

Best OF THE Zoo

ANNUALS Top Picks of 2008

The Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden has been the site of one of the largest Annual Trial/Display programs in the Tri-State region. Over 20,000 annuals are planted and labeled throughout the Zoo. Selections and recommendations are made on annuals that provide the most color and impact with the easiest of care. Winners are chosen yearly and posted on the Zoo's website.

The Annual Trials are a cooperative effort with the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, Cincinnati Flower Growers Association, The Ohio State University Extension Horticulture Program in Hamilton County, and garden volunteers from both the Zoo and the OSU Master Gardener Program.

Annuals are donated by top breeding companies and growers in the country. The Cincinnati Flower Grower's Association is the homeowner's local connection for retail purchasing of the annuals. (www.cincinnatiflowergrowers.org).

To continue to provide information on our Annual Trials we have developed a website to share our successes with the gardening public www.planttrials.com.



Impatiens Exotic Fusion™ 'Radiance'



Coleus 'Amora'



Impatiens Exotic Fusion™ 'Peach Frost'



Salvia 'Mystic Spires'



Iresine 'Blazin' Rose'



Coleus Kong™ 'Rose'



Colocasia 'Coffee Cups'



Lantana Luscious Lemonade



Vinca Titan Series

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www.cincinnati-flower-growers.org

www.hamilton.osu.edu/hort/hort.htm

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Experience the Botanical Side of the Zoo.

Best OF THE Zoo ANNUALS 2002-2007



Purple Fountain Grass



Margarita Sweet Potato Vine



Impatiens Infinity® Pink Kiss



Canna Bengal Tiger



Begonia Dragon Wing™



Coleus Gays Delight



Dichondra Silver Falls™



Vinca First Kiss Think Pink



Perilla Gage's Shadow



Impatiens Trailing Fanfare™ Orchid



Lantana Landmark™ Citrus



Cleome Senorita Rosalita™



Coleus Electric Lime



Petunia Supertunia® Vista Bubblegum

Plant Name

Alternanthera Purple Knight	Impatiens Fanciful™ Mix Hawaiian & Salsa
Angelonia Angelface® Blue	Impatiens Fanfare™ Orange
Angelonia Serena™ Purple	Impatiens Fanfare™ Orchid
Begonia Dragon Wing™	Impatiens Infinity® Series
Begonia Inferno Red	Impatiens walleriana
Canna Australia	Sweet Potato Vine Black Heart
Canna Bengal Tiger	Sweet Potato Vine Margarita
Canna Tropicana	Sweet Potato Vine
Black Pearl Ornamental Pepper	Sweet Caroline Purple
Extreme Soft Pink Vinca	Sweet Potato Vine
First Kiss Think Pink Vinca	Sweet Caroline Sweetheart Red
Cleome Senorita Rosalita®	Lantana Ingelsheim
Coleus Cranmore	Lantana Landmark™ Citrus
Coleus Dark Star	Lantana Landmark™ Gold
Coleus Dipt in Wine	Lantana Lucky™ Yellow
Coleus Electric Lime	Lantana Morning Glow™ Orange Yellow
Coleus Freckles	Lantana New Gold
Coleus Gay's Delight	Lantana Patriot™ Classic Firewagon
Coleus JoDonna	Purple Fountain Grass (<i>Pennisetum setaceum 'Rubrum'</i>)
Coleus Juliet Quartermain	Perilla Gage's Shadow
Coleus Kingwood Torch	Petunia Tidal Wave™ Silver
Coleus Lifelime	Petunia Supertunia® Vista Bubblegum
Coleus Religous Radish	Scaevola New Wonder®
Coleus Sedona	Persian Shield (<i>Strobilanthes dyerianus</i>)
Coleus Sky Fire	Summer Wave™ Series
Black Magic Elephant Ear	Zinnia Profusion White
Dahlia Mystic Illusion	Zinnia Star Gold
Dichondra Silver Falls	Zinnia Star Orange
Euphorbia Diamond Frost®	Zinnia Star White
Impatiens Celebrette Frost	