

# Green Spring Gardens Celebrate Honey Bee Day

Sept 7, 2019

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## Honey and Bees Wax Competition

### Categories:

#### SECTION 1: EXTRACTED HONEY

**101 Extracted Honey** - 1 pound traditional container (Queenline or Gamber style)

#### SECTION 2: BEES WAX

**102 Pure Bees Wax** - at least 8 ounces, any shape block, in clear package (e.g., plastic wrap);

#### SECTION 3: BLACK Jar of HONEY

**103 Black Jar of Honey** - any jar, with jar exterior painted black (e.g., use a can of spray paint from craft/variety/hardware store) or wrapped in paper to hide contents (ensure judges can still open the lid).

PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW ALL GENERAL RULES AT THE END OF THIS GUIDE.

### Judging Will Be Based Upon:

#### SECTION 1:

- Extracted Honey – density, freedom from crystals, cleanliness (no dirt, lint, wax, or foam), and absence of fermentation, flavor, accuracy of fill, and container appearance.

#### SECTION 2:

- Pure Bees Wax – color, uniformity, aroma, texture, cleanliness/ absence of impurities, and absence of cracking or shrinkage.

#### SECTION 3:

- Black Jar – sole criteria is flavor.

## **Competition Registration**

1. Entries will be accepted on **Sept 7 from 9-10am**. Please bring your entries to the Green Spring Gardens Library. If you can not make that drop off time please contact Kathryn Krenn for alternative arrangements. (kakrenn@gmail.com)
2. Containers - submit one, no labels other than exhibitor number

### **3. LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.**

4. All entries must be tagged, recorded, and checked-in at the Green Springs Library.
5. Exhibitors should write a brief description of each item on the back of the Claim Check attached to the Entry Tag, and retain the Claim Check in a secure location. Claim Check must be presented at close of Honey Bee Day Event to reclaim entries.
6. Another individual may submit entries on your behalf if you are unavailable during the registration time frame. Please ensure that you have filled out the registration form and entry tag(s) completely in advance.

## **Registration Forms & Entry Tags**

An exhibitor number will be assigned to you during on-site registration. Write that number on each entry tag. Competitive Exhibit Entry Tags must be attached to each entry in order to be presented for judging.

## **Entry Pick-Up**

All entries can be picked up at the close of Honey Bee Day – 12pm (noon). If you cannot pick up your entry, please arrange for someone else to do so. Claim Checks will be required at pick up to verify items go home with the correct owner. Entries not picked up by 12:30 p.m. Sept 7th will be recycled, discarded, or donated.

## **General Rules**

Participants must read and abide by the following rules in order to enter items in the Honey Bee Day Competition. Entries that do not comply may be disqualified at any point or an award may be revoked due to a rule violation.

1. Entries will only be accepted from residents of Fairfax County or members in good standing of NVBA. No professional may enter.
2. Items to be entered must have been produced solely by the individual who enters.
3. Each exhibitor may only enter one item per section.
4. The Event reserves the right to refuse items deemed unfit or objectionable.
5. Reasonable security will be taken to safeguard entries; however, it is expressly understood and agreed between the exhibitor and the Green Springs that Green Springs will incur no liability or obligation for damages or loss of property (entries).
6. Please follow size limits, quantities needed, and other specific rules as listed. Items not conforming to these specific rules will be disqualified.
7. Please place the entry tag on the top right corner of the entry, unless there is a more visible and appropriate placement.
8. Each Section has a “Judging is based upon” statement.
9. Notwithstanding a judge’s decision, an entry will be disqualified and an award not given if the entrant is not in compliance with the rules regarding residence.

## **Awards and Ceremony**

### **1. SECTION AWARDS:**

First Place gift certificate of \$20 and ribbon

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons

Honorable Mention ribbons as deemed merited by the judges

- ### **2. Ceremony:**
- The Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday Sept 7 at 12:00pm (noon). All entrants are encouraged to attend.