

## Portland Dahlia Society Virtual Show

Since our annual show has been cancelled, the PDS will instead have a virtual dahlia show. In order to make this a success, we need photos of your favorite dahlias. They will be judged in various classes by a team of three judges who have no entries in the competition. There will be classes for arrangements, basket entries, and vases of dahlias as well as a class for first time novices who have never entered a dahlia show and a public class (for those who don't belong to a dahlia society). The winner of each class will receive \$10 and bragging rights.

Once the judging is complete, Larry Smith will make a video program consisting of the photos with copyright free background music and load it onto youtube. It will premiere at the October meeting and the link will later be sent to all PDS members, included in the PNDC Dahlia Times, added to the ADS website, shared on social media, and played on local community television channels. It will be great publicity and outreach for PDS and for dahlias.

The judges will be looking for the quality of the bloom rather than the quality or artsy-ness of the photo....save the ones with a cute kid it it or a bee or frog on the bloom for the annual photo contest, which comes later in the year. All single bloom entries should be disbudded and have a set of leaves and can be shown either a show container or a vase. More detailed rules and guidelines are contained in an attachment what will come with this Bulletin.

Deadline for accepting entries is be Saturday, Sept. 19th.