



Gardeners by the Sea

Bethany Beach, Delaware

President's Challenge

2022-2023

The President's Challenge for 2022-23 is in response to the recent survey of members. Many of you said you want to show horticulture, do floral design and enjoy photography. You will have many opportunities to do just that!

The Classes listed in the monthly schedule in this Yearbook are merely seasonal suggestions. We want to see *Whatcha' Got Growin'* and to *inspire you to share floral designs and your favorite photographs.*

EXHIBITION GUIDELINES

1. Exhibits should be in place by 12:15 pm the day of the meeting to be viewed during our mingle time.
2. The Challenge encourages all members to make at least one design and show one horticulture specimen this year, hopefully more! We encourage many photographs!
3. **Exhibits will not be judged. Not mandatory! Just for fun!**
4. **All Floral Designs** are Designers Choice. Flowers and materials for Design may be obtained from any source. Share your creativity!
5. **Horticulture** displays must have been grown by member. May be cut specimen or a potted plant.
6. Horticulture specimens should be well-groomed, clean and free of damaged leaves. Undersides of leaves should also be clean. Plant material in horticulture exhibit may not be altered.
7. Horticulture Cut Specimen should be displayed in water in "plain, transparent, clean or slightly tinted" container that is in proportion to the size of the specimen. Wedging is permitted to aid the specimen securely in place. Suggested wedging includes plastic wrap, wood or cork, Styrofoam or cotton balls.
8. **Photography** is intended to capture time in a garden or gardening interest. Go to the NGC website for tips on Photography. <https://www.gardenclub.org/photography>

Picture should be a 5"x7" — placed in a simple white mat, but no frames. Write a brief description. Each month, suggestions are made, to inspire your creativity. We will separate our display in "Classes":

1. Single specimens - close up shot – Consider a different perspective: such as underneath, through light.
2. The garden - would love to see pictures of the gardens of our members
3. Landscapes – your view, a favorite local spot, or perhaps a view where you visited
4. Pollinators, insects, birds, animals in the garden

Please complete exhibit information on 3x5 index card, with your name and label with the correct botanical name and/or common name if possible. Share a bit about the inspiration for your design and your photograph.

Refer to the "Handbook for Flower Shows" for helpful information. PLEASE NOTE that the January 2022 revision of the digital Handbook for Flower Shows is not available to download free of charge. the [January 2022 revision of the digital Handbook for Flower Shows](https://gardenclub.org/sites/default/files/2022-08/ngc-handbook-for-flower-shows-july-2022-revision.pdf) is now available to download. Click on the link above or type this into your browser

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Kindly remove exhibits promptly at the end of the meeting.
Ensure the Exhibition area is clean! THANK YOU!

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	<i>Whatcha' Growing</i> HORTICULTURE	<i>Design to Enjoy</i> FLORAL DESIGN	<i>Capture the Moment</i> PHOTOGRAPHY
SEPTEMBER	Sunflowers Any Other	Sunflowers Designer's Choice	Sunflowers Pollinators
OCTOBER	Chrysanthemum Seed Pods Camelia Sasanqua Any other potted plant	Trick or Treat Gourds Designer's Choice	Fall Leaves
NOVEMBER	Holly Acuba Any other potted plant	Seasonal Dinner Place setting for one Designer's Choice	Looking up: Taken from below
DECEMBER	No Exhibits		
JANUARY	Potted Amaryllis Any other potted plant	Miniature (no bigger than 7" wide, deep high} Vegetables/Fruits Designer's Choice	Evergreens
FEBRUARY	African Violet Forced Flowers Hellebore Any other potted plant	From the Heart Mardi Gras Designer's Choice	Snowy Day
MARCH	Daffodil Camelia Japonica Any other potted plant	Here Comes Spring Designer's Choice	Signs of Spring Photographer's Choice
APRIL	Tulip Daffodil Dogwood Any other potted plant	Springtime For the Birds Designer's Choice	April Showers Photographer's Choice
MAY	Iris Hosta Peony Budding Tree Any other potted plant	Picnic for 2 Here Comes the Bride's Bouquet/ Boutonniere Designer's Choice	Capture the awakening of your garden Photographer's Choice