The American Daffodil Society presents its 2023 National Show, a Standard Flower Show ~ in cooperation with National Garden Clubs, and The Garden Club of Georgia
March 10-11, 2023

Crowne Plaza® Atlanta Perimeter at Ravinia
4355 Ashford Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA 30346
We trust the above floor plan of the main level of The Ravinia Hotel will be helpful to get you oriented on ‘the trail’. The ADS National Show will be held in Ravinia B C and D. Ravinia E F and G will be the Show workroom for preparation of entries. Just prior to judging, as all entries close, the air walls will be pulled for Ravinia E F and G. F and G will be reset for theater seating, in preparation for the 4P first awards ceremony on FRI MAR 10th. Ravinia rooms E and A will be reserved for show storage. The Ravinia Ballroom is beautifully illuminated and has soaring 18’ ceilings. All meal events will be in Dunwoody Suite. The Ravinia Pre Function area will host the National Daffodil Photography Show, the commercial bulb grower’s trade stands, other commercial vendor exhibits, the Show Ambassador’s Table, and more. The Daffodil Boutique, benefitting the Georgia Daffodil Society, will be located in the Ashford Room, which is the small, square shaped, unlabeled room that sits right off the Pre Function area, between Ravinia G and Dunwoody Suite.

Show set up and entries will take place on WED March 8th and THURS March 9th. Entries for all Show divisions will **CLOSE as of 8A on FRI morning, MAR 10th.** In preparation for judging, the Show Floor will be cleared for all ~ with the exception of essential Show Committee personnel. A Judges and Clerks Coffee will begin @ 8A in Dunwoody Suite on FRI MARCH 10th - with judging commencing promptly @ 9A. ALL judging will be completed no later than 12:30P. A Judges and Clerks Luncheon will begin no later than 12:30P. The Show will open to the public for viewing, no later than 2:00P, and we hope - much sooner!

The 2023 American Daffodil Society (ADS) National Show will be a Standard Flower Show, in cooperation with National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC), The Garden Club of Georgia, Inc. (GCG), and other GCG Districts and Flower Show Judges Councils. The Show will be evaluated by a three person judging panel of very experienced NGC Flower Show Judges (FSJ) (and one will also be an ADS Accredited Judge). ADS will be applying for multiple awards for achievement, associated with the Show.

The Show will feature a Horticulture Division, an outstanding Design Division, and an Educational Division. We are working to recruit many Youth entries in Horticulture and Design. The schedule for the Design Division is currently being developed by a talented group of artistically gifted, and highly trained NGC floral designers. The Design Division will interpret *The Southeastern Daffodil Trail* theme with many challenging classes. The designs will all feature daffodils as the dominant floral component. The Design Division will add beauty and artistic creativity to our ADS National Show! The Show will be visually stunning, dazzling, and memorable!
THE 2023 ADS NATIONAL SHOW ~
AND STANDARD FLOWER SHOW
COMMITTEE LIST ~ TO DATE:

The Show Ambassadors Team: will welcome visitors and assist persons wishing to enter their daffodils ~ perhaps as first time exhibitors. They will answer questions and be a resource center. This Team is Co-Chaired by Molly and Kennon Hampton, TN. Team Members identified to date are: Deana Kozak, MD Kate & Mitch Carney, MD Mary Malavase, MA Sara Kinne, IN Sheila & Michael Berrigan, MN Sandy & Keith Kridler, TX Colette & Dwight Curtis, KY Kathy Welsh, VA Gale Thomas, GA. Help us welcome our two newest Show Ambassadors: David and Janie Vaughan, VA! (we will be adding more enthusiastic and friendly folks to work a two hour shift ~ starting mid day on THURS MAR 9th, on FRI MAR 10th, and throughout the day on SAT MAR 11th)

The Big Bang Bloom Team is chaired by ADS member and AJ, and NGC FSJ, JoAnn Jones, GA. This team will provide all the extra daffodil blooms possible, for the use of the artistic designers in the Design Div - and for Convention meal event table decorations. Design Div exhibitors will coordinate with Chair JoAnn, to procure daffodil blooms for use in their designs. Team members thus far are: Dr Susan Goodman, GA Bonnie Campbell, GA Carolyn Hawkins, GA Betsy Abrams, GA Paula Karrh, GA. We need all the extra blooms you have! Bring extras, please! If you would like to be a member of this Team, let Jaydee know!

