

WHO WE ARE

The Arkansas Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. is a nonprofit educational organization founded in 1931. AFGC is a member of National Garden Clubs, Inc. with a membership of 150,000, as well as international Affiliates, making AFGC one of the largest garden-related/volunteer organizations in the world. Our members create a powerful voice and expansive network for advancing common interests.

WHAT WE DO

Education-Horticulture-Conservation-Floral Design-Landscaping-Recycling-Youth Gardening-Historic Preservation-Roadside Beautification-Civic Service-Blue Star Memorials-Disaster Relief-Garden Therapy



ARKANSAS FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL COURSE 2

March 2-5, 2026

Holiday Inn Airport
3201 Bankhead Drive
Little Rock, AR 72206-3731

Sponsored by:
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SEATBELT TO BE PLACED

Required Reading

The National Garden Club Handbook for Flower Shows 2017 Rev. Edition July 24, 2016 [Download Handbook for Flower Shows 2017 Rev. Edition](#)
Handbook for Flower Shows 2017 Revised Edition to class 2017 Edition [Connected July 2024] is available on the NAGC website for free download. [www.gardenclub.org](#)

LOGGING

Holiday Inn Airport, Little Rock
3201 Bankhead Drive
501-490-1000 Rate of \$103 + Tax
Flower Show School (a link for reservations at hotel will be emailed later)

NOTE: Instructors and FSS Administrators will be staying here. All classes are held in the hotel.

If more information is needed please call Rose at 501-519-3505

RESERVATION NOW

SUBJECTS TO BE STUDIED

Flower Show Procedure
 Instructor: Frances Thrush
 Horticulture - Spring Blobs & Flowering Branches
 Instructor: Sue Kirkman
 Design - Function and Exhibition Table Designs
 Instructor: Frances Thrush

ATTENDEES ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING
 Specimens of spring blobs and flowering branches

Flower Show School is a comprehensive program that teaches all you need to know about judging, entering, competing, and exhibiting at MGC flower shows. There are five classes each scheduled over a 2-3 day period, and each with a specific curriculum that includes horticulture, design, and flower show procedure (FSP). If you are considering becoming a Flower Show Judge, planning to chair a Flower Show, or simply want to learn more, your first step is to attend **Course 1**. Subjects are taught by qualified instructors and outlines will be provided.

Interested in learning more about Flower Shows? Visit our **MGC FLOWER SHOWS PAGE** on the MGC website www.mgcajax.org

Examples of horticulture and design are displayed and critiqued. Learn points-scoring as evaluators how entries are judged and see what it takes to get the blue ribbon. Learn about awards, types of shows, and what commitments are needed to produce a show. We invite you to join this unique experience and become an active part of Flower Shows. See the MGC Handbook for Flower Shows and all related forms on our website: www.mgcajax.org



FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE

Monday, March 2, 2026	Registration Announcements Flower Show Procedure Frances Thrush DINNER
Tuesday, March 3, 2026	FSP Exam Announcements Horticulture lecture Sue Kirkman
10:45 am - 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Horticulture cont.
12:00-1 pm	Lunch
1 pm-2:30 pm	Horticulture cont.
2:30-2:45 pm	Break
2:45-3:45 pm	Horticulture cont.
3:45-4:00 pm	Break
4:00-4:00 pm	Point-Scoring Exam
Wednesday, March 4, 2026	Horticulture Exam Break 9:15 and 9:45 Design lecture, Frances Thrush Break 10:45 am - 11:30 am Design cont. Lunch 1 pm-2:30 pm Design cont. Break 2:30-2:45 pm Design cont. Break 2:45-4:00 pm Point-Scoring Exam
Thursday, March 5, 2026	Design Exam



REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State & Zip Code: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____
 Garden Club: _____

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL.

____ Judge & Student Judges \$150.00
 ____ Entire Course Credit \$170.00
 ____ 2-day course Audit \$160.00
 ____ 1-day FSP, FSP Audit \$100.00
 ____ 1 day-Horticulture Audit \$100.00
 ____ 1 day-Design Audit \$100.00

(Dinner Monday, Lunches Tuesday & Wednesday, **Wednesday included**)

Total Enrolled: _____

Registrations must be received by August 1, 2024

MADE CHECK PAYABLE TO: FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL
 MAIL TO: BOB KNIGHT, REGISTRAR
 110 Maple Ct.
 Arkadelphia, AR 71923

Instructor Outlines for Course 1 enclosed.
Outlines which must be printed and brought to class. Credit Students must attend the entire course, be on time and scored when lectures begin and remain until the end of lectures and point scoring.

Registration and payment required to receive outlines.

All local garden clubs are encouraged to sponsor and provide registration for at least one member. **Pre-Registration & Payment required.**