NEWS from the Trail ~

The American Daffodil Society presents its 2023 National Show, a Standard Flower Show ~ in cooperation with National Garden Clubs, and The Garden Club of Georgia March 10-11, 2023

Crowne Plaza® Atlanta Perimeter at Ravinia
4355 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA 30346

Set up and entries will take place on WED March 8th and THURS March 9th. A Judges and Clerks Coffee will begin @ 8A on FRI MARCH 10th with judging commencing promptly @ 9A. Judging will be completed no later than 12:30P. A Judges and Clerks Luncheon will begin no later than 12:30P. The Show will open to the public for viewing, no later than 2:00P.

The 2023 American Daffodil Society (ADS) National Show will be a Standard Flower Show, in cooperation with National Garden Clubs (NGC), The Garden Club of Georgia (GCG), and other GCG Districts and Judges Councils. The Show will be evaluated by a three person judging panel of very experienced NGC Flower Show Judges (FSJ) (and one will also be an ADS Accredited Judge). ADS will be applying for multiple awards for achievement, associated with the Show.

The Show will feature a Horticulture Division, an outstanding Design Division, and an Educational Division. We are working to recruit many Youth entries in Horticulture and Design.

The schedule for the Design Division is currently being developed by a talented group of artistically gifted and highly trained NGC floral designers. The Design Division will interpret The Southeastern Daffodil Trail theme with many challenging classes. The many designs will all feature daffodils as the dominant floral component. The Design Division will add so much to our ADS National Show! The Show will be beautiful, dazzling, memorable - and one that will be talked about for a long time to come!
~ THE 2023 ADS NATIONAL SHOW ~
AND STANDARD FLOWER SHOW COMMITTEE LIST TO DATE:

The Show Ambassadors Team: will welcome visitors and assist persons wishing to enter their daffodils ~ perhaps as first time exhibitors. They will answer questions and be a resource center. This Team is Co-Chaired by Molly and Kennon Hampton, TN. Team Members are: Deana Kozak, MD Kate & Mitch Carney, MD Mary Malavase, MA Sara Kinne, IN Sheila & Michael Berrigan, MN Sandy & Keith Kridler, TX Colette & Dwight Curtis, KY Kathy Welsh, VA Gale Thomas, GA (we will be adding more enthusiastic and friendly folks to work a two hour shift ~ starting mid day on THURS MAR 9th, on FRI MAR 10th, and throughout the day on SAT MAR 11th)

The Big Bang Bloom Team is chaired by ADS member and AJ, and NGC FSJ, JoAnn Jones, GA. This team will provide all the extra daffodil blooms possible, for the use of the artistic designers in the Design Div - and for Convention meal event table decorations. Design Div exhibitors will coordinate with Chair JoAnn, to procure daffodil blooms for use in their designs. Team members thus far are: Dr Susan Goodman, GA Bonnie Campbell, GA Carolyn Hawkins, GA Betsy Abrams, GA Paula Karrh, GA. We need all the extra blooms you have! Bring extras, please! If you would like to be a member of this Team, let Jaydee know!

Show IT Support Team: Kirby Fong, CA and Lynn Slackman, IL

Commercial Growers Trade Stands/Exhibits: Dianne Bowditch, NY

HORTICULTURE - DIVISION I

Horticulture Div Team: is led by Lynn Ladd, TN
Team members are Tom Stettnier, OH Stacey Wilson, TN Diane Cockerham, TN

Horticulture Div Judges Chair: Glenna Graves, VA
Kirby Fong, CA will conduct Final Judging

Horticulture Div Clerks Chair: Becky Fox Matthews, TN

Horticulture Div Classification and Placement Team: led by Kirby Fong, CA,
Team members are Ben Blake and Nancy Tackett, CA

Horticulture Div Signage: Jaydee Atkins Ager, GA

Horticulture Staging and Properties Team: led by Ross Hornsby, AL
Team members are Allen Haas, NC Mitch Carney, MD
The Horticulture Division Awards Team is chaired by ADS Awards National Chair, Margaret Macneale, MN. Working with Margaret on this team, handling tabulation are Bonnie Campbell, GA Lynn Slackman, IL and Pam Hardy, MO

Horticulture Div Youth Entries Recruitment: Susan Turner, GA (NGC FSJ) Molly Kimler, GA Karen Caldwell, GA

Judges and Clerks Hospitality for Horticulture and Design Divisions (Coffee/ Lunch/Gifts for all Judges and Clerks): Molly Adams, TN

Publicity and P/R Chairs for the Convention and National Show: Lindsay Long, GA Greg Freeman, SC

