National Garden Clubs, Inc. GARDENING SCHOOL

Series 18 – Course 3 August 26 & 27, 2024

San Antonio Garden Center 3310 N. New Braunfels San Antonio, TX 78209 830-837-5262

Open to Everyone!

Gardening School Courses are open to everyone, regardless of National Garden Club, Inc. membership. Each of the 4 courses has an optional exam. NGC members wishing to apply to be NGC Gardening Consultants must take all four courses and pass each exam. Non-members fulfilling the above requirements may apply to be Consultants.

Non-members fulfilling the above requirements may apply to be Consultants upon joining an NGC affiliated club within one calendar year of the completion date of the 4th course.

To take advantage of this opportunity, fill out the registration form on the reverse side of this brochure and send it with your check in the amount of \$150.00 made out to:

TGC, Inc. Garden School Memo line: GS S18-C2

Please Note Course #4 is planned for February 3&4, 2025

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Helping Members become accomplished horticulturists.

The NGC Gardening School Courses are designed to provide educational instruction to those interested in gardening, horticulture and related subjects.

The school consists of a series of four courses, scheduled for two days of instruction followed by an **OPEN BOOK** examination. Courses cover all aspects of growing – from understanding soil structure to pruning techniques, plant cultivation and identification, etc. Topics include basic botany, soils, growing annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs, fruits and vegetables, lawns, pests and diseases of plants, and selected subjects of interest.

The courses are intended primarily for garden club members, but they are also open to the general public, requiring only the payment of a nominal fee. NGC affiliated Garden Club members completing the series of four courses are awarded the designation of NGC Gardening Consultant. A non-member student who has successfully completed the four courses may apply for Consultant Certification upon joining a garden club affiliated with NGC within one year after completing the series. Additional topics and areas of interest that may be covered are subjects such as Reconciliation Ecology (the science of inventing, establishing and maintaining new habitats in places where people live, work, and play), and creating backyard habitats to help endangered species such as pollinators and amphibians.

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STATE PRESIDENT Lee Taylor

LOCAL GARDEN SCHOOL CHAIRS

Karen Taylor, Chair Lee Taylor, Co-Chair

Gardening School

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REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION FEES: DEADLINE IS August 16, 2024

Two Day School includes lunch and snacks both days: Credit/Refresher/Guest

(Please circle category)

\$150.00 + \$5.00 if taking class for credit Registration Deadline is August 16, 2024 No Registration at Door

THIS IS AN IN PERSON CLASS

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: TGC, INC. GARDEN SCHOOL Memo line: GS S18-C2

Additional Form Requirements: NGC Form 6 for Students NGC Form 7 for Consultants

COURSE III Schedule

August 26 - MONDAY

8:00 - 8:30am - Registration

8:30am - 10:30am Factors that Influence Plant

Growth

10:30am - 10:45am Break

10:45am - 11:15am Open Book Quiz on Plant Growth

11:30am - 12:30pm LUNCH BREAK

12:30pm - 2:00pm Container Gardens - Outdoor

2:00pm - 2:15pm Break

2:15pm - 2:30pm Open Book Quiz on Container Gardens

2:30pm - 4:00pm New Plant Development

4:00pm - 4:15pm Break

4:15pm - 4:45pm Quiz on Plant Development

August 27 - TUESDAY

8:00am - 8:15am Assemble at Botanical Gardens

8:30am - 10:30 am Tour of Botanical Gardens

10:30am - 10:45am Break

10:45am - 11:15am Open Book Quiz on Garden

Tour

LUNCH BREAK - 11:30am - 12:15pm 12:15pm - 1:15pm Houseplant Basics

1:15pm - 1:30pm Open Book Quiz on Houseplant Basics

1:30pm - 1:45pm Break

1:45pm - 2:45pm Native Trees and Shrubs

2:45pm - 3:00pm Quiz on Native Trees and Shrubs

3:00pm - 3:45pm The Garden Ecosystem (Supp.

Topic)

4:00 Conclude Garden School, Course 3

ALL WRITTEN EXAMS ARE TO BE OPEN BOOK and/or NOTES.

Instruction By:
Dr. Joe Novak
Professor, Rice University

REQUIRED READING

"The National Gardener"

Available on-line and by subscription

SUGGESTED READING Botany for Gardeners Brian Capon

SUGGESTED ACCOMMODATIONS

<u>LaQuinta Inn & Suites - San Antonio Airport</u>

850 Halm Blvd, San Antonio, TX 78216

Phone: 1-210-342-3738

Details: Free Continental Breakfast



SEND CHECK AND REGISTRATION TO:

Karen Taylor, Chair 109 Axis Run Hunt, TX 78024