

Nautical Nantucket

A GCA Flower Show hosted by THE NANTUCKET GARDEN CLUB

JULY 16 & 17, 2024

SIASCONSET CASINO

10 New Street Siasconset, Massachusetts

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"The Woolie"

British sailors, believed to be the primary makers of woolies, would spend their downtime stitching images of their ships onto duck linen using Berlin wool. (Sewing was a vital skill for most, so they were adept at cross-stitch, chain stitch, and long-stitch.) By the time the craft peaked in the mid to late 1800s, the shipmen had begun embellishing their portraits with bits of bone, metal, glass, and sequins, further personalizing their works. "They were symbols of the pride they felt representing their ships and country."

The Nantucket Garden Club

Member of The Garden Club of America

Presents

Nautical Nantucket

A GCA Flower Show

Tuesday, July 16 – Wednesday, July 17, 2024

The Siasconset Casino 10 New Street Siasconset, Massachusetts

Open to the public

Wednesday, July 17, 2024 10 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

No Admission Charge

The purpose of The Garden Club of America is to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening; to share the advantage of association by means of educational meetings, conferences, correspondence and publications; and to restore, improve and protect the quality of the environment through educational programs and action in the fields of conservation and civic improvement.



The purpose of a flower show is threefold: to set standards of artistic and horticultural excellence; to broaden knowledge of horticulture, floral design, conservation, photography and other related areas; and to share the beauty of a show with fellow club members and with the public.



The purpose of the Nantucket Garden Club shall be to promote the better knowledge and love of gardening, plants, flowers and horticulture, to contribute to the beauty of Nantucket, and to support conservation initiatives that protect the island's fragile and historic environment.

The constitution of the Nantucket Garden Club, adopted in 2009.

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TIMETABLE FOR EXHIBITORS

January 16, 2024 Horticulture - Six-month ownership deadline **February 1, 2024** Registration opens for all Divisions for members of Nantucket Garden Club only **April 1, 2024** Registration opens to all Divisions for members of all GCA Zones and the public. **April 16, 2024** Horticulture - Three-month ownership deadline June 1, 2024 Photography registration deadline June 29, 2024 Photography entry delivery deadline July 1, 2024 Photography entries passed by a GCA Photography Judge or members of the Photography committee July 1, 2024 Floral Design registration deadline

Show Schedule

Monday, July 15th, 2024

3:00 p.m – 5:00 p.m. Floral Design and Horticulture entries accepted and passed

6:30 p.m. Judges' Dinner

Tuesday, July 16, 2024

7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Floral Design and Horticulture

entries accepted and passed

10:00 a.m. Entries completed

10:30 a.m. Briefing and Charging for Judges

and Clerks

11:00 a.m. Judging begins

1:00 p.m. Judges' Luncheon & Flower Show

Evaluation

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Preview Party

Wednesday, July 17, 2024

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Refreshing and maintenance of

exhibits

10:00 a.m. Show open to the public

4:00 p.m. Show closes

4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. All entries must be removed



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EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT

The Division V Education Exhibit about the Saltmarsh Senior Center native plant garden will show the benefits to the environment of a Coastal-Resilient Garden.

Our education project teaches the value of having native-plant gardens adjacent to beaches, dunes, coastal banks, waterbodies, or in areas prone to flooding. Our garden features low-maintenance, hardy, strong-rooted native shrubs, perennials, and grasses that tolerate both wet and dry conditions and require little water and no fertilizers or pesticides. They support wildlife, prevent erosion, and their roots filter water as it flows into the harbor. Most are Nantucket native plants.

GCA RULES

- 1. Please carefully read and follow GCA Flower Show Rules, General Information, and Division Guidelines. All rules as stated in *The Garden Club of America Flower Show and Judging Guide (FS & JG), 2023 edition*, shall apply.
- All plant material must be correctly identified with the botanical and common names, if possible. Accepted references for nomenclature are:
 - a. Missouri Botanical Garden Plant Finder at https://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/plantfinder/plantfindersearch.aspx
 b. Royal Horticultural Society Find a Plant at https://www.rhs.org.uk/plants/search-Form
- 3. The Garden Club of America expects all exhibitors to be aware of the need to promote the conservation of endangered and threatened plants. Plants collected in the wild and listed by the MassWildlife's Natural Heritage Program may not be exhibited in any flower show sponsored by a GCA club. Cultivated plant material listed by MassWildlife's Natural Heritage Program may be exhibited if accompanied by a typed card stating that it has not been collected from the wild or that it was collected out-of-state and giving information concerning its cultural requirements and methods of

propagation. Natural Heritage Program lists of endangered plant material will be available before and during the show from the division chairs and are available online at https://plants.usda.gov/home/raritySearch

