

**DEPARTMENT “L” – FLORICULTURE**  
 Total Amount Offered - \$1,224.00  
 Superintendent – Bernice Gunaseelan 309-912-3906  
 Entry Fee – See specific department

**ALL FLORAL DEPARTMENT EXHIBITS WILL NOW BE SHOWN IN ROXIE MARKS BUILDING**

1. **Departmental Rules have changed. Please read all rules carefully.**
2. All exhibitors must familiarize themselves with all rules listed under Open Class General Rules, Section I.
3. **Entries**
  - a. Mailed entries must be postmarked by midnight on Monday, July 6, 2026.
  - b. Mail entries to: RICO Fair, 4200 Archer Drive, East Moline, IL 61244.
  - c. On-line entries must be time-stamped by midnight on Wednesday, July 8, 2026.
  - d. On-line entries may be made at [www.rockislandfair.org](http://www.rockislandfair.org)
  - e. **Entry tags will be sent by return mail if entered by midnight July 6. If entry is made Tuesday, July 7, 2026 and beyond, entry tags must be picked up at the fairgrounds before check-in.**
  - f. Late fees will apply to any entries made between Wednesday July 8 at midnight and Monday, July 13, at noon. No entries will be accepted after Monday, July 13, at noon.
  - g. On-line entries may be made at [www.rockislandfair.org](http://www.rockislandfair.org)
  - h. Exhibitors are not limited to the number of entries but may only collect two (2) monies in any one class.
4. All classes for Jr. Exhibitors are open to all unmarried boys and girls under 18 years of age.
5. Refer to individual departmental rules regarding show dates, drop-off dates and times, judging dates and times, and pick-up times.
6. All premium checks will be released for pick-up after 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026. Checks may be picked up at the RICO Fair office, located in the Copeland Center. All checks must be cashed within 90 days from issue. A signature is required to receive premium monies. Checks not picked up will be mailed.

**DEPARTMENT “L-1” – FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS**

Amount Offered - \$330.00  
 Superintendent – Bernice Gunaseelan 309-912-3906  
 Adult Entry Fee - \$1.00 per entry  
 Jr. Entry Fee - \$0.00

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1. All general rules listed under “Department “L” – Floriculture, apply here.
2. **Check-In**
  - a. Exhibits may be brought to the fair beginning Monday, July 13, 2026, between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. or Tuesday, July 14, 2026, between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
  - b. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, by 10:00 a.m. Roxie Marks Building will open at 9:00 a.m.
3. **Judging**
  - a. Judging will commence promptly at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 14, 2026.
  - b. All judging is open to the public.
4. **Requirements**
  - a. Arrangements must be the handiwork of the exhibitor, but plant materials used need not be grown by the exhibitor.
  - b. Any live flowers may be used.
  - c. **Artificial flowers or foliage are not permitted.**
  - d. Containers and accessories may be used but may not vary from the theme.
  - e. As floral arrangements will remain in place throughout the duration of the fair, exhibitors may replace flowers, after judging, that are showing signs of distress.
5. **Release**
  - a. Exhibits will be released on Saturday, July 18, 2026, between 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. or Sunday, July 19, 2026, between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. (noon). NO early releases are allowed.
  - b. All premium checks will be released for pick-up after 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026. Checks may be picked up at the RICO Fair office, located in the Copeland Center. All checks must be cashed within 90 days from issue. A signature is required to receive premium monies. Checks not picked up will be mailed.

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>ADULT ARRANGEMENTS</i>	<i>CLASS I</i>		
2075.	Holiday– Any Holiday	8.00	7.00	6.00
2076.	Pretty in Pink	8.00	7.00	6.00
2077.	Cultural	8.00	7.00	6.00

2078.	Party – Any Party	8.00	7.00	6.00
2079.	Wedding	8.00	7.00	6.00
2080.	<i>Best of Show</i>	<i>Rosette</i>		
2081.	<i>Honorable Mention</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>		

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>JUNIOR FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS – AGES 12 AND UNDER</b>	<b>CLASS 2</b>		
2082.	Holiday– Any Holiday	6.00	5.00	4.00
2083.	Pretty in Pink	6.00	5.00	4.00
2084.	Cultural	6.00	5.00	4.00
2085.	<i>Best of Show</i>	<i>Rosette</i>		
2086.	<i>Honorable Mention</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>		

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>JUNIOR FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS – AGES 13 AND OVER</b>	<b>CLASS 3</b>		
2087.	Holiday– Any Holiday	6.00	5.00	4.00
2088.	Pretty in Pink	6.00	5.00	4.00
2089.	Cultural	6.00	5.00	4.00
2090.	<i>Best of Show</i>	<i>Rosette</i>		
2091.	<i>Honorable Mention</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>		

### **TABLE SETTINGS**

1. Each complete table setting will include dinnerware, glassware, and linens set correctly (flatware is not required). A floral arrangement/centerpiece is required.
2. Exhibitors no longer need to supply a table. Tables will be provided by the Rock Island County Fair.
3. All tables must have a tablecloth/covering.
4. Use your imagination and creativity!

