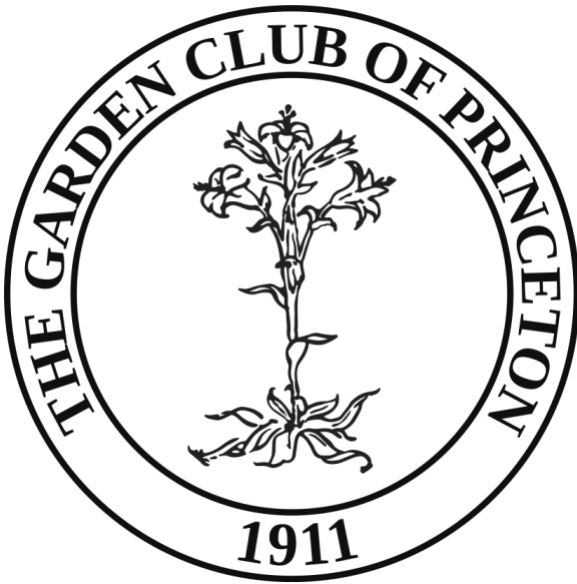


**The Garden Club
of
Princeton**



2023 — 2024

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2023–2024

“Hortus Mihi Paradisus”

“The garden to me is a paradise.”

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Species of the Year: Any Species in the Hydrangea Genus

See [Hydrangeas in the Garden](#) by *Bruce Crawford

The Calendar

2023-2024

Date	Time	Event	Location	CM
Mon, Sep 11	10a	NJ Committee Mtg at Rutgers Gardens	Rutgers, NB	NJC
Tue, Sep 12	10a	Executive Committee Meeting	J.Murphy	EX
Wed, Sep 13	10–11:30a	*How to Enter a Horticulture Show	G.Reeder	HR
Thu, Sep 14	10:30–11:30a	Photography Committee Get-Together	C.Hopkins	PH
Tue, Sep 19	10:30a	Opening Mem Mtg & Hort Show	Bedens Brook	EX
Fri, Sep 22	5:30–8p	Evening Get-Together	E.Firmenich	EX
Tue, Sep 26	10–Noon	P4P Native Seed Collecting Workshop	Mtn Lakes	CN
Tue, Oct 3	10a	*Floral Design Basics	S.Wedeking	FD
Wed, Oct 4	8a-4p	Visiting Gardens Trip	Farmview	VG
Mon, Oct 9	9:30a	Civic Projects AWMP Cleanup	All Wars MP	CP
Tue, Oct 10	10a	Executive Committee Meeting	J.Murphy	EX
Thu, Oct 12	10a–1p	Fall French Market	Mercer Island	FM
Thu, Oct 12	4–6:30p	Photography Walkabout	TBD	PH
Tue, Oct 17	10:30a	Mem Mtg, CN Prgm: Edwina von Gal	Nassau Club	EX
Wed, Oct 18	TBD	Shirley Meneice Horticulture Conference	Virtual	GCA
Wed, Nov 1	10–Noon	*Bulb Forcing Part 1: Planting Bulbs	Terhune's	HR
Mon, Nov 6	9:30a	Civic Projects AWMP Cleanup	All Wars MP	CP
Tue, Nov 7	10a	Executive Committee Meeting	J.Murphy	EX
Wed, Nov 7-9		National Conservation Conference, GA	Jekyll Island	GCA
Wed, Nov 8	TBD	NJ Committee Luncheon	Canoe Brook	NJC
Tue, Nov 14	10:30a	Mem Mtg, PH Prgm: Katherine Clemons	Nassau Club	EX
Wed, Nov 15		Deadline to Sign Up for C. Needle Wksh	Email Hopkins	PH
Tue, Dec 5	9:30a	*Mem Mtg, MealsOnWheels Decorations	Terhune's	EX
	After Mtg	Snowy Mason Jars Workshop, J.Fenton	Terhune's	FD
Thu, Dec 7	10a–1p	Holiday French Market	Mercer Island	FM
Tue, Jan 9	10a	Executive Committee Meeting	J.Murphy	EX
Thu, Jan 9	12:30–2p	Conservation Minded Women's Panel	P'ton Library	CN
Mon, Jan 15	All Day	Deadline for Ordering Seed Starting Kits	Email J.Atkins	HR
Tue, Jan 16	10:30a	Mem Mtg, FD Prgm: Renee Tucci	Morven SEC	EX
	After Lunch	Floral Design Workshop w/Renee	Morven SEC	FD
Thu, Jan 25	11a–3:30p	National Photography Conference	Virtual	GCA
Mon, Jan 29	12:30–2pm	Smartphone Workshop 1: Charles Needle	C. Hopkins	PH

Tue, Feb 6	10a	Executive Committee Meeting	J.Murphy	EX
Tue, Feb 6	11a–2p	Floral Design Conference	Virtual	GCA
Wed, Feb 7	10–11a	Bulb Forcing Part 2: Bulbs into Bloom	Virtual	HR
Tue, Feb 13	10:30a	Mem Mtg, GH&D Prgm: Peter Ham	Watershed	EX
Thu, Feb 15	—	Smartphone Workshop 2: Charles Needle	C. Hopkins	PH
Fri, Feb 23	10–11:30a	Horticulture Planning Meeting	C.Mills	HR
Tue, Feb 27	6–8:30p	Movie Night: <i>An Inconvenient Sequel</i>	S.Brahaney	CN
Wed, Feb 28	10–11:30a	*Horticulture Seed Starting Workshop	Terhune’s	HR
Thu, Feb 29	9–11a	Philly Flower Show Pre-Passing Session	C.Mills	HR
Tue, Mar 5	TBD	Mem Mtg & Phil Flower Show Bus Trip	Farmview	EX
Thu, Mar 14	—	NAL Advocacy Workshop	Virtual	GCA
Mar 17–20	—	NAL Conference	Wash, D.C.	GCA
Mon, Mar 18	All Day	Photography Show Entries Due	C.Hopkins	PH
Thu, Mar 28	10a–1p	Spring French Market	Mercer Island	FM
Mon, Apr 1	9:30a	Civic Projects AWMP Cleanup	All Wars MP	CP
Mon, Apr 1	—	Membership Proposals Due to Kate	K. Hammond	Mem
Wed, Apr 3	10–Noon	*Horticulture Passing Wksh for Daffodils	H.Thomas	HR
Apr 4 or 5		Photography Show to be Judged	Watershed	PH
Sun, Apr 7	4:30–6:30p	GCP Photography Show & Reception	Watershed	PH
Tue, Apr 9	10a	Executive Committee Meeting	J.Murphy	EX
Tue, Apr 16	10:30a	Mem Mtg, Hort Sh, HR Prgm: L. Ballato	D&R	EX
Wed, Apr 17	TBD	Photography Planning Meeting	C. Hopkins	PH
Tues, Apr 23	10–11:30a	Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve Walk	Bowman’s	CN
Apr 26–29	Fri-Mon	GCA Annual Meeting: <i>Beyond the Green</i>	Hartford, CT	GCA
Mon, Apr 29	9:30a	Civic Projects AWMP Cleanup	All Wars MP	CP
Tue, May 7	9–11a	Bird Watching at Rogers Wildlife Refuge	Princeton	CN
Thu, May 9	9a	*Floral Design Workshop for Mother's Day	Mercer Island	FD
Thu, May 9	10a–1p	*Mother's Day French Market	Mercer Island	FM
Fri, May 10	9–11a	Welcome Coffee for New Provisionals	K.Hammond	Mem
Tue, May 14	10a	Executive Committee Meeting	J.Murphy	EX
Wed, May 15	8a–4p	Visiting Gardens Trip	Farmview	VG
Tue, May 21	10:30a	Closing Mem Mtg, FD & Hort Shows	Springdale	EX

CM=Committee, CN=Conservation/NAL, CP=Civic Projects, EX=Executive, FD=Floral Design, FM=French Market, GHD=Garden History & Design, HR=Horticulture, PH=Photography, VG=Visiting Gardens, Mem=Membership, NAL=NationalAffairs&Legislation, NJC=New Jersey Committee, Prgm=Program, AWMP=All Wars Memorial Park, SEC=Stockton Education Center.
 *Required by Provisionals.

