

EDUCATION PROGRAM

The education program is designed to encourage qualified speakers to travel to different affiliated societies to speak on various topics. An affiliated society may request one speaker per year by writing to their respective AHA District Rep.

Requests for speakers must be made BEFORE the event.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

A quarterly newsletter is the vehicle by which the services of the AHA are promoted to affiliates and individual members.

The newsletter is also used to facilitate exchange of information between affiliates and individuals of the Association. Anyone wishing to contribute articles or club information should contact one of the District Reps or Executive members.

DISTRICTS

The AHA has divided the province into "districts," each with a representative on the Board of Directors. District Representatives are a liaison between Affiliates and Individual members and the Board of Directors. Any Executive member or District Representative can tell you who your Representative is.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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 ${\bf Newsletter\ Editor-Emily\ Neis}$

Judging Schools/Judges for Affiliate Shows — Karen Berglund – 780-963-6575

Education Program —

Contact respective AHA District Rep

AHA Historian — Lorna McIlroy 780-814-7496

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THE AHA'S MISSION IS THE ADVANCEMENT AND PROMOTION OF HORTICULTURE IN ALBERTA.

OBJECTIVES

- ◆ To provide information to the gardening public
- ◆ To support horticulture education
- ◆ To recognize outstanding contributions by individuals in the field of horticulture
- ◆ To support individual members and Affiliate clubs



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CONFERENCE

Our annual conference is one of the major activities of the Association. This function is held every year and it provides an exciting opportunity for everyone to increase their horticultural skills and to share ideas. It may be hosted by an Affiliate society and may be held anywhere within the province. The Annual General Meeting is held each spring before June 30th.

A.H.A. AFFILIATE BENCH SHOW ROSETTES

The AHA recognizes the importance of Affiliates hosting annual bench shows. The AHA will, upon request from an Affiliate, supply a deluxe rosette to be awarded to the winner of the most points in the Affiliate's show. Contact Bench Show Coordinator to request tags.

JUDGES PROGRAM

The AHA established an accreditation program for horticultural judges as a way of improving the quality of judging at shows. Judging Schools are held annually at locations around Alberta. Contact Karen Berglund.

The AHA provides Affiliated Societies with judges. Requests for judges must be made to Karen Berglund prior to the show.



JUDGING STANDARDS

The book "Judging and Exhibiting Standards," is a comprehensive guide to both exhibitor and judge alike in preparing, staging, entering, and judging horticultural shows. For a free digital copy of the manual, visit the AHA website and look under the Resources tab.

CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

The AHA has a membership class to suit everyone's interest in horticulture:

- Individual
- Affiliate (Horticulture and Gardening Clubs and Organizations)
- Commercial (Greenhouses, Retailers, etc.)
- Association (groups other than Affiliates)
- Institutions (schools, colleges, etc.)

ADVANTAGES OF AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP IN THE AHA

- Quarterly newsletter & other communication
- AHA Education program
- Sending delegates to vote at the AGM
- May nominate for AHA honors
- May request certified AHA judges for bench shows
- May request a Rosette donated by AHA for annual bench show



APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP IN THE AHA

(January 1 – December 31) 1-30 members = \$30; over 30 = \$1.00 for each additional member to a maximum total of \$75 Club Name President____ Secretary_____ Treasurer Name & Address of person to receive AHA correspondence Name _____ Address E-mail (based on membership on Number of Members Dec. 31 of previous calendar year) Fee enclosed (See above) Make cheques payable to Alberta Horticultural Association Mail to Sandra Murray - Treasurer

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