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All participants must have a desktop, laptop, tablet or iPad with integrated camera and microphone. Smart phones are not permitted unless for “hotspot” connectivity

All participants must participate in brief Pre-Course Orientation Session on Saturday, January 24, 3 pm Arizona time (If schedule conflict, contact Peggy Ahola, azgardenschools@gmail.com)

REQUIREMENTS FOR CREDIT

Each of the four courses consist of ten hours of lectures. Attendance is mandatory for the student to be able to take the exam and receive credit. Exams are optional but must be taken by students wishing to be certified as an NGC Landscape Design Consultant.

Refreshers do not need to take the exams.

Students must complete all four courses and exams with a passing grade of 70 or above.

All lectures and exams are open to the public regardless of National Garden Club, Inc. membership

IMPORTANT

All students must include a Form 6 with their registration. If this is your final Course to achieve consultant status, it should be signed by your state LDS Chair. All refreshers must include a Form 7 signed by their state's LDS Chair

FAQs

- There are five lectures per day with breaks
- Instructor outlines will be emailed to all registered students and refreshers prior to the course beginning
- Students may take more than one course in a given year
- The Courses and NGC Certification do not confer professional status



Landscape Design School

Series 1 Course 1

January 30-31, 2026

9:30 AM-4:00 PM

Via Zoom



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OVERVIEW

Objectives of the Landscape Design Schools

- Develop a greater sense of appreciation, pride, and knowledge about our private, public, and historical gardens
- Become better informed in order to promote positive changes in our surroundings to encourage beauty, utility, convenience, sound ecological practices
- Encourage a better understanding of the landscape Design process to promote landscapes that will sustain sound management
- Stimulate interest in all phases of landscape design, including community planning
- Develop a contingent of qualified NGC Landscape Design Consultants to serve in areas of public life, such as providing leadership, educational programs, scholarships, awards, and working to promote positive landscaping decisions.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Attendance is mandatory at all lectures of a course for the student to take the exam and receive credit. Prospective consultants must take a written examination. Each course includes:

- Ten hours of lectures, including a supplemental subject lecture
- A multiple-choice exam (open book/notes) based on the lectures. Exams are optional, but must be taken by those who apply for NGC certification.

COURSE 1 HIGHLIGHTS

1. Learning About Your Ecosystem
2. Space, Design and People
3. Principles and Elements of Landscape Design
4. Developing Your Garden Plan
5. Basics of a Site Plan
6. Color in the Landscape
7. Design for the Environment
8. Development of Landscape Design: Ancient Times to 1840
9. Xeriscaping in the Desert
10. Supplemental Subject: Edible Garden

For Students: How many LDS courses have you completed prior to this Course? _____

REGISTER AND PAY ONLINE

We want to encourage you to register online for this course! Go to our website at:
<https://azgardenclubs.com/schools>

DEADLINE for online registration, cancellations, and refunds: January 23, 2026

PAPER REGISTRATION

Print, fill out and mail the section below

DEADLINE for paper registration, cancellations, and refunds: January 15, 2026
PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Name	
Address	
City	
State, Zip	
email	
NGC Club	
NGC Region	
State where records are kept	

Students, non-AFGC members	\$110.00
Students, AFGC Members	\$95.00
Refreshers, non-AFGC members	\$105.00
Refreshers, AFGC members	\$90.00
Audit only (no credit received)	\$90.00
AMOUNT OF CHECK	

Make checks payable to AFGC, Inc.

Mail registration form and check to: Peggy Ahola
see address on the other side