

**THE GARDEN CLUB FEDERATION OF  
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**FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL  
COURSE I**

**Growing, Staging,  
Exhibiting and Judging**

**October 16, 17 and 18, 2019**



**Bonnie Rosenthal, State President**

**LOCATION:**

**Double Tree by Hilton  
11 Beaver Street  
Milford, MA 01757**

*Accredited by:*

National Garden Clubs, Inc.  
[www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

***FSS Course I sponsored by The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc.,  
is held over a period of 3 days for the better education of those who grow,  
stage, exhibit and judge.***

**REQUIRED READING LIST**

**FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL COURSE I**

The National Gardener available online at [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

*Handbook for Flower Shows*, (2017 revised edition)

Chapters 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14

*Outlines of Period Floral Arrangement* – Hanay

*Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging*

**RECOMMENDED READING**

*Guide to the New Petite Floral Designs* – Anna G. Burns

*Hortulana the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Edition* (Heber)

*Plants and Their Respective Families* – download from [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

*Designing by Types* - Osborne

*Table Settings for All Seasons* – Wood & Smith

*Plant Families Frequently used in Flower Shows* – download from

[www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

**TO REGISTER FOR FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL COURSE I**

Please contact Jill Malcolm

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Holliston, MA 01746

[www.gcfm.org](http://www.gcfm.org) for registration form

deadline: **September 27, 2019**

**IMPORTANT NOTES ABOUT FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL**

**COURSE I**

If you have never attended Flower Show School you **MUST** begin with **COURSE I**. If you attended a part of a series, you only need four months between courses. No more than two courses can be taken in a calendar year.

In order to receive full credit, you **MUST** attend the entire course.  
(**No** tardiness or early departures!)

**PROGRAM**  
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019**

8:00am	<b>Registration and Coffee</b>
8:15 – 8:30	<b>Greeting and Announcements</b>
8:30 – 9:30	<b>Procedure - Sandra Joyce, Instructor</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Introduction to the Handbook of Flower Shows</li><li>B. Flower Show composition including Flower Show hierarchy including overview of divisions, sections, classes and subclasses.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Definition and purposes of all Standard Flower Shows and Specialty Shows.</li><li>2. Explanation of basic requirements of Standard Flower Shows and Specialty Shows.</li><li>3. Types and Categories of Standard Flower Shows.</li><li>4. Standard System of Awarding.</li></ul></li><li>C. Explanation of NGC non-Top Exhibitor Awards.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Best in Show</li><li>2. Sweepstakes Awards</li><li>3. Award of Appreciation</li></ul></li><li>D. Overview of the Flower Show Schedule</li></ul>
9:45 – 12:15pm	<b>DESIGN - Mary Huntoon, Instructors</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Brief history of floral design including European and American designs including Mid-20<sup>th</sup> Century Traditional Design.</li><li>B. Emphasis on the Elements and Principles of Design.</li><li>C. General Requirements for NGC Design Top Exhibitor Awards.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Section Award: Tricolor Award; Award of Distinction.</li><li>2. Division Awards; Award of Design Excellence; Holiday Excellence Award.</li></ul></li><li>D. Explanation of Judging qualities found on the Design Point Scoring Form.</li><li>E. Design Commenting Vocabulary</li><li>F. Judging Procedures</li><li>G. Instructor's minimum of four (4) designs illustrate Principles of Design and include: Traditional Line, Traditional Line-Mass and (2) Traditional Mass (illustrating symmetrical and asymmetrical balance.</li><li>H. Practice point scoring: Committee will provide (3) exhibits for each of the (2) classes, per instructor's specification</li></ul>
12:15 – 1:15	<b>Lunch and Re-registration</b>
1:00 – 3:00	<b>Design Practice Point Scoring</b>
3:00 – 3:15	<b>Break</b>
3:15 – 3:45	<b>Design (continued)</b>
3:45 – 4:00	<b>Break</b>
4:00 – 5:00	<b>Point Score Exam</b>

**PROGRAM**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019**

8:00am	<b>Registration and Coffee</b>
8:15 – 8:30	<b>Greetings and Announcements</b>
8:30 – 9:30	<b>Flower Show Procedure – cont'd</b>
9:30 – 9:45	<b>Break</b>
9:45 – 12:15	<b>Horticulture – Sandi Joyce</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Plant nomenclature</li><li>B. Writing/Filling out Entry Tags</li><li>C. General Requirements for NGC Horticulture Top Exhibitor Awards<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Section Awards</li><li>2. Division Award: Award of Horticultural Excellence</li></ul></li><li>D. Explanation of Judging Qualities found on the Horticulture Point Scoring Form: Conformance, Plant Identification, Maturity, Color, Form, Condition/Blemishes, Grooming and Staging.</li><li>E. Review of Horticulture Commenting Vocabulary.</li><li>F. Judging Procedures</li><li>G. Discussion of growing and showing (2) Hort. Types with emphasis on exhibiting and judging. Local Flower Show Schools Comm. To provide adequate number of specimens in consultation with Instructor for the (2) types studied.</li><li>H. Practice point scoring</li></ul>
12:15 – 1:00	<b>Lunch and Re-registration</b>
1:00 – 3:00	<b>Horticulture Practice Point Scoring</b>
3:00 – 3:15	<b>Break</b>
3:15 – 3:45	<b>Horticulture Practice Point Scoring</b>
3:45 - 4:00	<b>Break</b>
4:00 – 5:00	<b>Horticulture Point Scoring Exam</b>

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2019**

8:30am	<b>Registration</b>
9:00 – 12:00	<b>Written Exam</b>

- \* The Exam includes ten questions on each of the three subjects.