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>TABLE SETTINGS FOR ONE (1) THEME: A Look Back</b>	<b>CLASS 4</b>		
2100.	Holiday Meal – Any Holiday	8.00	7.00	6.00
2101.	Anniversary	8.00	7.00	6.00
2102.	Wedding	8.00	7.00	6.00
2103.	Picnic	8.00	7.00	6.00
2104.	Party – Any Party Theme	8.00	7.00	6.00
2105.	<i>Best of Show</i>	<i>Rosette</i>		
2106.	<i>Honorable Mention</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>		

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>WREATHS, SWAG, OR DOOR HANGING</b>	<b>CLASS 5</b>		
2107.	Winter wreath, swag or door hanging, not Christmas, 1 article	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
2108.	Spring wreath, swag or door hanging, 1 article	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
2109.	Summer wreath, swag or door hanging, 1 article	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
2110.	Fall wreath, swag or door hanging, 1 article	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
2111.	Wreath, swag or door hanging, any other not mentioned, 1 article	\$8.00	\$7.00	\$6.00
2112.	<i>Best of Show</i>	<i>Rosette</i>		
2113.	<i>Honorable Mention</i>	<i>Ribbon</i>		

## DEPARTMENT "L-2" – POTTED HOUSEPLANTS INCLUDING AFRICAN VIOLETS

Amount Offered - \$252.00

Superintendent - Bernice Gunaseelan 309-912-3906

Adult Entry Fee - \$1.00 per entry

Jr. Entry Fee - \$0.00

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1. All exhibitors must familiarize themselves with all rules listed under Open Class General Rules, Section I.
2. All general rules listed under "Department "L" – Floriculture, apply here.
3. **Check-In**
  - a. Exhibits may be brought to the fair beginning Monday, July 13, 2026, between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. or Tuesday, July 14, 2026, between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
  - b. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, by 10:00 a.m. Roxie Marks Building will open at 9:00 a.m.
4. **Judging**
  - a. Judging will commence promptly at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 14, 2026.
  - b. All judging is open to the public.
5. All exhibits will remain at the fair until release. No exceptions.
6. Exhibitors must have the plant or plants in their possession at least three (3) months prior to the competition.
7. Exhibits will be released on Saturday, July 18, 2026, between 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. or Sunday, July 19, 2026, between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. (noon). NO early releases are allowed.
8. All premium checks will be released for pick-up after 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026. Checks may be picked up at the RICO Fair office, located in the Copeland Center. All checks must be cashed within 90 days from issue. A signature is required to receive premium monies. Checks not picked up will be mailed.

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>ADULT HOUSEPLANTS INCLUDING AFRICAN VIOLETS</i>		<i>CLASS 1</i>	
2125.	Any African Violet	5.00	4.00	3.00
2126.	Any Cactus	5.00	4.00	3.00
2127.	Any Fern	5.00	4.00	3.00
2128.	Any succulent, this includes Jade plant and Hen & Chicks	5.00	4.00	3.00
2129.	Christmas Cactus	5.00	4.00	3.00
2130.	Dish Garden, containing 3 or more cacti, succulents or mixture of both	5.00	4.00	3.00
2131.	Hanging basket grown for flowers, in bloom	5.00	4.00	3.00
2132.	Hanging basket grown for foliage, i.e. ivy, pothos, philodendron, etc.	5.00	4.00	3.00
2133.	Any foliage plant not named, no hanging baskets	5.00	4.00	3.00
2134.	Terrarium	5.00	4.00	3.00
2135.	Fairy Garden - less than 12" X 12"	5.00	4.00	3.00
2136.	Fairy Garden - larger than 12" X 12"	5.00	4.00	3.00
2137.	<i>Best of Show</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	
2138.	<i>Honorable Mention</i>		<i>Ribbon</i>	

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>JR. HOUSEPLANTS</i>		<i>CLASS 2</i>	
2139.	Any cactus or succulent	5.00	4.00	3.00
2140.	Any fern	5.00	4.00	3.00
2141.	Any hanging basket	5.00	4.00	3.00
2142.	Any houseplant	5.00	4.00	3.00
2143.	Cactus or Succulent Dish Garden	5.00	4.00	3.00
2144.	Planter with 3 or more varieties	5.00	4.00	3.00
2145.	Terrarium	5.00	4.00	3.00
2146.	Fairy Garden - less than 12" X 12"	5.00	4.00	3.00
2147.	Fairy Garden - larger than 12" X 12"	5.00	4.00	3.00
2148.	<i>Best of Show</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	
2149.	<i>Honorable Mention</i>		<i>Ribbon</i>	

