



## General Information

The symposium fee will cover the full course with examination or Master Audit. National Garden Clubs, Inc. Accredited, Life, or Master Flower Show Judges and Instructors may receive credit. Iowa Judges must apply for credit clearance.

**Accredited Judges need to send Form 13; Accredited Life Judges send Form 15L; Master Judges send Form 15M. Out-of-state judges must clear eligibility with their state Flower Show School's Accrediting Chair and present letter authorizing them to take the course** (Good Standing date/last Symposium date needs to be noted.)  
**Send forms by July 12, 2025.**

## Instructors

**Karen Booker**—is a horticulture instructor for National Garden Clubs, Inc. She teaches Flower Show Schools, Symposiums and Flower Show Procedure. Karen lives in Lawrence, KS.

**Shirley Tetreault**—is a design instructor for National Garden Clubs, Inc. She teaches Flower Show Schools, Allied Topics, Symposiums and Flower Show Procedure. Shirley lives in Albuquerque, NM.

### **FGCI Judges Council**

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Federated Garden Clubs of Iowa  
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Iowa Federated  
Judges Council  
Symposium

**AUGUST 12-13,  
2025**

*Judges, Student Judges, NGC  
garden club members and  
interested others welcome!*



Iowa Arboretum – Madrid, IA

53<sup>rd</sup> Iowa Symposium  
August 12-13, 2025

Location: Iowa Arboretum  
1875 Peach Avenue  
Madrid, IA 50516

**Registration deadline: August 1, 2025**

Flower Show Judges, Garden Club  
Members and other persons may attend  
lectures on payment of fees. Only NGC  
Accredited Judges are eligible to take the  
Symposium for credit.

Contact Terri Ewers to exhibit for Design  
and/or Horticulture. Credit may be given  
for both.

## Schedule

### Tuesday, August 12, 2025

- 8:00 Doors open
- 8:20 Registration/Coffee/Announcements
- 8:30 Allied Topic – Make it or Break it
- 9:30 Morning Break
- 9:45 Design – Multi-Rhythmic and  
Spatial Thrust
- 11:45 Lunch
- 12:30 Design with Oral Point Scoring
- 2:30 Afternoon Break
- 2:45 Written Point Scoring Exam
- 4:45 Dismissed

### Wednesday, August 13, 2025

- 8:00 Doors Open
- 8:20 Registration/Coffee/Announcements
- 8:30 Allied Topic - continued
- 9:30 Morning Break
- 9:45 Horticulture – Hostas and Tagetes
- 11:45 Lunch
- 12:30 Horticulture with Oral Point Scoring
- 2:30 Afternoon Break
- 2:45 Written Point Scoring Exam
- 4:45 Dismissed

Note: Monday, August 11 is a set-up day.  
All designs and horticulture welcome to  
be brought in 9am-4pm.

**Questions:**

Terri Ewers, IA Symposium Chair  
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### Symposium 2025 Registration Form [Lunches/snacks included]

- full course w/ exam      \$135
- full course, auditing      \$135
- full course, non-credit      \$125
- one day registration      \$65
- Iowa Judges Council Dues      \$20  
*(dues for 2025-2026)*

**TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please check status. Date of last symposium  
and where for credit.

Accredited     Life     Master

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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