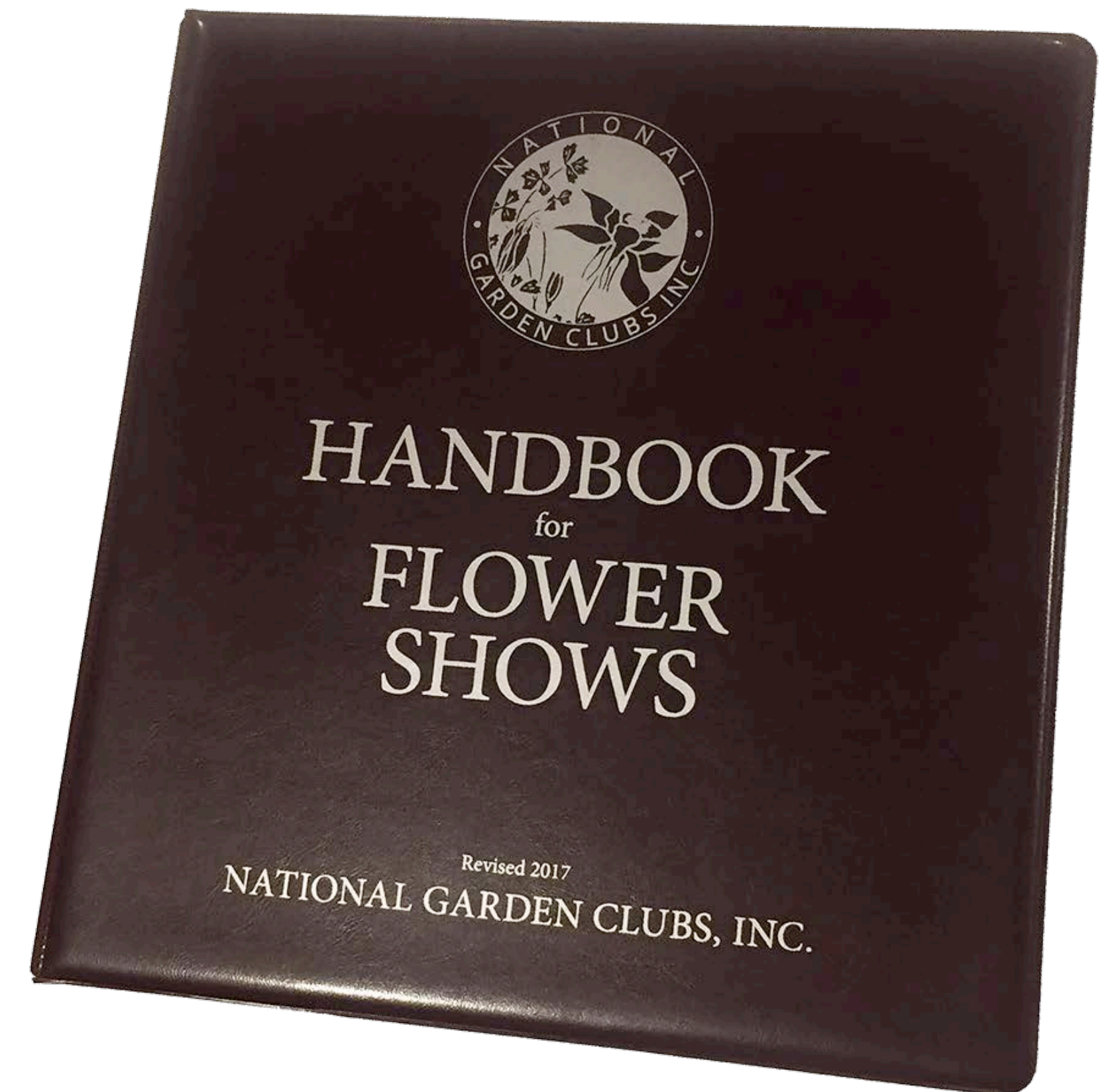


Flower Show Schools

Updates to the *Handbook for Flower Shows*
July 2024



Judy Binns, Flower Show Schools Chairman

Welcome to State Flower Show School Chairmen



You plan the courses

You encourage participation

You make it happen!

How do we make it happen?

- By working together
- With support of Flower Show Schools Committee and Instructors



Major Changes for Flower Show School Students

As of July 1, 2024

- Handbook exam eliminated
- May take any number of courses a year
- May have the same instructor in the same subject
- Must pass the written schedule assignment



Why did we make these changes?

