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Horticulture winner declared at 2024 event

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 12, 2024) – The winners in the Florida Strawberry Festival’s Plant City Garden Club Horticulture Show were selected last week.

The horticulture show is divided into three divisions of competition: junior gardeners, intermediate gardeners and adult gardeners. Each entry in the competition is on display all 11 days of the Festival in the Neighborhood Village building.

In the adult gardeners division, Lu Thompson won best in show and Kailee Roach won best in show hanging. Jan Griffin won the bromeliad award and the succulent award; Kristie Brewington won the cactus award; Summer Sweeney won the orchid award; Mary Hinson won the dish garden award and Donna Harmon won the fairy garden award. Mary Collins, Linda Stott, Jan Griffin, Sue Dennis and Kailee Roach won awards of merit.

In the intermediate gardeners division, Dylan Brewington won best in show, the dish garden award and cactus award; Daliah Guerrero won best in show hanging; Lily Sanchez- Espinoza won the succulent award; Jalane Baker- Espinosa won the terrarium award and Yareli Hernandez won the fairy garden award. Jaylene Estrada, Dylan Brewington and Colby Brewington won awards of merit.

In the junior gardeners division, Aubrey Sweeney won best in show and Daisy Posada won best in show hanging. Alyssa Langley won the bromeliad award; Bryce Moriarty won the succulent award; Briar Lily Coen won the cactus award and Annisa Dawson won the terrarium award. Sedrick King, Shosanna Pearsall and Elizabeth Wormley won awards of merit.

About the Florida Strawberry Festival

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, over 600,000 visitors enjoy the festival’s headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2025 Florida Strawberry Festival will take place February 27 – March 9 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram and X (#berryfest25).

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