

HORTICULTURE SHOW AWARDS

The American Rose Society-sanctioned rose show offers many categories (classes) for competition. You can enter just about any kind of rose and have a good chance at winning an Award. Local societies usually give out trophies as well as Award Certificates (possession of some trophies may be restricted to members). Roses must be properly groomed and staged for the type of exhibition class in which you are competing. Here are the current ARS Certificates that are available for winning entries at our rose shows:

- **Gold Horticulture:** This award goes to the best Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora in the Show.
- **Silver Horticulture:** This award goes to the second-best Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora in the Show
- **Bronze Horticulture:** This award goes to the third-best Hybrid Tea or Grandiflora in the Show.
- **Miniature Horticulture Gold:** This award goes to the best Miniature in the Show.
- **Miniature Horticulture Silver:** This award goes to the second-best Miniature in the Show.
- **Miniature Horticulture Bronze:** This award goes to the third-best Miniature in the Show.
- **Miniflora Horticulture Gold:**This award goes to the best Miniflora in the Show.
- **Miniflora Horticulture Silver:** This award goes to the second-best Miniflora in the Show.
- **Miniflora Horticulture Bronze:** This award goes to the third-best Miniflora in the Show.
- **Floribunda Spray Gold:** This award goes to the best Floribunda Spray in the Show.
- **Floribunda Spray Silver:** This award goes to the second-best Floribunda Spray in the Show.
- **Floribunda Spray Bronze:** This award goes to the third-best Floribunda Spray in the Show.

- **Best in Show:** This award goes to the best entry in the Show.
- **Climber:** This award goes to the best Large-Flowered Climber (LCI), Hybrid Wichurana or Hybrid Gigantea (HG) in the Show.
- **English Box Miniature:** This award goes to the best Miniature English Box in the Show.
- **English Box Regular:** This award goes to the best Large Rose English Box in the Show.
- **Floribunda One-Bloom:** This award goes to the best Floribunda one-bloom-per-stem in the Show.
- **Hi-Lo:** This award goes to the best Hi-Lo entry in the Show.
- **Hybrid Tea Open Bloom:** This award goes to the best Large Rose Open Bloom in the Show.
- **Hybrid Tea Spray:** This award goes to the best Hybrid Tea Spray in the Show.
- **Miniflora Rose Bowl:** This award goes to the best Miniflora Rose-in-a-Bowl in the Show.
- **Miniature Spray:** This award goes to the best Miniature Spray in the Show.
- **Rose Bowl, Large Bloom:** This award goes to the best Large Rose-in-a-Bowl in the Show.
- **Rose Bowl, Miniature Bloom:** This award goes to the best Miniature Rose-in-a-Bowl in the Show.

- **Floribunda Spray:** This award goes to the best Floribunda Spray in the Show. (Used when the Floribunda Spray Gold, Silver, and Bronze Certificates are not offered.)
- **Grandiflora Spray:** This award goes to the best Grandiflora Spray in the Show.

- **Junior Spray:** This award goes to the best spray exhibited by a junior exhibitor.

- **Junior One Bloom:** This award goes to the best one-bloom-per-stem exhibited by a junior exhibitor.
- **Large Rose Single Bloom:** This award goes to the best Large Rose single in the Show.
- **Miniflora Spray:** This award goes to the best Miniflora Spray in the Show.
- **Miniflora Single:** This award goes to the best Miniflora single in the Show.
- **Miniflora Open Bloom:** This award goes to the best Miniflora open bloom in the Show.
- **Miniature Open Bloom:** This award goes to the best Miniature open bloom in the Show.
- **Miniature Single:** This award goes to the best Miniature single in the Show.
- **Novice:** For the best Novice exhibit in the Show.
- **Polyantha:** This award goes to the best Polyantha in the Show.
- **Seedling:** This award goes to the best unregistered Seedling in the Show.
- **Dowager Queen:** This award goes to the best Old Garden Rose (date of introduction before 1867) in the Show.
- **Victorian Rose:** This award goes to the best Old Garden Rose (date of introduction 1867 or after) in the Show.
- **Genesis:** This award goes to the best Species (Sp) Rose in the Show.
- **Classic Shrub:** This award goes to the best Classic Shrub in the Show. Those classifications designated as classic shrubs are: Hybrid Kordeii (HKor), Hybrid Moyesii (HMoy), Hybrid Musk (HMsK), and Hybrid Rugosa (HRug).
- **Modern Shrub:** This award goes to the best Modern Shrub (all other shrubs, including Austin roses) in the Show.
- **Shrub:** This award goes to the best Shrub in the Show. (Used when the Classic Shrub and Modern Shrub Certificates are not offered.)
- **Judge's Entry:** The judges are invited to bring roses for a special class where they can compete only against each other. This award goes to the best Judge's entry in the Show.
- **Most Fragrant:** This award goes to the most fragrant entry in the fragrance class.
- **Sweepstakes:** This award goes to the exhibitor who wins the Sweepstakes.

Note: This list is a summary of ARS Horticulture Certificates and the class or classes for which each is awarded. The specific requirements for the award of each certificate are governed by the *Guidelines and Rules for Judging Roses*, and may be further limited by the show schedule.

There are many other local and district awards that can be given at a rose show. Be sure to visit a show this year and see how the roses are exhibited. Then come back next year and enter your roses. You have as much chance to win as anyone else!
