

REGISTRATION FORM

Gardening School – Course 3, September 6 & 7, 2023

Name: _____

Garden Club: _____

State Garden Club: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please choose your registration:

_____ **Two-Day Course Registration Fee of \$130;**
Includes all classes, lunch, course review and exam

_____ **Sept 6th Only, Registration Fee of \$80**
(Includes 6 class hours & lunch)

_____ **Sept 7th Only, Registration Fee of \$60**
(Includes 5 class hours & lunch)

Are you taking the exam? Yes _____ No _____

Are you refreshing? Yes _____

Mail registration form & check to:

Linda Harris, GS State Chair
3252 Walnut Bottom Rd., Swanton, MD 21561

Make Checks payable to: FGCMDC GCC
FGCMDC-Gardening Consultants Council

****Any special needs or diet restrictions? If so,
please provide details:

Objectives of Gardening School

All gardeners can become accomplished horticulturists. To assist its members in achieving this goal, National Garden Clubs created the Gardening Schools; the school is a series of four courses designed to:

- Stimulate interest in the growth of plant materials to their peak of perfection; give the student an understanding of how and why a plant grows.
- Teach soil structure and methods for making the soil more productive.
- Provide an understanding of plants' reactions to certain weather conditions and how to modify these conditions to encourage optimum growth.
- Provide an understanding of commercial and natural fungicides and pesticides, growth regulators, and other chemicals used in general horticultural procedures
- Illustrate methods for rapid propagation.
- Offer plant identification instruction.
- Explore growing techniques for garden plants, vegetables, fruits, houseplants, trees, shrubs, and specialized styles of gardening.
- Develop a respect for and appreciation of plants and their roles in our lives and activities.

Note: Refreshing Consultants must attend the full course. Students earning credit towards a Gardening Consultants Certificate must attend the full course and pass the exam.

**Registration deadline is Sept. 1st
No refunds after August 30th.**

*"Growing Your Knowledge of
Horticulture"*



Course 3 Gardening School

Wednesday & Thursday
September 6 & 7, 2023
Vollmer Center, Cylburn Arboretum
4915 Greenspring Ave., Baltimore, MD 21209



Sponsored by
Gardening Consultants Council
Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland
Gardening School Chair, Linda Harris

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Susie Middleton, President

Schedule for Wednesday, Sept 6, 2023

7:30 - 8:15 – **Registration; Breakfast**
8:15 – 8:30 – **Welcome & Announcements**

8:30 – 10:30 – **Factors That Influence Plant Growth**, presented by Kirk Brown, landscape designer, environmental and horticultural educator, garden writer and speaker. This class will cover environmental factors, organic and inorganic nutrients, plant and cultivar choices.

10:45 – 12:15 – **New Plant Development & Evaluation**, presented by Kirk Brown. This class will cover hybridization, species/cultivar selection including native plants and cultivars, environmental suitability, and test gardens.

12:15 – 1:15 – **Lunch (provided)**

1:15 – 2:15 – **Native Trees & Shrubs** presented by Jennifer Evans, landscape designer and horticulturist. This class will cover plant species/varieties; local, regional choices; wildlife support; proper planting, pruning and maintenance

2:30 – 4:00 – **Container Gardening - Outdoor** Presented by Jennifer Evans, container landscape designer and horticulturist. This class will cover suitable plants for containers, general culture; annuals, perennials, vines, etc.; types of containers.

Questions/Information

Contact Gardening School Chair Linda Harris at
lindaharris355@aol.com or 443-695-2071

Schedule for Thursday, September 7, 2023

7:30 - 8:15 – **Check-In; Breakfast**
8:15 – 8:30 – Announcements

8:30 – 9:30 – **Houseplant Basics**
Presented by Kathy Jentz, Editor/Publisher of Washington Gardener Magazine, horticulturist. This class will cover growing conditions indoors; plant choices; training and pruning; and types of indoor containers.

9:30 – Carpool to Gramercy Mansion Gardens
1400 Greenspring Valley Rd., Stevenson, MD
(Directions will be provided)

9:45 – 11:45 – Garden tour of the Gramercy Mansion Gardens led by owner, designer, and member of FGCMMD, Anne Pomykala. Included is a Japanese Garden, shade gardens, and water features.

11:45 – 12:15 - **Lunch at Gramercy Mansion**

12:15 – 12:30 – Return to Cylburn

12:45 – 1:45 – **Groundcover Revolution**
Presented by Kathy Jentz. How to use sustainable, low-maintenance, low-water groundcovers to replace or lessen your turf.

1:45 – 2:45 – **Review & Open Book/Notes Exam**

Gardening Schools are open to everyone whether or not they are garden club members.

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Hotel Information

Delta Hotels Baltimore North

5100 Falls Road, Baltimore, MD 21210
410-532-6900

A block of rooms is being held for us (FGCMMD) at the nightly rate of \$129; the last day to book a room at this rate is August 5th.

Online reservation link:

<https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1683575707932&key=GRP>

Suggested Reading for this Course

Essential Native Trees & Shrubs for the Eastern US; Tony Dove & Ginger Woolridge

Container Gardening Complete
Jessica Walliser

Groundcover Revolution
(Will be available for sale at course)
Kathy Jentz

Native Ground Covers for Northeast Landscapes, A Wild Seed Project Guide

A Gardener's Guide to Botany
Scott Zona

Botany for Gardeners
Brian Capon

The National Gardener
A publication of the National Garden Clubs