

New York State African Violet Society
Presents

Violets in Candyland

Hilton Garden Inn
74 State Street
Auburn, NY 13021

October 19-21, 2023

Open to the Public

Friday: 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM – 3:45 PM

Show Chairman

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HORTICULTURE DIVISION

SECTION I – AVSA, AVSC AWARD CLASSES. *(One entry per class per exhibitor) (See rules 1 & 2)*

- Class 1.** African Violet Society of America collections of three (3) different, registered standard varieties all of the same type (3 single-crown or 3 trailers). *Open only to AVSA members.*
- Class 2.** African Violet Society of America collections of three (3) different, registered miniature or semiminia-
ture varieties, all of the same type (3 single-crown miniatures, 3 miniature trailers, 3 single-crown semiminia-
tures or 3 semiminia-
ture trailers). *Open only to AVSA members.*
- Class 3.** African Violet Society of America collections of three (3) different Saintpaulia species or their clones.
Open only to AVSA members.
- Class 4.** African Violet Society of Canada collections of three (3) different AVSA registered Canadian standard
varieties all of the same type (3 single-crown or 3 trailers). *Open only to AVSC members.*
- Class 5.** African Violet Society of Canada collections of three (3) different AVSA registered Canadian minia-
ture or semiminia-
ture varieties all of the same type (3 single-crown miniatures, 3 miniature trailers, 3 single-
crown
semiminia-
tures, or 3 semiminia-
ture trailers). *Open only to AVSC members.*

SECTION II – NYSAVS AWARD CLASSES (One entry per class per exhibitor)

- Class 6.** Hybrids originated in and registered from New York State.
- Class 7.** Collections of three (3) single-crown miniatures. Need not be registered.
- Class 8.** Collections of three (3) single crown semiminia-
tures. Need not be registered.
- Class 9.** Hybrid trailers. Need not be registered.

SECTION III – STANDARD SPECIMEN PLANTS, GREEN FOLIAGE

- Class 10.** Blush, cream, green, white and yellow tones
- Class 11.** Pink and red tones
- Class 12.** Blue and purple tones
- Class 13.** Multicolored (bicolor, fantasy, or chimera)
- Class 14.** Edged

SECTION IV – STANDARD SPECIMEN PLANTS, VARIEGATED FOLIAGE

- Class 15.** Blush, cream, green, white and yellow tones
- Class 16.** Pink and red tones
- Class 17.** Blue and purple tones
- Class 18.** Multicolored (bicolor, fantasy, or chimera)
- Class 19.** Edged

SECTION V – SEMIMINIATURE SPECIMEN PLANTS, GREEN FOLIAGE

- Class 20.** Blush, cream, green, white and yellow tones
- Class 21.** Pink and red tones
- Class 22.** Blue and purple tones
- Class 23.** Multicolored (bicolor, fantasy, or chimera)
- Class 24.** Edged

SECTION VI – SEMIMINIATURE SPECIMEN PLANTS, VARIEGATED FOLIAGE

- Class 25.** Blush, cream, green, white and yellow tones
- Class 26.** Pink and red tones
- Class 27.** Blue and purple tones
- Class 28.** Multicolored (bicolor, fantasy, or chimera)
- Class 29.** Edged

SECTION VII – MINIATURE SPECIMEN PLANTS, ALL FOLIAGE

- Class 30.** Blush, cream, green, white and yellow tones
- Class 31.** Pink and red tones
- Class 32.** Blue and purple tones
- Class 33.** Multicolored (bicolor, fantasy, or chimera)
- Class 34.** Edged

SECTION VIII – TRAILING SPECIMEN PLANTS

- Class 35.** Standard
- Class 36.** Miniature and semiminiatures, pots up to and including 4"
- Class 37.** Miniature and semiminiatures, pots over 4"

SECTION IX – SPECIAL CLASSES

- Class 38.** African violet with unusual foliage (bustle, Clackamas, girl, etc.)
- Class 39.** Saintpaulia species
- Class 40.** Plants in unusual or novel containers (see Rule 7)
- Class 41.** Vintage Violets (registered or recorded prior to November 1998)
- Class 42.** Novice Class (see Rule 9)
- Class 43.** Classic Class – Celebrating classic violets, only the original ten African Violet hybrids, Superman, Lillian Jarrett, Tommie Lou and Lyon's Double Pink are eligible for this class.
- Class 44.** Project plant (see rule 10)