- 4. Plant material showing evidence of insects or disease must be removed immediately from the exhibition area. This rule will be enforced at any time during the show, whenever the problem is identified.
- 5. Fresh plant material must be in water or conditioned in such a way as to remain in pristine form while on exhibition. An entry not maintained in show condition may have its award removed.
- 6. Use of the following items is not permitted in Floral Design or Horticulture entries: locally invasive plants, diseased plant material, artificial plant material, live animals of any kind, taxidermy, natural birds' nests, feathers of any kind, coral, hooves, horns, fur, hair (except wool), shells (sea, turtle, egg, etc.) The Photography Division is exempt from this rule, but all photographs must show respect for the natural world and be taken in an ethically responsible way. Information on invasive plants is available online at https://plants.usda.gov/home/noxiousInvasiveSearch

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. Entries are open to all GCA club members, including provisionals, and professionals in their disciplines, except as noted in the schedule. Please note that in Division I, Floral Design, Section A is open to the public. Please note that Division II Horticulture is open to the public. Note that in Division III, Photography, Section B, Class 5 is open to the public.
- 2. All designs must be the original work of the exhibitor(s). Although techniques and components may be inspired by other designs, the application of the techniques and components must create an original design that is distinct from the inspiration.

- 3. Registration is required for all Floral Design and Photography classes; registration forms and links may be found in the back of the schedule.
- 4. Classes will be filled in the order registration forms are received according to the email date and time. The registration chairman will confirm your entry upon receipt. Please note the staggered registrations as stated in the timeline; the registration first opens to the members of Nantucket Garden Club, then to members of all GCA zones.
- 5. Entering a show constitutes permission to use images of the exhibitor's work in all GCA channels of communication.
- 6. While The Garden Club of America, The Garden Club of Nantucket, and The Siasconset Casino Association will exercise due caution in safeguarding exhibits, responsibility for damage, loss, or personal injury cannot be assumed.
- 7. Any clarification or change in the rules, as originally stated in the schedule, shall be communicated promptly in writing by the division chairs to all exhibitors in the class and, at the show, to the judges and the passing committee.
- 8. An entry card must accompany each entry. Entry cards will be available at the show and upon request from the registration or division chairs in advance of the show. Information required on the entry card must be completed in black waterproof medium.
- 9. The passing committee must pass each entry before the exhibitor(s) may leave the show area. The passing committee reserves the right to refuse any entry that does not conform to the rules of the schedule. The exhibitor has the option of correcting the entry if time permits. If not corrected, the entry cannot be judged but may remain in place, marked "For Exhibit Only" with a brief, constructively worded statement explaining why it was not judged. Judges may not disqualify any entry passed by the passing committee unless insect infestation or disease is evident.
- 10. Once an entry is passed, the exhibitor(s) must immediately leave the show floor. The only exception will be flower show committee

- members who have entered and been passed according to the timetable. A passed entry may not be touched again by the exhibitor until after judging and then only to carry out necessary maintenance.
- 11. Only participating judges and clerks will be allowed on the show floor during judging. Flower Show and division chairs should remain nearby but off the show floor until needed.
- 12. Containers and accessories should be inconspicuously labeled with the exhibitor's name. If you would like your container returned after the closing of the show, please make arrangements with the Division Chairman.
- 13. A novice is an exhibitor who has never won first place or a GCA Special Award in the division entered at a GCA Flower Show, GCA Major Flower Show, or Sanctioned non-GCA Major Flower Show. An exhibitor who has won first place or a Special Award in a division is still a novice in the other divisions. The exhibitor must be exhibiting alone to be eligible for the GCA Novice Award or the Sandra Baylor Novice Floral Design Award. Novice award eligibility is marked on the entry card and confirmed at passing.
- 14. A Statement of Intent, if required by the class, must be submitted at the time of passing. The statement must be no more than 25 words, typed or printed in black waterproof medium on a 4" x 6" white unlined card.
- 15. All Judges' decisions are final.
- 16. All exhibits must remain in place and in show condition until fifteen minutes following the closing time of the show.



