



Shrewsbury Flower Show
Friday 8th & Saturday 9th August 2025

QUARRY MARQUEE SHOW INFORMATION (Non-Competitive)

The closing date is Friday 25th April 2025

Email applications to info@shrewsburyflowershow.org.uk

If you have any queries, please call 01743 234055



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TROPHIES WITH PRIZE MONEY

The Edith Aveling Silver Cup for Finest Display - £300

The National Westminster Bank Trophy for 2nd Finest Display - £200

The Raymond Evison Millennium Trophy for the Most Innovative Display - £200

The William Adams Gold Cup for Finest Display Featuring Water - £200

The 1951 Silver Cup for Finest Display of Vegetables - £200

The Chamber of Commerce Cup for Finest Display of Fuchsias - £150

The E.C. Hughes Silver Cup for Finest Display of Roses - £150

The E.P. Everest Gold Chalice for Finest Display of Dahlias - £150

The Earl of Powis Cup for Finest Display of Chrysanthemums - £150

The Flora Statuette for Finest Display of Gladioli - £150

The Shrewsbury Cup for Finest Display of Hardy Plants and Flowers - £150

THE FOLLOWING TROPHIES ARE AWARDED ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE JUDGES FOR OUTSTANDING EXHIBITS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE ABOVE:

The Dingle Cup - £100

The Quarry Cup - £100

The R.H. Price Salver - £100

The Severn Bowl - £100

AWARDS

Large Gold Medal Award Card - £700

Gold Medal Award Card - £500

Silver Gilt Award Card - £350

Silver Award Card - £250

Important Show Information

Floral Chair

The floral chair is Rebecca Chew and is available to contact on 07939 102218 or mrsrchew@gmail.com

Site Build up

Quarry Marquee will be available to exhibitors from the Saturday preceding the Show.

Pre-Show Deliveries

All deliveries arriving on site must display the following:

- Contact Name
- Mobile Number
- Stand Number

All vehicles must be removed from the entrance of the Marquee as soon as they have finished unloading.

Vehicles may be parked up near the Marquee during set up only, as directed, but there is to **be no obstruction of exits/escape routes** and no part of the vehicle may be on the roadway.

Show Days and Times

Quarry Marquee stands to be open during these times:

Thursday: Members' Preview Evening 7.00pm – 9.00pm

Friday: 9:00am – 8:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Sell Off Time 4:00pm – 5:00pm (**Marquee 5pm close**)

Cancellation

In the event of a late cancellation, **please contact** the Office at the earliest opportunity, and endeavour to obtain a substitute exhibitor. There will be no refund of selling table payments.

Site Break Down

- Breakdown can start at 5.00pm if it is safe to do so.
- Vehicles will be allowed into the Showground for the breakdown (other than those already in situ behind Quarry Marquee) on the Saturday evening from 6.45pm and all stands to be cleared by midday Sunday 10th August 2025. Access to the Showground is via the Welsh Bridge. (Victoria Quay Gate - postcode: SY1 1HH "The Armoury").
- On the Saturday evening the Exit should be through the Piggott Gate onto St Chad's Terrace. This will be opened and manned from 5pm. If you need to exit from another gate you will have to wait until after the fireworks display has ended and the crowds have dispersed.

Exhibitors' Meals

Supper is provided on Thursday evening at 5.30pm. Your personal invitation is enclosed with this application form. Please confirm your attendance by Friday 1st August 2025. Please note: If you book and do not attend, we still have to pay for your meal, as we are charged for the number we order. Your help would be very much appreciated.

Members' Preview Evening

Quarry Marquee will be open for Members to preview the exhibits from Thursday 7pm – 9pm. Members will be invited to make purchases throughout the evening.

Judging, Prizes and Trophies

Judging:

- This will take place at 3pm on Thursday 7th August 2025.
- All Exhibitors must leave Quarry Marquee by 2.30pm on the Thursday.
- The Judges' decision will be FINAL.
- Trophies and medal cards will be awarded on the first morning of the Show except for the Edith Aveling Silver Cup and the National Westminster Bank Trophy which will be awarded during the Members' Preview Evening on Thursday 7th August 2025.

Prize Money:

Prize money will be paid by the end of September. Payment will only be made via BACs payment.