Our Organization: Positions, Committees, Co-Chairs *

Executive	<i>President</i>	Jane Murphy
	<i>Vice-President</i>	Meg Michael
	<i>Treasurer</i>	Gillian Reeder
	<i>Recording Secretary</i>	Adrienne Longo
	<i>Corresponding Secretary</i>	Margaret Sieck
	<i>Members at Large</i>	Sue Brahaney '25, Robin Gosnell '24

Administrator

Cecilia Mathews

Archives & Historian

Martha Sword

Debbie Jordan

Awards

Jennifer Delvecchio

Bulletin & PR

Robin Gosnell

Christmas Workshop

Erin Forrey

Civic Improvement

Jane Murphy

Civic Projects

Adrienne Longo *

Jessica Atkins

Susan Brahaney

Jeannette Ching

Jennifer DelVecchio

Barbara Gallup

Barbara Morrison

Joan Mullen

Debbi Roldan

Conservation/NAL

Wendy Mager *

Robin Gosnell *

Susan Brahaney *

Helena Bienstock

Jeannette Ching

Louisa Clayton

Katherine Dresdner

Molly Finnell

Barbara Gallup

Alix Gerry

Robin Gosnell

Clare Hopkins

Jane Murphy

Fina Raccuia-Behling

Gillian Reeder

Debbi Roldan

Maureen Stellato

Martha Sword

Events*

Galina Flider *

Nina Travinsky *

Jane Murphy

Meg Michael

Gillian Reeder

Finance

Molly Finnell *

Carol Mills

Kate Hammond

Jane Murphy

Gillian Reeder

Tommye Schiro

Floral Design

Stephanie Wedeking *

Debbi Roldan *

Susan Brahaney

Jeannette Ching

Jennifer DelVecchio

Mary Funsch

Barbara Gallup

Kate Hammond

Wendy Mager

Barbara Morrison

Joan Mullen

Gillian Reeder

Debbi Roldan

Martha Sword

French Market

Joan Mullen *

Cindy Olentine *

Jessica Atkins

Stephanie Corrado

Barbara Gallup

Barbara Morrison

Fina Raccuia-Behling

Debbi Roldan

Marisa Simon

Martha Sword

Stephanie Wedeking

**Garden History
and Design**

Debbie Jordan *
Anne Sobel *
Susan Brahaney
Louisa Clayton
Jennifer DelVecchio
Katherine Dresdner
Mary Funsch
Barbara Gallup
Debbie Jordan
Jane Murphy
Gillian Reeder
Debbi Roldan
Dorothy Shepard
Martha Sword

Judges

Carol Mills *
Louisa Clayton

Photography

Jill Mudge *
Clare Hopkins *
Jessica Atkins
Helena Bienstock
Susan Brahaney
Barbara Gallup
Alix Gerry
Kate Hammond
Cecilia Mathews
Meg Michael
Barbara Morrison
Joan Mullen
Jane Murphy
Kathleen Murphy
Fina Raccuia-Behling
Gillian Reeder
Debbi Roldan
Maureen Stellato
Martha Sword

Horticulture

Heather Thomas *
Jessica Atkins *
Carol Mills *
Helena Bienstock
Susan Brahaney
Jeannette Ching
Louisa Clayton
Katherine Dresdner
Molly Finnell
Mary Funsch
Barbara Gallup
Alix Gerry
Robin Gosnell
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Wendy Mager
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Joan Mullen
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Kathleen Murphy
Katharine O'Grady
Fina Raccuia-Behling
Gillian Reeder
Debbi Roldan
Dorothy Shepard
Marisa Simon
Maureen Stellato
Martha Sword

Membership

Kate Hammond *
Louisa Clayton
Nancy Hearne
Joan Mullen
Jane Murphy

**Morven Festival
of Trees**

Meg Michael *
Anna Horner
Carol Mills
Joan Mullen
Kathleen Murphy

NJ Committee

Clare Kowalak
Jane Murphy

Nominating

Sue Brahaney *
Meg Michael

Provisionals

Martha Sword *
Debbie Jordan *
Stephanie Wedeking *

Registrar

Mary Funsch

Scholarship

Reuwai Hanewald

Visiting Gardens

Emily Firmenich
Kate Hammond

Website

Stephanie Wedeking *
Gillian Reeder

***Events**

New this year, Galina Flider and Nina Travinsky have taken on organizing our Monthly Membership Meetings. They will send invitations, select the menu, and arrange for seating for all who plan to attend. They will also be our liaisons to the venues for our show and program needs.

From the Photography Committee

The co-chairs, Clare Hopkins and Jill Mudge have set up a Cluster Photograph Sharing platform. Each month there will be a new theme, but please if you have a photo you would like to share do so, these themes are just for guidance and a way to think about light and follow our Show Categories. We encourage positive discussion on the platform of the photographs.

Narratives in Light

Month	Theme
September	Shadows “Low Key” Black and White
October	Sunset/Sunrise “Golden Hour”
November	Shafts of Light
December/January	Frozen
February	Color
March	iPhone Only

Meetings & Workshops

September

Prepping for a Horticulture Show Workshop 101

Wednesday, September 13, 2023, 10–11:30 am, at Gillian Reeder's

Debbie Jordan, Mary Funsch, and Carol Mills will lead the workshop covering all aspects of exhibiting in horticulture shows, including choosing, identifying, conditioning, and entering your plant material. Show entry card completion and botanical nomenclature will be reviewed as well. The Hort Committee will provide grooming kits for the provisionals. Entry cards and green Perrier bottles will be provided to all provisionals for use in the September Hort Show. **This workshop is required for provisionals** and open to all members. *RSVP to Gillian Reeder at gshoch@gmail.com.*

Photography Committee Get-Together

Thursday, September 14, 2023, 10:30–11:30 am, at Clare Hopkins'

Join us as we get together for our first meeting of 2023-24. Bring your camera. We'll go over plans for the year and get to know everyone's goals for the year. *RSVP to Clare Hopkins at clare.hopkins@me.com.*

Opening Membership Meeting, Luncheon, and Horticulture Show

Tuesday, September 19, 2023, 10:30 am–12:30 pm, Bedens Brook Club

We look forward to getting back together for our Opening Meeting and Luncheon and our September Horticulture Show. Invitations will be sent prior to the date from our new Events chairs, Galina Flider and Nina Travinsky.

