

# FLORAL DESIGNS



**New!**

This contest challenges members to showcase abilities and skills that have been obtained through project instruction, to promote the development of skills in floral design and horticulture through competition, and to recognize accomplishments in the area of floriculture.

## Entries

- Enter as an individual.

## County Entries

- Each county agent will determine the number of individuals qualifying to represent their county. The district does not cap the number of participants.

## Attire

- ALL participants must wear closed-toe shoes.

## Electronic Devices

- No electronic devices or jewelry (except for medically required) is allowed in contest areas. This includes cell phones, smart watches, or other communication devices.

## Contest Viewing

- The Floral Design contest will be closed to viewing. Parents/project leader may assist their youth member to the contest room door with supplies.
- The designs will be on display after the contest.

## Floral Design Supply Box

- Each contestant must supply their own equipment for the competition.
- A contestant can choose not to include a listed item, but no additional item can be added.
- Supply boxes will be checked by contest officials as contestants check in for the contest.
- Any extra equipment will be collected, and the contestant may be disqualified.
- A contestant may organize their kit by utilizing a storage container of choice.

Floral knife	Floral tape
Floral glue	Stem strippers
Hot glue gun and glue	Anchor tape
Extension cord	Greening pins
Scissors/floral snips	Wire cutters
Glue dots	Floral wire

## Contest

- Each contestant will be directed to a construction worktable where their startup box of materials will be located (flowers, foliage, and container). Only materials supplied by the show officials will be allowed. All materials will be the same for each team.
- The contest will consist of one-themed round where contestants will design and execute an arrangement. The design type will be revealed on the day of the contest immediately before the event begins. Design types may include round, symmetrical, asymmetrical, linear, or oblong.
- Contestants will have one hour (60 minutes) to plan and execute their design.
- Only participants and contest officials will be allowed in construction and judging areas.
- Contestants that may experience any equipment malfunction(s) may not replace the equipment with supplies from another participant, volunteers, County Extension Agents, or contest officials. Instead, contestants must work to be creative in completing construction without the malfunctioning equipment.
- Contestants are challenged with developing assigned design using floral materials provided.
- No paints, ribbons, or other decorative accessories of any kind may be supplied by the team.
- Contestants must clean their construction areas. Clean-up time is included in the 60-minute design allotment. Only “hot” items will be allowed to remain in the construction area, such as a glue gun.

## Scorecards

- Rankings, judges’ comments, and other correspondence will be forwarded to the contestant’s county Extension office. Please allow up to three weeks for processing.
- There is a total of 100 possible points from the preparation scorecard (see attached scorecard).
- There is NOT an interview portion of this contest. However, judges may ask questions from participants during the preparation of their design.