



**NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.
FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL
COURSE II**



OFFERED BY THE FEDERATED GARDEN CLUBS OF CONNECTICUT, INC.

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**The Kellogg Environmental Center
500 Hawthorne Avenue
Derby, CT 06418**

**The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut,
Inc.
P.O.Box 854
Branford, CT 06405**

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Federated Garden Clubs of CT, Inc. (FGCCT) is pleased to offer the National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) Flower Show School. The curriculum is divided into a series of four individual courses, and is open to any Garden Club member.

The NGC provides the educational opportunity through its Flower Show Schools (FSS) Program whereby its members may become Accredited Flower Show Judges or attend sessions merely to enrich their knowledge of horticulture, design, and flower show procedure.

The courses, which may be taken in any order after Course I, are structured to meet the following goals and purpose:

- To teach and accredit prospective flower show judges and to provide opportunities for Accredited Judges to expand their knowledge and remain in good standing
- To create increased interest and knowledge in horticulture and design for all garden club members whether or not they are seeking to become NGC Accredited Flower Show Judges
- To provide greater understanding of standards of exhibiting and judging of a Standard Flower Show as clarified in the Handbook for Flower Shows
- To promote flower shows of highest quality and educational value

We urge everyone to take the optional exam offered the morning of the third day in order to become a NGC-accredited Flower Show Judge. Questions are based on any required reading, lectures, and study materials. NGC-affiliated Garden Club members become a National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC) Flower Show Judge by attending all four courses and passing the test for each course, student judging at a minimum of 5 NGC Flower Shows, winning a minimum of 5 Blue Ribbons in NGC Flower Shows, writing a sample Flower Show Schedule, and, finally, passing the Handbook Exam.

Students become Student Exhibitors after passing their second course, and Student Judges after passing their third course. Students are encouraged to attend

the Judges Council meetings which provide programs that further the education of its members.

DIRECTIONS TO Kellogg Environmental Center 500 Hawthorne Ave, Derby, CT 06418

Also, see: www.mapquest.com or:

From Rte. 8 Southbound – Exit 15, then left onto Rte. 34

From Rte. 8 Northbound – Exit 15, then left onto Rte. 34

From I-95 Northbound – Exit 27 to Rte. 8 North; Exit 15, then left onto Rte. 34

From I-95 Southbound – Exit 47 to Rte. 34 connector; stay on connector until junction with Ella Grasso Boulevard; take right onto Boulevard; move into left lane; at intersection turn left onto Rte. 34 West; in Derby, Rte. 34 makes a hard left turn and passes under Rte. 8 overpass.

From Rte. 15 Northbound – Exit 52 to Rte.8 North; Exit 15, then left onto Rte. 34

From Rte. 15 Southbound – Exit 58; then right to Rte. 34W

Downtown Derby: From Main Street Rte.34/Rte. 8 intersection continue West on Rte. 34 for about 1.5 miles; take a right onto Lakeview Terrace (there is a road sign for Kellogg Environmental Center/Osbornedale State Park at the corner); continue to stop sign at the end of the road; turn left at stop sign. Parking lot is on left.

FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Ingeborg Venus, FGCCT President

Patricia Dray, Flower Show School Chair
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Carol Steiner and Cindy Marien, Design Chairs

Maureen Carson, Horticulture Chair

Jessica Fischer, Proctor

Sally Kuslis, Books Chair

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

Hilton Garden Inn

25 Old Stratford Road 203-447-1000

Shelton, CT 06484

INSTRUCTORS

DESIGN AND FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE

Barbara May, Instructor

Barbara D. May is a past President of the National Garden Clubs, Inc. and past President of the Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc.; a Trustee Emeritus of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society and holds a Master's Degree from Boston University. She now serves as the NGC FSS Instructor's Chairman/ Design and is on the new Handbook Revision and Manual Revision Committees. She has been actively involved in Garden Clubs since 1972, and currently is a member of the Wellington Garden Club. She is also a Master Judge and a National Garden Clubs, Inc. Instructor in Design, Flower Show Procedure and Symposium.