Horticulture Show: "Summer's End"

Show entries will only be accepted on the morning of the show from 8 am to 9:30 am. If you have a job responsibility at this show, you must bring your entries by 8 am. **If you cannot perform your job, please find a replacement, and inform one of the captains.** Please consult the GCP website for a detailed description of the duties of a [Captain](#), [Passer](#), [Clerk](#), [Runner](#), and [Placer](#).

Captains: Robin Gosnell and Debbie Jordan

Passers

Mary Funsch
Cecilia Matthews
Barbara Gallup
Meg Michael
Dorothy Shepard

Clerk

Amy Decker

Clerks-in-Training

Susan Hempzell
Patricia Jones

Runners

Jeanette Ching
Debbi Roldan

Placer

Wendy Mager

Passer-in-Training

Carol Mills

Species of the Year: Hydrangea - A single bloom. Height not to exceed 24", measured from the lip of the bottle to tip of specimen.

1. Hydrangea macrophylla: e.g., Mophead or Lacecap
2. Hydrangea quercifolia: e.g., Oakleaf
3. Hydrangea petiolaris: e.g., Climbing
4. Hydrangea arborescens: e.g., Smooth or Woodland
5. Hydrangea paniculata: e.g., Panicle, Pee Gee, Limelight, Cascade, etc.
6. Hydrangea serrata: e.g., Mountain
7. Other

Dahlia - A single bloom disbudded, ideally with two sets of opposing leaves

8. Decorative
9. Dinnerplate: any variety with flower measuring at least 8" across
10. Cactus
11. Pompom
12. Ball
13. Other

Salvia - A single stem

14. Annual
15. Perennial

Ornamental Grass - Three stems of the same variety in one green bottle

16. Fountain grass
17. Feather grass
18. Rush
19. Other

Flowering Stem - A single flowering stem

20. Rose: one bloom on a stem with one true leaf consisting of 3-7 leaflets
21. Annual: (other than a Dahlia, Salvia, or Grass)
22. Perennial: (other than a Hydrangea, Rose, Salvia, or Grass)
23. Vines
24. Bulbs, Corms, Tubers, and Rhizomes (other than Dahlia)

Flowering Branch – A single stem or branch not to exceed 24” from the lip of the bottle to the tip of the specimen

- 25. Shrub; except for the Hydrangea genus (see classes 1-7).
- 26. Tree

Foliage - One stem or branch per exhibit, unless otherwise noted, of a plant grown primarily for foliage. All flowers and buds must be removed.

- 27. Fern
- 28. Hosta
- 29. Other
- 30. A collection of 3 different specimens, 1 stem of each kind, in one green bottle. Can be annual or perennial. No branches. Outdoor material only; houseplants excluded. Key card required. To be judged 70% on horticultural merit and 30% on artistic merit.

Fruits, Vegetables or Herbs

- 31. Fruits: a collection of 3 or more different fruits from your garden arranged on a terra cotta saucer. Key card required. To be judged 60% on horticultural merit and 40% on artistic merit.
- 32. Fruits: a collection of 3 or more of the same fruit.
- 33. Vegetables: a collection of 3 or more different vegetables from your garden arranged on a terra cotta saucer. Key card required. To be judged 60% on horticultural merit and 40% on artistic merit.
- 34. Vegetables: a collection of 3 or more of the same vegetable.
- 35. Herbs: a collection of 5 different herbs, one stem of each, artistically arranged in a clear, unetched glass container of your choosing. Can include medicinal, culinary, and/or ornamental herbs. Key card required. To be judged 60% on horticultural merit and 40% on artistic merit.

A Provisional’s Bloom, Stem, Foliage, or Branch

- 36. One single stem or branch not to exceed 24” in height, measured from the lip of the bottle to tip of specimen from the garden of a Provisional. Note: Provisionals are encouraged to seek assistance from their proposer or other club members when preparing their entry.

37. Par (See Rules)

38. Educational Merit (See Rules)

Evening Get-Together

Friday, September 22, 2023, 5:30–8 pm, at Emily Firmenich's

Let's get social. Spouses and partners are welcome. *RSVP to Emily at emily.firmenich@gmail.com.*

P4P Native Seed Collecting Workshop

Tuesday, September 26, 10–Noon, Mountain Lakes

The forest restoration project at the Billy Johnson Mountain Lakes Nature Preserve on Mountain Avenue in Princeton has been designated a GCA Partners for Plants project of our club. We will continue our stewardship activities by collecting seeds from native plants to be germinated and later planted in the restoration area. Anne Corichi, the Friends of Princeton Open Space Director of Natural Resources and Stewardship, will tell us about the 8,000 native plants installed in the restoration area and how we can help them multiply. *RSVP to Robin Gosnell at robins.nest@icloud.com.*

October

Floral Design Basics Workshop

Tuesday, October 3, 10 am, at Stephanie Wedeking's

Stephanie Wedeking will conduct a flower arranging workshop for Provisionals and club members who want to refresh and update their skills. Elements of Design (color, form, line, space, texture) and Principles of Design (balance, contrast, dominance, proportion, rhythm, scale) will be discussed and demonstrated. We will give instructions on how to enter a Flower Show. Participants will make their own arrangement to take home. Bring clippers and/or scissors. All other materials will be provided. **This workshop is required for provisionals at no cost** and open to members for \$45. Limited to 12. *RSVP to stephanie.wedeking@mac.com.*

Civic Projects

Monday, October 9, 2023, 9:30 am, All Wars Memorial Park

Join us as we clean up all AWMP. The Garden Club of Princeton has helped maintain our town's **All Wars Memorial Park** which honors our veterans. In 2021 the GCA awarded a **Zone Historic Preservation Award** citing: *With appreciation for their century of dedication to Princeton's All Wars Memorial Park and restoration of the Memorial in the spirit of Frederick Law Olmsted.* Coffee and refreshments will be provided.

Fall French Market
Thursday, October 12, 10 am–1 pm, Mercer Island

Stop by Mercer Island and support GCP! A selection of mason jar arrangements, pumpkin centerpieces and fall mums will be available for sale.

GCP Photography Walkabout
Thursday, October 12, 4–6:30 pm, TBD

Join us as we have some fun photographing sunsets and *Golden Hour* opportunities during autumn in NJ. Limited to 8. Cost is \$30 per person. *RSVP to Clare Hopkins at clare.hopkins@me.com.*

Membership Meeting, Conservation Program, Luncheon
Tuesday, October 17, 10:30 am, The Nassau Club

Conservation speaker Edwina von Gal is a renowned landscape designer and environmentalist known for her innovative and sustainable approach to landscape design. With a strong commitment to preserving the natural environment, she has become a leading figure in regenerative landscape practices. Her designs emphasize the use of native plants, responsible water management, and ecological restoration techniques to create landscapes that promote biodiversity and ecological health. Through her advocacy, education, and design work, Edwina von Gal is reshaping the landscape architecture industry and inspiring others to embrace environmentally conscious practices for a more sustainable future.

