



**HORTICULTURE CONTEST OFFICIAL RULES**  
**Two-Year and 4 Year Divisions**

**Saturday April 16, 8:00 am**  
**118 and 111 Owen Hall**  
**And Greenhouses**

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## **General Rules:**

- All contestants must be currently enrolled in a two-year or a four-year institution.
- Two-year and four-year teams will evaluate the same contest components.
- A team will consist of four officially registered members.
  - If four members are not present from a school, the attendees will compete as individuals.
  - Additional attendees are welcome to compete individually, and will be eligible for individual awards.
- Contestants must not touch/ handle any plant material during any portion of the competition. Any infraction of this policy is sufficient to eliminate the team from the competition.
- In the event of a tie, the team with the highest team score in the General Knowledge Exam will be declared the winner.
- Contestants must bring a #2 lead pencil and clipboard.
- Contestants may bring an engineer scale and calculator.
  - Calculators on cell phones will not be allowed.
  - Programmable calculators will not be allowed.
- No cell phones, or other electronic devices will be allowed.
- The contest will consist of four sections:
  - General Knowledge Exam
  - Plant Identification
  - Equipment/ Tool Identification
  - Plant Judging
- Awards will be given for team scores and individual scores in each category as well as for total overall team and overall individual scores.

## **Contest:**

### Part 1: General Knowledge Exam 1 – 200 points

- Exam will consist of 50-100 multiple choice and/ or T or F questions. The exam will cover almost all areas of Horticulture/ Plant Sciences.

### Part 2: Plant Identification – 200 points

- Plant list is included, please see below.
- Woody Identification (100 points)
  - 25 live plant specimens
  - Specimens will be displayed as whole plants, cuttings, or herbarium mounts
- Herbaceous Identification (100 points)
  - 25 live plant specimens
  - Specimens will be displayed as whole plants or cuttings

Part 3: Equipment/ Tool Identification – 100 points

- This section will consist of floral design, greenhouse, nursery, garden center, or landscape equipment/ tools.
  - 50 items (2 points each)
  - Actual item or clear picture of item will be used

Part 4: Plant Judging – 200 points

- Woody landscape plants (50 points)
- Tropical and floral plants (50 points)
- Vegetable, fruit, or nut crops (50 points)
- Annuals and herbaceous perennials (50 points)

