



Georgia Beekeepers Association

Serving Georgia's Bee Industry for Over 90 Years

Rules for the Spring GBA Artisan's Show

The following categories will be accepted and judged at the Spring Artisan's Show sponsored by the Georgia Beekeepers Association:

- Class 1: Sweet Mead
- Class 2: Dry Mead
- Class 3: Beer and Ale (Honey Based)
- Class 4: Honey Beverages: Carbonated and Non-Carbonated
- Class 5: Honey Cake
- Class 6: A cooked item containing honey as selected by the Show Committee
- Class 7: Photographs related to beekeeping
- Class 8: Artwork related to beekeeping
- Class 9: Crafts related to beekeeping



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General Rules

1. Once entry items have been accepted into the competition by the Show Secretary, items may not be altered.
2. After submitting entries to the Show Secretary, competitors may not enter the area where the entries have been placed.
3. The Secretary, Stewards or Judges are the only persons who may enter the honey judging area.
4. Judges will enter the honey show area after the close of entry acceptance. This is to ensure as close to a blind judging as possible.
5. All entries must be produced by the contestant within the last calendar year with the exception of meads.
6. Only current members of the Georgia Beekeepers Association are eligible to enter the honey show and must sign an affidavit stating that entries were produced by the entrant.
7. Each member may make only one entry per class. Duplication (same product) of entries by families is prohibited.

Awards

It is the intention that ribbons will be given in all classes even if there is only one entry in the class. However, in order to receive an award that entry must be worthy of placement. Entry into a class does not guarantee an award.

Cash prizes will be awarded to Best in Show, First, Second and Third place winners in each class. The decisions of the judges are final. Any contestant may meet with the class judge to discuss their entry and ask questions. Senior judges will act as a referee and have final say in any matter pertaining to the contest. Contestants found willfully cheating or purposefully altering or disfiguring an entry for the purpose of questioning the validity of judging will be permanently disqualified from the Georgia State Honey Show.

Awards for the Spring Artisan's Show are as follows:

- Best in Show \$250

In each category:

- First place \$100
- Second Place \$30
- Third Place \$20



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Class 1: Sweet Mead & Class 2: Dry Mead

An entry of mead is one, clear glass standard 750ml wine bottle. Punt bottles are acceptable as long as they are standard pattern wine bottles.

Entrants may submit one entry in each of these classes.

Tee Corks are required; traditional inserted corks will not be accepted into the show.

Mead should be filled to 5/8 of an inch above the top of the shoulder of the bottle.

Judges evaluate entries on the following:

- Cleanliness, fill, color, clarity, lack of sediment, aroma, body and flavor

Class 3: Beer and Ale (Honey Based)

An entry of beer is one standard bottle. 12oz or 16oz capacity. Clear glass is preferable, colored glass acceptable.

Bottle should be filled to midpoint between the bottom of the cap and the top of the shoulder of the bottle.

Standard, unmarked crimped closures or lightening closures will be accepted.

Judges evaluate entries on the following:

- Cleanliness, fill, color, aroma, body and flavor.

Class 4: Honey Beverages: Carbonated & Non-Carbonated

An entry is one standard bottle. 12oz or 16oz capacity. Clear glass is preferable, colored glass acceptable.

Bottle should be filled to midpoint between the bottom of the cap and the top of the shoulder of the bottle.

Standard, unmarked crimped closures or lightening closures will be accepted.

Judges evaluate entries on the following:

- Cleanliness, fill, color, aroma, body and flavor.



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Class 5: Honey Cake

The entrant may submit one honey cake. The cake is to be made according to the recipe below, and may not be deviated from in any way. **The recipe must be followed exactly as written and all entries will be tasted.** Absolutely no flavoring agents are to be added to the recipe. Cakes are to be presented dome up, unsliced, on a plain white paper plate, and enclosed in a zip-top bag.

Judges evaluate entries on the following:

- Appearance, uniformity, moistness, texture, aroma and flavor.

Class 6: A Cooked Item Containing Honey as Selected by The Show Committee

The entrant may submit one item according to the special instructions posted prior to the show. **The recipe must be followed exactly as written and all entries will be tasted.** The Blondies are to be presented, sliced evenly in 3"x3" rows, on a plain white paper plate, and enclosed in a zip-top bag.

Judges evaluate entries on the following:

- Appetizing appeal, appearance, uniformity, moistness, texture, aroma and flavor.



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Class 7: Photographs Related to Beekeeping

Each member may enter one photograph of their own composition.

A 3" x 5" white card on which a brief description of the photograph is written must accompany each entry, entrants name should not be on card.

Photograph must not have been previously entered in a GBA honey contest nor published.

Class 8: Artwork Related to Beekeeping

Each member may enter one work of art of their own composition.

A 3" x 5" white card on which a brief description of the artwork is written must accompany each entry. No names should appear on the card or signature on art work.

Art must not have been previously entered in a GBA honey contest.

Class 9: Crafts Related to Beekeeping

Each member may enter one craft item of their own making.

A 3" x 5" white card on which a brief description of the craft is written must accompany each entry. No name should appear on the card.

Craft entry must not have been previously entered in a GBA honey contest.

These are the 9 standard classes that will be judged at the Spring Honey show during the Spring Georgia Beekeepers Association meeting.