SECTION X – NEW INTRODUCTIONS

- Class 45.** Seedling origination
- Class 46.** Sport and mutant origination

SECTION XI – GESNERIADS, OTHER THAN AFRICAN VIOLETS, IN BLOOM

- Class 47.** Miniature gesneriads, other than sinningia (plants under 6")
- Class 48.** Miniature and micro-miniature sinningia
- Class 49.** Other Sinningia and tuberous gesneriads
- Class 50.** Rhizomatous gesneriads
- Class 51.** Columnea, Nematanthus and Aeschynanthus, et al
- Class 52.** Streptocarpus
- Class 53.** Episcias
- Class 54.** Primulina
- Class 55.** Petrosimonea
- Class 56.** Other fibrous-rooted gesneriads

SECTION XII – GESNERIADS OTHER THAN AFRICAN VIOLETS, GROWN FOR ORNAMENTAL QUALITIES OTHER THAN BLOOM

- Class 57.** Episcia - Pink/White
- Class 58.** Episcia - Green, Bronze, all others
- Class 59.** Primulina
- Class 60.** Petrosimonea (If not in bloom, foliage should have striking ornamental characteristics.)
- Class 61.** Other gesneriads

DESIGN DIVISION

SECTION XII - INTERPRETIVE FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS: Fresh-cut African violet blossoms used in a design with other fresh-cut and/or dried material.

Class 62. "Gum Drop" – a miniature design. 7"x5"x5". *Limit 6 entries.*

Class 63. "Life Savers" – an underwater design not to exceed 12" in any dimension. **Note:** All entries are to be exhibited in a transparent container completely submerged in water. *Limit 8 entries.*

Class 64. "Skittles" – a colorful design. 12"x12"x10". *Limit 4 entries.*

Class 65. "Ribbon Candy, Candy Buttons, Starburst" – It's your choice. Create a kinetic design. 18"x15"x12". *Limit 4 entries.*

Class 66. "Hershey Kisses & Reese's Cups" – Two popular candies. Show us your interpretation of these chocolate favorites, to be staged as a free-standing design on a provided 8" brown circular base. Not to exceed 8" in diameter and 10" in height. *Limit 4 entries.*

SECTION XIII - INTERPRETIVE PLANT ARRANGEMENTS: One or more blooming (except where noted) African violet plants, removed from the pot, used in a design with other fresh cut material and /or dried material.

Class 67. "Twizzlers" – create a foliage only design using two non-blooming variegated African violet. 20"x15"x12". *Limit 4 entries.*

Class 68. "Kit Kat Bar" – create two vertical designs with a connection. Not to exceed 15" in width *Limit 4 entries.*

Class 69. "3 Musketeers" – "15"x15"x10". *Limit 4 entries.*

Class 70. "Saltwater Taffy" – 14"x12"x12". *Limit 4 entries.*

Class 71. "Candy Canes" – 12"x12"x10". *Limit 4 entries.*

SECTION XIV – CONTAINER GARDENS: Miniature gardens with one or more blooming African violets and other growing material. All material shall be planted in the container; no cut material permitted. Containers shall not exceed 24" in any direction. To be viewed from the front only.

Class 72. Terrarium – straight or round sides (cover required, mirrored backs not allowed) - unlimited entries.

Class 73. Dish Garden – unlimited entries.

Class 74. Natural Garden – (planted on rock, wood, or other natural material) - unlimited entries.

SECTION XV – EDUCATIONAL AND AVSA INFORMATION

Class 75. Educational display and AVSA promotional information

Horticulture and Special Exhibits Division Rules

1. Classes are open only to members (amateur or commercial) of NYSAVS who are also registered for the convention. Section I, Classes 1, 2 and 3 are open only to members of AVSA; Classes 4 and 5 are open only to members of AVSC; Classes 6 - 9 are open only to members of NYSAVS. Commercial members may enter all classes.
2. All horticulture entries must be presented Thursday, October 19, 2023, between 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Only clean, healthy plants will be accepted. Members of the Classification Committee have final authority. All plants being entered in the Horticulture section of the show must have been in the exhibitor's possession for ninety days. All entries must be in bloom except for classes 57-61. All African violet exhibits, with the exception of species and trailers, must be single crowned.
3. An exhibitor may enter only one of each variety in any class in the Horticulture division, but an unlimited number of varieties may be entered. Classes 1 – 9, and 44 are limited to one entry per exhibitor, although an exhibitor may enter plants of the same variety in different classes. Varieties eligible for entry in Class 42 may also be entered in other appropriate classes by the exhibitor. Classes may be subdivided at the discretion of the Show Chairman.