Show IT Support Team: Kirby Fong, CA (ADS AJ) and Lynn Slackman, IL (ADS AJ)

Commercial Growers Trade Stands/Exhibits: Dianne Bowditch, NY (ADS AJ)

*Abbreviations below for credentials:
American Daffodil Society, Inc. Accredited Judge (ADS AJ)
National Garden Clubs, Inc. Accredited Flower Show Judge (NGC FSJ)
Garden Club of America Accredited Flower Show Judge (GCA AJ)

HORTICULTURE - DIVISION I

Horticulture Div Team: is led by Lynn Ladd, TN (ADS AJ) Team members are Tom Stettner, OH (ADS AJ) Stacey Wilson, TN (ADS AJ) Diane Cockerham, TN. (ADS AJ)

Horticulture Div Classification and Placement Team: led by Kirby Fong, CA, (ADS AJ) Team members are Ben Blake (ADS AJ) and Nancy Tackett, CA (ADS AJ)

Horticulture Major Awards Management: Horticulture Div Team Members and Nancy Tackett & Ben Blake

Horticulture Div Judges Chair: Glenna Graves, VA (ADS AJ) Kirby Fong, CA (ADS AJ) will conduct Final Judging

Horticulture Div Clerks Chair: Becky Fox Matthews, TN (ADS AJ)
Horticulture Div Signage:  Jaydee Atkins Ager, GA (ADS AJ)

Horticulture Staging and Properties Team:  led by Ross Hornsby, AL
Team members are Allen Haas, NC  Mitch Carney, MD (ADS AJ)

The Horticulture Division Awards Team is chaired by ADS Awards National Chair, Margaret Macneale, MN. Working with Margaret on this team, handling tabulation are Bonnie Campbell, GA (ADS AJ) Lynn Slackman, IL (ADS AJ) Diane Cockerham, TN (ADS AJ)  Pam Hardy, MO

Horticulture Div Youth Entries Recruitment:  Susan Turner, GA (NGC FSJ)
Molly Kimler, GA  Karen Caldwell, GA ~ with entries assistance from Bill Carter, WA (ADS AJ)


ADS National Show Trophies Transportation:  Jane & David Vaughan, VA

Onsite ADS Trophies Steward:  Deana Kozak, MD (ADS AJ)

Publicity and P/R Chairs for the Convention and National Show:  
Lindsay Long, GA   Greg Freeman, SC (ADS AJ)

Diversity of Daffodils Exhibit:  Karen Cogar, VA (ADS AJ)

Photography of the National Show:  Kirby Fong, CA   Tom Stettner, OH
Photography of award winners in all Divisions, and of the overall Show

Preparation and application for all awards for the Show to NGC and GCG:  
Jaydee Atkins Ager, GA  (ADS AJ)  Joy Zaidan, GA (NGC FSJ)

‘The Daffodil Discovery Zone’ Youth Activities:  Mary Malavase, MA (ADS AJ)

DESIGN - DIVISION II:

Chair of Design, Education and Youth:  Lisa Robinson, MI (ADS AJ and NGC FSJ)

Design Div Schedule Approval:  Joy Zaidan, GA (NGC FSJ)

Design Div Creative Consultant:  Marsha Pirkle Webb, GA (NGC FSJ - Emeritus)

Design Div Judges:  Joy Zaidan, GA (NGC FSJ)

Design Div Youth Entries Recruitment:  Susan Turner, GA (NGC FSJ)   Molly Kimler, GA  Karen Caldwell, GA

Design Div Properties & Staging:  Diane Hunter, GA (NGC FSJ)
Co-Chair:  Kendra Boyer, GA (NGC FSJ)
Design Div Signage: Jaydee Atkins Ager, GA (ADS AJ)

Design Div Clerks: Ann Purr, GA

Design Div Awards: Bettye Trankina, GA (NGC FSJ Emeritus)

Design Div Entries: Janet McGinnis, GA (NGC FSJ)

Design Div Schedule Writing Team: led by Lisa Robinson, MI
Diane Hunter, GA  Joy Zaidan, GA  Susan Turner, GA
Consultant, Marsha Pirkle Webb, GA