November

Bulb Forcing Workshop Part 1: Planting Bulbs
Wednesday, November 1, 10 am, Terhune Orchards

Our in-club bulb-forcing experts will guide us through potting bulbs for showing in the Philadelphia Flower Show. Pots and two varieties of bulbs will be provided to all attendees. **This workshop is required for all provisional members and provided at no cost to them.** Open to all members for \$25 per pot. Let's make this year's pots WINNERS! *RSVP to Jess Atkins at jess.rae.atkins@gmail.com.*

Civic Projects

Monday, November 6, 2023, 9:30 am, All Wars Memorial Park

Join us as we clean up all AWMP. The Garden Club of Princeton has helped maintain our town's **All Wars Memorial Park** which honors our veterans. Coffee and refreshments will be provided.

Membership Meeting, Photography Program, Luncheon
Tuesday, November 14th, 2023, 10:30 am, The Nassau Club

Renowned artistic flower photographer Katherine Clemons will present her techniques via Zoom at our monthly meeting. She is an amazing floral photographer, and the presentation should be very inspiring. See <https://www.kathleenclemonsphotography.com>.

December

Membership Meeting, Meals on Wheels Arrangements
Tuesday, December 5, 2023, 9:30 am, Terhune Orchards

Christmas Arrangements for Meals on Wheels

At our annual Christmas Meeting, we will create and decorate gifts for 300 Mercer County Meals on Wheels clients who will receive them with their holiday meals. Don't miss this wonderful event where we will kick off the holiday season with club friends as we are doing something good!

Floral Design Workshop—Snowy Mason Jars

Following the club meeting at Terhune Orchards, Jennifer Fenton will lead a workshop on Snowy Mason Jars. This is a fun craft, perfect for decorating your mantle, dining table or front table. A light lunch will be provided. Cost: \$25. *RSVP to Jennifer Fenton at jfenton@pds.org.*

Holiday French Market

Thursday, December 7, 2023, 10 am–1 pm, Mercer Island

Bundle up and visit the GCP French Market at Mercer Island. A variety of holiday arrangements, wreaths and gifts will be available for purchase.

January

Conservation Minded Women's Panel

Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 12:30–2 pm, Princeton Public Library

Four conservation-minded women will speak about their efforts to protect the local environment. They are Liz Cutler, Sustainability Educator and Strategist; Sophie Glovier, Chief of Operations at The Watershed Institute; Pam Mount, owner of Terhune Orchard; and Katharine Hackett, Executive Director, High Meadows Environmental Institute at Princeton University. The panel will be interactive, combining panelist discussions and audience questions. Attendees will gain insights into conservation strategies and environmental preservation and explore ways to contribute to a sustainable future. We hope that this event will ignite a passion for environmental stewardship. This event will be held in the Community Room at the Princeton Public Library and will be open to the public. Come and bring a friend or a neighbor.

Membership Meeting, Floral Design Program, Luncheon

**Tuesday, January 16, 2024, 10:30 am, Morven
Stockton Education Center**

Renee Tucci has been exploring her insatiable curiosity with flowers and floral design for over 20 years. She is a globally sought-after floral design educator, designer, and author of *Framing Floral Techniques: Floral Design Skill Building, Inspirations & Explorations*, which will be available for sale. Renee's presentation "**Approachable Floral Design**" will coincide with her creating several arrangements before our eyes, which will be raffled off to lucky winners. Renee is a noted exhibitor and contributor to the Philadelphia Flower Show, a member of the American Institute of Floral Designers (AIFD) and Professional Floral Communicators International (PFCI). Visit Renee's website at www.reneetucci.com.

Workshop

Following the meeting, a hands-on workshop will be led by Renee Tucci who will teach us how to use approachable techniques in creating modern floral designs. Newbies and seasoned floral arrangers will have a terrific time learning and experimenting with floral design. Participants are encouraged to use their new skills for the May show! Materials will be provided. Limited to 20. Cost: \$75. RSVP to stephanie.wedeking@mac.com.

“Creative Smartphone Photography” Workshop 1
Monday, January 29, 2024, 12:30–2 pm, at Clare Hopkins’

Improve your Smartphone photography skills from Charles Needled via a Zoom workshop at Clare Hopkin’s. See <https://charlesneedlephoto.com>. Limited to 10. Cost \$30. (Sign-up due via email to Clare Hopkins by November 15, 2023.)

February

Bulb Forcing Workshop Part 2: Bringing Bulbs into Bloom
Wednesday, February 7, 2024, 10–11 am, Zoom

The countdown to entering the [Philadelphia Flower Show](#) begins. **Debbie Jordan and Mary Funsch** will guide us in this online review and discussion of the steps for bringing bulbs into bloom, tips for grooming, and transporting your blooms to the show. This workshop is open to the entire club. All who potted bulbs at the November workshop are encouraged to attend. *RSVP to Heather Thomas at hthomas990@gmail.com.*

Membership Meeting, Garden History and Design Program, Luncheon
Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 10:30 am, The Watershed Institute

Peter Ham, noted landscape garden designer from Princeton, NJ, will return to GCP and deliver the third lecture in his English Landscape Garden series entitled, The Arts and Crafts Movement in the Garden (1890-1935). After recapping his previous lectures to us concerning The English Landscape Garden Movement (1675-1750) and the Picturesque, Regency and Victorian Periods (1750-1890), Peter will address the English Arts and Crafts Movement which is principally concerned with the collaboration between Gertrude Jekyll (the mother of all of us gardeners) and the noted architect and landscape architect Edwin Lutyens.

“Creative Smartphone Photography” Workshop 2
Thursday, February 15, 2024, 12:30–2 pm, at Clare Hopkins’

Homework from the January 29th workshop will be discussed with Charles Needle. See <https://charlesneedlephoto.com>. *RSVP to Clare Hopkin’s at clare.hopkins@me.com.*

Horticulture Committee Planning Meeting
Friday, February 23, 2024, 10–11:30 am, at Carol Mill's

The Horticulture Committee will discuss plans and activities for 2024-2025 and choose the Species of the Year for 2025-2026. *RSVP to Heather Thomas at hthomas990@gmail.com.*

Conservation Movie Night
Tuesday, February 27, 2024, 6–8:30pm, Sue Brahaney's

"An Inconvenient Sequel: Truth to Power" takes viewers on a global journey, documenting the impact of climate change through real-life examples, such as melting glaciers, extreme weather events, and rising sea levels. The documentary aims to inspire viewers to recognize the urgency of addressing climate change and to take action in their own lives and communities. By showcasing the work of Al Gore and others striving for environmental sustainability, the documentary emphasizes the need for collective effort to protect our planet and ensure a sustainable future for generations to come. Discussion to follow. We will serve snacks, liquid refreshment, popcorn, and lots of camaraderie. *RSVP to Sue Brahaney at njhorseholiday@gmail.com.*

Starting from Seed Workshop
Wednesday, February 28, 2024, 10–11:30 am, Terhune Orchards

Katharine O'Grady and Victoria Holly will show us how to get started growing plants from seed. **This workshop is required for all provisional members and provided at no cost to them.** Seeds and kits cost \$25 each for all other members. *RSVP to Jess Atkins at jess.rae.atkins@gmail.com by **January 15th** so kits can be ordered.*

Philadelphia Flower Show Pre-Passing Session
Thursday, February 29, 2024, 9–11 am, at Carol Mills's

If you would like your pots to be evaluated for possible entry into the Philadelphia Flower Show (March 2nd - 10th), please bring them to this session groomed and ready to be passed by our show passers before our drivers transport the pots to Philadelphia and enter them into the show. Additional drivers will re-enter the pots on the additional judging days.

