

Awards and other Interesting Data for the CSSNM Show April, 2023

only 229 plants entered: 130 cacti, 99 other succulents

for comparison:
 in 2017, 409 plants entered: 256 cacti, 153 other succulents
 in 2015, 318 plants entered: 170 cacti, 148 other succulents
 in 2013, 343 plants entered: 237 cacti, 106 other succulents

in 2016, 384 plants entered: 242 cacti, 142 other succulents
 in 2014, 290 plants entered: 182 cacti, 108 other succulents

IN 2022, 230 plants entered: 127 cacti, 103 other succulents

Special Award Ribbons

- Sweepstakes Ribbon (for most blue ribbons) was won by Ralph Peters, with 65 blue ribbons.;

Cacti:

- Best Cactus was for *Obregonia denigri* brought by Laurel Sillerud;
- Best Mammillaria was for *M. spinosissima* fa. un pico, brought by Margaret Todd
- the Special Awards for cacti were for:
 - *Echinocereus pectinatus*, brought by Laurel Sillerud, and
 - *Melocactus azureus*, brought by Margaret Todd.
- Best Cactus seedling award was for *Pediocactus knowltonii*, brought by Ralph Peters
- Best novice cactus award was for *Astrophytum asterias*, brought by Rebecca Stoneman-Washee.



Obregonia & *Ped. knowltonii*



M. spinosissima fa. un pico



Melocactus azureus



Astrophytum asterias



Some Top Ranked Cacti

Other Succulents:

- Best Succulent was for *Avonia alstonii* var. *quinaria*, brought by Judith Bernstein and Daniel Finley
- Best Euphorbia was for *Euphorbia cylindrifolia* var. *tuberifera*, brought by Judith Bernstein and Daniel Finley
- the Special Awards for succulents were for:
 - *Adenium obesum*, brought by Rick Haaker, and
 - *Pachypodium namaquanum* brought by Judith Bernstein and Daniel Finley
- Best Seedling Other Succulent was for *Cheiridopsis peculiaris*, brought by Ralph Peters
- Best Novice Other Succulent award was for *Dyckia gigantea*, brought by Rebecca Stoneman-Washee



Avonia alstonii *quinaria*



Pachypodium namaquanum



Dyckia gigantea



Cheiridopsis Seedling



Some Top Ranked Succulents

Workers: the most important part, for the show's success

- **Judges**
 - cacti: C.V. Porter, Ralph Peters, and Mary Gilliam (flower show)
 - other succulents: Dave Ferguson, Steve Brack, and Suzie Andregio (flower show),
- **Clerks:** Margaret Todd was the overall guide for the clerks, along with
 - Cheryl Haaker, George Latella, Linda Brack, Doris Lodwig, Robert Perz. and Matthew-Ryan Morrell
- **Other important workers and helpers:**
 - Margaret Todd set up and ran the information tables, with help from George Latella, Penny Hoe, and others, and
 - C.V. Porter, Linda Brack and others organized food for the lunch room

- Robert Perz, Rod Getting, and Jan Wallace, along with several others, helped (a lot) with show security
- Steve Brack was in overall care of the table setups and placements
- Pia Louchios and several others took good care of the cash registers
- Gretchen Ward did a great job with the publicity.

A number of excellent photos of the entire spread of the show were taken by Ralph Peters, and may be seen by clicking on this [link](#)

I apologize to the many others that made the show and sale very successful, whom I have failed to note!!!