Large Gold £700; Gold £500; Silver Gilt £350; Silver £250

Trophy Returns:

- All trophies must be signed out and back in at the Secretary's Tent by Saturday 6pm.
- All trophies removed from the Showground must be returned to the Show Office by the 1st June 2025 at the latest.
- The trophies MUST BE insured by the Exhibitor's own insurance as per the amount stated on the signing out sheet as the Exhibitors are responsible for the trophies whilst they are in their possession.

Concerns:

Any concerns regarding the judging or awards of prizes must be made in writing, addressed to the Floral Chairman and handed in at the Office before 11am on the first day of the Show.

REGULATIONS FOR QUARRY MARQUEE

Entry Fee

There is **no entry charge** for exhibiting in Quarry Marquee.

Conditions of Entry

- Applications must give a clear and concise description of what will be exhibited.
- Exhibitors **MUST** provide full details of their staging requirements on their application forms.
- Applications must be made on the official forms & relevant documentation provided.
- The Society reserves the right to decline any applications and/or to refuse the staging of an exhibit which is not in accordance with the details supplied on the application form.
- Exhibitors **must** comply with the Regulations of the Society. Non observance may result in awards being withheld.
- All Exhibitors **must provide proof of Insurance**.
- Exhibitors **need to provide a valid Public Liability Certificate**, minimum of **£5,000,000**, however, for Quarry Marquee a minimum of **£2,000,000 may be considered if the reason is requested in writing**. If the insurance is due for renewal just before the Show date, then the Exhibitor is to provide the new certificate before entering the Showground for set up. Failure to provide the certificate before set-up could result in the Society asking the Exhibitor to leave the Showground.
- Items for sale within the Marquee **must be** the same/similar to those exhibited in your display.
- Dangerous or poisonous plants **must be** labelled and **not** displayed within public reach.
- The Society **must be informed in writing of cancellations** as soon as possible, within 21 days before the Show but **not later than** 14 days before the Show. Exhibitors must make every effort to find a substitution if a late cancellation is made. No refunds will be given for cancellations.
- The Society will not be responsible for damage to exhibits or for the loss of any article.

Allocation of Space

- Every effort will be made to meet each exhibitor's requirements. Notification will be sent to all applicants regarding allotted space as soon as possible after the closing date. Please note that each year the floorplan changes.
- The Society reserves the right to reduce or otherwise alter the space applied for in making allocations. Exhibitors will be consulted before such alterations are made.

Selling Table Space

- Exhibitors may order selling tables as detailed in separate application form or we have available to rent outside trade site. Only plants/items the same/similar to those displayed may be sold on the selling tables throughout the Show. If you want to sell other items, then you can rent an outside trade stand site. See "External Selling Sites in the Trade Stand Area" for more information.
- You can sell plants that are not necessarily in your display but please be aware you cannot sell plants that are in direct competition to another exhibitor who has a display of those types of plants or flowers. We reserve the right to remove any selling plants that are in violation of this respectful requirement.
- All items for sale must be ticketed with the Exhibitor's name and contact details.
- Wall Sites: Maximum of 2 selling tables or areas, unless space permits. Island Sites: Maximum of 3 selling tables or areas unless space permits.
- Only tables supplied by the Shropshire Horticultural Society are to be used for selling inside the Quarry Marquee.

- Selling tables or areas **must always be kept tidy.**
- Advertisement card/s should not exceed A4 size, with maximum of two cards per table.

External / Internal Storage

- Internal and external storage space is available and will be marked out on the floor plan.
- The Society cannot guarantee storage space will be directly behind your stand.
- Storage Space for Island sites may be provided outside the Marquee unless specified.
- Storage space for Wall Sites will be provided behind your display area where possible. Alternative external storage space will be available, on request.

External Selling Sites MAIN TRADE STANDS AREA

- Quarry Marquee Exhibitors can apply to rent an external selling site, at a discounted price (available on application). These sites will be within a specific horticultural selling area of the trade stands and will comprise of a gazebo with a roof & walls covered by canvas with a lace up night screen only and a 1m x 1m space in front of the gazebo for a small horticultural display to showcase the items being sold. A separate Risk Assessment will need to be submitted with a copy of a valid £5 million Public Liability Insurance Certificate.
- To apply for one of these sites, please complete the section on Page 5 for external site requirements. However, if you would prefer an open and bigger trade site then you can download an application online or call the office on 01743 234054 who will be happy to send you a Trade Stand Site Application Form.