Passers

Mary Funsch
 Debbie Jordan
 Linda Sedgewick
 Carol Mills

Driver/Enterer (~March 4)

Carol Mills
 Jess Atkins

Driver/Enterer (~March 7)

Carol Mills
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Driver/Enterer (~Feb 29)

Carol Mills
 Gillian Reeder

March

**Membership Meeting, Bus Trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show & Lunch
 Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 7:45 am, Farmview Fields Parking Lot**

Our bus will arrive at the Farmview Playing Fields Parking Lot on The Great Road at 7:45 am. We will depart PROMPTLY at 8 am. We expect to enter the show as soon as we arrive at about 9 am before the show opens to the general public. We will get back on the bus at 1:30 pm to arrive back in Princeton by 3 pm. A delicious box lunch will be provided to be enjoyed on the ride home. As in the past, we'll have our brief March Membership Meeting on the bus.

**Entries for Our April Photography Show Are Due
 Friday, March 15, 2024, at Clare Hopkin's**

Photographs for the April show are due at Clare Hopkin's home on or before March 15, 2024, unless prior arrangements have been made.

Photography Show "Narratives in Light" Categories

- Class 1: Sunset/Sunrise** — an image showcasing "Golden Hour"
- Class 2: Frozen** — an image showcasing "Ice"
- Class 3: Shafts of Light** — an image showcasing "Capture of Light Beams"
- Class 4: Shadows** — a black and white image showcasing "Low Key"
- Class 5: Color** — an image celebrating "Color"
- Class 6: iPhone Only** — an image taken with an "iPhone"

We are limited to 36 images displayed, 6 in each class. Each Exhibitor may make only one entry in a class but may enter a total of 3 entries per show. A sign-up sheet will be sent out by email in February, once a class is full no further entries can be accepted. Please review the Photography Show Rules and Guidelines in the Green Book.

Spring French Market
Thursday, March 28, 2024, 10 am–1 pm, Mercer Island

Support the GCP! Stop by Mercer Island and pick up a spring arrangement for your holiday tablescape.

April

Civic Projects
Monday, April 1, 2024, 9:30 am, All Wars Memorial Park

Join us as we clean up all AWMP. The Garden Club of Princeton has helped maintain our town's **All Wars Memorial Park** which honors our veterans. Coffee and refreshments will be provided.

Horticulture Passing Workshop with Emphasis on Daffodils
Wednesday, April 3, 2024, 10 am–Noon, at Heather Thomas's

Mary Funsch will review the fine points of the art of "passing" in preparation for our April and May Shows, including a review of the American Daffodil Society's classification system. **All provisionals are required to attend.** This workshop is also open to all members. *RSVP to Heather Thomas at hthomas990@gmail.com.*

Photography Show and Reception
Sunday, April 7, 2024, 4–6:30 pm, The Watershed Institute

Join us for the 2024 Photography Show and Reception featuring the many talented photographers in The Garden Club of Princeton. All members, their families, and friends are welcome. An invitation will be sent.

Membership Meeting, Horticulture Program & Show, Luncheon
Tuesday, April 16, 2024, 10:30 am–12:30 pm, D&R Greenway

Horticulture speaker Lorraine Ballato will share how to care for your hydrangeas to promote healthy, beautiful blooms! Her talk will include tips on pruning, fertilizing, and propagation and will share information to help both novice and advanced gardeners. An award-winning writer and horticulturist, Ms. Ballato is an instructor for the New York Botanical Garden, where she serves as a hydrangea expert. She also authored the go-to book *Success with Hydrangeas, A Gardener's Guide* which will be available for purchase at the meeting.

Horticulture Show: "Daffs and Friends"

Show entries will only be accepted on the morning of the show from 8 am to 9:30 am. If you have a job responsibility at this show, you must bring your entries by 8 am. **If you cannot perform your job, please find a replacement, and inform one of the captains.** Please consult the GCP website for a detailed description of the duties of a [Captain](#), [Passer](#), [Clerk](#), [Runner](#), and [Placer](#). Entries are limited to 5 per member in each of the 13 classifications of daffodils by the American Daffodil Society.

Daffodil Identifier will help identify one daffodil bloom per exhibitor, if entry is submitted before 8:30 a.m. All other daffodil blooms must be identified prior to arrival at the show. Daffseek Daffodil Database, sponsored by the American Daffodil Society, is an excellent source. Website: www.daffseek.org.

Captains: Victoria Holly and Gillian Reeder

Passers

Molly Finnell
Clare Hopkins
Betsy Griffith
Julia Garry
Mary Funsch

Clerk

Joan Mullen

Clerks-in-Training
Marcia Shackelford
Elizabeth Sheldon

Runners

Jill Mudge
Kate Hammond
Kathleen Murphy

Placer

Martha Sword

Passer-in-Training

Nina Travinsky

Daffodil Identifier

Clare Kowalak

Daffodil (*Narcissus*)

1. One stem of a variety. Classes will be divided according to the American Daffodil Society's Classifications.

Multiple Daffodils

2. Three stems of the same variety in one bottle.
3. Three stems of three different varieties in one bottle. Key card required.

Spring Bulbs (other than Daffodils)

4. Tulip (*Tulipa*) displayed with at least one leaf attached.
5. Others such as Crocus (*Crocus*), Snowdrop (*Galanthus*), Grape Hyacinth (*Muscari*), etc.

Flowering Perennial Stem

6. Hellebore (*Helleborus*)
7. New Jersey Native Plant
8. Other

Flowering Branch – One single stem or branch not to exceed 24” in height, measured from the lip of the bottle to tip of specimen.

9. Shrub
10. Tree

Cut Specimen Collection

11. A collection of three different stems or branches, *all in flower*, artistically arranged in a clear, unetched glass container supplied by the exhibitor. These can be woody, herbaceous and/or geophytes. Key card required. To be judged 70% on horticultural merit and 30% on artistic merit.

12. Par (See Rules)

13. Educational Merit (See Rules)

**Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve Guided Walk & Native Plant Sale
Tuesday, April 23, 2024, 10–11:30 am, Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve
Lunch at a local restaurant following**

Experience the beauty and wonder of Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve in the spring. Join us for a guided tour of the preserve with an Interpretive Naturalist as we discover the living collection of native plants and the web of life they support. We will focus on a special group of wildflowers, the spring ephemerals, that emerge, bloom and fruit before the forest canopy closes. These plants complete their life cycle before summer's heat and droughts and then rest below ground until another spring. Because of their beauty, wildlife value, ecological role, and garden worthiness, the spring ephemerals are especially noteworthy. 10 AM to 11:30 AM Walk and Native Plant Sale. Space is limited to 16 people. \$15 per person, not including lunch at a local restaurant. We can carpool if there is interest. *RSVP to Robin Gosnell at robins.nest@icloud.com.*

Civic Projects

Monday, April 29, 2024, 9:30 am, All Wars Memorial Park

Join us as we clean up all AWMP. The Garden Club of Princeton has helped maintain our town's **All Wars Memorial Park** which honors our veterans. Coffee and refreshments will be provided.