**2016 NACTA Plant List**

**Annuals**

\_ *Ageratum houstonianum*

\_ *Angelonea angustifolia*

\_ *Antirrhinum majus*

\_ *Begonia x semperflorens-cultorum*

\_ *Bidens ferulifolia*

\_ *Brachycome hybrida*

\_ *Brassica oleracea*

\_ *Browallia speciose major*

\_ *Calibrachoa hybrida*

\_ *Catharanthus roseus*

\_ *Cleome hassleriana*

\_ *Cosmos bipinnatus*

\_ *Dahlia hybrida*

\_ *Dianthus chinensis*

\_ *Diascia barberae*

\_ *Dichondra argentea*

\_ *Eustoma grandiflorum*

\_ *Gazania rigens*

\_ *Gerbera jamesonii*

\_ *Gomphrena globosa*

\_ *Heleotropium arborescens*

\_ *Helianthus annuus*

\_ *Hypoestes sanguinolenta*

\_ *Impatiens platypeltatum*

\_ *Impatiens walleriana*

\_ *Ipomea batatas*

\_ *Lantana camara*

\_ *Laurentia axillaris*

\_ *Lobelia erinus*

\_ *Lobularia maritima*

\_ *Melampodium paludosum*

\_ *Mirabilis hybrids*

\_ *Nicotiana alata*

\_ *Osteospermum ecklonis*

\_ *Pelargonium x hortorum*

\_ *Petunia x hybrida*

\_ *Portulaca grandiflora*

\_ *Salvia splendens*

\_ *Sanvitalia procumbens*

\_ *Senecio cineraria*

\_ *Solenostemon hybrids*

\_ *Solenostemon scutellarioides*

\_ *Sutera cordata*

\_ *Tagetes erecta*

\_ *Tagetes patula*

\_ *Verbena x hybrida*

\_ *Viola x wittrockiana*

\_ *Zinnia elegans*

\_ *Caryota mitis*

\_ *Ceropegia woodii*

\_ *Chamaedorea elegans (Neanthe bella)*

\_ *Chlorophytum comosum*

\_ *Chrysalidocarpus lutescens*

\_ *Cissus rhombifolia*

\_ *Clivia miniata*

\_ *Codiaeum variegatum*

\_ *Crassula argentea*

\_ *Cryptanthus bivivitatus*

\_ *Cyclamen persicum*

\_ *Davallia fejeensis*

\_ *Dendrobium sp.*

\_ *Dieffenbachia amoena*

\_ *Dionaea muscipula*

\_ *Dracaena deremensis*

\_ *Dracaena fragrans 'Massangeana'*

\_ *Dracaena marginata*

\_ *Dracaena reflexa*

\_ *Euphorbia pulcherrima*

\_ *Ficus benjamina*

\_ *Ficus elastic*

\_ *Ficus pumila*

\_ *Gardenia jasminoides*

\_ *Gynura aurantiaca*

\_ *Hedera helix*

\_ *Heptaplerum arboricola*

\_ *Howeia fosteriana*

\_ *Hoya carnosa*

\_ *Kalanchoe blossfeldiana*

### **Foliage**

\_ *Adiantum sp.*

\_ *Aechmea fasciata*

\_ *Aloe barbadensis (Syn. =A. vera)*

\_ *Araucaria heterophylla*

\_ *Asparagus densiflorus 'Sprengeri'*

\_ *Aspidistra elatior*

\_ *Asplenium nidus*

\_ *Beaucarnea recurvate*

\_ *Begonia x rex-cultorum*

\_ *Brassaia actinophylla*

\_ *Calathea sp.*

*\_Mammillaria elongata*  
*\_Maranta leuconeura kerchoviana*  
*\_Nephrolepis exaltata* 'Bostoniensis'  
*\_Opuntia microdasys*  
*\_Oxalis regnellii*  
*\_Peperomia argyreia (sandersii)*  
*\_Peperomia caperata* 'Emerald Ripple'  
*\_Peperomia clusiifolia* 'Variegata'  
*\_Peperomia incana*  
*\_Peperomia obtusifolia*  
*\_Phalaenopsis sp.*  
*\_Philodendron scandens oxycardium*  
*\_Pilea cadierei*  
*\_Pilea depressa*  
*\_Pilea microphylla*  
*\_Pilea* 'Moon Valley'  
*\_Platynerium bifurcatum*  
*\_Plectranthus australis*  
*\_Radermachera sinica* 'China Doll'  
*\_Rhapis excels*  
*\_Ruellia makoyana*  
*\_Saintpaulia ionantha*  
*\_Sansevieria trifasciata*  
*\_Saxifraga stolonifera*  
*\_Schlumbergera truncata*  
*\_Sedum marganianum*  
*\_Soleirolia soleiroliae (formerly Helixine)*  
*\_Spathiphyllum spp.*  
*\_Strelitzia reginae*  
*\_Stroilanthes dyeranus*

*\_Syngonium podophyllum*  
*\_Tolmiea menziesii*  
*\_Tradescantia fluminensis*  
*\_Tripogandra multiflora*  
*\_Zamioculcas zamiifolia*  
*\_Zebrina x pendula*

### **Grasses**

*\_Andropogon gerardii*  
*\_Calamagrostis x acutiflora* 'Karl Forester'  
*\_Carex pensylvanica*  
*\_Festuca glauca*  
*\_Hakonechloa macra* 'Aeuroloa'  
*\_Helictotrichon sempervirens*  
*\_Imperata cylindrica*  
*\_Miscanthus sinensis*  
*\_Panicum virgatum*  
*\_Pennisetum setaceum*  
*\_Schizachyrium scoparium*  
*-Sporobolus heterolepis*

### **Herbs**

*\_Allium schoenoprasum*  
*\_Anethum graveolens*  
*\_Coriandrum sativum*  
*\_Lavandula angustifolia*  
*\_Mentha piperita*  
*\_Ocimum basilicum*  
*\_Origanum vulgare*  
*\_Petroselinum crispum*  
*\_Rosmarinus officinalis*

\_Salvia officinalis

\_Thymus vulgaris

### **Perennials**

\_Achillea filipendulina

\_Achillea millefolium

\_Agastache foeniculum

\_Ajuga reptans

\_Alcea rosea

\_Amsonia hubrichtii

\_Amsonia tabernaemontana

\_Aquilegia hybrida

\_Armeria maritima

\_Artemisia schmidtiana

\_Asarum canadense

\_Asclepias tuberosa

\_Astilbe 'Sprite'

\_Astilbe x arendsii

\_Athyrium niponicum 'Pictum'

\_Baptisia australis

\_Boltonia asteroides

\_Campanula carpatica

\_Campanula medium

\_Chelone lyonii

\_Coreopsis grandiflora

\_Coreopsis verticillata

\_Delphinium elatum

\_Dendranthema x grandiflora

\_Dianthus gratianopolitanus

\_Dicentra spectabilis

\_Echinacea purpurea

\_Eupatorium maculatum

\_Gaillardia x grandiflora

\_Geranium 'Rozanne'

\_Gypsophila paniculata

\_Helenium autumnale

\_Helleborus x hybridus

\_Hemerocallis spp.

\_Heuchera micrantha 'Purple Palace'

\_Heuchera sanguinea

\_Hosta hybrids

\_Hylotelephium spectabile

\_Iberis sempervirens

\_Iris germanica

\_Iris siberica

\_Leucanthemum x hybrida

\_Liatris spicata

\_Ligularia dentata

\_Lupinus Russell Hybrids

\_Monarda didyma

\_Nepeta 'Walker's Low'

\_Oenothera missouriensis (macrocarpa)

\_Pachysandra terminalis

\_Paeonia hybrids

\_Penstemon digitalis 'Husker Red'

\_Perovskia atriplicifolia

\_Phlox paniculata

\_Phlox subulata

\_Pulmonaria sp.

