



AWARD OF LANDSCAPE MERIT

Judges Scorecard

Cultivar Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Judge's Name: _____

Judge's scoring eligibility checklist:

- _____ Nominated cultivar was observed to maturity with side buds present.
- _____ Observations are made on plants grown under recommended fertility, moisture and grooming.
- _____ Observations are made on plants absent mechanical support and seed pods deadheaded.
- _____ Observed after storm or adverse weather event.

Bush, 32 points maximum	Points
<u>Stems</u> do not snap or fall to ground	up to 10
<u>Shape</u> Retains natural growth shape, no extra drooping with flowers	up to 4
<u>Symmetrical</u> bush at maturity	up to 4
<u>Density</u> of foliage and foliage distribution is attractive	up to 4
<u>Color</u> of foliage is vibrant & healthy; leaf form is uniform and attractive	up to 4
<u>Distortions</u> rare (bending, twisting, veg. freeze damage, etc.)	up to 6
Subtotal, Bush 32 points maximum	

Flowering, 33 points maximum	Points
<u>Reliable</u> , typical flowering year to year, no freeze-damaged blossoms or very rare	up to 10
<u>Substance</u> of petals is good & enables flowers to withstand heat, wind, rain, and extends life of flower	up to 8
<u>Bloom</u> is abundant, flowers on most or all stems	up to 8
<u>Placement</u> of flowers and carriage enhance display	up to 4
<u>Self-Clean</u> spent flowers	up to 3
Subtotal, Flowering 33 points maximum	

Growth and Vigor, 25 points maximum	Points
<u>Vigorous</u> , strong growth	up to 10
Good rate of <u>Increase</u> supports early establishment in <u>Landscape</u>	up to 5
Vigor and <u>Increase</u> supports <u>Commercial</u> production	up to 4
<u>Appearance</u> of foliage maintained throughout season; above average resistance to fungi	up to 6
Subtotal, Growth and Vigor 25 points maximum	

Distinction, 10 points maximum in total	Points
<u>Exceptional Flowering</u> display for its "week" of Flowering	up to 10
<u>Extended Period</u> of flowering	up to 10
<u>Early Flowering</u> for its typical flower fullness	up to 10
<u>Spring or Fall Color</u> of stems and foliage notable	up to 10
<u>Adverse Climate</u> performs reliably in adverse climates	up to 10
<u>Unusual Colors</u> (e.g. Lois' Choice)	up to 10
<u>Exceptional Bush</u> appearance midseason and later	up to 10
<u>Distinct Habit</u> of plant or foliage adds landscape value	up to 10
<u>Other</u> (specify):	up to 10
Subtotal, Distinction 10 points maximum in total	

TOTAL SCORE THIS JUDGE