

# **2023 NWHS CONTAINER CONTEST:**

*It can be fun to create a container...and when the results turn out well, very gratifying. Take photos of your successes and keep a list of used plant names...and, in October, share them with your fellow NWHS members.*

## **WHAT CAN BE ENTERED:**

For this contest, a "container" can be stand-on-the-ground container or a hanging basket or a coordinated group of containers and/or baskets. They must be obvious separate entities. A section of a raised bed does not qualify.

## **EACH ENTRY MUST BE COMPRISED OF:**

1. A photograph (up to 3 allowed) of the container
2. A list of all plants used in the container
3. A title or brief description of the growing conditions or special challenges for the container.

## **THE BASICS:**

1. The contest is open to all paid-up NWHS members as of the October 2023 general meeting.
2. Each member can submit up to 3 (three) entries.
3. Each entry must have been created by the entrant. It can have been created at anytime, even prior to October 1, 2022.

## **PHOTOGRAPHIC REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Up to three photographs per entry can be submitted.
2. The photograph need not be taken by the entering member
3. Photographs must have been taken within the time frame of October 1, 2022 and October 10, 2023.
4. Photo dimensions allowed: if in normal format, up to 5"x7"; if panoramic, either width or length must be 5" or less (i.e. 5"x10" is allowed but 6"x10" is not)



2022 First Place: Container, Terri Clark-Kveton

## **ENTERING:**

1. Entries are to be submitted at the October 10, 2023 NWHS general meeting. Please consult with the contest coordinator (Audrey Barnes, 604-526-8284, [sgbarnes@telus.net](mailto:sgbarnes@telus.net)) if this does not work for you.
2. At the meeting, there will be a supply of large envelopes. Use one for each entry. Just put your photographs, plant list and description inside. There is no need to write anything on the envelope.

## **JUDGING:**

At the November meeting, all entries will be posted. Judging will be done, via secret ballot, by your fellow NWHS members. Each person in attendance selects the one container she/he considers "the best".

## **AWARDS:**

Awards will be given for first, second and third placings. No member can win all three prizes. If two or more placing containers receive equivalent numbers of votes, a tie will be awarded. The first place winner will receive \$15; second, \$10; and third, \$5. Awards will be presented during the club's annual awards ceremonies in December. At that time, a large poster highlighting the winning entries will be displayed.

# 2023 NWHS PHOTO CONTEST:

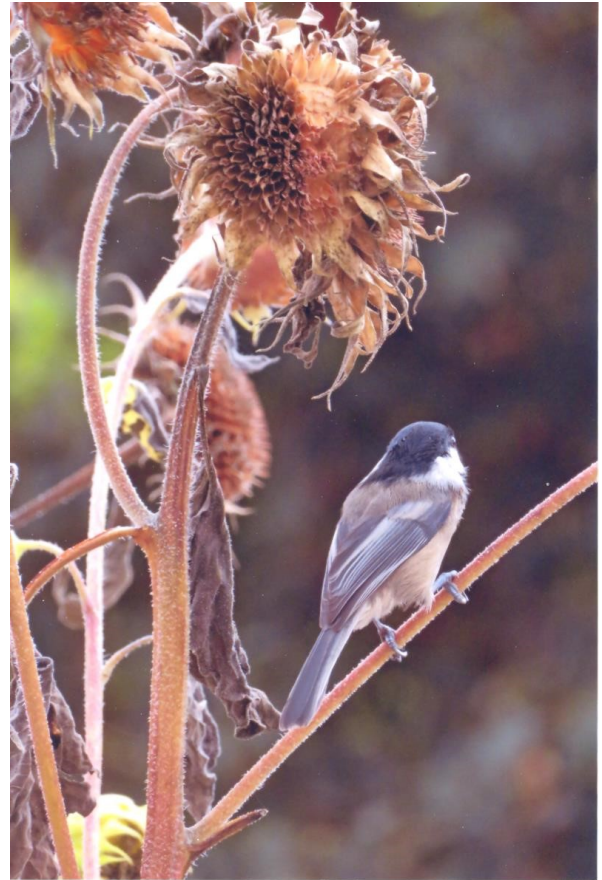
*Taking pictures is a great way to remember and share gardening experiences. Sometimes, things happen fast—just time enough to grab the camera and press the shutter. Good, got it! If time permits, after your initial shot, think “how can I improve the image” —and take more shots. Enter your most unique and best.*

## THE CATEGORIES:

- 1. Visitors in the Garden:** Can be something living or a representation of something living. I.e. may include humans, animals, insects, fish or even gnomes and statues. The photograph must be taken *in your own garden*. “Visitor” does not include plants which are visiting.
- 2. Colour in the Garden: Purple:** in all its hues (tints of red and blue) and intensities (pale mauve to deep royal purple). Best capture of the colour in plant material purple *in any garden*.
- 3. View of an NWHS Garden:** Can be an over-all or partial view (even of just one plant) of *any NWHS member’s garden*.
- 4. Macro Image:** Must be a macro photograph, can be of any subject matter *in any garden*. See definition.

## DEFINITIONS:

- 1. Garden:** for the sake of the contest, “garden” refers to a place cultivated by humans. Wilderness is not a garden.
- 2. Macro Image:** aka “extreme close-up”. If a photo is printed 4”x6” and the subject is life size or larger, it is a macro image. Macro images cannot be entered in visitors, colour or view categories—only in the macro category.



2022 First Place: Garden Visitors: Audrey Barnes

## THE BASICS:

1. The contest is open to all paid-up NWHS members as of the October 2023 general meeting.
2. Photographs must have been taken by the entrant.
3. Photographs must have been taken after October 1, 2022
4. There is a limit of 3 (three) photographs per category by any member.
5. Photographs are to be submitted in printed form.
6. Photograph dimensions allowed: Normal format, up to 5”x7” ; if panoramic, either the width or length must be 5” or less. I.e. 5”x10” is allowed but 6”x 10” is not.

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2. At the meeting, obtain your unique exhibitor number from the contest coordinator. Put that number, not your name, on the back of each of your photographs. Also on the back, put an arrow pointing up. There will be a large envelope designated for each category. Put your photographs into the appropriate envelopes.

## JUDGING & AWARDS:

1. Judging is done by a qualified judge who is not an NWHS member. He has the option to move a photograph from one category to another if he deems it to be incorrectly submitted.
2. Awards will be given for first, second and third. No member can win all three places in any category. Honorable mentions are a possibility.
3. For each category, first place will receive \$15; second, \$10; third, \$5 and honorable mention (if any) \$2. Awards will be presented at the club’s annual awards ceremonies in December. At that time, large posters highlighting the winning entries with the judge’s comments will be posted. All entries will be on display.