

# So, You Want to Have a Flower Show???



A few garden club members or judges council members gather together and decide to hold a Flower Show ....

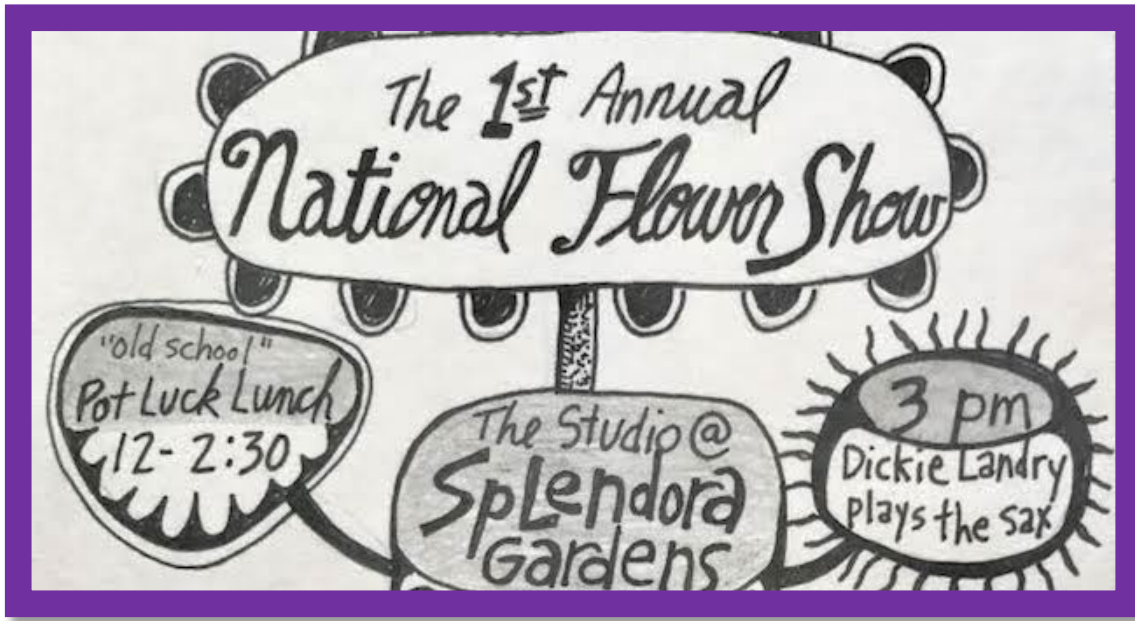
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BEFORE you start writing the schedule, there are lots of questions for you to consider...





Is this your first flower show ever?

Your first flower show in years?

Or, do you have flower shows more often?

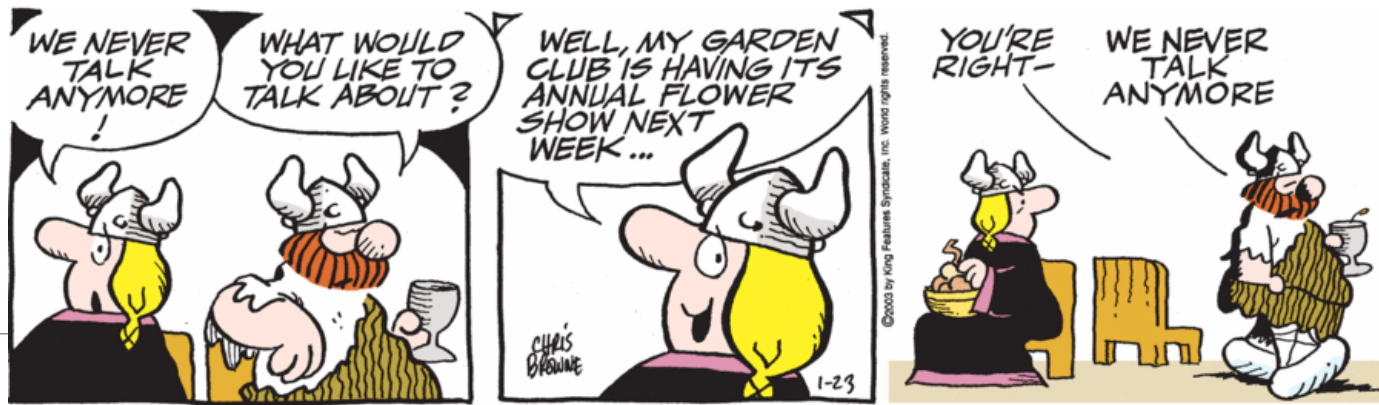
What is your groups level of expertise?





