

West Michigan Dahlia Society – 25th Annual Dahlia Show

2026 National Show and Midwest Conference Show · August 29–30, 2026 · Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park

Show Report – Award Winners

Award	Bloom Name	Exhibitor
Court of Honor		
King of Show	WYN'S NEON DREAM	Tammy May
Queen of Show	AGAPE JOY	Randy Foith
Prince of Show	20TH AVE & BAKER ROAD	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Princess of Show	SEEDLING 25029	Jan Gawthrop
Best in Show by Form/Size – Single Bloom Entries		
Best AA – Single Bloom	WYN'S NEON DREAM	Tammy May
Best A – Single Bloom	CLEARVIEW EDIE	Todd Imhoff
Best B – Single Bloom	CAMANO SITKA	Claire Wragg
Best BB – Single Bloom	AGAPE JOY	Randy Foith
Best Miniature – Single Bloom	20TH AVE & BAKER ROAD	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best Micro – Single Bloom	IRISH GNOME	Karen Sanchez
Best Ball – Single Bloom	SNOHO DORIS	Jim Chuey
Best Miniature Ball – Single Bloom	IRISH MOON	Tammy May
Best Pom Pon – Single Bloom	SB'S KA'S CHOICE	Christine Tareen
Best Stellar – Single Bloom	SANDIA RUTHIE	Karen Sanchez
Best Micro Stellar – Single Bloom		
Best Waterlily – Single Bloom	HOLLYHILL HONEYGOLD	Larry Smith
Best Micro Waterlily – Single Bloom	SUITZUS JULIE	Sheila Smith
Best Double Novelty – Single Bloom	VALLEY PORCUPINE	Tammy May
Best Micro Double Novelty – Single Bloom		
Best Peony – Single Bloom	LAKEHILLS CREAMSICLE	Sherree Kneller
Best Micro Peony – Single Bloom	ELVIRA	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best Anemone – Single Bloom	SANDIA BROCADE	Mike Kangas
Best Micro Anemone – Single Bloom		
Best Novelty Disc Center – Single Bloom	NY PAPA	William Doolittle
Best Micro Novelty Disc Center – Single Bloom		
Best Collarette – Single Bloom	BARON AUNT DOROTHY	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best Micro Collarette – Single Bloom	OVI OK	Kyle Cassidy
Best Orchid – Single Bloom	SEEDLING 25029	Jan Gawthrop
Best Micro Orchid – Single Bloom	U2 ANIA	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best Orchette – Single Bloom	RAEANN'S GEMINI	Karen Sanchez
Best Micro Orchette – Single Bloom		
Best Single – Single Bloom	RAEANN'S ALYXANDRIA	Kyle Cassidy
Best Mignon Single – Single Bloom	KELSEY DWARF	Tammy May
Best Novice Large – Single Bloom	HAMARI ACCORD	Kathi Lynch
Best Novice Small – Single Bloom	SANDIA BERTHA	Niki DuRocher
Best in Show by Form/Size – Three Bloom Entries		
Best AA – Three Bloom	WYN'S NEON DREAM	Kyle Cassidy
Best A – Three Bloom	CLEARVIEW EDIE	Todd Imhoff
Best B – Three Bloom	SYLVIA CRAIG HUNTER	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best BB – Three Bloom	COORABELL ZOE	Warren Vigor
Best Miniature – Three Bloom	ROSE TOSCANO	Kyle Cassidy
Best Micro – Three Bloom		
Best Ball – Three Bloom	CORNEL BRONZE	Christine Tareen
Best Miniature Ball – Three Bloom	FERNCLIFF SPICE	Roger Vanhaisma
Best Pom Pon – Three Bloom	LITTLE SCOTTIE	Sybil Aukerman
Best Stellar – Three Bloom	RIVER'S PR PINWHEEL	Kyle Cassidy
Best Micro Stellar – Three Bloom		
Best Waterlily – Three Bloom		
Best Micro Waterlily – Three Bloom	SUITZUS JULIE	Larry Smith
Best Double Novelty – Three Bloom	VALLEY PORCUPINE	Kyle Cassidy
Best Micro Double Novelty – Three Bloom		
Best Peony – Three Bloom		
Best Micro Peony – Three Bloom	ELVIRA	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best Anemone – Three Bloom		
Best Micro Anemone – Three Bloom		
Best Novelty Disc Center – Three Bloom		
Best Micro Novelty Disc Center – Three Bloom		
Best Collarette – Three Bloom	SEEDLING	Missy Weitzel
Best Micro Collarette – Three Bloom	KELSEY MOLLY	Kyle Cassidy

