

# SEMPER VIRENS

## flowers

**Mary Beth Hayes is a gardener and flower designer who likes to bring the beauty and wildness of the garden into the home.**

Past President - Country Lane Garden Club, Chelmsford.

Vice President - Buxton Branch of the American Begonia Society, Certified ABS Judge.

Exhibitor at the Worcester Art Museum *Flora in Winter*, Boston Flower Show, Tower Hill *In Bloom*, Trustees of Reservations *Rooms in Bloom*



For more information, please contact:

Mary Beth Hayes

978-758-9924

[maryb@sempervirensflowers.co](mailto:maryb@sempervirensflowers.co)

### 1. Create Your Own Cutting Garden

Learn to create your own small but productive cutting garden, and make fresh floral arrangements. Covers easy and reliable plants to grow, soil preparation, maintenance, harvesting, conditioning flowers, end-of-season breakdown and more. Optional demo of spiral hand-tied bouquet (\$45 for materials). Get inspired!

### 2. Embellished Pumpkins!

Terrific hands-on DIY workshop for fall months. Learn techniques to use floral glue and design with cut flowers, succulents and greens to create real decorated mini-pumpkins. Your adorable embellished pumpkin will last for many weeks or months! Materials fee \$20/pp. Great fun!



### 3. The Tulip Whisperer

Tulips are gorgeous but can be *maddening* to work with in flower arrangements! Learn about tulip history and botany, classification, growing and harvesting for cut flowers, manipulating petals, slowing their growth (vodka!), making tulip confetti, and more. Includes demo arrangement with tulips (in season, \$55 for materials).

### 4. Floral Wreaths, Swags or Crowns

Learn versatile techniques and mechanics to make floral wreaths, swags or head crowns using fresh flowers and greens. DIY workshop can be completed in one hour. Workshop can be tailored to any season. Materials fee depending upon the product (\$15-\$24 per person).



### 5. Whirlwind Tour of Begonias

Begonias offer unrivaled foliage beauty for the home and garden. Learn growing & plant care tips, propagation, use in floral arrangements, best sources, propagation and more. Each member can make their own leaf cutting to take home. Propagation supplies cost \$30 per workshop.

### 6. Green Alternatives to Foam

Floral foam is so convenient but has adverse effects to our health and the environment. Learn alternatives for floral arranging: chicken wire, frogs, taped grids, water tubes and more. Expand your floral mechanics and design skills. Includes three arrangements for negotiable supplies fee. negotiable).

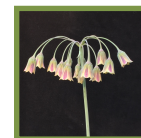


### 7. Stylin' with Supermarket Flowers

Not everyone has access to the wholesale flower market. Learn how to use supermarket flowers to make beautiful flower arrangements. Floral design recipes provided. Covers how to condition flowers, extend vase life, manipulate petals, supplemental backyard flowers, and online resources. (\$95-\$150 in materials, negotiable).

### 8. Top Ten Spring Ephemerals

Mary Beth shares her top ten spring ephemerals to add to your garden and for flower arranging. These flowers are precious partly because they are ephemeral. Learn about best sources, growing conditions, harvesting, use in flower arrangements & native species. Includes demo arrangement (in season, \$55 material).



*Please contact me if you have an idea for a program. We can collaborate on a unique program for your club or organization.*

**Lecture/workshop fee: \$290 plus mileage @\$0.50/mile. Fee for hands-on workshops varies, \$15-\$24 per person. Hand-outs provided for all programs. Discount for return engagements to your garden club!**

# SEMPER VIRENS *flowers*

Mary Beth Hayes has studied with the Cass School of Floral Design, Mass Hort Society, and leading designers including Francoise Weeks, Holly Heider Chapple and Hitomi Gilliam.

She has given programs and hands-on workshops for the following organizations:

- Tower Hill Botanic Garden
- Stevens Coolidge Estate, TTOR
- Weston Nurseries
- Chelmsford Garden Club
- Groton Garden Club
- Boston Junior League Garden Club
- Laurelwood Garden Club
- Andover Garden Club
- Temple Shalom of Newton Garden Club
- Mansfield Garden Club
- Stoneham Garden Club
- Seaside Garden
- Northborough Garden Club
- Abington Garden Club
- Norwood Evening Garden Club
- Winchester Garden Club
- Northshore Garden Club
- Holden Garden Club
- Westborough Garden Club
- Cottage Gardeners of Marblehead and Swampscott
- Great Island Garden Club (NH)
- Portsmouth NH Garden Club
- Private Groups



## Testimonials

*"Thank you for your wonderful holiday wreath program. Many of us enjoyed having a special holiday decoration to take home and display."* Elaine F.

*"We loved your presentation and love our pumpkins!! So cute and creative!"* Lynn B.

*"My sincere thanks for an informative and fun meeting, My ladies were very happy with your 'Whirlwind Tour of Begonias'. They especially liked the propagation with leaf cuttings."* Maggie W.

*"Just wanted to let you know that your presentation at our garden club was well received. Participants left with beautiful, unique centerpieces and the skills and knowledge to make additional wreaths."* Jen M.

*"Thank you for giving such an enlightening and enjoyable presentation. I have gotten a lot of positive feedback on your talk and they all loved taking the leaf cuttings home."* Jane F.

*"Thank you for sharing your wealth of information on cutting gardens. It was an inspiration!"* Kathy D.

*"Thank you very much for such a delightful 'Plant Night.' Your presentation was amazing, interesting and fun. Everyone enjoyed it!"* Tina M.

For more information, please contact:

Mary Beth Hayes  
978-758-9924  
[maryb@sempervirensflowers.com](mailto:maryb@sempervirensflowers.com)  
Web: [sempervirensflowers.com](http://sempervirensflowers.com)

