

. Flower Show School

Course III

October 9, 14-16, 2025

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ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

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GARDEN CLUB _____

Course Fees

Full Course, Exam, Lunch \$160.00 _____

Course, No Exam, Lunch \$150.00 _____

One-day: 10/9/25,
FS Procedure, Exam \$ 80.00 _____

One-day: 10/14/25
Design, Lunch, Exam \$ 90.00 _____

One-day: 10/15/25
Horticulture, Lunch, Exam \$ 90.00 _____

Total Remittance \$ _____

Vegetarian ____ Food Allergy _____

Make check payable to: FGCCT, Inc.

Mail check and Registration Form to:

Peggy Townsend, Registrar

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Bethel, CT 06801

NO REFUNDS AFTER September 25, 2025

Questions:

Peggy Townsend: 203-791-8321 or

peggy.townsend@ctgardenclubs.org

Outlines will be emailed upon completion of registration.

Course Content

Flower Show Procedure

- Explanation of Education Division and judging.
- Explanation of Youth and Sponsored Groups Division and judging.
- Requirements to become an Accredited Judge.
- Judging etiquette and ethics.
- Review writing a flower show schedule, with emphasis on format and general rules.

Design:

- Creative Design, dynamic balance, plastic organization, juxtaposition and abstraction.
- Creating a design Schedule.
- Creative Staging
- NGC Top Exhibitor Awards: Designer's Choice and Club Competition
- Review judging procedures, judging qualities and Design commenting vocabulary.

Horticulture:

- Creating a Horticulture schedule.
- NGC Horticulture top exhibitor awards.
- Review judging qualities and commenting vocabulary.
- Discussion of growing and showing two Horticulture Types: Combination Plantings and Ferns
- Point Scoring will be discussed, practiced, and written.



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Optional Exam October 16, 2025

Sheraton Hartford South Hotel

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COURSE PROGRAM

Thursday, October 9, 2025

ZOOM FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE (2 hours) Time

TBA

Lynn Fronk, Instructor

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

DESIGN (5 Hours total)

8:30 Registration

8:45 Welcome and announcements

9:00 DESIGN - Lynn Fronk, Instructor

10:00 Break

10:15 DESIGN (continued)

12:15 Lunch

1:00 DESIGN (continued)

2:00 Break

2:15 Design and Oral Practice Point Scoring

3:15 Break

3:30- Written Point Scoring

5:30

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

HORTICULTURE (5 hours total)

8:30 Registration

8:45 Welcome and Announcements

9:00 HORTICULTURE

David Robson, Instructor

10:00 Break

10:15 HORTICULTURE (continued)

12:15 Lunch

1:00 HORTICULTURE (continued)

2:00 Break

2:15 ORAL PRACTICE POINT SCORING

3:15 Break

3:30- WRITTEN POINT SCORING EXAM

5:30

Thursday, October 16, 2025

8:45 Sign-In for Optional Exam

9:00-12:00 OPTIONAL EXAM

Required Reading

- NGC Website www.gardenclub.org
- *Handbook for Flower Shows (HB)*, 2017 Ed)
- *Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging*, 2012 NGC Supplement to Handbook for Flower Shows
- *The National Gardener*-online
www.gardenclub.org >Member Login > TNG Online

FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

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INSTRUCTORS

FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE and DESIGN

Lynn Fronk

Lynn is a National Garden Club Master Flower Show Judge, Flower Show Schools Design and Flower Show Procedure Instructor. She is the winner of the Mildred-Heter Buckingham Award and has several designs featured in *Designing by Types*. Lynn is a Past President of Garden Club of Ohio. She is a member of the Flower Show Schools Committee serving as Symposium Chairman for National Garden Clubs, the Symposium Chairman for the Garden Club of Georgia. She is a Master Environmental Consultant and a Gardening Consultant for NGC. She is the author of "Merry Christmas from My House to Yours" A small booklet on Using Natural Materials for Holiday Designs.

HORTICULTURE

David Robson

David Robson is a retired horticulture and pesticide safety specialist with the University of Illinois. A graduate of Iowa State University and University of IL, he has taught for more than 43 years. David has also served 10 years as the Garden Clubs of IL Awards Chairman and is currently is the 3rd Vice-President. He is a National Garden Club Master Judge since 1992, and Flower Show School and Symposium instructor since 2008. He was chairman of the Handbook Revision Committee and is also an IL State Fair Food Judge. He currently serves on the NGC Board of Directors, is NGC Headquarters Grounds Chairman, Finance Member, and a PH&E Trustee.