

## **Announcing the NACS 2025 Virtual Show with Prizes!**

### **Entry Deadline May 1, 2025!**

It's the start of blooming season and time to start thinking about taking photos for the NACS 2025 Virtual Show. Please take photos of your 2025 blooming and non-blooming plants to join in the fun! The show is scheduled for May 18, 2025 after the Annual Members' Meeting.

### Here's a summary of the timing for this year's show:

Now until May 1: Entry Submission Period

May 9 – 15: Finalist Voting Period (ending at 6PM Pacific on the 15<sup>th</sup>)

May 16 - May 17: Finalists Viewing Period

May 18: Virtual Clivia Show

# **Entry Submission Period: Now until May 1**

Most of us take our photos with our phones and have the opportunity to reduce the size when we share them. So, please send photos less than 1 MB in size (typically a medium/reduced setting on phones) to <a href="mailto:4TapeService@gmail.com">4TapeService@gmail.com</a> by May 1, 2025. With your entry, please provide as much information as possible, including: plant name, name of cross, and breeder.

*Please* send your entries as <u>early</u> as possible so there is time to process them for viewing.

New this year, there will be two categories of prize drawings to incentivize early/timely entries. For each entry received by Saturday, April 19, participants will be entered into a drawing for two (2), three (3) year membership extensions. For each entry received by Saturday, April 26, participants will be entered into a drawing for two (2), one (1) year membership extensions. No entrant will get more than eight (10) chances to win across the two drawings and no entrant may win more than one membership

extension. (If any entrant tries to game the system by doing things like submitting several entries by the 19<sup>th</sup> and then resubmitting several replacement entries by the 26<sup>th</sup>, they will be eliminated from the drawings at the sole discretion of the virtual show chair.) Drawings for these prizes will happen at the conclusion of the show.

## Finalist Voting Period: May 9 -15

As has been done it the past, there will be a voting period before the show from Friday, May 9, to Thursday, May 15 (ending at 6PM Pacific), to choose finalists for viewing and voting during the show. Members will be sent a link to all the entries by May 9, and will be asked to choose their favorite finalists. (More details on the pre-show voting period, including all rules and timing, will follow later.)

### Finalist Viewing Period: May 16-17

By Friday, May 16, members will be sent a link to preview the finalist entries in order to prepare to cast their vote for favorite photo in each category during the show. There will be a \$75 Amazon gift card for each top winner chosen during the show in each of the five (5) categories listed below.

## **CATEGORY & RULE SUMMARY**

Here are the 2025 Virtual Show Categories and Rules:

- · Blooming: C. miniata (may include interspecifics that look like C. miniata)
- · Blooming: Pendulous (more pendulous than upright interspecifics & non-C. miniata species)
- · Blooming: Non-Pendulous (more upright than pendulous interspecifics)
- · Non-Blooming: Non-Variegated clivias
- · Non-Blooming: Variegated clivias
  - 1. All entries must be received no later than Thursday, May 1, 2025.
  - 2. <u>All entries must be from photos taken in 2025</u> and submitted with the goal of keeping the entrant undisclosed.
  - Entry photos should be <u>1MB or less, preferably JPEG</u>, and should be <u>submitted with as much</u> <u>information as possible</u>, including: plant name, name of cross, and breeder. Photos that are blurry, dark, portray plants in bad condition, or otherwise don't follow the rules will <u>NOT</u> be accepted.
  - 4. Entry photos should <u>clearly portray the entry</u> and have it as the focal point. Other than additional clivias' leaves, entry photos should ideally <u>NOT</u> include other blooms, obstacles, plants, etc.
  - 5. When staged, an entry photo's background should be a plain, solid, dark color such as black.

- 6. Only two (2) entry photos per category will be accepted, so choose your best!
- 7. The show chair will place the entries in the appropriate category. At the discretion of the show chair, entries may be further divided into divisions to insure similar looking entries get judged together.
- 8. Anybody may view the show entry photos online and attend the show. However, only members may vote. Any time a member is asked to provide identifying information for voting purposes, that information will be kept **strictly confidential**.
- 9. Whenever voting, NACS encourages you not to choose your own entries.
- 10. **Entries are to be kept confidential until after the virtual show for voting purposes.** Any entries that are shared prior to this time are subject to disqualification. (After the voting is over, then we will share the growers, breeders, and other relevant information about the entries.)
- 11. Ultimately, the virtual show chair will judge the suitability of an entry in the show and may reject any entry for not following the rules.

Thank you~

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