

Grooming A Daylily For Show Exhibit



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Cherished Memories Daylilies



How to Groom A Daylily For Show Exhibit



- **Step 1** - Scape Selection
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- **Step 3** - Transporting To The Show
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Step 1 - Scape Selection



Step 1 - Scape Selection

1. Look carefully at the scape to ensure scape is not brown or marred.

2. Select a scape that has a bloom that should open for the show.

3. Select a daylily that has had very few blooms.

4. A daylily on it's first bloom the day of the show is ideal.



HINT: Look for a straight scape. This example has a crooked scape



Step 1 - Scape Selection

1. Look at daylilies which exhibit high bud count.

2. Note bud placement.
HINT: Other buds should not impede the open bloom.



Step 1 - Scape Selection



Do not select a scape with over 3 scars (spent blooms)



Step 1 - Scape Selection

Summary of helpful hints:

- Check scape condition
- Look for scapes with low scarring (spent blooms)
- Select a straight scape
- Look for blooms that will open show day
- High bud count and good branching should score well



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape



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Gather necessary grooming tools.

- Small paint brushes to remove loose pollen
- Pruners to cut the scape
- Exacto type tool to trim spent scape area
- Small sharp scissors
- Extra pen.



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape

Tip:

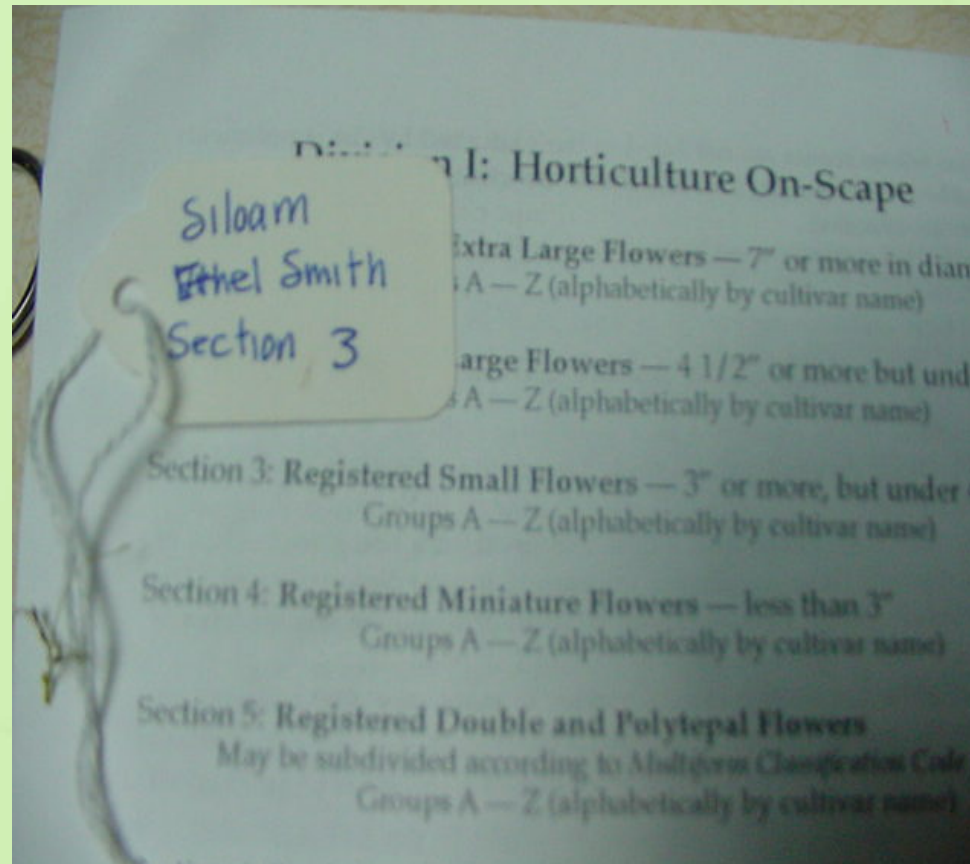
- Create a grooming kit which you can store from year to year. Place all grooming tools in this kit.



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape

Mark each scape with:

- Small string tag.
- List daylily name
- Section number this daylily will be entered in at the show.
- **NOTE:** Refer to show booklet to view Section numbers.



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape

Tip:

- Refer to the AHS website to ensure which Section a daylily should be entered in. Do not use reference books. IE: Eureka.



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape

Step 1 - Grooming

Clean the scape with a damp cloth.