HORTICULTURE

Cathy Felton, Instructor

Cathy Felton is a National Garden Clubs, Inc. Horticulture Instructor (for flower show judges) She is a Master Flower Show Judge (NGC, Inc.), a Garden Club of America (GCA) Horticulture Judge, an American Daffodil Society Judge and an ADS Judging Instructor and an American Hosta Society Master Judge. As a past president of Hamilton-Wenham Garden Club she is also an active member of North Shore Garden Club and a member of many horticulture and design organizations. Her background is in Zoology but a love of horticulture led her into the garden club world which now includes lecturing and teaching in New England and the East Coast.

Required Reading

- *Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017 Edition* Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14
- *Outlines of Period Flower Arranging, Hannay*
- *Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging, 2012 NGC Supplement to Handbook for Flower Shows.*

Sections pertaining to Plant Group/s studied in this course.

Recommended Reading

- *Guide to the New Petite Designs*-Anna Burns
- *Designing by Types* – H. Osborne \$44.95
- *Hortulana, The 21st Century Edition* – Heber \$10.00
- *Table Settings for All Seasons*-- Wood and Smith, \$34.95

Books may be purchased by contacting Sally Kuslis, Books Chair, 203-592-5633 or sallykuslis@gmail.com or on the NGC web site www.gardenclub.org.

COURSE PROGRAM

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017

- 8:00 Registration
8:15 Welcome and announcements
- 8:30 **FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE**
Barbara May, Instructor
Review of Standard Flower Show and Specialty Flower Show Requirements
Review of Standard System of Awarding Duties of Flower Show Chairman and Flower Show Committees
- 9:30 **DESIGN**
Barbara May, Instructor
Covered Topics:
Table Designs—Functional and Exhibition
Role of Balance, Color and Texture in Table Designs
Creative Staging of Table Designs
Petite Designs and requirements for the Petite Award
General Requirements for NGC Design Section, Top Exhibitor Awards and Table Artistry Award
Review of Judging qualities found on the Design Point Scoring Form
Review of Design Commenting Vocabulary
Review of Judging Procedures
- 10:30 Break
10:45 DESIGN (Continued)
12:00 Lunch
12:30 DESIGN (Continued)
1:15 ORAL PRACTICE POINT SCORING
2:15 Break
2:30 ORAL PRACTICE POINT SCORING (Continued)

3:30-5:30 WRITTEN POINT SCORING EXAM

COURSE PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017

- 8:00 Registration**
8:15 Welcome and announcements
- 8:30 FLOWER SHOW PROCEDURE**
Barbara May, Instructor
Writing a Flower Show Schedule
Evaluating an NGC Flower Show
- 9:30 HORTICULTURE**
Cathy Felton, Instructor
Topics Covered:
Staging Horticulture innovatively
Petite Horticulture
General Requirements for NGC Horticulture
Top Exhibitor Awards
Judging Qualities found on the Horticulture
Point Scoring Form
Review of Horticulture Commenting
Vocabulary
Review of Judging Procedures
Growing and showing two Horticulture types
with emphasis on exhibiting and judging
- 10:30 Break**
10:45 HORTICULTURE (continued)
12:00 Lunch
12:30 HORTICULTURE (Continued)
1:15 ORAL PRACTICE POINT SCORING
2:15 Break
2:30 ORAL PRACTICE POINT SCORING
(continued)
3:30-5:30 WRITTEN POINT SCORING EXAM

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

- 8:45 Sign-In for Optional Exam**
9:00-12:00 OPTIONAL EXAM

REGISTRATION FORM

FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL COURSE II

September 26-28, 2017

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 15

Note: In order to take the course for credit you must
have taken Course I

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL
(Required) _____

GARDEN CLUB _____

COURSE FEES:

_____ **FULL COURSE \$135 (Includes Lunch 2 days**
and Exam Option)

_____ **ONE DAY \$70 (Includes Lunch/No Exam) -**
Select one

Sept 26 (only)

Sept 27 (only)

TOTAL REMITTED: _____

NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN

EXAM

_____ **I will be taking the Exam on Sept 28**

_____ **I will not be taking the Exam on Sept 28**

Please make checks payable to:

THE FEDERATED GARDEN CLUBS OF
CONNECTICUT, INC.

Mail check and completed Registration Form to:

LISA STACKPOLE

44 FARM HILL ROAD

ORANGE, CT 06477

NO ON SITE REGISTRATION OR CASH
ACCEPTED