

The 2023 American Daffodil Society national daffodil show was held March 10 and 11 at the Crowne Plaza Perimeter Ravinia Hotel whose mailing address is Atlanta, Georgia but which is situated in the city of Dunwoody, adjacent to Atlanta. In Horticulture, 59 exhibitors made 894 entries for a total of 1909 stems. In photography, 14 exhibitors entered 71 photos. Here are photos of the American Daffodil Society award winners, in the order listed in the national daffodil show report. Dark gray backgrounds have been darkened almost to black to let the flowers stand out. If an award is not mentioned here, it means there were no entries for that award.



Gold Ribbon Winner

The Gold Ribbon is awarded to the best standard daffodil in the show, excluding the Container-Grown Section and the ADS Challenge Section. The winner was 'La Delicatesse' 2W-W. This cultivar was bred by Carlos van der Veek who attended the show and who, of course, was delighted to see one of his cultivars win the Gold Ribbon. The exhibitor was Kirby Fong.



Rose Ribbon Winner

The Rose Ribbon is awarded to the best standard seedling in the show exhibited by it originator, excluding the Container-Grown Section and the ADS Challenge Section. The winner was seedling 13-94 1W-OOY exhibited by Larry Force.



Miniature Gold Ribbon and Miniature Rose Ribbon Winner

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White Ribbon Winner

The White Ribbon is awarded to the best set of three standard daffodils in the show. The winner was 'Gympie' 1Y-Y exhibited by Steve Hampson.



Miniature White Ribbon Winner

The Miniature White Ribbon is awarded to the best set of three miniature daffodils in the show. The winner was 'Xit' 3W-W exhibited by Dianne Spence.



Matthew Fowlds Award and Olive Lee Trophy Winner

The Matthew Fowlds Award is for the best named, standard cyclamineus hybrid in the show. The Olive W. Lee Trophy is for the best standard daffodil from Divisions 5, 6, 7, or 8. The winner of both awards was 'Vineland' 6Y-Y. The exhibitor was Kirby Fong.



Mitsch Trophy Winner

The Grant and Amy Mitsch Trophy is for the best set of three stems of one standard daffodil seedling exhibited by its originator. The winner was seedling C06-1 1Y-Y. The exhibitor was Kathy Welsh.



Larus Trophy Winner

The John and Betty Larus Trophy is for the best set of three stems of one miniature daffodil seedling exhibited by its originator. The winner was seedling EF50 5Y-O. The exhibitor was Dave Hardy.



Best Intermediate Ribbon Winner

The Best Intermediate Ribbon is awarded to the best intermediate daffodil found either in the Intermediates Section or in standard collections. An intermediate daffodil is a standard daffodil whose diameter is typically greater than 50 mm through 80 mm. The winner was 'Reg Nicholl' 2Y-YYR which happened to be in a set of three 'Reg Nicholl'. The exhibitor was Steve Hampson.



Best Intermediate 3-Stem Ribbon

Here is 'Reg Nicholl' 2Y-YYR the best set of three intermediate daffodils. The lower right flower was the best intermediate in the show. The exhibitor was Steve Hampson.



Best Historic – Van Beck Award Winner

The Van Beck Award is given to the best bloom in the Historics Section. An historic daffodil is a cultivar registered or in gardens before 1940. The winner was 'Twink' 4Y-O (1925). The exhibitor was Larry Force.



Best Historic 3-Stem Ribbon Winner

The best historic daffodil was the center flower in this set of three that was the best set of 3 historic daffodils. It's 'Twink' 4Y-O (1925) exhibited by Larry Force.



Best Classic Ribbon Winner

The best bloom in the Classics Section was 'Slieveboy' 1Y-Y (1953). A classic daffodil is a standard daffodil registered between 1940 and 1969 inclusive. The winner was one of the flowers in a collection of five classics. The exhibitor was Ceci Brown.



Best Classic Single-Stem Ribbon Winner

The Classics Section includes classes for single stems, sets of three stems, and a collection of five stems. There's an award for the best single stem exhibit. The winner was 'Barrett Browning' 3WWY-O (1945). The exhibitor was Peggy Bowditch.