\_Rudbeckia fulgida (maybe delete R. hirta)

\_Rudbeckia hirta var. pulcherrima

*\_Salvia x superba*  
*\_Scabiosa columbaria*  
*\_Solidago species* (or could do rugose)  
*\_Stachys byzantia*  
*\_Tiarella cordifolia*  
*\_Veronica spicata*  
*\_Veronica x hybrid*  
*\_Veronicastrum virginicum*

*\_Amelanchier arborea*  
*\_Amelanchier laevis*  
*\_Aronia melanocarpa*  
*\_Berberis thunbergii*  
*\_Betula nigra*  
*\_Betula papyrifera*  
*\_Betula platyphylla*  
*\_Buxus microphylla*  
*\_Carpinus caroliniana*  
*\_Carya ovata*  
*\_Catalpa speciosa*  
*\_Celtis occidentalis*  
*\_Cercis canadensis*  
*\_Chaenomeles speciosa*  
*\_Cladrastis kentukea*  
*\_Cornus alternifolia*  
*\_Cornus stolonifera*  
*\_Corylus americana*  
*\_Cotoneaster apiculatus*  
*\_Cotoneaster divaricatus*  
*\_Cotoneaster horizontalis*  
*\_Crataegus crus-galli*  
*\_Crataegus phaenopyrum*  
*\_Diervilla lonicera*  
*\_Eleagnus angustifolia*  
*\_Euonymus alatus*  
*\_Euonymus fortunei*  
*\_Fagus grandifolia*  
*\_Fagus sylvatica*  
*\_Forsythia x intermedia*

### **Woody Plants**

*\_Abies balsamea*  
*\_Abies concolor*  
*\_Acer x freemanii*  
*\_Acer tataricum ssp. ginnala*  
*\_Acer negundo*  
*\_Acer platanoides*  
*\_Acer rubrum*  
*\_Acer saccharinum*  
*\_Acer saccharum*  
*\_Aesculus glabra*  
*\_Aesculus hippocastanum*

*\_Fraxinus americana*  
*\_Fraxinus pennsylvanica*  
*\_Ginkgo biloba*  
*\_Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis*  
*\_Gymnocladus dioicus*  
*\_Hydrangea arborescens*  
*\_Hydrangea macrophylla*  
*\_Hydrangea paniculata*  
*\_Juglans cinerea*  
*\_Juglans nigra*  
*\_Juniperus chinensis*  
*\_Juniperus horizontalis*  
*\_Juniperus virginiana*  
*\_Larix decidua*  
*\_Ligustrum x vicaryi*  
*\_Ligustrum vulgare*  
*\_Liriodendron tulipifera*  
*\_Lonicera tatarica*  
*\_Magnolia x soulangiana*  
*\_Magnolia stellate*  
*\_Malus spp.*  
*\_Morus alba var. tatarica*  
*\_Morella pensylvanica*  
*\_Nyssa sylvatica*  
*\_Ostrya virginiana*  
*\_Pachysandra terminalis*  
*\_Parthenocissus quinquefolia*  
*\_Perthenocissus tricuspidata*  
*\_Philadelphus coronaries*  
*\_Physocarpus opulifolius*  
*\_Picea abies*  
*\_Picea glauca*  
*\_Picea pungens*  
*\_Pinus mugo*  
*\_Pinus nigra*  
*\_Pinus resinosa*  
*\_Pinus strobus*  
*\_Pinus sylvestris*  
*\_Populus deltoides*  
*\_Populus tremuloides*  
*\_Potentilla fruticosa*  
*\_Prunus cerasifera*  
*\_Prunus x cistena*  
*\_Prunus maackii*  
*\_Prunus virginiana*  
*\_Pyrus calleryana*  
*\_Quercus alba*  
*\_Quercus bicolor*  
*\_Quercus macrocarpa*  
*\_Quercus palustris*  
*\_Quercus rubra*  
*\_Rhamnus frangula*  
*\_Rhododendron catawbiense*  
*\_Rhododendron Northern Light Series*  
*\_Rhododendron 'P.J.M.'*  
*\_Rhus aromatica*  
*\_Rhus glabra*  
*\_Rhus typhina*  
*\_Ribes alpinum*  
*\_Robinia pseudoacacia*

*\_Rosa sp.*  
*\_Salix alba*  
*\_Salix pupurea*  
*\_Sorbus aucuparia*  
*\_Spiraea x bumalda*  
*\_Spiraea prunifolia*  
*\_Spiraea x vanhouttei*  
*\_Spiraea meyeri*  
*\_Syringa patula*  
*\_Syringa x prestoniae*  
*\_Syringa reticulata*  
*\_Syringa vulgaris*  
*\_Taxus cuspidata*  
*\_Taxus x media*  
*\_Thuja occidentalis*  
*\_Tilia americana*  
*\_Tilia cordata*  
*\_Tsuga canadensis*  
*\_Ulmus americana*  
*\_Ulmus parvifolia*  
*\_Ulmus pumila*  
*\_Viburnum dentatum*  
*\_Viburnum lantana*  
*\_Viburnum lentago*  
*\_Viburnum opulus*  
*\_Viburnum trilobum*  
*\_Weigela florid*