Exhibitor Badges

- A total of: **two** exhibitor badges will be issued for wall sites 3m in length.
four exhibitor badges will be issued for all other wall and island sites.
- Exhibitor badges must be signed and worn at all times.
- Additional exhibitor badges are available at a charge of £20 per badge (including VAT) and requests for additional badges **must be sent in writing or by email**, for approval by the Floral Chairman, by no later than Friday 11th July.

Vehicle Permits & Parking

- A Vehicle Permit and a Collection Permit will be issued with the Exhibitor's Pack.
- All vehicles arriving on site, or in the Exhibitor's Car Park, **MUST** display the completed Vehicle Permit in a prominent position at all times.
- On entering the Showground on Set Up days you will be given an A4 size vehicle permit at the Gate which you need to display on your dashboard at all times. You need to fill in the relevant details on the vehicle permit i.e. Site name, marquee, exhibitor number & contact telephone number.
- **At no time must any vehicle** be left unattended without contact details clearly displayed.
- All vehicles must be removed from the entrance of the Marquee as soon as they have finished unloading.
- Vehicles may be parked up near the marquee during set up only, as directed, but there is to be no obstruction of exits/escape routes and no part of the vehicle may be on the roadway.
- Exhibitors are to use the Exhibitors parking at St Julian's Friars during Show Days. However, for **Stock Vehicles only**, there will be limited parking spaces available in the allocated parking area on the east side of Quarry Marquee. No private cars nor camping vehicles will be allowed to park in this allocated parking area.

Security

- A Security Guard will be on duty at the Marquees from 8pm on the Saturday before the Show until 7am on the Sunday after the Show. Whilst every effort will be made to protect exhibits, the Society cannot be held responsible for any items left in the Marquee overnight. This includes equipment, stock, cash and any other property of Exhibitors, who are advised to arrange their own insurance cover.

Staging

- Standard staging (types 1 – 3 on entry form) will be provided free of charge by the Society.
- **Please ensure you have filled in ALL your staging requirements on page 5, clearly under point 1 of your Application Form, before submitting it, otherwise we cannot guarantee your staging will be correct on Set Up days.**
- **Please ensure you include your diagram sketch of your staging, on page 5, or attach a separate page with your diagram sketch.**
- Please notify the Society's office **no later than 14 days before the Show** in writing, if alterations are required. Any less than this period your requirements will not be guaranteed. Any additional costs will be passed onto the Exhibitor.
- Tiered staging **must not exceed** 1.80m in height.
- Exhibitors need to provide **their own staging material**, which must be in good condition, flame retardant and a colour that enhances their exhibit. The Society cannot undertake to receive or return any material for use in exhibits.
- The Society will provide black scrim behind and in front of selling tables.
- Background staging/cloth should not exceed 2.4m from the ground.
- A limited number of electrical sockets are available in the Marquee for water fountains etc. (see application form), and all electrical items **MUST BE PAT tested**.
- Only tables supplied by the Shropshire Horticultural Society are to be used for selling inside the Quarry Marquee.
- Periodic inspections will be carried out during the Show and the Society reserves the right to prohibit Exhibitors from selling if they fail to maintain the standard of their associated exhibits, arrange their selling area in a manner which is considered undesirable or offer for sale material of inferior quality.
- **Plants used in Quarry Marquee must be of good quality and free from pests, diseases, disorders or damage. Any plants showing signs of the above will not be allowed.**
- If an exhibitor needs to set up before the Monday of the Show, they need to send their request in writing to the Office at Quarry Lodge.
- No noisy work/mechanical equipment can be used during the weekend (prior to the Show) from 16:00 – 08:00, and during the week of the Show from 18:00 – 07:00.
- **The exit gate to be used on Saturday evening is Piggott Gate leading onto St Chad's Terrace.** This will be opened and manned from 5pm. If you need to exit from another gate you will have to wait until after the fireworks display has ended and the crowds have dispersed.

There may be some alterations to the Information and Regulations stated above, leading up to the 2024 Show, and should this occur the Society reserves the right to amend said regulations and provide the Exhibitor with the updated version before Show Day.

Please note that the decision of the Society in the interpretation of these regulations is final and binding upon the Exhibitor.

Thank you for your co-operation.