Look at all buds on the scape and carefully wipe down any spots.



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This will be
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Step 2 - Grooming

Any scar marks will need to be cleanly trimmed to remove the brown.

If you select and groom your scapes the evening before the show, you will need to re-trim this area before entering your show flower.



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape

Step 2 - Grooming

Continue to
remove all
brown



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There is no need to remove any small green leaves, if they do not have any brown on them. If there is brown present, remove them.



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape

Step 2 - Grooming

Here is an example of a groomed scape. The brown small leaf was removed using a fingernail.



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape

Step 2 - Grooming

Here is the
groomed scape



Step 2 - Preparing The Show Scape

Step 2 - Grooming

Here is the
groomed scape



Step 3 - Transporting To The Show



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How to Transport to the show.

- A stable container to transport the flowers to the show is a necessity.

•Step one:

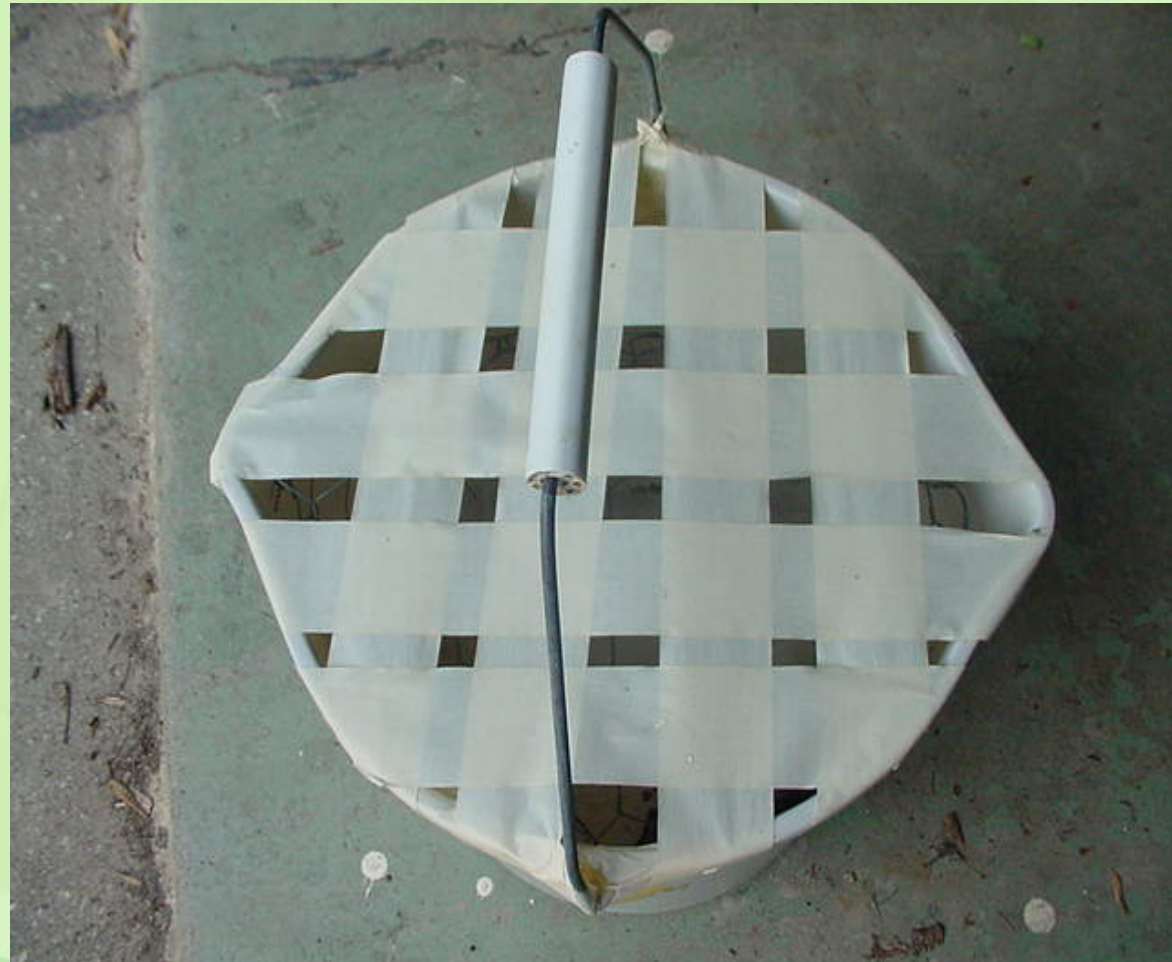
- Cut some chicken wire and create a half moon circle. This will be placed in the bottom of a bucket, along with a small rock for weight so the bucket does not tip over.