**DEPARTMENT "L-3" – SPECIMENS AND COLLECTIONS**

Amount Offered - \$414.00

Superintendent – Bernice Gunaseelan 309-912-3906

Adult Entry Fee - \$1.00 per entry

**ALL FLORAL DEPARTMENT EXHIBITS WILL NOW BE SHOWN IN THE ROXIE MARKS BUILDING**

**ADULT "SPECIMENS AND COLLECTIONS" RULES**

1. All exhibitors must familiarize themselves with all rules listed under Open Class General Rules, Section I.
2. All general rules listed under "Department "L" – Floriculture, apply here.
3. **Check-In**
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  - b. All exhibits must be in place on Tuesday, July 14, 2026, by 10:00 a.m. Roxie Marks Building will open at 9:00 a.m.
4. **Judging**
  - a. Judging will commence promptly at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 14, 2026.
  - b. All judging is open to the public.
  - c. Quality of stem, foliage, and bloom will be considered in judging.
5. **Requirements**
  - a. All flowers entered must have been grown by the exhibitor.
  - b. Containers will be furnished for this competition.
6. The Superintendent and Show Committee reserve the right to remove or exclude from the competition any exhibit that, in their opinion, does not meet the criteria or quality standards of the competition.
7. Exhibits will be released on Saturday, July 18, 2026, between 8:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. or Sunday, July 19, 2026, between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. (noon). NO early releases are allowed.
8. All premium checks will be released for pick-up after 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 18, 2026. Checks may be picked up at the RICO Fair office, located in the Copeland Center. All checks must be cashed within 90 days from issue. A signature is required to receive premium monies. Checks not picked up will be mailed.

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>ANNUALS</i>		<i>CLASS 1</i>	
2150.	Ageratum, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2151.	Bachelor Buttons, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2152.	Calendula, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2153.	Cleome, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2154.	Cosmos, 3 blooms	3.00	2.00	1.00
2155.	Geranium, 1 bloom head	3.00	2.00	1.00
2156.	Herbs, 1 stem any variety	3.00	2.00	1.00
2157.	Marigold, 3 blooms same variety, 2" and over blooms	3.00	2.00	1.00
2158.	Marigold, 3 blooms same variety, under 2" blooms	3.00	2.00	1.00
2159.	Nasturtium, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2160.	Nigella (Love-in-a-Mist), 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2161.	Pansy, 3 stems any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2162.	Petunia, double flowered, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2163.	Petunia, single, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2164.	Salvia, 3 stems any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2165.	Snapdragons, 3 stems same color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2166.	Verbena, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2167.	Zinnia, 3 blooms 2" and larger	3.00	2.00	1.00
2168.	Zinnia, 3 blooms under 2"	3.00	2.00	1.00
2169.	Annual, any other, 1 stem, bloom over 3"	3.00	2.00	1.00
2170.	Annual, any other, 1 stem, bloom under 3"	3.00	2.00	1.00
2171.	<i>Annual Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	

<i>Lot #</i>	<i>PERENNIALS</i>		<i>CLASS 2</i>	
2172.	Achillea, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2173.	Clematis, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2174.	Coreopsis, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2175.	Cultivated Wildflower, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00

