

Wellington Garden Club Hosts Petite Flower Show at Wellington Green Mall

On February 29 and March 1, Wellington Garden Club (WGC) proudly presented its Petite Flower Show *"It's a Small World"* in the Grand Court at the Mall at Wellington Green.

The show's theme, *"It's a Small World"*, was inspired by exquisitely crafted doll houses created by WGC club member and District X Director, Carol Coleman. Over 500 visitors were enchanted by multiple doll houses of all sizes and shapes surrounded by incredible petite floral designs, ranging in size from 5" to 12" tall, and superb horticulture specimens that were naturally small or dwarf, as well as whimsical botanical arts, special educational, photography and youth exhibits, all of which illustrated the small world theme.

To help members learn the special skills needed to create petite designs, a series of workshops was held in the months preceding the show. WGC members and Accredited NGC Flower Show Judges and Instructors Christine Biscoglio and Susan Hillson, guided participants as they learned the finer points of creating floral designs and botanical arts exhibits on a petite scale.

Dwarf horticulture was discussed at numerous meetings and members learned how to correctly identify plants that were considered dwarf or naturally small. As a result, there were nearly 130 exhibits of dwarf horticulture on display at the show.

The Youth Division included Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts and Horticulture. Garden Club volunteers worked with two different youth groups to help them create their artistic crafts hanging ornaments made with seeds and their horticulture dish gardens.



WGC members participated in the show in a multitude of ways as exhibitors, staging crew, horticulture entries, hostesses, clerks, fundraising, refreshments, publicity, special events, awards, and dismantling the show. It was a great team effort and WGC received well-deserved praise from the Mall staff and show attendees.

Above, Members celebrate while Flower Show Co-Chairs Carol Lazzarino and Twig Morris cut the red ribbon to open the show



8" Petite Design by
Christine Biscoglio
Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts
Award



Hanging Ornament by Jayden Harris 5th Grade
Youth Top Exhibitor Award



12" Petite Exhibition Table
by Linda DeSanti
Award of Design Excellence



Petite Oncidium orchid grown by Petra Russell
Grower's Choice and Award of Horticulture Excellence

Photos by WGC members Paige Griffin and Sandy Sklar

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