Best Classic 3-Stem Ribbon Winner

The best set of three in the Classics Section was 'Ceylon' 2Y-O (1943). The exhibitor was Peggy Bowditch.



Youth Best Bloom Ribbon Winner

The best bloom in the Youth Section was 'Rapture' 6Y-Y. It was the bottom flower in a set of three. The exhibitor was Luke Blaylock



Youth Best 3-Stem Ribbon Winner

And here is the best set of three in the Youth Section – 'Rapture' 6Y-Y exhibited by Luke Blaylock.



Small Growers Ribbon Winner

The best bloom in the Small Growers Section was this flower in a set of three 'Milena' 4YYW-YYY exhibited by Anne Cain. The Small Growers Section is limited to exhibitors who grow 50 or fewer cultivars and/or species.



Standard Container-Grown Ribbon Winner

The best standard grown and shown in a container was 'Sweetness' 7Y-Y exhibited by Jaydee Ager.



Miniature Container-Grown Ribbon Winner

The best miniature grown and shown in a container was 'White Petticoat' 10W-W exhibite by Carla Stanley.



Innovation Medal Winner

The Innovation Medal is awarded to an innovative new daffodil exhibited at the national convention by its hybridizer and raiser, demonstrating significant novelty, advance, or break-through qualities. It may be chosen from a commercial exhibit as well as the show. The winner was seedling EF50 5Y-O shown by Dave Hardy.



#### Wells Knierim Ribbon Winner

The Wells Knierim Ribbon is for the best photo in the Photography Division. The winner was titled 'Dutch Girl with Daffodils' exhibited by Ann Owen.



Historic Collection of 5 Ribbon Winner

The flowers in the best collection of 5 historic daffodils are:  
Back: 'Croesus' 2Y-YYO (1912), 'Red Goblet' 2Y-O (1937), 'Geranium' 8W-O (1930);  
Front: 'Thalia' 5W-W (1916), 'Mount Hood' 1W-W (1938).  
The exhibitor was Mary Adams.



Classics Collection of 5 Ribbon Winner

The flowers in the best collection of 5 classic daffodils are:  
Back: 'Perimeter' 3Y-YYO (1956), 'Slieveboy' 1Y-Y (1935), 'Falstaff' 2Y-O (1960);  
Front: 'Desdemona' 2W-W (1964), 'Ruth Haller' 5Y-Y (1968).  
The flower in the middle of the back row was the best bloom in the Classics Section.  
The exhibitor was Ceci Brown.



Intermediate Collection of 5 Ribbon Winner

The Purple Ribbon is awarded to the best collection of 5 standard daffodils. The best intermediate collection was also the Purple Ribbon winner. The flowers in the best collection of 5 intermediate daffodils are:

Back: 'My Sweetheart' 3W-YYR, 'Runkerry' 4W-P;  
Front: 'Little Alice' 4Y-O, 'Reg Nicholl' 2Y-YYR, 'Koop' 1Y-O.  
The exhibitor was Steve Hampson.



Red-White-Blue Ribbon Winner

The Red-White-Blue Ribbon is awarded to the best collection of 5 American-bred standards. Flowers in the winning collection are:

Back: 'Apache Tears' 5WWG-GGO (Spotts), 'Hermann' 1Y-Y (Reed), Spotts 23-100 3W-O (Spotts);

Front: 'Perky, 1970' 6W-Y (Mitsch), 'Pleasant Hollow' 6Y-O (Reed).

The exhibitor was Karen Cogar.



Robert Spotts Ribbon Winner

The Robert Spotts Ribbon is awarded to the best collection of five different standard or five different miniature cultivars, one stem each with green the predominant color in either the perianth and/or the corona. Flowers in the winning collection are:

Back: 'Loyce's Memory' 9WWG-GGR, 'Lima's Winter Moon' 7WWG-GWW, 23-312 3Y/G-GGO;

Front: 23-108 5Y-GGO, 23-240 7G-G.

The exhibitor was Bob Spotts.



New Zealand Award Winner

The New Zealand Award is for the best collection of 5 standard daffodils bred in New Zealand. Flowers in the winning collection are:

Back: 'Tayforth Gem' 2W-W (Hughes), 'Billy the Kid' 2Y-R (Ramsay), 'Whitford Sunset' 1W-O (Hamilton);

Front: 'Pirongia Tulle' 2Y-YYO (G. & F. Miller), 'Scout's Honour' 1Y-Y (Ramsay).

