

## Instructors

### Karen Booker

Karen graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in education and spent several years teaching high school Spanish and French in Minnesota and New York State. She earned a Master's degree in Teaching English as a Second Language and a Ph.D. in Linguistics, with a specialty in American Indian Languages. She has taught at the University of Kansas and the University of Colorado at Boulder. An avid gardener, she currently concentrates on orchids and ivies. She is a judge for the American Hemerocallis Society, and NGC Accredited Master Judge, a Flower Show Schools Instructor of Horticulture and Flower Show Procedure and a Symposium Instructor. Currently, she is a member of the NGC Calendar Committee. In her spare time, Karen enjoys competing with her dogs in agility events.

### Judy Binns

Judy served as President of the Virginia Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. from 2011-2013 and is a NGC Accredited Master Flower Show Judge and NGC Flower Show School Design Instructor. She was awarded the National Garden Clubs Member of Honor Award for the South Atlantic Region for All-Around Excellence in 2006 and has served on the National Garden Clubs Board of Directors since 2007. She has exhibited designs in "Fine Arts and Flowers" at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts and has given floral design programs and workshops in Virginia as well as North Carolina and West Virginia. She is a member of the Virginia Flower Show Judges Council, Creative Floral Arrangers of the Americas, and National Flower Arrangers.

## General Information

Flower Show School Course I, is the first in a series of four courses. This course is a pre-requisite to Courses 2, 3, & 4. Attendance is open to all garden club members and guests.

To receive credit toward becoming an Accredited NGC Flower Show Judge, one must attend the full two-day course at the cost of \$130, pass the written exam on Thursday, May 3, be an active NGC garden club member, read The National Gardener, and own the current updated NGC Handbook and any printed changes. The exam is optional for those who are attending for enrichment only.

Front seats will be reserved for students taking the course for credit. Those seats will be numbered and assigned in the order in which paid registration is received. Students must have their attendance card punched at the beginning of each session and may not leave until the conclusion of the class to receive full credit.

The examination consists of 10 questions each in Flower Show Procedure, Horticulture and Design. The tenth question of each section will be taken from the required reading list.

Students should bring a clipboard, pencil and Handbook with updates. Outlines will be emailed upon paid registration to students and hard copies will be provided for all attending on the first day of class.

## ALL CLASSES ARE AT HOLLY HOUSE

### Directions To Holly House

#### From Garden State Parkway, North:

Take Exit 129 to NJ Turnpike South (Trenton). Take Exit 9 (New Brunswick) onto US 18N, quickly exit onto US 1 South then continue as below \*

#### From Garden State Parkway, South:

Take Exit 130 to US 1 South \* Exit right onto Ryder's Lane via the jug handle under the overpass. Immediately move into the left lane to make the 1st left turn onto Log Cabin Road. Turn left. Follow the signs to Holly House. (Blue/grey building)

#### From NJ Turnpike:

Take Exit 9 (New Brunswick) to US 18N, quickly exit onto US 1 South then continue as above\*

## Flower Show Schools Course I May 2 & 3, Exam May 4, 2018

Holly House

130 Log Cabin Road

East Brunswick, NJ 08816



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**Program**  
**Wednesday, May 2**

7:30 AM Registration  
 8:00-8:15 Welcome Remarks, Announcements  
 8:15-9:15 Flower Show Procedure (Booker) 1 hr.  
 9:15-10:15 Horticulture (Booker) 1 hr.  
 10:15-10:30 Break  
 10:30-12:30 Horticulture (Booker) 2 hr.  
 12:30-1:15 Lunch  
 1:15-1:30 Announcements  
 1:30-3:30 Practice Point Scoring (Booker) 2 hr.  
 3:30-3:45 Break  
 3:45-4:45 Written Point Scoring Exam 1 hr.

**Thursday, May 3**

7:30 AM Registration  
 8:00-8:15 Welcome Remarks, Announcements  
 8:15-9:15 Flower Show Procedure (Booker) 1 hr.  
 9:15-10:15 Design (Binns) 1 hr.  
 10:15-10:30 Break  
 10:30-12:30 Design (Binns) 2 hr.  
 12:30-1:15 Lunch  
 1:15-1:30 Announcements  
 1:30-3:30 Practice Point Scoring (Binns) 2 hr.  
 3:30-3:45 Break  
 3:45-4:45 Written Point Scoring Exam 1 hr.

**Friday, May 4**

8:45 AM Check-in for students  
 9:00-12:00 Exam

**Required Reading List, Course I**

Books are available from the NGC, Inc. website:  
[www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

The National Gardener (TNG) is available on NGC website. Username: member Password: flight

The Handbook for Flower Shows (2017) Revised  
 See pg.124 for specific topics

Outlines of Period Flower Arrangement (Hannay)

Horticulture Exhibiting and Judging

**Design curriculum includes:**

Traditional line, Traditional line-mass and  
 Traditional Mass

**Plant Groups to be studied:** Pansies, African Violets

**\*Classes are held at Holly House,**

**130 Log Cabin Road, on the campus of Rutgers Gardens in North Brunswick.**

**Area Hotels**

**Holiday Express Inn & Suites (15 min.)**

2095 US Hwy. 1  
 North Brunswick, NJ  
 Phone: 732-940-4321  
 Accepting reservations March 1  
 Ask for GCNJ rate

**Staybridge Suites (15 Min.)**

2195 US Highway 1 South  
 North Brunswick, NJ 08902  
 Phone: 732.940.2250

**Days Hotel (5 Min.)**

195 Highway 18 S, East Brunswick, NJ 08016  
 Tel: 732-828-6900 Fax: 732-937-4838

**Rutgers University Inn & Conference Center**

178 Ryders Lane New Brunswick, NJ 08901  
 Phone: 732-932-9144

**Registration On the GCNJ Web Site**

Flower Show School, Course I  
 May 2,3 Exam May 4, 2018

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

GC \_\_\_\_\_ Dist# \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Deadline April 6, 2018**

**No refunds after April 13**

**Two Day Course** \$130 \_\_\_\_\_

With **Exam for Credit** (Friday ) \$135 \_\_\_\_\_

Horticulture Day (Wednesday) Only \$ 70 \_\_\_\_\_

Design Day (Thursday) Only \$ 70 \_\_\_\_\_

**Two Day Club Special** (Limit One per club)

Two people may attend each day

Not for credit. Club check only. \$130 \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch Wednesday \$ 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch Thursday \$ 15 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO GCNJ

Register on line or

Mail registration form and check to

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**Please keep a copy for your records.**