

Flower Show School is a comprehensive program that teaches you all you need to know about judging, entering, competing and chairing an NGC flower show. There are 4 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 FSS. Subjects are taught by qualified instructors and outlines will be provided. Examples of horticulture and design are displayed and critiqued. Learn point scoring to evaluate how entries are judged and see what it takes to earn a blue ribbon.

Course 2 Design studies functional table design, exhibition tables and petite designs. FSP covers types of flower shows, awards, and what it takes to produce a flower show. Horticulture covers labeling, growing, selecting, grooming, exhibiting and judging your plants. We will study hollies and daffodils.

Bring :

1. Required if you are taking the tests. NGC Flower Show Handbook 2017 Edition Revised 2025-free download www.gardenclub.org-schools-flower show school-flower show school resources-handbook (print double-sided because it is 150 pages or download it to laptop or ipad.
2. Print outlines that will be emailed to you 3 weeks before the course and after you have paid. Bring the outlines with you to the course.
3. Jacket because the AC can get cold.
4. Reusable cup for coffee, water or tea.
5. 8 ½ x 11 clipboard for taking the point scoring tests.
6. Pencils if taking the tests

Students are encouraged to read:

Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging	\$5 gardenclub.org
Designing by Type	\$5 gardenclub.org

FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL 2

A National Garden Clubs, Inc School

March 8-10, 2026

Memphis Botanic Garden

750 Cherry Road

Memphis, TN 38117

901-636-4100

Sponsored by the Memphis –Shelby County

Judges Council

Julie Wilson-Flower Show School Chairman

juliedyerwilson@gmail.com for questions

PLEASE label correspondence –Flower Show School

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Lynn Fronk –Design Instructor

Lynn is an NGC Master Flower Show Judge, an NGC Master Environmental Consultant and Gardening Consultant. Lynn has taught in 42 states and South America. She has judged the Philadelphia Flower Show and has several designs in the NGC book, Designing by Types. She has presented at the Garden Club of Georgia Convention recently, at the Deep South Convention in

Macon and is a workshop leader at CFFA. Lynn is the past president of Garden Clubs of Ohio and has recently relocated to Flowery Branch, Georgia. Lynn is a retired nurse from Columbus,

Ohio Children's Hospital and is active in many community activities.

Attendance at all sessions is REQUIRED for credit
Tests are only for those students taking the
course for credit.

March 8	3:45-6pm	Flower Show Procedure
March 9	8-9 am	Flower S Procedure Exam
	9:15 -3:30	Horticulture
	12 -1	Lunch
	3:45-5:45	Point Scoring Exam
March 10	8-9 am	Horticulture Exam
	9:15-3:30	Design
	12-1	Lunch
	3:45-5:45	Design Point Scoring Exam
March 11	9-10 am	Design Exam

Lodging Suggestions

Courtyard by Marriot, 6015 Park Ave, Memphis 1-888-691-9410
Hampton Inn, 5320 Poplar, Memphis, 901-554-7018

Sue Kirkman-Horticulture Instructor

Sue is an NGC Horticulture Symposium Chair: NGC Master Flower Show Judge, Gardening Consultant, Landscape Design Consultant, Master Gardener, former American Iris Society Judge and a member of several plant societies. She is a retired college instructor and former state of Kentucky aging director. Sue and her husband live in a pre-Civil War farmhouse along with a dog and 2 cats. She is a member of the Garden Club of Frankfort, KY. We will study hollies and cut daffodils.

Registration Form Flower Show School Course 2

Name_____

Address_____

City_____State____Zip_____

Email_____

Cell Phone_____

Club_____District____

Taking tests_____ Not for Credit_____

Vegetarian lunch_____

Full Course with/without exams \$150_____

(Includes tuition, 2 lunches and snacks)

Flower Show Procedure only (Sun) \$40_____

Horticulture & Lunch (Monday) \$80_____

Design & Lunch (Tuesday) \$80_____

TOTAL _____

**Make checks payable to Memphis-Shelby County
Judges Council with Flower Show School in the memo
line and mail to:**

**Mary Heim,
4159 Chickasaw
Memphis, TN 38117, 901-569-2866**

NO REFUNDS AFTER March 1, 2026