Photography of the National Show: Kirby Fong, CA Tom Stettner, OH Photography of award winners in all Divisions, and of the overall Show

Preparation and application for all awards for the Show to NGC and GCG: Jaydee Atkins Ager, GA Joy Zaidan, GA

DESIGN - DIVISION II:

Chair of Design, Education and Youth: Lisa Robinson, MI (ADS AJ and NGC FSJ)

Design Div Schedule Approval: Joy Zaidan, GA (NGC FSJ)

Design Div Creative Consultant: Marsha Pirkle Webb, GA (NGC FSJ - Emeritus)

Design Div Judges: Joy Zaidan, GA (NGC FSJ)

Design Div Youth Entries Recruitment: Susan Turner, GA (NGC FSJ) Molly Kimler, GA Karen Caldwell, GA

Design Div Properties & Staging: Diane Hunter, GA (NGC FSJ) Co-Chair: pending

Design Div Signage: Jaydee Atkins Ager, GA

Design Div Clerks: Ann Purr, GA

Design Div Awards: pending

Design Div Entries: pending

Design Classes Consultants - pending

National Show Educational Exhibits - Division III: Greg Freeman, SC
Entries and Consultant

Design Div Hostess Chairman: Gale Thomas, GA
(Member of Show Ambassador Team)

2023 ADS National Show Chair: Jaydee Atkins Ager, GA

2023 ADS National Convention Chair : Darrin Ellis May, GA

ADS National President (2022-2024) Dr. Janet Hickman, VA

Information and news from National Show Chair, Jaydee Atkins Ager:
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A very generous patron, Deen Day Sanders, of Georgia, has contributed $5000 in support of the 2023 ADS National Show.

If you know of someone willing to be a benefactor for the Show, or if you have knowledge of corporate support or grant opportunities, please let Jaydee know. ADS is a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization and contributions are tax deductible. Financial support for the Show is solicited and appreciated!

As you go about your duties, please let me know of any venue, business, or individuals that need recognition in our National Show schedule. We want to show our appreciation for those that have been supportive. We can begin that list with Barrington Hall, a historic home, garden, and museum in Roswell, GA - for furnishing boxwood for specimen wedging.

I trust an ADS 2023 National Photography Show will be held, pending recruitment of a local Chair. Please be advised that the ADS National Daffodil Photography Show will be an independent, separate event - and not a part or division of the ADS National Show. Photography has its own schedule, rules and judges.

We have an experienced three person team working on recruiting youth participation in the Horticulture and Design Divisions of the National Show, and in the separate Photography Show - that I hope will come to fruition.

The ADS National Show allows up to three additional classes for ‘local’ awards. For this National Show, we have opted to offer three classes that are pertinent to the ADS
Southeast Region, and honoring the three local societies within the Region, The East Tennessee Daffodil Society (ETDS), The Middle Tennessee Daffodil Society (MTDS), and The Georgia Daffodil Society (GDS). These classes will be open to ALL EXHIBITORS. The local Societies were asked to develop a collection of five standard daffodils which have a special connection to their State and to offer a highly desirable award that compliments their collection choice. MTDS and GDS are still developing their collection class criteria and award. The ETDS is first out of the starting gate, announcing their OUTSTANDING collection class: Dreams of an Appalachian Sunset. A collection of five standard daffodils of any division - with W-O color code. The award will be an original oil painting of a field of daffodils, in the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. WOW! ETDS has thrown down quite a challenge!

With the approval of ADS President, Janet Hickman, we are going to hold two Awards Presentation Ceremonies in Atlanta in 2023! YES, two! The ADS National Show Awards Presentation for the Horticulture Division will take place after dinner on the evening of Friday, March 10th, keeping with our normal schedule. The Design Division Awards Presentation, and any youth awards won in either the Horticulture Division or the Design Division, will take place at approximately 4P, show side, on Friday afternoon, March 10th. We want to honor the youth with their own ceremony, while enabling the youth and their families to get home at a reasonable hour. We anticipate most of the Design Division exhibitors will be Atlanta and Georgia based, and we desire to see all those participants safely depart Atlanta and its heavy drive time traffic, as quickly as possible. Assuming we have a Photography Show, those awards could be presented at the same time. We certainly want to present any youth winners - their Photography Show awards.

Please keep this info for your reference. This is TRAIL NOTES NEWSLETTER #1.

'I am grateful for your willingness to be a part of this endeavor to achieve greatness. I look forward to working with you ALL ~ to produce an outstanding and award winning ADS National Show in Atlanta, Georgia in 2023!'

See you ~ on the Trail!