Design Classes Consultants - pending

ADS National Show ~ Standard Flower Show Educational Exhibits - Division III:
Greg Freeman, SC Entries and Consultant (ADS AJ)

Design Div Hostess Chairman: Gale Thomas, GA
(Member of Show Ambassador Team)

2023 ADS National Show Chair: Jaydee Atkins Ager, GA (ADS AJ)

2023 ADS National Convention Chair: Darrin Ellis-May, GA (ADS AJ)

ADS National President (2022-2024) Dr. Janet Hickman, VA (ADS AJ)

Information and news updates from The ADS National Show:
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Fundraising for the Show continues! We recognize and thank Elizabeth and Don Chandler of Atlanta, GA for their generous donation at the $1000 level. We await responses from two other applications for financial support. A grant application for $5000 is almost ready for submission. If you, or anyone you know is willing to be a benefactor for the Show, or if you have knowledge of corporate support or grant opportunities, please let Jaydee Atkins Ager know. ADS is a 501 c 3 nonprofit organization and contributions are tax deductible. Financial support for the Show is vital, solicited ~ and most appreciated!
The Exquisite ADS National Show Trophies will be displayed at the 2023 National Show in Atlanta!

The trophy collection was displayed in 2004 at the 50th Anniversary ADS Convention in Washington, DC. The collection has only been seen twice since that time.

The Collection will be prominently displayed in the Showroom in the Ravinia Ballroom.

Much appreciation is expressed to ADS members Jane and David Vaughan of VA, for their willingness to safely transport our trophy collection ~ south and north!

Kathy Welsh of VA, is the ADS Trophy Steward. Deana Kozak (ADS AJ), of Cambridge, MD, the ADS Middle Atlantic Region RVP, has been recruited to be the onsite Trophy Steward while the collection is on display in Atlanta. Deana will be organizing a ‘Polishing Party’ in Atlanta - to make the silver gleam!

To learn more fascinating info concerning the ADS National Show trophies and awards, see this ADS website page:

We are delighted to announce The ADS 2023 National Daffodil Photography Show in Atlanta!

National Photography Show Chair, Teri Carter, is working on a schedule. Convention Chair, Darrin Ellis-May, is busy recruiting a local Chair and working on the Photography Show logistics. Please remember that the ADS National Daffodil Photography Show will be an independent, separate event - and not a part or division of the ADS National Show. The Photography Show will have its own schedule, rules and judges. Further announcements are coming soon!
BEHIND THE SCENES NEWS:
‘Trail Maintenance’ ~ is underway!

The cooperation of the ADS Southeastern Region ~ to produce an outstanding National Show in 2023, is happening this Summer and Fall! We are grateful to all that are helping on these most necessary tasks!

In mid JUN, Ross Hornsby (Chair of HORT DIV Properties & Staging), of AL, hit the trail to Georgia - to view the Ravinia Hotel venue, along with Convention Chair, Darrin Ellis-May, and Jaydee Atkins Ager, National Show Chair. A weekend ‘work party’ was held to clean, check, inventory and mark all the properties of The Georgia Daffodil Society (GDS). New storage boxes were acquired. See the adjacent image and notice the stored tubes are all marked on the bottom with permanent white paint dots. All GDS blocks are marked with a permanent painted silver G. Ross Hornsby will be making some new collection staging blocks, and getting us squared away on test tubes that fit properly.

The Middle Tennessee Daffodil Society (MTDS) has already held its ‘work party’ and took care of the very necessary task of uniquely marking all their blocks and tubes. Soon, their Show properties will be arriving in Georgia, ready for the big dance next MAR in Atlanta at The Ravinia Hotel.

The East Tennessee Daffodil Society (ETDS) will be holding their soiree to clean, paint, sort, mark, inventory, and check for test tubes fitting properly - this coming Fall. We suspect this work party may be in connection with a University of Tennessee televised football game! We are guessing they are going to mark their properties with the color orange, for their beloved Tennessee Volunteers. The ETDS folks will bring their Show properties when they come south on the I-75 trail to Atlanta - for the Convention and National Show.