May

Conservation - Bird Watching at Rogers Refuge

Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 9–11 am

Join experienced local birder Winnie Spar as she leads us on a bird watching tour on May 7 from 9 to 11 am, at the height of the spring migration. This event will be held at the Rogers Wildlife Refuge, which is located along Stony Brook on West Drive off Alexander Street and just past Metro North Restaurant, if you are coming from Princeton. (The Refuge does not have an actual address.) We will park along West Drive or in the Nassau Swim Club parking lot at the end of West Drive. The terrain can be muddy, so wear appropriate footwear. Bring binoculars if you have them. We will hope to see Baltimore Orioles, Purple Martins, Wood Thrushes, and other migrants. Friends are welcome. *RSVP to Robin Gosnell at robins.nest@icloud.com.*

Floral Design Workshop

Thursday, May 9, 2024, 9 am, Mercer Island

Cindy Olentine and Joan Mullen will lead a workshop creating special arrangements for Mother's Day which will be sold at the French Market. **This workshop is required for provisionals.**

Mother's Day French Market

Thursday, May 9, 2024, 10 am, Mercer Island

Beautiful Mother's Day arrangements created by the Provisionals will be available for sale.

Annual Membership Meeting & Luncheon, Hort & Floral Design Shows

Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm, Springdale Golf Club

Horticulture Show: "May Flowers"

Show entries will only be accepted on the morning of the show from 8:00 am to 9:30 am. If you have a job responsibility at this show, you must bring your entries by 8:00 am. **If you cannot perform your job, please find a replacement, and inform one of the captains.** Please consult the GCP website for a detailed description of the duties of a [Captain](#), [Passer](#), [Clerk](#), [Runner](#), and [Placer](#).

Captains: Heather Thomas and Carol Mills

Passers

Mary Funsch
Louisa Clayton
Linda Sedgewick
Jess Atkins

Clerk

Emily Firmenich

Clerks-in-Training

Leah Klein
Jacqui Kerrod

Runners

Helena Bienstock
Marisa Simon
Mary Hulme

Passer-in-Training

Galina Flider

Placers

Fina Raccuia-Behling

Flowering Stem – One single stem

1. Herbaceous Peony
2. Itoh Peony
3. Tree Peony
4. Perennial and biennial
5. Vine

Flowering Branches– One single stem or branch, height not to exceed 24”

6. Shrub
7. Tree

Foliage Stems - Three stems of the same species or cultivar

8. Fern
9. Hosta
10. Other

Cut Specimen Collection

11. A collection of **three** different flowering stems or branches artistically arranged in a clear, unetched glass container supplied by the exhibitor; these can be woody, herbaceous, annual or geophyte. Key card required. To be judged 70% horticultural merit, 30% artistic merit.

Seedlings

12. One rooted plant grown from seed and planted no earlier than January 2023. To be displayed in a terracotta pot with no saucer. Propagation card required.

Succulent Garden

13. A collection of five different succulents displayed in a trough* not to exceed 18” in diameter/diagonal inside measurement. Key card required. To be judged 70% horticultural merit and 30% on artistic merit. *A trough is defined as a hypertufa, stone-like, or cement container of any shape.

14. **Par** (See Rules)

15. **Educational Merit** (See Rules)

Floral Design Show: "Garden Party"

Show entries will only be accepted on the morning of the show from 8:30 am to 10:00 am. If you have a job responsibility at this show, bring your entry at 8 am. **If you cannot perform your job, please find a replacement, and inform one of the show consultants.**

Show Consultants: Stephanie Wedeking and Mary Funsch

Stagers

Jill Mudge

Stephanie Corrado

Kejing Embleton

Amy Decker

Passers

Stephanie Wedeking

Jennifer Del Vecchio

Clerk

Debbi Roldan

Clerks-in-training

Susan Hemsell

Patricia Jones

Elizabeth Sheldon

Class I: Spring Arrangement (Provisional Class)

Create a Spring floral arrangement incorporating hydrangea, our species of the year. To be viewed on all sides atop a 42" high pedestal. Limited to 6 entries.

Class II: Ready to Wear

Create a fascinator or hat fit for a spring garden party. A black wire head form measuring 21" high and 6.5" in diameter will be provided in advance to display your design. To be viewed on all sides on a 42" tall table covered with a gray cloth. Limited to 6 entries.

Class III: Garden Artistry

Create a floral design interpreting a famous painting from a postcard provided by the Floral Design team. The design may not exceed 20" in width or depth. To be viewed on all sides on a 42" tall table covered with a gray cloth. Limited to 6 entries.

Show Rules and Guidelines

Rules for all Shows

1. Show entries will be accepted *only* at times indicated in the program. *Promptness is imperative.*
2. All materials should be accurately labeled. Protected and/or endangered species are not allowed. For exceptions, see the Floral Design rules.
3. Questions may be directed to the horticulture show captain or the floral design show consultant. Entry cards and practice niches may be obtained prior to shows.

Horticulture Show Rules and Guidelines

All entries must have been in the exhibitor's possession for at least three months (except as noted in the schedule).

1. Exhibitors are encouraged to research their entries, prepare their cards, and groom their entries at home. The goal is to arrive at the show ready for passing. If you need help with your entry, please arrive in the first 30 minutes (8-8:30 am), and the Passing Committee will help to identify plant material. Please note for the Daffodil Show in April that the Daffodil Identifier will help identify only one daffodil per member.
2. Entry cards must be filled out in black, waterproof ink with the botanical name, variety, and common name. Variety names should be in single quotes.
3. All cut flowers are to be shown in water in clean, green Perrier bottles with the gold cap remnants removed, except as noted in the schedule. If a clear glass container is specified, it means clear, un-colored, un-etched glass.
4. Any cut flower specimen should be shown with sufficient attached foliage to permit evaluation by the judges. This varies with each variety/specimen. Consult the Horticulture Chairs with questions.
5. Groom your exhibits thoroughly. Remove dead or damaged leaves and pests.
6. Wedging material must be cork. Wedging material should not extend beyond the rim of the bottle. Boxwood and moss are no longer acceptable.
7. Length of a branch is 24" measured from the lip of the bottle to the tip of the specimen.

8. A key card containing a diagram with identifying names and attached to the entry card is required when multiple species or cultivars are exhibited in the same container. Key card must be a 4"x6" white, unlined card and completed in black, waterproof ink or typed. Include entry and class numbers on key card. A 4"x6" photograph with identifying numbers may be used.
9. All entries propagated by the exhibitor must be so identified with the method and relevant date(s) of propagation on the entry card. A propagation card must also be completed with the entry.
10. If you are assigned to work a show and have entries for that show, you must arrive 30 minutes early to complete your entries.
11. An exhibitor may submit multiple entries per class, provided each is a different species or cultivar.
12. The Passing Committee must pass each entry before an exhibitor may leave the area. The Passing Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry that does not conform to the rules of the schedule.
13. Once your entry is passed, you may not touch it again until after the judging.
14. The Horticulture Committee will subdivide classes as needed.
15. Container-grown plants must be exhibited in containers that are clean, unobtrusive, and compatible with the exhibit. Terracotta clay pots are preferred. Saucers are not permitted. Green or terracotta colored plastic pots are acceptable, unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
16. Top dressing, if used, should be of natural material. Peat moss is not permitted.
17. Par Class: A horticulture specimen of merit that does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the schedule, is to be judged against perfection rather than against other specimens. Cut specimens are discouraged. Entries are assumed to be mature, top-quality specimens of their type. Plants must be in the exhibitor's possession for at least six months.
18. Educational Merit: *Not judged*. One point for entry. A plant or flower of special horticultural interest. List name and other pertinent information on a 4" x 6" card.
19. Native plants: Consult the NJ Native Plant Society for natives or native cultivars at <http://www.npsnj.org>.
20. Locally invasive plant material, diseased plant material, artificial plant material, live animals (including fish), taxidermy, natural birds' nests, feathers of any kind and protected sea life including coral are not permitted.

