

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 NGC 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



FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL

COURSE 1

August 25-28, 2025

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

Sponsored by:
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Required Reading

The National Gardener (available online)
Handbook for Flower Shows 2017 Rev. Edition
July 24
Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging
Designing by Types

Credit students are required to bring Handbook for Flower Shows 2017 Revised Edition to class. 2017 Edition (Corrected July 2024) is available on the NGC website for free download. www.gardenclub.org

LODGING

**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

FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Monday, August 25, 2025

2:30 pm Registration
2:50 Announcements
3:00-5:00 pm Flower Show Procedure
Frances Thrash
5:45 DINNER

Tuesday, August 26, 2025

8:00-9:00 am FSP Exam
9:00-9:15 am Announcements
9:15-10:45 Horticulture lecture
Sue Kirkman
10:45 am -11:00 Break
11:00 am – 12:00 Horticulture cont.
12:00-1 pm Lunch
1 pm-2:30 Horticulture cont.
2:30-2:45 Break
2:45-3:45 Horticulture cont.
3:45-4:00 Break
4:00-5:00 Point Scoring Exam

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

8:00-9:00 am Horticulture Exam
9:00-9:15 am Break
9:15 am-10:45 Design lecture, Frances Thrash
10:45 am -11:00 Break
11:00 am – 12:00 Design cont.
12:00-1 pm Lunch
1 pm-2:30 Design cont.
2:30-2:45 Break
2:45-3:45 Design cont.
3:45-4:00 Break
4:00-5:00 Point Scoring Exam

Thursday, August 28, 2025

9:00-10:00 am Design Exam

SUBJECTS TO BE STUDIED

Flower Show Procedure

Instructor: Frances Thrash

Horticulture – Fall Composites/Container
Grown Philodendron

Instructor: Sue Kirkman

Design – Traditional Design

Instructor: Frances Thrash

ATTENDEES ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING Specimens of Fall Composites and Philodendron, Container Grown

Flower Show School is a comprehensive program that teaches all you need to know about judging, entering, competing, and chairing an NGC flower show. There are four courses 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 I**. Subjects are taught by qualified instructors and outlines will be provided.

Interested in learning more about flower shows? Visit our [NGC FLOWER SHOWS PAGE](http://www.gardenclub.org) on the **NGC website** www.gardenclub.org

Examples of horticulture and design are displayed and critiqued. Learn point-scoring to evaluate how entries are judged and see what it takes to get the blue ribbon. Learn about awards, types of shows, and what committees are needed to produce a show. We invite you to join this unique experience and become an active part of flower shows. See the *NGC Handbook for Flower Shows* and all related forms on our website.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State & Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Garden Club: _____

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR ALL

___ Judges & Student Judges \$150.00

___ Entire Course Credit \$170.00

___ 3-day course Audit \$160.00

___ 1-day PT SC /FSP Audit \$100.00

___ 1 day-Horticulture Audit \$100.00

___ 1 day-Design Audit \$100.00

(Dinner Monday, Lunches Tuesday &
Wednesday Included)

Total Enclosed \$_____

Registrations must be received by August 1, 2025

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL
MAIL TO ROSE KNIGHT, REGISTRAR

110 Maple Ct.

Arkadelphia, AR 71923

Instructor Outlines for Course 3 emailed.

Outlines which must be printed and brought to class. Credit Students must attend the entire course, be on time and seated 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.