

*You're Invited to Join*

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*Grow the world's most beautiful flower with top dahlia growers!*

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*Membership is fun, easy and rewarding. Look at just some of the benefits of membership in CDS.*

**JOIN THE MENTORING PROGRAM!**

Learn from dedicated growers;  
Or Share your own expertise.

Each new member is assigned a mentor who lives nearby. Mentors are experienced dahlia growing CDS members who volunteer their time and experience to help new members get started growing and displaying dahlias. Deep friendships are often formed as the two go through the joys and trials of growing the world's most beautiful flower.

**GET FREE STUFF!**

Receive dahlia-related publications and supplies free or at reduced prices.

**JOIN THE FUN!**

Your friends-to-be at CDS want to welcome you in person!

Monthly meetings are both informative and social. Business meetings are kept to a minimum and Programs are devoted to new cultivar introductions, pest control, exhibition judging, and many other topics on the annual dahlia calendar. But a part of each meeting is dedicated to socializing, with the purposes of allowing old friends to meet in a congenial setting and for new friends to become old friends. And we have two purely social events: the Show Luncheon and Awards Ceremony, and the Christmas Party.

In addition to receiving the most recent annual CDS Membership Handbook, each new member receives a copy of Dore's Dope on Dahlias, a CDS-produced growing guide from a local top grower, and a tuber/label marking kit with some of the supplies our members have found most useful in their own gardens. We purchase some books and supplies at group or wholesale prices for resale to members. We also share info on where to get the best materials and retail prices locally! Additionally, a "Members Only Sale" precedes the Annual Tuber Sale each May.

Founded in 1986, the Carolinas Dahlia Society (CDS) has become a valuable resource to gardeners in North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia by providing a forum for both novice and veteran growers. Our members share their experiences, improve dahlia cultivation, and deepen the appreciation of this diverse family of flowers for themselves and for the general public. The Society offers educational exchange and friendship for all who love the beauty of the dahlia.

We invite you to discover with us the world of dahlias as we learn from the experts, coax our own gardens along, cultivate dahlias for exhibition, and collaborate in the development of new dahlia cultivars. The variety of the dahlia provides something for everyone. Bloom sizes range from less than one inch to more than one foot in diameter and take on more than a dozen forms displayed in a spectrum of dazzling colors. Dahlias are never dull!

CDS meetings are generally held midday, on the second Saturday of each month (except for January, February, and November), at various locations in western North Carolina. Information about monthly programs and meeting sites is published in the annual CDS Member Directory and online at [www.CarolinasDahliaSociety.org](http://www.CarolinasDahliaSociety.org)

**an Affiliate of the  
American Dahlia Society**

The purpose of the American Dahlia Society (ADS) is to “stimulate interest in and promote the culture and development of the dahlia; to establish a standard nomenclature; to test new varieties and to give them such recognition as they deserve; to study the diseases and the pests of the dahlia and to find remedies for the same; to disseminate information relative to the dahlia; to secure uniform standards for judging dahlia shows and to give exhibitions when deemed advisable.”

Many CDS members are members of ADS as well.

**ADS Membership Benefits**

Memberships are annual and run for the calendar year. New members receive a copy of The American Dahlia Society Guide to Growing and Caring for Dahlias, which contains extensive information on dahlia horticulture.

ADS Members receive 4 issues of the *ADS Bulletin* (March, June, September and December) and a copy of the annual *Classification and Handbook of Dahlias* for each year their dues are current.

The dues for a Basic Single Membership are \$27 (\$30 for a Family Membership which includes 2 individuals at the same address but only one copy of the *Bulletin* and *Classification*). Higher membership classes and rates provide funding for ADS projects and the additional dues paid may be tax deductible as a charitable contribution.

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Please enroll me(us) in the following society(s) for the year \_\_\_\_\_.

Carolinas Dahlia Society	<input type="checkbox"/>	American Dahlia Society	<input type="checkbox"/>	BOTH Societies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Single/joint annual dues 12.00		Single \$27	<input type="checkbox"/>	Single \$36	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Family \$30	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family \$39	<input type="checkbox"/>

If joining ADS and want the Bulletin mailed to a seasonal address, please add an \$8 fee and include your seasonal address & dates on a separate piece of paper with your name.

Please make 1 check out to Carolinas Dahlia Society.

**Any Questions?**

**[www.CarolinasDahlia Society.org](http://www.CarolinasDahlia Society.org)**

**Or**

**Contact Allen at 828-399-0418 or email to [CDSmembers@comporium.net](mailto:CDSmembers@comporium.net)**

Simply complete this form (here and on the back), detach and send with your check (made out to CDS) to:

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IS it okay to include your info in our Member Directory? Yes No

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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