The exhibitors were Mitch and Kate Carney.





Northern Ireland Award Winner

The Northern Ireland Award is for the best collection of 5 standard daffodils bred in Northern Ireland. Flowers in the winning collection are:

Back: 'Maria Pia' 1W-Y (Duncan), 'Lennymore' 2Y-R (Duncan), 'Temba' 1Y-Y (Duncan);  
Front: 'Olly's Medal' 1W-Y (Duncan), 'Janet's Gold' 2Y-Y (Watson).

The exhibitor was Susan Basham.



Dutch Award Winner

The Dutch Award honors its Dutch donor. The class is for 5 standard daffodils of any origin from five different decades beginning with a zero and ending with a nine (e.g. 1960-1969). Flowers in the winning collection are:

Back: 'Ceylon' 2Y-O (1943), 'Equation' 11aY-O (1997), 'Brackenhurst' 2Y-O (1977);  
Front: 'Wild Rover' 1Y-R (2012), 'Hot Gossip' 2Y-O (1987).

The exhibitor was Peggy Bowditch.



Elise Havens Award Winner

The Havens collection class calls for 12 standard daffodils from at least three Division 5 through 10. The flowers in the winning collection are:

Top row: 'Castanets' 8Y-O, Koopowitz 2006-002-1 7G-GGW, 'Miss Meliss' 8W-Y, de Winter JDW 904 6Y-P;

Middle row: 'Sydling' 5W-GWW, de Winter JDW 3000 6Y-P, 'Mary Quarles' 9W-YYR, 'Skater's Waltz' 6Y-Y;

Bottom row: 'Whitford Supreme' 9W-GYR, 'Churchfield Bells' 5Y-Y, 'Arrowhead' 6Y-R,

'Phalarope' 6W-Y.

The exhibitors were Steve Hampson and Harold Koopowitz.



Marie Bozievich Award Winner

The Bozievich collection class calls for 12 standard daffodils from at least four RHS Division. The flowers in the winning collection are:

Top row: 'Macdalla' 1W-Y, 'Velvet Chord' 2Y-O, 'Gull' 2W-GWW, 'Biggin Hill' 4Y-Y;

Middle row: 'Rockin' Goose' 2O-O, de Winter JDW 904 6Y-P, 'Impeccable' 2Y-Y, 'Bramcote Daybreak' 1W-Y;

Bottom row: 'Janet's Gold' 2Y-Y, 'Muster' 4W-O, 'Reg Nicholl' 2Y-YYR, 'Split Gem' 11aY-Y.

The exhibitor was Steve Hampson.



Tom Throckmorton Award Winner

The Throckmorton class calls for 15 standard daffodils from 15 different RHS classifications. A classification is a division and a color code. The flowers in the winning collection are:

Top row: 'Moon Madness' 3W-Y, 'Bramcote Star' 2Y-O, 'Maelstrom' 4W-P, 'Chetwynd' 1Y-Y, 'Macdalla' 1W-Y;

Middle row: 'Desmond' 2Y-R, 'Trigonometry' 11aW-P, 'Janet's Gold' 2Y-Y, 'Oops' 2W-Y, 'Crowndale' 4Y-O;

Bottom row: 'Colin's Joy' 2W-GWR, 'Tamar Fire' 4Y-R, 'Best Friend' 3Y-YYO, 'Marion Pearce' 11aY-YYO, 'New Kid' 3W-YYR.



Stars and Stripes Ribbon Winner

The Stars and Stripes collection class calls for 12 standard American-bred cultivars from at least 4 RHS divisions. The flowers in the winning collection are:

Top row: 'Replete' 4W-P (Evnans), 'Curly Lace' 11aY-Y (Heath), 'Cinnamon Ring' 3W-WWO (Reed), 'Miss Primm' 2Y-Y (Dorwin);

Middle row: 'Golden Echo' 7WWY-Y (Heath), 'Bittern' 12Y-O (Mitsch), 'Kokopelli' 7Y-Y (Spotts), 'Falconet' 8Y-R (Mitsch);

Bottom row: 'Winter Waltz' 6W-P (Mitsch), 'Straight Arrow' 6Y-R (Mitsch), 'Rapture' 6Y-Y (Mitsch), 'Sailboat' 7W-W (Pannill).