Is there a theme, a special event around the date of the show you are planning? Is there something to celebrate?





What kind of flower show are you considering?

- 🌸 NGC Small Standard Flower Show,
- 🌸 NGC Standard Flower Show,
- 🌸 NGC Youth Small Standard Flower Show,
- 🌸 NGC Youth Standard Flower Show,
- 🌸 NGC Horticulture Specialty Show,
- 🌸 NGC Design Specialty Show?





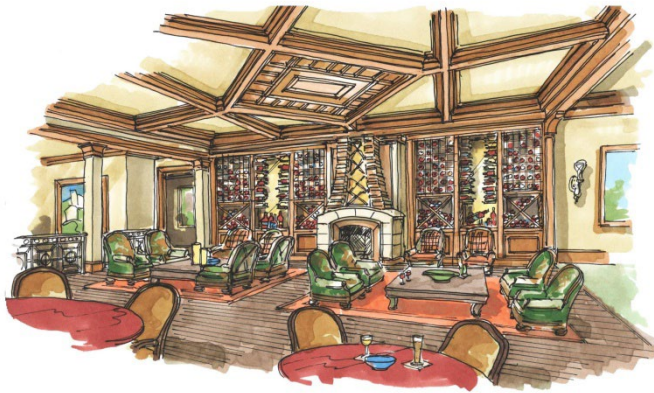
Where will you have your flower show?

Does your clubhouse have enough space?

*Or*, can your group afford to rent a large venue?

Maybe someone would be willing to offer their home as the venue?

**SPACE** will limit your size and scope!



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When considering the venue, you also need to consider the lighting, space for design & horticulture prep, space for the viewing public to move around the show, the ease of parking, etc....







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Do you have staging properties in storage?

**Or** will you have to borrow, rent or produce staging for the Divisions you want to include in your schedule?



How many people I your groups are going to be helping?

Who will you expect to enter?

How many will enter?



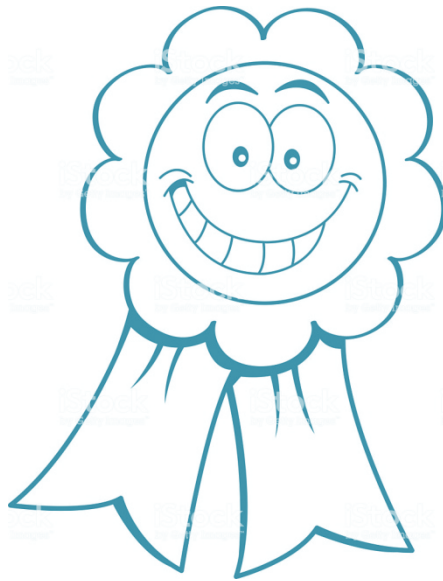
# What will you be expecting them to enter?

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What awards are you planning to offer?

Awards offered can help determine how large a show you will have.





What time of year are you planning to hold the show?

## Seasons



Consideration **MUST** be given to the plant material available for design and horticulture entries for your flower show date.



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# Are you planning to apply for the NGC Flower Show Achievement Award?



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Have you read the rules and preparation process required to apply for the NGC Flower Show Achievement Award?



Once you've considered all the elements of your show, you are **FINALLY** ready to begin writing your flower show schedule.

