 varieties) of large roses, exhibited without foliage, in an English box.

* A limited number of English Boxes are available on a first-come, first-served basis.*

— Class 22 —

English Box, Small Roses

Six blooms (of 1 to 3 varieties) of miniature or miniflora roses, exhibited without foliage in a small English Box. Blooms must be in proportion to the size of the small English box.

* A limited number of English Boxes are available on a first-come, first-served basis.*

— Class 23 —

Most Fragrant Rose – People’s Choice

One bloom or spray of any rose to be judged by People’s Choice. Vote solely on fragrance. Judges of show to confirm identity of roses only.

— Class 24 —

Novice

The Novice class is open to exhibitors who have not yet received three blue ribbons, or won best in class in any horticultural ARS sanctioned show. Exhibitors may enter any type of rose specified in Classes 5-18. Please indicate the corresponding horticultural class name on the entry tag (ex: Hybrid Tea Open, Modern Shrub, etc.). Winners of this class are eligible for best in class and courts of the respective classes 5-18 of the show.

Section D

Arrangements

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Time Schedule: Arrangements may be put in Saturday, September 6, 2025 from 8:00-10:15 am.
2. Judging will begin promptly at 10:30 am. All arrangements, vases and awards must remain in place until the show is taken down, allowing time to view exhibits and take photos. Removal time is at 2:30 pm, after the awards ceremony. If you are unable to pick-up your arrangements at the close of the show, please have someone else do so. Yankee District will not be responsible for any properties left after 3:30 pm.
3. The arrangements will be displayed on black linen covered tables. No niches will be provided. Backgrounds, niches (winged) and frames are allowed in all sections, as long as they are

proportionate to the space allotted. Fabric or other materials may be used to drape or cover the background or table. Designs may not exceed 24” in width or depth. There is no height restrictions.

4. Reservations are required before 3pm on September 5th for all arrangement classes, to ensure table space. (Entrants without reservations may be accommodated as long as table space is available.) For reservations, please contact Lauren Gisel (lrduff10@gmail.com or text 860-729-3760) with arranger’s name and the number of entries.
5. Eligibility: More than one exhibitor from the same garden may enter the same class. Horticulture Judges for this show may enter the arrangement class. Exhibitors are permitted only one entry in each class.
6. Materials: Roses must be the dominant flower in all arrangements. For Section D, all roses must be fresh, and garden grown. No dried roses. Other flowers and foliage may be used except where specified. Artificial plant materials, painted plants, electrical devices or flags are not allowed. Accessories are permitted in all classes, but should be subordinate, unless when used as a featured object in the design.
7. Judging of Section D will be done by ARS accredited rose arrangement judges and their decisions are final. A design must score at least 90 points to be eligible for a first-place ribbon. First, second, third and honorable mention ribbons can be awarded in each class.
8. Section D is governed by the current rules and procedures of the ARS. The ARS Approved Exhibition Name or an accepted synonym for all roses must be written on the entry tag. Judges will verify that roses are not misnamed. An arrangement incorrectly placed in a class will be judged in the class in which it is placed. There are two causes for disqualification: roses are not outdoor grown and use of artificial plant material.
9. “Arranger Grown” (AG): For an arrangement to have the declaration of “AG”, it must only include outdoor, arranger grown roses. “AG” must be shown on each arrangement entry tag. Roses must be grown by the arranger, however other plant/line/filler material need not be grown by the arranger.
10. An additional “People’s Choice” winner will be determined by ballot.

Class 1

A Wave Of Roses

Arranger’s choice of any design staged in a space no more than 24” wide. Please indicate the intended arrangement style: traditional, modern, East Asian, etc. If an exhibitor chooses, a 3" x 5" card may accompany each arrangement to assist observers in their interpretation of the design.

INFORMATION FOR EXHIBITORS

Rose Show Chairpersons

Lauren Gisel & Regan Duffee

Chairman of Judges

Mike Fuss

Horticulture Judges

Ed Cunningham, Patsy Cunningham, Jason Capote, Jacqui Nye, Marci Martin, Joe Gibson, Ann Gibson,
and Cindy Ehrenreich

Show Location

Chatham Community Center 702 Main Street Chatham, Massachusetts

Preparation and Properties

Specialized properties for challenge classes are limited and all properties will become available at 8:00 a.m. Entries close promptly at 10:15 a.m.

Directions to the Show Venue

From Boston From Exit 85 Rte 6 take a left on Rte 137. At the light turn left on Rte 39. Turn right on Bay Rd. Turn right on Rte 28. After 2.7 miles turn right on Main Street.

From Rhode Island and Connecticut Take the Sagamore or Bourne Bridge to Rte 6 East. Exit 85. Proceed as above From Cape Cod: Rte 6 Exit 85. Proceed as above