4. Exhibitors must submit a list of entries in section and class order to the Classification Committee when entering. All African violet species, cultivars and other gesneriads must be correctly named. All plant names are subject to correction by the Classification Committee. Plant registration numbers must be included for entries in Classes 1 - 6. **Pre-entry is required if exhibiting more than 10 plants.**
5. Judges will be issued a special scale of points for Class 38. Entries in this class will not be eligible for Best in Show.
6. To be eligible for Class 41, Vintage Violet, the variety must have been registered or documented 25 or more years before the show (on or before 1998 for this show). Only plants in Class 41 will be considered for the Vintage Violet award.
7. New Introductions must be originated by the exhibitor, or the exhibitor needs to present a written release from the originator. New Introduction entries may not have been shown previously at a NYSAVS convention show.
8. A violet entered in Class 40 must be planted in a container not normally used for plants or planted in a container that enhances its beauty. Only one entry per exhibitor.
9. Class 42, a Novice exhibitor is a NYSAVS member who has never won a blue ribbon in horticulture at an NYAVS show.
10. Class 44, Project Plants are those plants received by members attending the 2022 NYSAVS awards banquet and designated as project plants.
11. All specimen plants are to be exhibited in clean, white or green plastic pots. Pots may, at the exhibitor's discretion, be slip-potted with an identical pot (same size/color). If not concealed, all labels and wicks must be removed. Other gesneriads may be exhibited in the containers in which they were grown. Oyama and Moist-rite pots are acceptable.
12. Judging will begin promptly at 9:30 a.m., Friday, October 20, 2023. During judging, only judges, judges' clerks, Classification Chairman, Awards Chairman, Judges Chairman and Show Chairman will be allowed in the show room. Exceptions may be made by the Show Chairman.
13. No exhibit may be removed until the show closes, Saturday, October 21, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. Exhibitors are reminded to remove exhibits promptly. All precautions are taken to prevent damage to plants and displays during the show, however all entries are made at the exhibitor's risk.
14. The authority for judging will be the AVSA Handbook for African Violet Growers, Exhibitors, and Judges, 2022 edition and subsequent updates printed in the African Violet Magazine. This show will be judged by the merit system by accredited AVSA Judges. Only blue-ribbon exhibits are eligible for special awards.
15. Decisions of the Judges are final.

Design Division Rules

1. Classes shall be open to all NYSAVS members who are registered at the convention. Exhibitors shall be limited to 1 design in each class.
2. No artificial plant material, national flags or live animals shall be allowed.
3. Dried, treated or painted plant material is allowed. New York State Conservation Law applies, but plant material grown commercially or by the exhibitor is allowed.
4. Niches for all class are white except Class 66. Accessories shall be permitted in all classes. Backgrounds (i.e., drapes) shall be permitted in all classes except classes 66 and 72 - 74. Background will be provided for Class 66. Tape shall not be permitted to secure backgrounds to niches.
5. No exhibit shall be removed after entry. Exhibitors shall replace spent cut blossoms with fresh ones while the show is open. Plants may be purchased at any time for design, but all shall be disease and insect free.

Reservations for entry space shall be made no later than Wednesday, October 11, 2023, to Karyn Cichocki by:

email – kdc05@ptd.net (best method)

mail – 79 Beaver Run Road, Lafayette, NJ 07848

Social Media Rules

The New York State African Violet Society encourages social media posts from our convention to share with African violet/gesneriad enthusiasts who are not able to be present at convention. The hashtag #nysavscon23 is suggested when posting to social media regarding the 2023 NYSAVS Convention. We do require that attendees adhere to the following social media etiquette during the convention:

Show / Entries / Judging

1. Live streaming of the preparation of convention exhibits and entries in any location of the venue is not permitted and will be cause for disqualification from exhibiting in the show and/or removal from the entries area.
2. All types of photography, video recordings, and social media posts are strictly prohibited before and during show judging.
3. Convention flower show photos and videos may be posted to social media only after the show has been officially opened to the public. This includes photographs or videos that identify the subject as a show entry.

Presentations

4. Live streaming of any convention presentation is prohibited.
5. Flash photography of presentations is not permitted as it is distracting to the speaker.
6. Individual speaker presentations may be recorded by attendees only after obtaining the written consent of the presenters and the Convention Chair.