Floral Design Show Rules and Guidelines

Floral Design classes may be divided into two divisions, A (Experienced) for anyone who has ever won a blue ribbon and B (Novice) for all others.

1. Unless otherwise stated in the class description, fresh and/or dried plant material is required in all classes. Artificial plant material is not allowed.
2. Manipulation of plant material is encouraged. Anything fresh or dried may be colored.
3. Fresh plant material must be in water or be conditioned in such a way as to remain in pristine form while on exhibition.
4. Mechanics should not be visible unless they are an integral part of design.
5. Fruits and vegetables are allowed only if stated in the schedule.
6. Live animals (including fish), taxidermy and natural bird's nests or feathers are not permitted.
7. Locally protected sea life (such as a few types of rare coral) is not permitted. Locally protected plant material may be used only if it comes from your property and is listed as protected on the entry card.
8. Locally invasive plant material may not be used. Please consult The GCP website for a list of invasive plants.
9. Exhibitors are responsible for accurate identification of plant material. Entry cards must be filled out in black, waterproof ink with the botanical name, variety, and common name.
10. Exhibitors entering as a team will split any points earned.
11. Par Class: Entries in a placement class are judged individually against perfection rather than against each other.
12. Challenge Class: All entrants are given identical material; all or any part of these materials may be used as stated in the schedule. Arrangements are constructed at the show in the time allowed.
13. Component Challenge Class: Entrants are given components in advance of the competition. According to the class description, some, but not necessarily all, components must be incorporated in plain sight in the arrangement, and no other components may be used. Plant material is provided by the exhibitor.
14. Pedestals are 42" high with a 14" square top. The top may be covered, draped and/or extended by the exhibitor.
15. Niches may be lined; plant material may touch the walls of the niche if the design so dictates but may not protrude beyond the front. A light bar will be provided to accept a white or colored bulb of 75W or less. Niche sizes: Medium 24"h x 20"w x 16"d, Small 12"h x 10"w x 7"d .

Photography Show Rules and Guidelines

1. Novices are encouraged to enter and will be considered for the novice award. A novice is defined as an individual exhibitor who has not won a blue ribbon in a Club Photography Show. To enter as a novice, check the novice box on the entry card.
2. An exhibitor may make only one entry in a class or in each section of a class but may enter a total of three entries per show.
3. Photographs that have been entered in a Garden Club of America Flower Show or a Major Flower Show may not be entered again, even with slight alteration and reprinting.
4. Photographs and post processing must be the work of the exhibitor. Printing and mounting may be done professionally, but any manipulation at the time of exposure, in the darkroom, by computer or in the printing process including cropping, straightening, enhancement for color or clarity, removing a part of the image, combining images, or distorting the original subject must be done by the exhibitor.
5. A different scale of points will be used for judging Creative Technique in a class designated as a Creative Techniques class. Creative Technique involves a higher level of manipulation of a photograph, although manipulation by the exhibitor is permitted in any class.
6. All photography entries are limited to the subjects outlined in the purpose of The Garden Club of America, such as horticulture, floral design, gardens, landscape, conservation, the environment and the natural world, historic preservation, and civic improvement, unless a non-complying class is in the schedule.
7. If plant material is in the image, the botanical and common name(s) are required on the entry card and on the back of the photograph unless identification is not possible.
8. Photographs must be flush mounted on black foam core with a total perimeter dimension no larger than 60" and no smaller than 38". Matting, frames, and glass are not permitted.
9. Each entry must be labeled on the lower back right corner of the foam core with the exhibitor's name, orientation of the photograph, class and section, title of the photograph, as well as botanical and common names of plant material in the photograph if possible. The exhibitor's name must not be visible on the front of the photograph.
10. All photographs will be passed by the Photography Co-Chairs, or those asked to replace them, to verify that all class specifications have been met.

Awards

The Garden Club of Princeton Point Awards

The Floral Design Award is presented at the annual meeting to the member who accrues the most points in The Garden Club of Princeton Floral Design Shows during the year. The accompanying charger was donated by Mary Pitcairn Keating. Presented to Stephanie Wedeking in 2023.

The Horticulture Award and accompanying charger is presented at the annual meeting to the member who accrues the most points in The Garden Club of Princeton Horticulture Shows during the year. Presented to Carol Mills in 2023.

The Horticulture Award may be presented at the annual meeting to the member who accrues the most points in Horticulture Shows outside of The Garden Club of Princeton during the year. Presented to Carol Mills in 2023.

The Conservation Award is presented at the annual meeting to the member identified by the Conservation Chairs who has personally increased the Club's awareness of and interest in conservation within a given year. The accompanying bowl was donated by Margaret Dulles Sebring. Presented to Sue Brahaney in 2023.

The Photography Award and accompanying cup is presented to the member who accrues the most points in the The Garden Club of Princeton annual Photography Show. Presented to Jill Mudge in 2023.

The Provisional Award is presented to the Provisional Member who accrues the most points in Floral Design, Horticulture and Photography shows during the year. The accompanying charger was donated by Frances Scott Rassmassler. Presented to Carol Mills in 2023.

The "Species of the Year" Award is presented to the member who accrues the most points in Floral Design, Horticulture and Photography classes that have been designated "Species of the Year". The accompanying charger was donated by the Dresdner Family in memory of Kay Dresdner. Presented to Carol Mills in 2023.

Points for GCP Show Awards

Best in Show	8 points
1st Prize (blue)	8 points
2 nd Prize (red)	6 points
3 rd Prize (yellow)	4 points
Honorable Mention	2 points
Exhibiting each entry	1 point

GCA Zone IV Flower Show Awards

The following Garden Club of Princeton members have won these awards at Zone IV Flower Shows:

- 1991 Jody Miller-Olcott – Harriet DeWaele Puckett Creativity Award
- 1998 Sally Worm – Harriet DeWaele Puckett Creativity Award
- 2004 Sophie Glovier with Lila Cruikshank of Stony Brook Garden Club – Marion Thompson Fuller Brown Conservation Award
- 2004 Barbara Gallup and Irvine Gaskin with Meredith Peterson of Stony Brook Garden Club – Ann Lyon Crammond Education Award
- 2006 Barbara Chatham – Sandra Baylor Novice Award
- 2008 Barbara Gallup – Rosie Jones Horticulture Award
- 2011 Barbie Bromley – Photography Creativity Award
- 2012 Betsy Hoover – Sandra Baylor Novice Award
- 2014 Betsy Griffith and Vicki Trainer – Dorothy Vieter Munger Award
- 2018 Penny Thomas – Photography Creativity Award
- 2023 Jill Houghton Mudge – Best in Show in Photography

GCP Club Awards

1984 GCA Small Flower Show Award for "Autumn in the Air" with Stony Brook Garden Club. Ann Reed and Audrey Gates served as Co-Chairmen.