DIVISION I

Floral Design Guidelines

- 1. Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules, General Information, and Timetable for Exhibitors.
- 2. Advance registration is required by July 1, 2024.
- 3. An exhibitor is permitted only one entry per class but may enter (2) classes.
- 4. The exhibitor(s) under whose name(s) the entry has been registered must create and complete the design. All participants must be listed on the entry card. Only listed exhibitors and show personnel may be on the show floor at the time of entry.
- 5. No more than two exhibitors may execute a design unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
- 6. If forced to withdraw, an exhibitor must notify the division chair and class consultant and find a substitute unless there is a waiting list for the class.
- 7. Designs may be executed off-site and brought to the show completed.
- 8. All entries must include fresh and/or dried plant material. Fresh plant material must be in water or conditioned in such a way as to remain in pristine form while on exhibition. Rooted plant material is allowed provided no soil is attached. An entry not maintained in show condition may have its award removed.
- 9. Mechanics should not be visible unless they are an integral part of the design.
- 10. Anything not prohibited in the GCA Rules, Floral Design Division Guidelines, or individual class descriptions is permitted.
- 11. Although permitted, the use of cut fruits and vegetables is discouraged and should be undertaken only with proper treatment to prevent spoilage and insect contamination.
- 12. Accessories are <u>not</u> permitted unless otherwise stated in the class description.

- 13. A Statement of intent is required for all Floral Design classes. The statement must be no more than 25 words, typed or printed in black waterproof medium on a 4" x 6" white unlined card.
- 14. Pedestals may not be moved. Tops of pedestals may not be enlarged or draped; however, the tables provided for staging in Class 4 may be draped. Floral Designs have no height restrictions.
- 15. Pedestals are painted in Benjamin Moore's "Stonington Grey".
- 16. Questions regarding class requirements may be directed to the class consultant for that specific class and/or division chair.
- 17. Judging will be based on the principles of design (balance, contrast, dominance, proportion, rhythm, and scale) and the elements of design (light, space, line, form, color, texture, pattern, and size). Creativity, distinction, conformance to and interpretation of the class and schedule are also considered.
- 18. Scale of points by which the classes are to be judged: (as per FS & JG Book 4: Judging at Flower Shows, 2023 edition).

Scale of Points for Traditional Designs- Classes 1, 2, 3, and 5

Design	35
Distinction	20
Interpretation	20
Color Harmony	15
Conformance	<u>10</u>
TOTAL	100

Scale of Points for Functional Table (used for Class 4)

EL ID '	25
Floral Design	25
Overall Design	20
Color & Textural Harmony	15
Conformance	15
Interpretation	15
Distinction	<u>10</u>
TOTAL	100

Scale of Points for Contemporary Design (used for Class 6)

Design	35
Creativity	20
Interpretation	20
Distinction	15
Conformance	<u>10</u>
TOTAL	100

DIVISION I

Floral Design Classes

SECTION A

Open to the public who are not members of Garden Club of America clubs.

Class 1 Rainbow Fleet

12 Entries

"This beautiful little boat has an interesting history. The Rainbow is actually one of a series of catboats that have been active on Nantucket since the nineteenth century. In the late 1800's, larger catboats were used for recreational purposes as well as for commercial uses such as fishing and scalloping in the winter. John Beetle of New Bedford designed the 12', gaffrigged, shallow draft wooden boat in 1920 as a safe, fun boat for children to sail. The Nantucket Yacht Club brought the boat to Nantucket in 1926 to start a racing fleet for young children. Each boat in the fleet was given a different colored sail so that parents could identify which boat their child was on."

For Young Arrangers

Class IA	Under 10 years of age	6 Entries
Class 1B	10-15 years of age.	6 Entries

A design incorporating the boat given upon registration. Flowers and foliage should be locally grown. Design not to exceed 12" in any dimension. The design will be displayed on a table 30" from the floor, covered with a green cloth. Design to be viewed from three sides.

