

GENERAL INFORMATION

Lectures are open to the public but all attendees must register. Any interested person is welcome and invited to attend. You need not be a member of National Garden Clubs, Inc., but membership is required to take the course for credit.

Note: To receive credit for the course toward becoming a Judge, the student must be an active member of an NGC garden club or other NGC organization and must attend and stay for all lectures in their entirety.

Attendance cards will be marked for all lectures. In the examinations, ten questions will be asked on each of the three sections: Horticulture, Flower Show Procedure, and Design with the tenth question of each section taken from the required reading list.

REQUIRED READING LIST

- *Handbook for Flower Shows*, 2017 Edition (see Course description for specific chapters)
- *Outlines of Period Flower Arrangement* (Hannay, needed for Course 1)
- *Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging* (NGC)

SOURCES FOR MATERIALS

The *Handbook for Flower Shows*, 2017 Edition may be downloaded at **no charge** from National Garden Clubs www.gardenclub.org.

IMPORTANT!

Before attending the course, please update the *Handbook for Flower Shows* 2017 Edition with the changes published on the NGC website www.gardenclub.org/schools/flower-show-handbook.aspx.

COURSE SCHEDULE

Zoom link provided upon Registration

Day I WEDNESDAY, October 2, 2024:

By Zoom:

1:00 - 1:15 pm Registration & Welcome
1:15 - 3:15 Flower Show Procedure
3:15 - 3:30 Break
3:30 - 4:30 Procedure Exam

Day II SATURDAY, October 5, 2024:

8:00 - 8:30 am Registration
8:30 - 10:00 Horticulture
10:00 - 10:15 Break
10:15 - 11:45 Horticulture
11:45 - 12:45 pm Lunch
12:45 - 2:45 Hort/Practice Point Scoring
2:45 - 3:00 Break
3:00 - 5:00 Hort Written Point Scoring
5:00 - 6:00 Break
6:00 - 7:00 Horticulture Written Exam

Day III SUNDAY, October 6, 2024:

8:00 - 8:30 am Registration
8:30 - 10:00 Design
10:00 - 10:15 Break
10:15 - 11:45 Design
11:45 - 12:45 pm Lunch
12:45 - 2:45 Design/Practice Point Scoring
2:45 - 3:00 Break
3:00 - 5:00 Design Written Point Scoring
5:00 - 6:00 Break
6:00 - 7:00 Design Written Exam

PLEASE BE PUNCTUAL

Late arrivals will be seated at breaks only. Please bring pencils, study outlines, clipboards and *NGC Handbook for Flower Show*, 2017 Edition, also available online, with recent updates included.

REGISTRATION FOR FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL - COURSE IV

October 2, 2024 and October 5 & 6, 2024
Arlington, Virginia & Bethesda, Maryland
National Capital Area Garden Clubs

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Garden Club: _____

E-mail address: _____

Phone: _____

Federation: _____

Name for Badge: _____

Please indicate any dietary needs:

FEES

Before September 28, 2024:

Full Course with exam..... \$190.00

Full Course without exam.....\$185.00

One Day only

Saturday/lunch/no credit..... \$ 85.00

Sunday/lunch/no credit..... \$ 85.00

Total Remittance: \$ _____

Full Course includes coffee, lunches on Saturday and Sunday. Dinners are on your own. One Day fee includes lunch.

Registration Deadline: September 28, 2024.

No refunds after this date.

Please mail this form with your check payable to NCAGC (memo: FSS Course IV) to FSS Registrar:

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INSTRUCTORS

Jan Griffin: Horticulture & Flower Show Procedure

Jan Griffin was born, raised, and educated in the Seattle, Washington area where her gardening interests evolved around growing food as well as flowers. She always loved flowers and spent many hours finding out which plant did the best for what type of conditions. The Seattle area was a mecca for many different blooming annuals, colorful bulbs, and wonderful evergreens. Upon moving to Florida in late 1989, she quickly learned those plants she knew all about would not thrive in Florida's climate. Jan joined a Garden Club and started her quest for learning about other varied and interesting plants. She continued her education by becoming a Flower Show Judge. Now an Accredited Master Flower Show Judge, she teaches Floral Design classes in Florida as well as horticulture for Flower Show Schools and have developed several horticulture programs for clubs, judges, and civic groups. Being actively involved in The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs and Florida Flower Show Judges keeps Jan extremely busy. She says, "It has been my honor to serve as horticulture chairman for five state flower shows and several district shows as well as chairman of a Horticulture Show for many years at the local Strawberry Festival." Jan interests outside Garden Club include her family, golf, and working in a friend's florist shop. Jan adds, "My comment to all my wonderful design friends is that you need great horticulture to create great designs."

Claudia Bates: Design

Claudia Bates is a seventh generation Floridian who has been a member of the Gainesville, Florida Garden Club for 35 years. Claudia graduated from the University of Florida, is an avid GATOR, and taught Math, English and Gifted Education at the Middle School level. Claudia is a nationally accredited Master Flower Show Judge,

a NGC, Inc. Flower Show Schools Instructor in Design and Symposia and a certified Floral Design Instructor for the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Design Series developed by the late Bob Thomas. She is a former President of her Circle and Club (622 members), and a former *President of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.* She is currently serving on the NGC Board of Directors as a member of the Flower Show Schools Committee. She has been awarded Life Memberships in Gainesville Garden Club, the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Deep South and the National Garden Clubs, Inc. She is a Pillar of Pride recipient and a member of the FFGC Hall of Fame and a Guardian of Gardening for FFGC. She is also a member of DAR and UDC Chapters in Gainesville, FL.

Claudia has presented Design Programs for CFAA, OFAD and several State Judges' Councils; has taught Schools & Symposiums in 30 states and has devised and taught several Contrived Flower (now known as 'fantasy forms') and texturizing plant material workshops for NGC, CFAA and several judges' councils. Her designs have been published in the Vision of Beauty, NCG, Inc. calendar, the Florida Federation of Garden Club's calendar 16 times (2019 cover), the FFSJ Design Manual *Just My Type* and she has two designs featured in the Wafa book, *Designing the American Way*.

COMMITTEE

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Little Falls Presbyterian Church
6025 Little Falls Road
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and
Kenwood Golf & Country Club
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Bethesda, Maryland

October 2, 2024 (by Zoom)
October 5 & 6, 2024