2176.	Dianthus, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2177.	Echinacea, any variety, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2178.	Gaillardia, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2179.	Gypsophila (Baby's Breath), 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2180.	Hemerocallis (Daylily), any, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2181.	Leucanthemum (Shasta Daisy), any variety, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2182.	Lilium asiatic, any color, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2183.	Lilium lancifolium (Tiger Lily), any color, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2184.	Lilium, orientalis, 'Stargazer', 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2185.	Lilium, orientalis, any other variety, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2186.	Phlox, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2187.	Rudbeckia, any variety, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2188.	Statice, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2189.	Perennial, any other, 1 stem, bloom over 3"	3.00	2.00	1.00
2190.	Perennial, any other, 1 stem, bloom under 3"	3.00	2.00	1.00
2191.	<i>Perennial Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>ROSES</b>		<b>CLASS 3</b>	
2192.	Rose, any other, 1 stem any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2193.	Rose, Floribunda, 1 stem any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2194.	Rose, Grandiflora, 1 stem any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2195.	Rose, Miniature, 1 stem any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2196.	Rose, spray, any color, any kind, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2197.	Rose, Tea, any color, 1 bloom	3.00	2.00	1.00
2198.	<i>Rose Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>DAHLIAS</b>		<b>CLASS 4</b>	
2199.	Dahlia, all Ball and Mini-Ball	3.00	2.00	1.00
2200.	Dahlia, all Miniature, over 2", under 4"	3.00	2.00	1.00
2201.	Dahlia, all Pom-Pom	3.00	2.00	1.00
2202.	Dahlia, any other, 3 blooms same variety	3.00	2.00	1.00
2203.	Dahlia, all Cactus	3.00	2.00	1.00
2204.	Dahlia, all formal & informal	3.00	2.00	1.00
2205.	<i>Dahlia Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>GLADIOLI</b>		<b>CLASS 5</b>	
2206.	Gladiolus, 3 pink specimens	3.00	2.00	1.00
2207.	Gladiolus, 3 red or rose specimens	3.00	2.00	1.00
2208.	Gladiolus, 3 specimens, any other color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2209.	Gladiolus, 3 yellow, orange or salmon specimens	3.00	2.00	1.00
2210.	<i>Gladiolus Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	

**DEPARTMENT "L-4" – JR. SPECIMENS AND COLLECTIONS**

Amount Offered - \$228.00

Superintendent – Bernice Gunaseelan 309-912-3906

Jr. Entry Fee - \$0.00

**JR. EXHIBITORS "SPECIMENS AND COLLECTIONS" RULES**

1. All exhibitors must familiarize themselves with all rules listed under Open Class General Rules, Section I.
2. All general rules listed under "Department L – Floriculture, apply here.
3. Exhibits in this department will remain at the Roxie Marks Building from Friday to Saturday.
4. **Check-In**
  - a. Exhibits may be brought to the fair beginning Monday, July 13, 2026, between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. or Tuesday, July 14, 2026, between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
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6. **Requirements**
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2220.	Bachelor Buttons, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2221.	Calendula, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2222.	Cosmos, 3 blooms	3.00	2.00	1.00
2223.	Geranium, 1 bloom head	3.00	2.00	1.00
2224.	Herbs, 1 stem any variety	3.00	2.00	1.00
2225.	Marigold, 3 blooms same variety, 2" and over blooms	3.00	2.00	1.00
2226.	Marigold, 3 blooms same variety, under 2" blooms	3.00	2.00	1.00
2227.	Nasturtium, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2228.	Pansy, 3 stems any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2229.	Petunia, double flowered, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2230.	Petunia, single, 3 stems	3.00	2.00	1.00
2231.	Salvia, 3 stems any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2232.	Snapdragons, 3 stems same color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2233.	Sunflower, 1 bloom	3.00	2.00	1.00
2234.	Zinnia, 3 blooms 2" and larger	3.00	2.00	1.00
2235.	Zinnia, 3 blooms under 2"	3.00	2.00	1.00
2236.	Annual, any other, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2237.	<i>Annual Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	
<i>Lot #</i>	<i>PERENNIALS</i>	<i>CLASS 2</i>		
2238.	Echinacea, any variety, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2239.	Gaillardia, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2240.	Gypsophila (Baby's Breath), 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2241.	Hemerocallis (Daylily), any, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2242.	Leucanthemum (Shasta Daisy), any variety, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2243.	Lilium asiatic, any color, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2244.	Lilium lancifolium (Tiger Lily), any color, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00

2245.	Lilium, orientalis, 'Stargazer', 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2246.	Lilium, orientalis, any other variety, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2247.	Phlox, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2248.	Rudbeckia, any variety, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2249.	Perennial, any other, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2250.	<i>Perennial Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>ROSES</b>		<b>CLASS 3</b>	
2251.	Rose, any other, 1 stem any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2252.	Rose, Miniature, 1 stem any color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2253.	Rose, spray, any color, any kind, 1 stem	3.00	2.00	1.00
2254.	Rose, Tea, any color, 1 bloom	3.00	2.00	1.00
2255.	<i>Rose Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	

<b>Lot #</b>	<b>GLADIOLI</b>		<b>CLASS 4</b>	
2256.	Gladiolus, 1 rose, red, or pink specimen	3.00	2.00	1.00
2257.	Gladiolus, 1 specimen, any other color	3.00	2.00	1.00
2258.	Gladiolus, 1 white specimen	3.00	2.00	1.00
2259.	Gladiolus, 1 orange or salmon specimen	3.00	2.00	1.00
2260.	Gladiolus, 1 yellow specimen	3.00	2.00	1.00
2261.	<i>Gladiolus Best of Class</i>		<i>Rosette</i>	