GCA Zone IV Awards

The following Garden Club of Princeton members have received these Zone Awards at a Zone Meeting after being nominated by the Club Awards chairmen and approved by National chairmen:

- 1981 Diana Olcott – Horticulture Award
- 1984 Ramsay Raymond – Creative Leadership Award
- 1986 Betsy Carrick – Barbara Spaulding Cramer Flower Arrangement Award
- 1990 Diana Olcott – Barbara Spaulding Cramer Flower Arrangement Award
- 1992 Sally Worm – Barbara Spaulding Cramer Flower Arrangement Award
- 1994 Diana Olcott – Creative Leadership Award
- 1994 Louise Sayen – Conservation Committee Award
- 1995 Pete Peters – Creative Leadership Award
- 1998 Carol Royal and Penny Thomas with Janet Haring of Stony Brook Garden Club – Conservation Award
- 2004 Pam Mount – Civic Improvement Award
- 2008 Penny Thomas - Creative Leadership Award

- 2010 Martha Sword – Specialized Achievement Award
- 2016 Sophie Glovier – Civic Improvement Award
- 2018 Kathleen Biggins – Conservation Award
- 2018 Barbie Bromley – Judging Award
- 2018 Katherine Dresdner – Civic Improvement Award
- 2020 Pinelands Preservation – Conservation Commendation
- 2021 Wendy Mager – Conservation Award
- 2021 Penny Thomas – Judging Award
- 2021 The Garden Club of Princeton – Historic Preservation Award

GCA Club Awards

The following Garden Club of Princeton members have received these Club awards after being nominated by the Club Awards chairmen and approved by the National Awards chairmen:

- 1974 Betsy Carrick – Medal of Merit
- 1975 Clyffie Savage – Medal of Merit
- 1989 Ann Townsend – Medal of Merit for Conservation
- 1993 Peggy Hamill – Medal of Merit for Horticulture
- 1995 Barbara Gallup – Certificate of Appreciation
- 1995 Ann Rose Reed – Horticultural Achievement Certificate
- 1996 Phyllis Hamel – Horticulture Achievement Certificate
- 1997 Winkie Burt – Certificate of Appreciation
- 1997 Melon Johnson – Medal of Merit for Civic Projects
- 1998 Harriette McLoughlin – Certificate of Appreciation
- 1998 Barbie Bromley – Flower Arrangement Achievement Certificate
- 2000 Polly Dale – Horticulture Achievement Certificate
- 2000 Betsy Carrick – Certificate of Appreciation
- 2000 Bunny Dilworth – Certificate of Appreciation
- 2001 Louise Sayen – Certificate of Appreciation
- 2002 Penny Thomas – Medal of Merit
- 2002 Barbara Gallup – Horticulture Achievement Certificate
- 2002 Jody Olcott – Flower Arrangement Achievement Certificate
- 2003 Palmer Uhl – Medal of Merit
- 2004 Susie Ganoë – Horticulture Achievement Certificate
- 2005 Phyllis Hamel – Certificate of Appreciation
- 2005 Melon Johnson – Conservation Achievement Certificate
- 2006 Weezie Lambert – Certificate of Appreciation
- 2006 Martha Sword – Medal of Merit
- 2007 Pete Peters – Medal of Merit
- 2008 Milly King – Medal of Merit
- 2011 Barbara Chatham – Club Historic Preservation Award

2011 Molly Finnell and Milly King – Club Appreciation Award
2012 Barbara Morrison – Club Appreciation Award
2013 Trudy Healy – Club Appreciation Award
2013 Dr. Alexandra Gerry – Club Conservation Award
2013 Mary Hulme – Medal of Merit
2014 Betsy Griffith – Club Appreciation Award
2015 Sandi Tatnall – Club Appreciation Award
2015 Dorothy Shepard – Club Horticulture Award
2015 Tommye Schiro – Club Communications Award
2016 Katherine Dresdner – Club Civic Improvement Award
2016 Mary Bryson – Club Communications Award
2016 Kathleen Biggins – Club Conservation Award
2016 Molly Finnell – Medal of Merit
2017 Debbie Jordan and Barbara Morrison – Club Civic Improvement Award
2017 Kathleen Enquist – Club Horticulture Award
2017 Penny Thomas – Club Photography Award
2017 Barbie Bromley – Club Appreciation Award
2017 Barbara Gallup – Medal of Merit
2018 Kay Brush – Medal of Merit
2018 Jennifer DelVecchio – Club Communication Award
2018 Mary Funsch – Club Appreciation Award
2018 Stephanie Wedeking – Club Floral Design Award
2019 Anna Horner – Club Horticulture Award
2019 Tracy Sippelle – Club Civic Improvement Award
2019 Stephanie Wedeking – Club Appreciation Award
2020 Robin Gosnell and Avril Moore – Club Historic Preservation Award
2020 Wendy Mager – Club Conservation Award
2021 Mary Funsch – Club Horticulture Award
2021 Gillian Reeder – Club Communication Award
2021 Sandi Tatnall – Club Historic Preservation Award
2022 Susan Broeker and Fina Raccaia-Behling – Club Photography Award
2022 Jennifer DelVecchio – Club Appreciation Award
2023 Deborah Jordan – Medal of Merit

Membership Requirements

Active

- Has the right to vote
- Must attend 5 out of 9 Monthly Meetings
- Must pay dues and assessments set by Club vote
- Shall serve on committees and chair committees
- Must enter a minimum of 2 shows a year. One must be floral design or horticulture. The second may be floral design, horticulture, or photography.
- Shall take part in the Club's activities
- Shall be eligible to attend GCA Annual and Zone meetings
- May propose and second up to 2 candidates per year
- May write supporting letters for candidates
- Will be asked if they wish to continue membership if they have not met their requirements
- May ask to become a Sustaining or Affiliate member after 10 years

Sustaining

- Has the right to vote
- Must attend 3 out of 9 Monthly Meetings
- Must pay dues and assessments set by Club vote
- May serve on committees, including Executive as a Member at Large
- Is not eligible to be an officer of the Club
- Shall be eligible to attend GCA Annual and Zone meetings
- May propose and second up to 2 candidates per year
- May write supporting letters for candidates
- May ask the Membership Committee for a change in membership status

Affiliate

- May not vote or hold office
- Has no attendance requirements
- Must pay dues and assessments set by Club vote
- May serve on committees, *except Executive, Nominating and Membership*
- May not propose or second candidates, but may write supporting letters
- May ask the Membership Committee for a change in membership status

Provisional

- Must attend 5 out of 9 Monthly Meetings
- Must pay dues and assessments set by Club vote
- Participate in workshops: plant propagation, bulb forcing, passing, clerking, how to enter a show, horticulture, floral design, and, if interested, photography
- Assist in setting up a horticulture, floral design, or photography show
- Participate in a club Civic or Conservation Committee project
- Must enter a minimum of 2 shows a year. One must be floral design or horticulture. The second may be floral design, horticulture, or photography.
- With their co-chairs must run, plan, and staff one French Market

The Membership

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