The exhibitor was Stacey Wilson.



Carey Quinn Award Winner

The Quinn collection class calls for 24 standard daffodils from at least 5 RHS divisions. The flowers in the winning collection are:

Top row: 'Best Friend' 3Y-YYO, 'Moon Madness' 2W-Y, 'Online' 2Y-Y, 'Hartlebury' 3W-ORR, 'Sherborne' 4Y-Y, 'Chanson' 1W-P;

2nd row: 'Colin's Joy' 2W-GWR, 'Desmond' 2Y-R, 'Maelstrom' 4W-P, 'Rebecca's Fire' 2Y-YYO, 'Bramcote Ice' 2W-W, 'Emma-Jane' 2W-Y;

3rd row: 'Qiyanna Raine' 4Y-O, 'Trigonometry' 11aW-P, 'College Road' 2Y-P, 'Hyperbole' 2W-R, 'Maria Pia' 11aY-R, 'Truculent' 3W-WWY;

Bottom row: 'My Sweetheart' 3W-YYR, Postles CPS 313 2Y-O, 'Oops' 2W-Y, 'Impeccable' 2Y-Y, 'Cherrygardens' 2W-GPP, de Winter JDW 904 6Y-P.

The exhibitor was Steve Hampson.



William Bender Ribbon Winner

The William Bender Ribbon is awarded to the best daffodil in the ADS Challenge Section. This section has classes for daffodils bred and originated by the exhibitor and allows flowers to be grown with protection (e.g. in a greenhouse). Except for miniatures and container-grown daffodils, standards are required to be grown outdoors since the daffodil is considered a garden plant. Thus, standards in the ADS Challenge Section are not eligible for the Gold or Rose Ribbons. The winner of the Bender Ribbon is 'Apache Tears' 5WWG-GGO exhibited by Bob Spotts.



Helen Link Award Winner

The Helen Link Award is for the best exhibit in the class for 3 different cultivars in the ADS Challenge Section. The flowers in the winning exhibit are:

Left to right: 'Mesquite' 2Y-Y, 'Apache Tears' 5WWG-GGO, 'Cactus Blossom' 2W-Y. The exhibitor was Bob Spotts.



Murray Evans Trophy Winner

The Murray Evans Trophy is for the best exhibit in the class for 6 different cultivars in the ADS Challenge Section. The flowers in the winning exhibit are:

Left to right: EF131 2Y-Y, EF107 6W-W, EF108 1W-W, EF50 5Y-O, EF130 2Y-Y, EF45 6Y-Y.

The exhibitor was Dave Hardy. Note that the ADS Challenge Section allows both miniature and standard daffodils.



Miniature Red-White-Blue Ribbon Winner

The Miniature Red-White-Blue Ribbon is for the best collection of 5 American-bred miniature daffodils. The flowers in the winning collection are:

Back: 2013-001-1 2W-O (Koopowitz), 2017-023-1 2Y-O (Koopowitz), 2012-104-1 (Koopowitz);

Front: 2013-001-1 2W-YOO (Koopowitz), 2019-102-6 (Koopowitz).

The exhibitor was Harold Koopowitz.



Lavender Ribbon Winner

The Lavender Ribbon is for the best collection of 5 miniature daffodils. The flowers in the winning collection are:

Back: 'Happy Days' 6Y-Y, 'Snipe' 6W-W, 'Heidi's Sister' 6Y-Y;

Front: 'Little Dryad' 6W-W, 'Wee Dote' 1W-Y.

The exhibitors were Mitch and Kate Carney.



Delia Bankhead Ribbon Winner

The Bankhead collection class calls for 9 miniature daffodils from at least 3 RHS divisions. Flowers in the winning collection are:

Back row: 'Norwester' 6Y-Y, 73-11-16 1W-Y ('Wee Bee' x 'Lilliput'), 73-11-15 1W-Y ('Wee Bee' x 'Lilliput'), 'Mite' 6Y-Y;

Front row: *N. jonquilla* var. *henriquesii* 13Y-Y, 'Tete-a-Tete' 12Y-Y, *N. fernandesii* var. *cordubensis* 13Y-Y, 1915 1Y-Y, Hunter JAH 13/98/A 7Y-Y.