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•Step two:

- Tape the handles upright.
- Next, create a tape grid, so daylily scapes will stay upright and away from others.



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•Step three:

•Place some water in the bottom of the bucket to ensure the scapes stay fresh.

•Load the buckets, hold your breath - drive slow - and you are on your way!



Step 4 - Entering The Exhibit



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How to enter the exhibit.

- Locate the show booklet.
- Each entry must have a entry form completed.

Division I: Horticulture On-Scape

Section 1: Registered Extra Large Flowers — 7" or more in diameter
Groups A — Z (alphabetically by cultivar name)

Section 2: Registered Large Flowers — 4 1/2" or more but under 7"
Groups A — Z (alphabetically by cultivar name)

Section 3: Registered Small Flowers — 3" or more, but under 4 1/2"
Groups A — Z (alphabetically by cultivar name)

Section 4: Registered Miniature Flowers — less than 3"
Groups A — Z (alphabetically by cultivar name)

Section 5: Registered Double and Polytepal Flowers
May be subdivided according to *Multiform Classification Code for Shows*
Groups A — Z (alphabetically by cultivar name)

Section 6: Registered Spider Flowers — Spider ratio 4.0:1 or greater
May be subdivided according to *Multiform Classification Code for Shows*

Step 4 - Entering The Exhibit

Filling Out the entry form.

- Each section will need to be completed.

- **HINT:** To make it easier, bring plenty of pre-printed name and address labels.

The image shows two forms for the American Hemerocallis Society (AHS). The top form is partially filled out and has a magnifying glass over the 'Entry Number' field. The bottom form is blank.

Top Form:

Entry Number: _____

American Hemerocallis Society

Division _____ Section _____ Group _____ Class _____

Cultivar: _____



AHS Member: Yes _____ No _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

AHS	Rosette	Purple	1st	2nd	3rd	Hon. Mention	Special	Special

Bottom Form:

American Hemerocallis Society

Division _____ Section _____ Group _____ Class _____

Cultivar: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____



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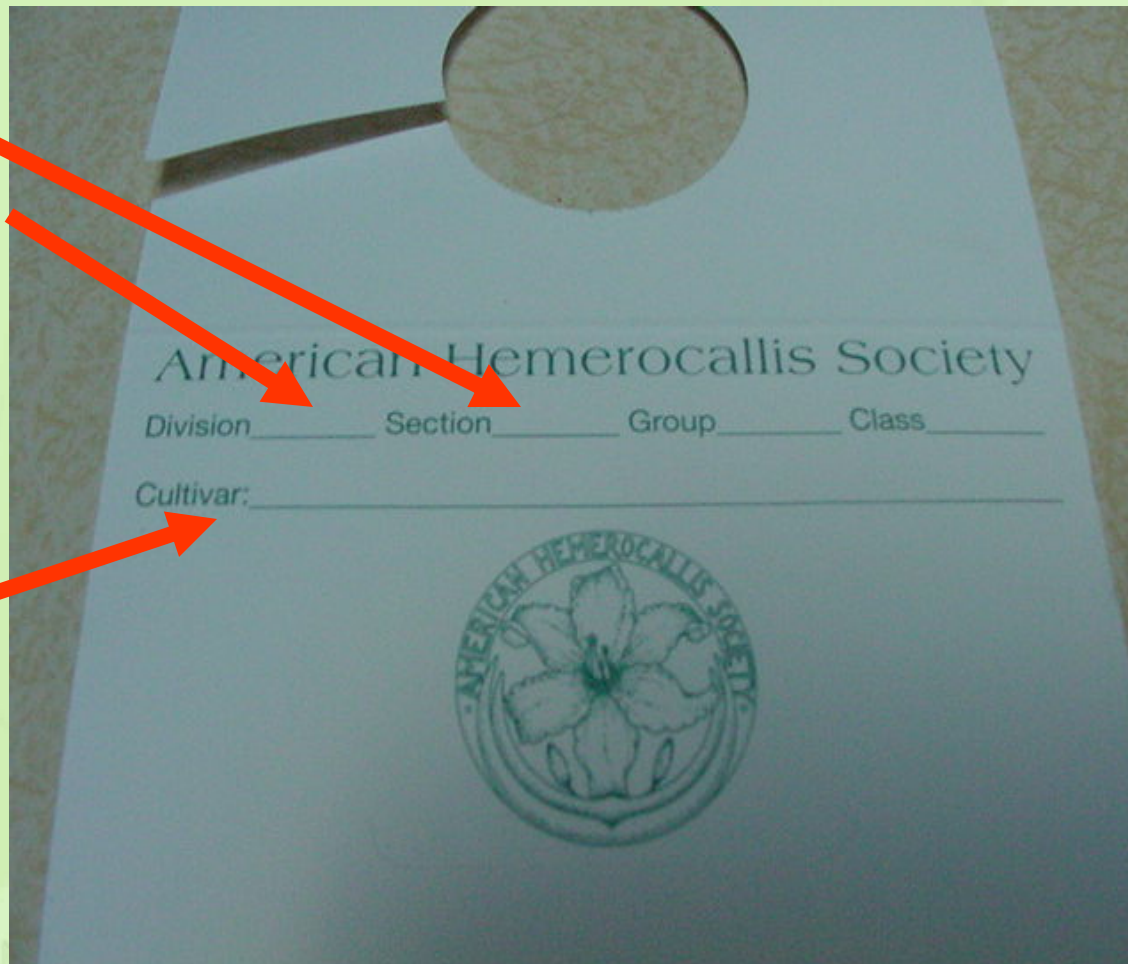
Filling Out
the entry
form.