## **INSTRUCTORS**

### **DESIGN**

#### **MARY HUNTOON**

Mary Huntoon is an accredited Master Judge for NGC, Inc. and an NGC Flower Show School Instructor in Design and Symposium. She is also an accredited judge for The Garden club of America in both Design and Horticulture. She currently serves on the NGC Flower Show Accrediting Committee, as well as both the Regional and State levels. For MA, Mary serves at the State Flower Show Schools Chairman and the State Credentials Chairman. She is a Life Member of GCFM, Inc. and NGC, Inc. and a 5-star recipient. She is active with the GCA, as Co-chairman of the 2019 Boston Annual Meeting Flower Show. Mary is past President of the Hamilton-Wenham Garden Club and a past Chairman of MA Judges' Council. She is a member of North Shore Garden Club, Creative Flower Arrangers, National Flower Arrangers and North Shore Horticulture Society as well as other organization.

### **PROCEDURE AND HORTICULTURE**

#### **SANDRA JOYCE**

Sandi hails from Hudson, MA. She is an NGC Master Judges, an Accredited NGC Flower Show Procedure, Horticulture and Symposium Instructor. A former GCFM, Inc. State President (1999-2001) and served on the NGC Flower Show Committee as Symposium Chairman, Horticulture and FSP Chairman, on the Accrediting Committee. She is a member of the Hudson Garden Club, and holds an A.A. from Lasell College and a B.A. from Framingham University. She is a Landscape Design Master Consultant, a Garden Study Master Consultant; has chaired numerous flower shows, including the GCFM section of the New England Spring Flower Show. For over 40 years Sandi owned and operated a floral business and has lectured many groups on design and horticulture. She has taught Flower Show Schools and Symposia from MA to CA, and numerous states in between, throughout So America, spanning 1998 to current.

#### **FLOWER SHOW SCHOOL COURSE II**

Please join us April 15, 16 & 17, 2020 for  
Flower Show School Course II at the  
Double Tree by Hilton, 11 Beaver Street,  
Milford, MA 01757  
(Instructors to be announced)

**Bonnie Rosenthall**  
**State President**  
**The Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts, Inc.**

**Mary Huntoon**  
**State Flower Show School Credentials Chairman**

**Diane Bullock**  
**Flower Show School Chairman**  
**[Dbull29441@aol.com](mailto:Dbull29441@aol.com)**

**Jill Malcolm**  
**Registrar and Vice Chairman**  
**[Jillyjill07@comcast.net](mailto:Jillyjill07@comcast.net)**

**COMMITTEE**

Designers: Members of GCFM Judges Council  
Yvonne Capella  
Nancy Donaldson  
Cathy Healy  
Penni Jenkins  
Suzanne McCance  
Ann Webster

**BOOKS**

Available from NGC Inc. Member Services, [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

**PLEASE BE PUNCTUAL**

Study outline, pencils, highlighters, notebooks,  
clipboard(required), *Handbook for Flower Shows*, (2017 revised edition),  
Corrections and addenda available on line [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

**SUGGESTED ACCOMMODATIONS**

Double Tree by Hilton  
11 Beaver Street Milford, MA 01757  
(Exit 19 off Rte. 495)  
(508)282-4108  
[www.bostonmilford.doubletree.com](http://www.bostonmilford.doubletree.com)  
mention FSS - \$129/night

All are welcome to attend, but only those who are members of National Garden Clubs, Inc and are taking the full course with examination are eligible for credit. Reservations should be made early to guarantee sufficient study guides (sent in advance of the school) and lunches. Remittance must accompany the application which should be received by the Registrar by **September 27, 2019**.

**Registration for Flower Show School Course I**  
**October 16, 17, 18, 2019**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Print)

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Garden Club:** \_\_\_\_\_

Full Course with Exam: Oct. 16, 17, 18, Box Lunch      \$140.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Two-day instruction, **NO exam:** Oct. 16, 17. Box Lunch      \$135.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday, October 16 **ONLY**

Design: Design; Flower Show Procedure:      \$ 75.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday, October 17 **ONLY**

Flower Show Procedure; Horticulture      \$ 75.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday, October 16, Box Lunch      \$ 24.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thursday, October 17, Box Lunch      \$ 24.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Remittance**      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

Do you require Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make CHECK payable to GCFM Inc.** No refunds for canceled registrations will be made after August 1, 2019. Call Diane Bullock, FSS Chairman, 207-361-1818 or [Dbull29441@aol.com](mailto:Dbull29441@aol.com) with questions.

Mail completed REGISTRATION with CHECK and *The National Gardener* label before September 27, 2019, to:

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