- To be more responsive to the students
- Allow students to take courses more often
- Accelerate the process of becoming a judge



Process of Becoming an Accredited Judge

With the Elimination of the Handbook Exam - HB p 113-116

- Take and pass all 4 courses
- Pass the Schedule Writing Assignment
- Earn exhibiting credits
- Judge 5 Flower Shows



Application Process

Send all forms electronically if possible

Student

- Fills out Flower Show Accredited Judge Application - Form 3*
- Sends form to State Flower Show Schools Chairman



To complete form, download and save to your device, add your information and save again. **Form 3 (7/2024)**

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

FLOWER SHOW ACCREDITED JUDGE APPLICATION

Send completed form to the **State Flower Show Schools Chairman** for verification.

State Flower Show Chairman signs and electronically sends form to **NGC Flower Show Schools Chairman**.

NAME: _____ GARDEN CLUB: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____

FLOWER SHOW COURSES PASSED

#	DATE	LOCATION	FSP	HORT	DESIGN	HPS1	HPS2	DPS1	DPS2
I						■	■	■	■
II									
III									
IV									

SCHEDULE WRITING ASSIGNMENT Grade _____ Date _____

EXHIBITING CREDITS BLUE RIBBON OR 90+ IN NGC FS. Must have a total of 5 exhibiting credits earning a Blue Ribbon/90+ with **at least 2** in Horticulture and 2 in Design. Only 1 alternate exhibiting credit is allowed—alternate exhibiting credits are listed in current *Handbook for Flower Shows*.

	DATE	LOCATION	H	D	NAME OF NGC JUDGE ON PANEL
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

NGC FLOWER SHOWS JUDGED Must have judged five (5) NGC Flower Shows following the criteria listed in the current *Handbook for Flower Shows*.

	DATE	LOCATION	NAME OF LOCAL FLOWER SHOW CHAIRMAN
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

Student Judge Signature Date

NGC Flower Show Schools Chairman Date Received:

State Flower Show Schools Chairman Signature Date State

Signature:

* Form 3 - Download from Flower Show School Resources webpage

Completion of Application Process

Send all forms electronically if possible

State Flower Show Schools Chairman

- Verifies that all requirements have been met
- Signs and sends form to NGC Flower Show Schools Chairman

NGC Flower Show School Chairman

- Sends certificate of completion with date
- Student Judge is now an “Accredited Judge”



Other Changes for Students

- May take any number of courses a year
- May have the same instructor in the same subject**

*** School series in a state may not repeat the same instructor more than twice in the same subject*



Schedule Writing Assignment

HB p 115

- Students MUST write and pass the Schedule Writing Assignment
- Student has 6-months to complete the schedule
- Failure to return the schedule will result in the student forfeiting student judging status

Schedule Writing Assignment

State Flower Show School
Chairman requests schedule
writing directives for students
who have successfully
completed 4 courses

When the student receives the
directive, the 6-months time
limit begins



Schedule Writing Assignment

Form 28 - Directives for Student Schedule Writing Assignment

- Detailed instructions may be found on **Form 28** and in the Flower Show Schools Manual
- Student has only **three** attempts to pass the written schedule assignment

Course IV - Horticulture Curriculum

- Include an Introduction to Collections and Displays
- Remove Displays from Practice Point Scoring
- Written Point Scoring - One class of plant type studied and one Collection



Flower Show School Resources Page

www.gardenclub.org/flower-show-school-resources

- New and updated Flower Show School Forms
- Latest copy of Digital Handbook for Flower Shows
- Updated Flower Show School Manual

As of July 1, 2024

Flower Show School Course Listings



- States may list a planned series of Flower Show Schools on NGC website
- No set time limit between schools
- One school must be accredited before the next one is held

Master Panels for Schools and Symposiums

- Only for FSS Courses II, III and IV and Symposiums
- No one serving on a Master Panel should have an exhibit in the Point Scoring Exam Room
- Alternate judging credit—must take and pass written point scoring exam

Alternate Exhibiting and Judging Credits

At Flower Show Schools and Symposiums



- For exhibiting credit - instructors must sign exhibit card
- For judging credit - passing grade point score sheets must be signed by instructor

Questions?

Contact Judy Binns
NGC Flower Show
Schools Chairman

