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African Violet Society of America

AVSA Weekly Growing Tip

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Greetings!

Welcome to AVSA's Weekly Growing Tip email. We hope you benefit from our experience and expertise!

How do you make your violets even prettier?

Try using your violets in an artistic setting! It's fun and it's challenging. [African Violet Society of America](#) standard shows devote an entire section to the use of violets in designs & container gardens. You may appreciate your violets in an entirely new way.

For example, here's a blossom design which is displayed **under water** in a clear glass container. The design is carefully secured using hot-glue, and it is weighted to prevent elements from floating loose when water is added. This simple design would last two or three days and it could be the star of any party. Learn more about doing [underwater design](#).



*Design by Andrea Worrell
Photo credit Joe Bruns*

The AVSA Library Committee recently posted a [video walk-through of the 2015 AVSA Convention Design Show](#) in Kansas City, Missouri. Two AVSA Master Judges look at the different areas in the design section of the show, sharing tips on what the judges prefer to see.

Do your designs at home need to win prizes? No, they just have to please you! It doesn't matter whether it's a pretty pot, a lovely setting, or a truly artistic design. If it pleases you and helps you enjoy your African violets in a new way, it's a winner.

For more information about growing, showing, and judging African violets, purchase the [AVSA Handbook for Growers, Exhibitors and Judges](#). You'll find it useful even if you never enter a show.

Do you know someone else who would like to receive the weekly growing tip from the African Violet Society of America? All interested persons are welcome to sign up on the "Join Our Mailing List!" icon below. Subscribers are not required to be members of AVSA.

Sincerely,

Joyce Stork
AVSA Membership & Promotion

Don't forget the 2016 Luncheon Auction at the [AVSA Convention in](#)

News from the African Violet Society of America

Albuquerque this spring. Please consider donating a violet-related item or violet related craft item to the auction either as an individual or a club. Your donations make the auction possible and support the ongoing work of the society.

We extend an invitation to our hybridizers and commercial members to kindly donate either supplies, newly introduced plant material or plants. A listing of all donations and contributors will be acknowledged on the luncheon tables.

Please contact Edna Rourke, chairman, with any questions. Your support and help will make this auction the best ever!

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