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Did you know that National Garden Clubs has a sample Flower Show Schedule on the website for you to view, reference and use to write your flower show schedule?



**National Garden Clubs**

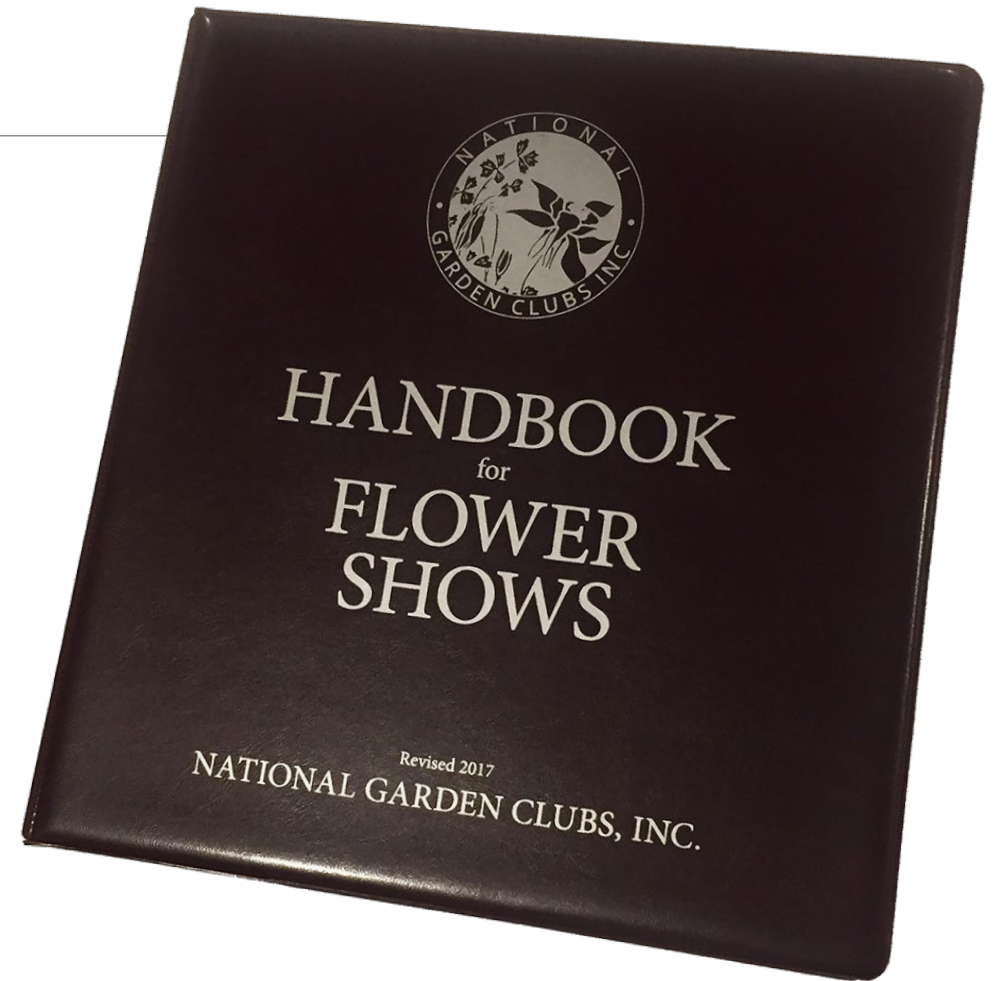
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Make sure to refer to the  
*National Garden Clubs*  
*Handbook for Flower Shows* to  
ensure you follow the format  
and rules!



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**Chapter 3, page 19-31** of the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows tells you **EVERYTHING** you need to know to write your schedule.





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As a final step, it is **HIGHLY** recommended that you compare your schedule against the criteria in the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows

**“Scale of Points for Evaluating a Flower Show Schedule”, pages 135-138.**



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