

FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Zoom: Flower Show Procedure

September 9/11/ 2026- Zoom setup, 2 pm
September 9/18/ 2026- Instruction / test, 2 pm

Thursday, September 24, 2026

8:15-8:30 **Daily information**
8:30 -10:30 **Horticulture**
10:30-10:45 **Break**
10:45-12:15 **Horticulture**
12:15 -12:45 **Lunch**
12:45- 2:45 **Horticulture**
Practice Point Scoring
2:45 -3:00 **Break**
3:00 – 5:00 **Horticulture:** Point
scoring

Friday, September 25, 2026

8:15-8:30 **Daily information**
8:30 -10:30 **Design**
10:30-10:45 **Break**
10:45-12:15 **Design**
12:15 -12:45 **Lunch**
12:45- 2:45 **Design:**
Practice Point Scoring
2:45 -3:00 **Break**
3:00 –5:00 **Design:** Point scoring

Saturday September 26, 2026

9:00 –12:00 **Tests**

Design Instructor: Cathy Waitinas

Cathy is an NGC Accredited Flower Show Judge and FSS Design and Flower Show procedure Instructor. She is a member of Arissa, Middleboro and Garden Guild Garden Clubs. Cathy is an NGC board member, and a member of the Society of American Florists. She has taught school and served 3+ years in the nuclear industry in safety and technical writing. Cathy and her husband, Jerry, have three grown daughters and live near Oliver Springs, TN where she has a woodworking shop. Cathy's carpentry projects can be seen in many of her design structures. Her motto; "If Flower Shows aren't FUN, we're doing something wrong."

Horticulture Instructor: Jan Griffin

Jan moved from Seattle to Florida where all the plants she knew would not thrive. She joined a Garden Club and started a quest to learn her new environment. She joined the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs and became a Flower Show Judge. Jan has served as the horticulture chair for six state flower shows and several District shows. Jan's interests other than Garden Club are her family, golf, and working in her friend's florist shop. Her comment to all her wonderful design friends is this: "You need great horticulture to create great designs."

Flower Show Procedure: Carol English

Carol is a NGC Accredited Master Judge and FSP Zoom instructor. She is currently serving on the NGC Flower Show Committee as the Schedule Writing Chair. Carol holds a MS in Art Education from Pratt Institute. She has been Flower Show School Chair, District Director and is a member of the Schuylerville Garden Club. Carol now resides in New York with her husband and two Labrador Retrievers.

REGISTRATION

NAME _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip code _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Registration Information

Fee - per person- full course \$180.00
Includes lunch for 9/24 & 25
Zoom F S Procedure 9/18/26

One day fee- Design or Horticulture \$90.00

Postage for student study material: \$15.00
(If unable to print)

Registration after 9/15/26 \$195.00

Total Submitted: _____

Please list dietary requirements: _____

Make checks payable to **SWJC**
Send checks and registration to
Laura Crenshaw
819 First St, Coronado, CA 92118
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Kathryn Keitzer
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Local travel or housing information

Nearest airport: San Diego International

Local Hotels near Valley Center Public Library
29200 Cole Grade Rd., Valley Center, CA 92028

Comfort Inn 1290 West Valley Parkway
Escondido, CA 92029

Holiday Inn Express
1250 West Valley Parkway,
Escondido, CA 9202

Zoom - Flower Show Procedure: Carol English is the instructor for Flower Show Procedure. Training date is 9/11/ 2026 2:00 – 3:00 pm and class date will on 9/18/ 26 beginning at 2:00 pm. A training class is necessary before the class date to make sure that all students have the necessary information so that they can interact with the instructor. This portion of the class is covered in the registration fee. *All Zoom meeting codes will be provided upon registration.*

All tests will be given on Saturday, September 26, 2026 from 9:00 – 12:00 noon. (see schedule)

IMPORTANT FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL INFORMATION

Any interested person may attend Flower Show School full or part time. Those wishing to become Flower Show Judges must attend all sessions and must complete the tests on Saturday. For accreditation, a student needs to be a member of a local NGC Garden Club.

FSS, COURSE 4 STUDY SUBJECTS

For a complete outline of Course 4 see Page 127 of the Handbook, revised 2017 edition with 7/25 updates including schedule writing, judging ethics, Botanical Arts, collections and displays, and abstract designs.

All study material will be emailed by August 10, 2026 to fully registered students. If a student is unable to print the study material, these documents can be mailed for a charge of \$15.00.

Study materials and Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 must be brought to the class and will be used as reference updated to 2025.

For further information go to the National Garden Club website: gardenclub.org.

Flower Show School, Course 4 is Sponsored by: Southwestern Judges Council, California Garden Clubs, Inc, National Garden Clubs, Inc., Dos Valles Garden Club and Valley Center Public Library.

Note: For full credit, students must be seated by 8:15 am on 9/24/26 and 9/25/26.

*And be present for both **Zoom** instruction and Flower Show Procedure presentation. . All Zoom meeting codes will be provided upon registration. All students must attend the Saturday session to complete the necessary written tests.*

NGC FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL

Course 4

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September 24-26, 2026

In person classes at: Valley Center Public Library, 20200 Cole Grade Road, Valley Center, CA 92082

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