



Ontario Horticultural Association

District 2

2026 Photo Competition

“O Canada”

PLEASE READ EACH CLASS DESCRIPTION CAREFULLY

Class 1: **Canadian Red and White** – A photo of any type of flower or plant that is red or white in colour, highlighting Canada's diverse blooms.

Class 2: **Canada in the Spring** – A photo depicting a typical Canadian spring.

Class 3: **Our Maple Leaf** – A photo displaying all the glory of our nation's Maple Leaf tree, highlighting the beauty of the leaf in either spring, summer or fall.

Class 4: **Canada in the Winter** – A photo showing the beauty of a Canada's trees or shrubs in the winter.

Class 5: **Canadian Summertime Garden Visitors:** A photo that captures any visitor to your garden during the summer, either an animal or a bird or any type of insect.

All Photos must contain:

40% Horticultural Value – Each photo should contain at least 40% plants, fruits, vegetables, flowers or ornamental plants/trees.

40% Photographic Value – Each photo shall have a good exposure, clarity, focus, lighting and resolution (**2mb or more**). Please note that not all phone cameras take high resolution photos. Please check your settings.

20% Appearance & Impact – Each photo should produce a memorable experience with the viewer.

Please note all entrants must register first and obtain a registration number to use when submitting their entries. Please complete the following form and email it to District2news@gmail to obtain your registration number.

2026 District 2 Photo Contest Registration Form

Name:

Society Name:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Rules:

1. Exhibitors must be a member in good standing of a Horticultural Society within District 2.
2. All photos submitted must have been taken between 2022 – 2026. (some phones do attach a date onto the photo. Please check the properties of the photo)
3. Entries will be accepted in digital format only.
4. Please provide entries in .JPG format with a high resolution of **2MB or more.** photos less than 1MB may be disqualified.
5. Photos may be adjusted for lighting and colour balance or cropped but should not be enhanced through advanced editing.
6. Two entries per Class.

7. Take care to ensure photos are entered into the correct class. Identify your entries as follows:
RENAME your photos using the following format:
Your Registration number_Class1_1 or 2 ie: 000001_Class1_1.jpg
8. Please **ensure that you provide your photo as an attachment in your email or on a thumb drive as a jpg.**
9. Submit your photos to: District2news@gmail.com by March 15th, 2026.
Please send one photo per email. Please state in the subject line "D2 2026 PHOTO COMPETITION". You may also submit your entries on a memory stick and mail this to Ruth Anderson 168 Station Road, Smiths Falls, Ontario K7H 4S4. Please enclose a self addressed stamped envelope for the return of your memory stick.
10. Winning photos from a previous district 2 competition will not be accepted.
11. Please do not enter photos with a date or name on them. They will be disqualified.
12. Photos will be submitted to an external judge and their decision is final.
13. Photos will be presented on a slideshow presentation at the District 2 2026 Annual Meeting.
14. The Best in Show winner of the D2 Competition will be presented with a framed print of their photo.