Adult participation is limited to selecting the plant material. Arrangement should be solely the work of the exhibitor. The Terry Hoyt Memorial Award may be given.

Class Consultant: Ann Maury

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The whaling industry was the primary engine of Nantucket's economy from the late 1600's until the 19th century. And in fact, Nantucket was considered the whaling capital of the world. Mostly aptly captured by the timeless words of Herman Melville:

'The Nantucketer, he alone resides and riots on the sea; he alone, in Bible language, goes down to it in ships; to and fro ploughing it as his own special plantation. There is his home; there lies his business, which a Noah's flood would not interrupt....'

Excerpts from Moby Dick; or, The Whale

A design created by participants from the Saltmarsh Senior Center, using the provided container. Overall design may not exceed 8" in depth or width. No height restrictions. The arrangements will be displayed on a table 30" from the floor, covered with a green cloth. Viewed from three sides.

Class Consultant: Olivia Charney ocharney145@gmail.com (203) 216-5330

SECTION B

Open only to the members of the Garden Club of America clubs

Class 3 On the Horizon

4 Entries

Essential to the health, commerce and vitality of any Nautical community, is the arrival home of its sailors. The importance of watching the "horizon" is captured by the infamous "widow's walks" on the top of many Nantucket homes.

Create a horizontal design staged on a beige pedestal 40" H x 16" square top. Design may not exceed 16" from the center of the pedestal. No height restrictions. Viewed on all sides.

A horizontal design is defined as: "A composition in which components are arranged on an axis parallel to the horizon."

Class Consultant: Barb Kaytes <u>quaisegal@gmail.com</u> 203-918-4423

4 Entries

The rank and hierarchy of any boat's crew is undeniable. The Captain's Table indicates the best seats in which to dine.

Create a functional table reflecting the status of a Captain. Staged on a 35"H x 46" diameter table covered in a green cloth supplied by the committee. Overdraping is encouraged. Accessories, including flatware, are permitted; prepared foods or cut fruit or vegetables are not permitted. The floral component should be the focal point of the design. Viewed from all sides. The Anniversary Dining Table Award may be given.

A Functional Table is defined as:

- a) Arranged for dining, including dishes, glassware, linens, and floral design(s)
- b) Flatware may be included as specified in the schedule

Class Consultant: Deedie McCarthy <u>deediemccarthy@gmail.com</u> 626-233-5332

Class 5 Shipwreck

4 Entries

Being 30 miles out to sea can be challenging, and Nantucketers have learned to be resilient, resourceful and ever mindful of their limited supplies.

Create a design incorporating at least one item that has been recycled, reclaimed or repurposed. The design will be staged on a beige pedestal that is 40" h x 16" square top. Design may not exceed 12" from the center of the pedestal. This class is limited to the members of the Nantucket Garden Club who have joined since 2018.

Class Consultant: Merrielou Symes merrielousymes@gmail.com 301-412-4445

Class 6 Nantucket Red.

4 Entries

"Red sky at night, Sailors' Delight Red sky at morn, sailors take warn"

Create a contemporary design with red as the predominant color. The design will be staged on a beige pedestal that is 40" h x 16" square top. Design may not exceed 12" from the center of the pedestal.

Class Consultant: Martha Polachi Martha.Polachi@gmail.com 508-733-8217

DIVISION II Horticulture Guidelines

- 1. Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules, General Information, and Timetable for Exhibitors.
- 2. An exhibitor may submit (2) entries per class, provided each is a different species or cultivar.
- 3. Entries must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of three months unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
- 4. Entries eligible for the Catherine Beattie Medal and/or the Clarissa Willemsen Horticulture Propagation Award must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least six months and identified on the entry card.
- 5. All rooted entries propagated by the exhibitor must be identified with details of the method and relevant date(s) on an accompanying propagation card to be eligible for the Clarissa Willemsen Horticulture Propagation Award.
- 6. Mats, stands, saucers, stakes, ties, etc., are not allowed unless specifically noted in the schedule.
- 7. Classes may be subdivided, and entries moved and/or reclassified at the discretion of the show committee and/or the judges.
- 8. Containers are measured at the diameter or the diagonal of the widest point on the inside of the rim at the soil line.
- 9. One key card (diagram or plant list) is required when multiple species or cultivars are exhibited in the same container and/or propagation information is applicable. Key card must be a 4" x 6" white unlined card completed in black waterproof medium. A 4" x 6" photograph with identifying numbers may be used.
- 10. Container-grown plants must be exhibited in containers that are clean, unobtrusive, and compatible with the exhibit. Terracotta clay

pots are preferred. Other options include stone-like (Hypertufa), wire baskets, slatted orchid baskets, and plants mounted on driftwood. Disguised double potting and top dressing are permitted; top dressing must not float when watered.