The exhibitor was Mary Lou Gripshover.



Roberta Watrous Award Winner

The Watrous collection class calls for 12 miniature daffodils from at least 3 RHS divisions. Flowers in the winning collection are:

Top row: 10-76-03 8W-P, 10-81-01 8Y-Y, 10-77-02 8W-P, 08-76-04 1Y-Y, 10-82 8W-P;

Middle row: 07-175-1 9W-O, 19-02 6Y-Y, 11-22 6W-W, 'Pequenita' 7Y-Y;

Bottom row: *N. cyclamineus* 13Y-Y, 19-44 1W-W, 19-01 6Y-W.

The exhibitor was Larry Force.



Harold Koopowitz Miniature Collection Ribbon Winner

The Koopowitz collection class calls for 24 miniature daffodils from at least 5 RHS divisions. Flowers in the winning collection are:

Back row: 2006-027-1 5W-W, 2008-078-1 8Y-O, X-24-2 12G-G, 2011-040-1 4W-O, 2011-011-1 6Y-Y, 2017-034-1 4W-O, 2007-049-3 8W-P, 'Itsy Bitsy Splitsy' 11aY-O, 99-114-4 2W-P;

Middle row: 2006-027-3 5Y-Y, 2009-042-3 8P-YYP, 99-84-2 11aY-O, 2012-088-4 8Y-W, 2012-062-1 4W-W, 2003-036-9 8W-P, X-54-16 2Y-Y, 2012-104-4 11aW-W;

Front row: 2008-056-3 10Y-Y, 2019-102-2 10Y-Y, 2012-104-1 11aW-Y, 2017-023-1 2Y-O, 2015-072-1 7G-G, X-116-3 8Y-O, 2017-023-3 2Y-O.

The exhibitor was Harold Koopowitz.



Three Miniatures by Hybridizer Ribbon Winner

There are classes for 3, 6, and 12 miniatures hybridized and originated by the exhibitor and an ADS award for the best exhibit in each of these classes. Flowers in the class for 3 miniatures by the hybridizer are:

Left to right: 2008-037-2 2Y-O, 99-114-6 2W-P, 'Itsy Bitsy Splitsy' 11aY-O.

The exhibitor was Harold Koopowitz.



Six Miniatures by Hybridizer Ribbon Winner

The winning exhibit of 6 miniatures by the hybridizer consisted of:

Left to right: 2003-036-17 8W-P, 2019-102-7 10Y-Y, 2012-085-21 8Y-W, 2019-102-12 10Y-Y, 2015-072-3 7G-Y, 2003-020-1 8Y-O.

The exhibitor was Harold Koopowitz.



Twelve Miniatures by Hybridizer Ribbon Winner

The winning exhibit of 12 miniatures by the hybridizer consisted of:

Back row: 2012-018-2 8W-P, 'Xica' 11aY-Y, 2012-065-14 8Y-W, 2011-040-1 4W-O, 2012-065-12 8Y-Y;

Middle row: 2003-020-1 8Y-YYO, 2009-042-3 8P-YYP, 2012-065-7 8Y-W, 2003-036-9 8W-P;

Front row: 'Itsy Bitsy Splitsy' 11aY-O, 2019-102-2 10Y-Y, 2009-012-2 11aY-Y.

The exhibitor was Harold Koopowitz.



Miniature Bronze Ribbon Winner

The Miniature Bronze collection calls for 3 stems each of 5 different miniatures from at least 3 RHS divisions. The winning collection consisted of:

Back row: 2012-085-8 8W-W, 2009-012-2 11aY-Y, 2006-027-10 5W-W;

Front row: 2008-050-5 5Y-Y, 2012-085-9 8Y-Y.

The exhibitor was Harold Koopowitz.

And that concludes photos of the ADS award winning exhibits. One final award goes not to an exhibit but to the person who won the most blue ribbons in the Horticulture Division. The ADS Silver Ribbon goes to Larry Force who won 24 blue ribbons.