All this collective effort to get prepared ~ will be time well spent as we stage our Show, and also when we take it down. The unique ‘branding’ from each local Society, should make for a swift tear down process on SAT evening MAR 11th, after dinner. We will do our very best to make sure each Society gets back their individual properties in good shape!
The ADS National Show Youth News Update:

We have an experienced three person team working on recruiting youth participation in the Horticulture and Design Divisions of the National Show, and in the separate Daffodil Photography Show. We needed someone to provide hands on help with Youth Horticulture entries. That unique someone needed to be enthusiastic and knowledgable. We reached out to Bill Carter, of Ferndale, WA. Bill is currently serving as the ADS RVP for the Western Region - and - he is a new ADS AJ! We loved Bill’s answer when we asked him! Bill responded, ‘I'd LOVE to help the kiddos get their daffs entered! The more the merrier!’

The Show Design Division schedule writers have some wonderful and clever - age appropriate classes - planned for our youth competitors!

Announcing the: **Daffodil Discovery Zone!** at the National Show ~ just for youth! Overseen by Mary Malavase, MA - our ADS Youth Chair, we will offer an activity area for kids to create a take home daffodil project made with cupcake liners, color a daffodil page, and more!
THE DIVERSITY OF DAFFODILS EXHIBIT:  We are so very pleased to announce that Karen Cogar, VA (ADS AJ) - will produce a fabulous display which will introduce all to the amazing variety of daffodils! This display will be placed near the Show Ambassador’s Table ~ and will be an educational tool. Ambassadors can begin their tours at this special exhibit, before accompanying our guests into the Ravinia Ballroom - where the National Show awaits.

THE SOUTHEASTERN DAFFODIL TRAIL STATE FLAGS DISPLAY ~ IN THE RAVINIA PRE FUNCTION AREA:

To celebrate, as we cordially welcome you ~ the five States which compose the ADS Southeast Region, will stage a special display of the (L-R) American flag, along with the State flags of Tennessee, Florida, Georgia, Alabama, and South Carolina. The 3’ x 5’ flags will be featured on upright wooden flag poles on bases, and displayed near the Show Ambassadors Table. We think the colorful exhibit will make a great spot for a photo op! We appreciate the following for being responsible for bringing their State’s flag to be featured in this visual display:

American Flag - Ravinia Hotel       Tennessee - Lynn Ladd       Florida - Sara VanBeck
Georgia - Jayde Atkins Ager       Alabama - Ross Hornsby       South Carolina - Greg Freeman
We cordially invite and welcome you to the Southeast Region of ADS ~ with our famous Southern Hospitality! Our regional pride is on display as we present to you:

THE LOCAL COLLECTION CLASSES

The ADS National Show allows up to three additional classes for 'local' awards. For this National Show, we have opted to offer three classes that are pertinent to the ADS Southeast Region, and honoring the three local societies within the Region, The East Tennessee Daffodil Society (ETDS), The Middle Tennessee Daffodil Society (MTDS), and The Georgia Daffodil Society (GDS). These classes are open to ALL EXHIBITORS. The local Societies were asked to develop a collection of five different standard daffodils ~ which have a special connection to their State or area, and to also promulgate a highly desirable award ~ that compliments their collection choice. All three classes have received the necessary stamp of approval from ADS National Awards Chair, Margaret Macneale, MN and ADS President, Janet Hickman, VA.

The ETDS class: Dreams of an Appalachian Sunset
A collection of five different standard daffodils of any division - with a white perianth and orange in the cup. Please note this is a slight variation from the original announcement of a a W-O color code. The award will be an original oil painting by artist Lynn Ladd - of daffodils, in the landscape of the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. Lynn is already working on her painting!

The MTDS class: The Music City ~ Dick Frank Collection
Five different standard musical-themed cultivars. The winner will receive an original framed watercolor portrait of a daffodil by Nashville artist, Becky Fox Matthews.

The GDS class: The Georgia on My Mind Gold Collection - A collection of five different standard golden yellow daffodils ~ that are all color coded Y-Y ~ representing the gold dome of Georgia’s iconic State Capitol in Atlanta. The winning collection will receive a flame worked glass daffodil from Atlanta’s famous artisan, Hans Godo Frabel. www.frabelglass.com
Please keep this info for your reference. This is TRAIL NOTES NEWSLETTER #2.

See you on the trail to Atlanta folks!