

The Connecticut Dahlia Society

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August 2022 Newsletter

Date: Saturday, August 6
Time: 10:00
Place: Prospect Library Community Room
17 Center Street, Prospect, CT

President's Message:

Hi members,

Welcome August! This month marks the beginning of a new Dahlia show year! Time to start planning and preparing for the shows! Our show is **Saturday, August 27th** at Elizabeth Park in West Hartford. Our last planning meeting for this show is this SATURDAY, AUGUST 6th, at the Prospect Library at 10:00 a.m.! Please try to attend and plan on helping at the show. There is no Friday set-up, so Saturday the 27th, will be very busy to get the hall ready for exhibitors! Many hands make this process much easier! Please give some of your time and make this once a year show a success! Show setup and show clerks are needed as well as helping with breaking down the show.

If you're a new exhibitor, please try and attend the meeting to learn from seasoned exhibitors valuable tips on how to prepare, transport, and groom your flowers for the show. Looking forward to seeing you all on Saturday!

Happy growing!
Sincerely, Kevin

CDS Meeting Dates:

August 6 Regular Meeting 10:00
Prospect Library
August 27 **CDS Show, Elizabeth Park**
September No Meeting- Show time
October 9 Regular Meeting 10:00 &
In-house Competition
Nov. 6 Regular Meeting 10:00
Dec. Holiday Party, San Marino

Challenge Flower



CORNEL
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Our Challenge Flower for this year's show will be Cornel, a dark red ball originated in Holland in 1996. It is very prolific and an excellent tuber maker.

2022 Show Dates:

August 27 **CDS Show, Elizabeth Park**
Challenge: **Cornel**

Sept. 3 & 4 **Long Island DS**
Challenge: **Bloomquist Jean**

Sept. 10 & 11 **Rhode Island DS**
Challenge: **Ivanetti**

Sept 17 & 18 **Mid Island DS**
Challenge: **AC Abby**

New England DS
Challenge: **Sandia Brocade**

Sept 24 & 25 **National Show**

Oct. 1 & 2 **Greenwich**

We will post changes or updates as they become available. As show time approaches please check the CDS website for the latest information.

Update on Display Garden

The Elizabeth Park Display Garden is Growing! Our garden has been a focal point in the park for many years now and is looked forward to by the parks many visitors. Our garden holds a prominent place in the park across from the historic Rose Garden. As summer fades into fall the dahlia garden becomes the park's shining star!

This year as always we are relying on CDS members to volunteer their services and help maintain the garden during the summer and fall months. Specifically, the needs are watering, weeding and deadheading. This becomes especially important to maintain the beauty of the garden.

If you are able to help our existing volunteers with this year's garden please contact me at email: jessepi@comcast.net or phone 860-485-3376. Generally you can expect these tasks to take less than 1 hour.

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