• Top Section:

List the
Division Number
and the Section
Number of the
flower.

Next, list the
Cultivar name.

HINT: Only
registered
Cultivars may
be entered for
judging (with
the exception
of the seedling
classification)



American Hemerocallis Society

Division _____ Section _____ Group _____ Class _____

Cultivar: _____

The form is titled "American Hemerocallis Society" and contains fields for "Division", "Section", "Group", "Class", and "Cultivar". Red arrows point from the text on the left to these fields. A circular logo of the American Hemerocallis Society is visible at the bottom of the form.

Step 4 - Entering The Exhibit


Filling Out
the entry
form.

• Middle
Section:

Mark AHS
Member.

List your name
and address

Division _____ Section _____ Group _____ Class _____
Cultivar: _____



AHS Member: Yes _____ No _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

AHS Rosette Purple 1st 2nd 3rd Hon. Mention Special Special

Step 4 - Entering The Exhibit

Filling Out
the entry
form.

• Bottom
Section:

Copy the
information
from the top
section onto
the bottom
section of the
entry form.

AHS	Rosette	Purple	1st	2nd	3rd	Hon. Ment	Specie	Specia

American Hemerocallis Society

Division _____ Section _____ Group _____ Class _____

Cultivar: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Step 4 - Entering The Exhibit

Filling Out
the entry
form.

Fold up the
bottom section
of entry form
so only the top
section will be
visible.

American Hemerocallis Society
Division 1 Section 3 Group _____ Class _____
Cultivar: Siloam Ethel Smith

Entry Number: _____ (show use only) Collection _____ of _____

AHS Rosette	Purple	Blue	Red	Yellow	White	Special	Special

Step 4 - Entering The Exhibit

Completed Entry Form.

Attach entry form to the daylily scape.

Entry Number: _____
(show use only)

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AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

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Collection _____ of _____

AMERICAN HEMEROCALLIS SOCIETY

AHS Rosette Purple Blue Red Yellow White Special Special



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Horticulture Scale Of Points

•Review point system listed in the show brochure.

Novice Award. The Ohio Horticulture Society will award a monetary prize for the Design Division Tricolor and Designer's Choice winners (Division IV, Sections 1 and 2.)
entry by a novice exhibitor, Division I, Sections 1 through 10.)
Horticulture Rule 10.)
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	On-Scape Registered Cultivars	On-Scape Seedlings
Distinction	—	25
Flower	10	10
Color	10	10
Form	10	10
Texture	10	10
Substance	10	—
Size of flower	10	—
Scape	15	10
Height and strength	10	10
Buds	10	10
Branching	10	10
Condition and Grooming	15	5
Condition	—	—
Total	100	100

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Helpful Hints



- **Scape Selection:**
 - Clean straight scapes
 - Maximum of 3 - 4 scars
 - Look for high bud count and good branching
- **Entry form:**
 - Ensure division and section number is listed correctly.
 - Bring pre-printed name and address labels.
- **Grooming:**
 - Create a grooming kit
 - Clean scape and buds
 - Remove all brown.
 - Remove any buds that impede the open bloom.

HAVE FUN

