

INSTRUCTORS

PAM BRAUN

HORTICULTURE, FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE

Pam Braun of Franklin, TN has been a garden club member for nearly 50 years and belongs to two garden clubs and many plant societies. Pam is a Life Member of the TN Federation of Garden Clubs, Deep South Garden Clubs and National Garden Clubs. She is an NGC Accredited Flower Show School Horticulture, Flower Show Procedure and Symposium Instructor. Exhibiting collections and displays of different plant groups is her specialty and has won her many top exhibitor awards. In addition to her love of horticulture, Pam also enjoys floral design and has been a speaker and exhibitor on all garden club levels. Pam has enjoyed growing plants all her life, and the plants she uses for designs and instruction often come from her garden.

LYNN FRONK

DESIGN

Lynn Fronk, a retired nurse, relocated from Ohio to Flowery Branch, GA in 2019. She is Past President of The Garden Club of Ohio. As an NGC Master Flower Show Judge and NGC Flower Show School and Symposium Design and Flower Show Procedure Instructor, Lynn has taught in 42 states, Mexico, Columbia Cuba, Columbia, Guatemala, Ecuador and Uruguay. She is a member of NGC's Flower Show Committee serving as Symposium Chairman and has been appointed as the Symposium Chairman for The Garden Club of Georgia. She is a member of Stonehedge Garden Club, Creative Floral Arrangers of the Americas, The Designers Study Club and North Georgia Council of Flower Show Judges. Lynn is author of *Merry Christmas from My House to Yours*, a booklet outlining the use of natural materials for holiday designs.

REQUIRED READING

1. *Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition, revised July 2025*. Digital version free at: <http://gardenclub.org/sites/default/files/2025-07/fs-hanbook-2025.pdf>.

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BRING A DIGITAL OR PRINTED COPY OF THE *HANDBOOK FOR FLOWER SHOWS (HB)* IF TAKING COURSE FOR CREDIT.

Study outlines will be emailed in advance to **paid** registrants. Please print and bring your outlines punched with 3 holes. *The FSS will provide new students with a 3-ring binder for their outlines.*

RECOMMENDED READING

While not required reading, these books provide additional information on design types and horticulture entries.

1. *Guide to the New Petite* by Anna Burns (anna.burns214@gmail.com)
2. *Table Settings for All Seasons*, June Wood and Deen Day Smith Sanders
3. *Plant Families for Designers*, Marie Harrison (free download from www.gardenclub.org)
4. *Designing by Types*, Harriett Osborn, Editor (*FSS will provide this book to full-time students taking exam*).
5. *Hortulana, 21st Century Ed.*, Nancy Heber, available online for \$10 at the NGC store (www.gardenclub.org).
6. *Outlines of Period Flower Arrangement* by Frances Hannay. Available online at the NGC Store at www.gardenclub.org for \$5.00.

STUDENTS TAKING COURSE FOR CREDIT MUST:

- Be on time, attend all sessions and remain seated throughout the lecture.
- Bring *Handbook for Flower Shows, revised July 2025 edition*, either a digital download or a printed copy.
- Bring instructor's outlines.
- Bring pencils, clipboard and a highlighter.

National Garden Clubs, Inc. Flower Show School



Course II

November 15 - 18, 2026

Bellmere Garden House
10777 Bell Road
Johns Creek, GA 30097



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FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL DESCRIPTION

The National Garden Clubs' Flower Show School (FSS) provides an educational opportunity to increase one's knowledge of flower show procedures and to gain skills in entering, organizing, exhibiting and judging. Each of the four courses has a specific curriculum that includes horticulture, design and flower show procedure and is held over a three to four-day period. It is recommended that a course series be taken in sequential order; however, it is not required. If you are considering becoming a judge, planning to chair a flower show or simply want to learn more about flower shows, your first step is to attend FSS Course I in Johns Creek, GA. The courses are open to any interested persons. NGC members seeking credit toward becoming a flower show judge must attend all sessions and sit for the written examinations.

FSS GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The purposes of NGC Flower Show Schools:

- A. To provide a learning opportunity for garden club members interested in becoming an NGC Accredited Flower Show Judge.
- B. To expand the understanding and knowledge of all garden club members in sponsoring, participating and implementing NGC Flower Shows.
- C. To teach healthy growing practices and correct grooming techniques for horticulture specimens.
- D. To teach artistic principles as they apply to designing with plant material.
- E. To educate participants on the principles and etiquette critiquing another's work according to the NGC standards of evaluation.
- F. To encourage a healthy competitive spirit while striving to achieve excellence in all aspects of an NGC Flower Show.

COURSE II FSS SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 15, 2026

1:00 pm-1:45 pm: Registration/ Announcements
2:00 pm-4:00 pm: Flower Show Procedure (FSP)

Monday, November 16, 2026

8:00 - 8:15 am: Registration for examinees
8:15 - 8:30 am: Announcements
8:30 - 9:30 am: FSP Written Exam
9:30 - 9:45 am: Break, Registration for others
9:45 -11:45 am: Horticulture Lecture
11:45-12:15 pm: Lunch
12:15 - 1:15 pm: Horticulture Lecture
1:15 - 3:15 pm: Practice Point Scoring
3:15 - 3:30 pm: Break
3:30 - 5:30 pm: Written Point Scoring Exam

Tuesday, November 17, 2026

8:00 - 8:15 am: Registration for examinees
8:15 - 8:30 am: Announcements
8:30 - 9:30 am: Horticulture Written Exam
9:30 - 9:45 am: Break, Registration for others
9:45 -11:45 am: Design Lecture
11:45-12:15 pm: Lunch
12:15 - 1:15 pm: Design Lecture
1:15 - 3:15 pm: Practice Point Scoring
3:15 - 3:30 pm: Break
3:30 - 5:30 pm: Written Point Scoring Exam

Wednesday, November 18, 2026

8:00 - 8:15 am: Registration for examinees
8:15 - 8:30 am: Announcements
8:30 - 9:30 am: Written Design Exam

Students must attend all sessions and take all exams to receive credit towards becoming an NGC Accredited Flower Show Judge.

A student must earn a minimum grade of 70 on the written and point scoring exams in all subjects to pass.

REGISTRATION FOR FSS COURSE II

(Pre-registration is required)

Course Fee Schedule

Full Course w/exam.....\$155
Full Course no exam.....\$150
Full Course non-NGC member..\$165
One day Horticulture w/exam... \$ 85
One day Design w/exam.....\$ 85
One day Horticulture no exam ..\$ 75
One day Design no exam.....\$ 75
One day FSP no exam.....\$ 25
One day FSP w/exam.....\$ 30
FSS Comm.Chair (full course).. \$ 50

(Monday and Tuesday includes lunch and snacks.
Snacks only on Sunday and Wednesday).

FSS Course II Registration is online, and the **deadline to register is October 31, 2026**. Space is limited so please register early. Follow the link below to register. Registration is not complete until payment is received. **No refunds after October 31, 2026.**

Flower Show 2 Registration

HOTELS

(Hyatt & Hilton offer complimentary breakfast)

1. Hyatt Place, 11505 Medlock Bridge Road, Johns Creek, GA 30097; 770-416-7655; 1.8 miles/4 minutes away; snack bar.
2. Hilton Garden Inn, 11695 Medlock Bridge Road in Johns Creek Technology Park 30097; 770-476-1966; 2.3 miles/6 minutes away, restaurant, bar, surcharge for breakfast.
3. Hampton Inn, 6440 East Johns Crossing, Johns Creek, GA 30097; 470-410-1601; 2.2 miles/5 minutes away, no restaurant.