Best Orchid – Three Bloom	SB'S STAR	Sherree Kneller
Best Micro Orchid – Three Bloom	U2 ANIA	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best Orchette – Three Bloom	RAEANN'S ANTARES	Kyle Cassidy
Best Micro Orchette – Three Bloom		
Best Single – Three Bloom	APOPA SKY	Kyle Cassidy
Best Mignon Single – Three Bloom	LO - CLARA	Larry Smith
Best Novice Large – Three Bloom	CLEARVIEW EDIE	Sharon Stroh
Best Novice Small – Three Bloom	CORNEL BRONZE	McKensey Miller
Section I – Youth		
Best Youth Large	BLOOMQUIST PLEASING	Maxwell Ball
Best Youth Small	ELVIRA	Rosie Fontes
Section J – Multiple Bloom Entries		
Best Section J-1 (AA–A)	VERDA	Jim Chuey
Best Section J-2 (B)	EDNA C	Claire Wragg
Best Section J-3 (BB)	COLLEEN MOONEY	Robin Anderson
Best Section J-4 (Min, Ba, Mba, Pom)	20TH AVE & BAKER ROAD	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best Section J-5 (PE, AN, NO, CO, O, OT, S, MS)	KELSEY BETELGEUSE	Kyle Cassidy
Best Section J-6 (Stellar, WL, NX)	SANDIA BLISS	Tammy May
Best Section J-7 (All Micros)	LO - STAR	Kyle Cassidy
Sections L–N – Flower of the Year, Farmers Market Bunch, ADS Bench		
Flower of the Year – Clearview Jonas	CLEARVIEW JONAS	Russell Propst
Flower of the Year – Baron Aunt Dorothy	BARON AUNT DOROTHY	Steve Kuiper (K&W Dahlia)
Best Farmers Market Bunch	CORNEL BRONZE	Mona Banta
Best ADS Seedling Evaluation	JACKIE'S PARFAIT	Chris Bryant
Section O – Artistic Design (The Great Lakes State)		
Best Arrangement – Class O-1 Michigan – The State of Two Peninsulas	N/A	Philip Merritt
Best Arrangement – Class O-2 Michigan's Coastline	N/A	Melonie Ice
Best Arrangement – Class O-3 Michigan's Forests	N/A	Sherri Snyder
Best Arrangement – Class O-4 Michigan Agriculture	N/A	Christine Tareen
Best Arrangement – Class O-5 Tribute to Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park	N/A	Teddi Nankervis
Best Arrangement – Class O-6 Novice Designer's Tribute to Frederik Meijer Gardens	N/A	Ksenia Clark
Best Arrangement – Class O-7 Youth Design	N/A	Nathaniel Hinson
Best Overall Arrangement of Show	N/A	Philip Merritt
Section P – Midwest Conference Classes		
Best Midwest Origination – Single	JACKIE'S LIMONCELLO	Joanne Jepsen
Best Midwest Origination – Triple	JACKIE'S RED DEVIL	Sherree Kneller
Section Q – Photography		
Best Photograph – Q-1 Single Bloom	N/A	Kathleen Walters
Best Photograph – Q-2 Multiple Bloom	N/A	Robin Anderson
Best Photograph – Q-3 Close Up View	N/A	Andrea Paradesi
Best Photograph – Q-4 Dahlias in the Garden	N/A	Rachel Barrick
Best Photograph – Q-5 Dahlias at Sunrise or Sunset	N/A	Shannon Watson
Best Photograph – Q-6 Worm's Eye / Bird's Eye View	N/A	Robin Anderson
Best Photograph – Q-7 Creative/Artistic Expression	N/A	Rachel Barrick
Best Overall Photograph (Close Up View)	N/A	Andrea Paradesi
Largest Bloom of Show		
Largest Bloom of Show	ZORRO	Chris Bryant
Section K – Sponsored & Memorial Awards		
K-101 Marcella Louise (Jim Chuey)	MARCELLA LOUISE	Jeff Miner
K-102 Carl (Jim Chuey)	CARL	Randy Foith
K-103 Marcella Louise (Anonymous)	MARCELLA LOUISE	Jeff Miner
K-104 Carl (Anonymous)	CARL	Randy Foith
K-105 Skipley Spot of Gold (Friends of Michelle Carter)	SKIPLEY SPOT OF GOLD	Joanne Jepsen
K-106 Jo Jo's Morphette (Jo Jepsen)	JO JO'S MORPHETTE	Joanne Jepsen
K-107 Nikitas Meggos (Steve Meggos)	NIKITAS MEGGOS	Lisa Soto
K-108 Hart's Bonnie (Andrea Strach)	HART'S BONNIE	Andrea Strach
K-109 Best Clearview Introduction (Christine Tareen & Chris Bryant)	Clearview Janet	Emma Campbell
K-110 Shiloh Noelle (Charles Phelps)	SHILOH NOELLE	Joanne Jepsen
K-111 Best Zorro (Lily Ann Seipel)	ZORRO	Chris Bryant
K-112 Rejman's Polish Kid (Steve & Sandy Boley, Birch Bay Dahlias)	REJMAN'S POLISH KID	Emma Campbell
K-113 Clearview Irene (Vicki Burrell)		No Entries
K-114 Floating Waterlily (Lil Eitnearn)	WATERLILY	Lillie Eitnearn
K-115 Wild Side Sven (Kate Edin)		No Entries
K-116 Best River's Introduction (Jan & Renee Lower)	Rivers Little Scottie	Melissa Koenig
K-117 Triple Badger Twinkle (Jerry & Marian Landerholm)	BADGER TWINKLE	Tammy May
K-118 I Love Lucy Bloom (Russell & Lucy Propst)	I LOVE LUCY	Russell Propst

K-119 1st Year Seedling (Chris Bryant)
K-120 Baron Ron Bloom (Central States Dahlia Society)
K-121 Best Manor Introduction (Family of S. McQuithy "Mac" Boyer)
K-122 River's Can't Elope Bloom (Willow Lane Flower Farm)
K-123 Best Boeke "Bo" Introduction (ADS)
K-124 Best Novice Arrangement (Kathy Stevenson)
K-125 Best Youth Bloom (Dennie & Louie Houseman)
K-126 Best Market Bunch (Michelle Marcho-Kennedy, Hill Farms)
K-127 Best Triple Bloom Entry in Show (Washington State Dahlia Society)
K-128 Best Collarette of Show (Rochester Dahlia Society)

SEEDLING
BARON RON
MANOR SUNSET
RIVER'S CAN'T ELOPE
BO-DE-O
N/A
ELVIRA
CORNEL BRONZE
WYN'S NEON DREAM
BARON AUNT DOROTHY

Robin Anderson
Lisa Soto
Rusty Ritchie
Joni Debie
Barbara Gearin
Ksenia Clark
Rosie Fontes
Mona Banta
Kyle Cassidy
Steve Kuiper