

Collector: Steve Rockwell
Open Collector: Greg & Marti Graves, Manvel, TX
Commercial: Rod Hendrick

There were 25 Amateur Exhibitors. Total Entries: 299. Gold Seals: 131
for 44%

Notes:

This was an exhibition, so seedling winners do not count. They must go on to win in a sanctioned show in order to become eligible to be evaluated for Hibiscus of the Year competition. This was just for practice :-)

The Best of Show Miniature, Little Sister, is a seed pod sibling to Carol Chang, Bob Gerlich's BOS Seedling winner in a show last season (originally called Glowing Ruffles). Its cross is All Aglow x Harvest Moon, and it is the cutest yellow/orange/white mini double. Watch for this one to win a lot of shows.

For a first-time show, the Lafayette folks had some wonderful blooms. I have seldom seen a more enthusiastic, hardworking group of people. Except for maybe our Lone Star members :-). Acadiana started this show with 27 memberships, and I think every one of them was at the show working their hearts out to make it a successful one.

Kudos to President Mike Bernard for his perseverance and leadership of this new chapter!

Also, note that the BOS winners were ALL Louisiana folks. That's great, too!

And, last but certainly worthy of a mention: Lone Star members Greg and Marti Graves beat out the Merritt's for Open Collector Sweepstakes...YEA!!! Congratulations!

Pat, exhausted from driving nearly 450 miles roundtrip since 4 a.m. today
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