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Del Mar Fairgrounds



### **San Diego Horticultural Society Award Criteria for Garden Masters Exhibition 2010**

The San Diego Horticultural Society will be providing the team for judging the gardens at the Garden Masters Exhibition 2010 event at the 25th Annual Spring Home/Garden Show.

#### **I. Suitability of design to purpose/exhibit - 15 points**

- Execution of theme
- Selection and arrangement of hardscape, plants, and elements

#### **II. Design - 50 points**

- Visual design appeal, beauty, and harmony
- Principles of design: balance, proportion, scale, rhythm, and contrast
- Elements of design: light, space, line form pattern, texture, and scale
- Originality, distinction, style

#### **III. Plants - 30 points**

- Plants of high quality
- Compatibility of plants
- Scale, balance, selection
- Cultural relationship (plants that would grow together)
- New or uncommon plants successfully used
- Correct labeling
- Botanical accuracy
- Appropriate execution

#### **IV. Educational Value - 5 points**

The San Diego Horticultural Society hopes that the exhibitors will find ways to educate the public in a greater appreciation of the skill and art of gardening and landscaping through their themes, use of plants, labeling, design and all elements described above