- 11. Each exhibitor should provide their own clear, unetched, non-colored glass containers for their entries. Wedging materials should consist of cork or biodegradable ("Earth-friendly") plastic wrap. Nantucket Garden Club will have a limited supply of extra clear glass containers on hand in case of breakage or additional entries by an exhibitor.
- 12. A dot with the entry number on it should be affixed after registration to the container to ensure an entry card, separated from the exhibit container during staging, can be returned to the proper entry before judging.
- 13. The committee will water the exhibits if instructed to do so in writing. Notify the division chair at time of entry with instructions for watering.
- 14. All Horticulture entries will be judged by the appropriate Scale of Points listed in *Flower Show & Judging Book 4: Judging at Flower Shows*, 2023 edition.
- 15. Entry and Propogation cards are available onsite or by using this links: Horticulture Entry Cards PropagationCard
- 16. Questions regarding class requirements may be directed to the class consultants and/or division chair.

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DIVISION II

Horticulture Classes

Section 1. CUT SPECIMENS

Classes 1 - 4

Hydrangea

One flowering stem

- 1. Hydrangea macrophylla Mophead or Hortensia
- 2. Hydrangea macrophylla Lacecap
- 3. Other

Collection

4. Collection of three different species or cultivars. Key card required

Classes 5 - 19

Annuals

An annual is a plant that completes its life cycle in one growing season. The American Horticulture Society A-Z Encyclopedia of Garden Plants (A-Z) p. 1072

Flowering

One flowering stem - Any foliage must be attached to the stem

- 5. Antirrhinum
- 6. Cosmos
- 7. Nicotiana
- 8. Nigella
- 9. Papaver
- 10. Salvia
- 11. Zinnia
- 12. Tagetes
- 13. Native
- 14. Other

Foliage

One stem foliage only

- 15. Coleus
- 16. Fern
- 17. Plectranthus
- 18. Native
- 19. Other

Classes 20-59

Perennials and Biennials

A perennial is a plant that lives for more than two growing seasons; in Horticulture, usually applied to non-woody plants. A-Z p. 1076

Flowering

One flowering stem - Any foliage must be attached to the stem

- 20. Achillea
- 21. Astilbe
- 22. Amsonia
- 23. Aquilegia
- 24. Coreopsis
- 25. Campanula
- 26. Leucanthemum x superbum
- 27. Geranium
- 28. Phlox
- 29. Veronica
- 30. *Helleborus* any stage
- 31. Lamprocapnos (formerly Dicentra)
- 32. Podophyllum
- 33. Polygonatum
- 34. Rudbeckia
- 35. Salvia
- 36. Scabiosa
- 37. Veronica
- 38. Native
- 39. Other

Iris

- 40. Iris germanica
- 41. Iris sibirica
- 42. *Iris* other

Paeonia

- 43. Paeonia itoh
- 44. Paeonia lactiflora
- 45. Paeonia suffruticosa

Foliage

One stem unless otherwise noted.

46. Ferns

- 48. Hosta- One leaf
- 49. Hosta- Collection of three to five different species or
- 50. Turnercultivars. Key card required.
- 51. Helleborus foliage only
- 52. Heuchera
- 53. Other

Herbs - Culinary and Medicinal

- 54. Lavandula
- 55. *Mentha*
- 56. Origanum
- 57. Petroselinum
- 58. Salvia rosmarinus (formerly Rosmarinus)
- 59. Thymus
- 60. Other Herbs

Classes 60-66

Bulb, Rhizome, Tuber or Corm

A bulb is a modified, subterranean bud, with a short, thick stem and fleshy scale leaves or leaf bases. A-Z p. 1072

A corm is a subterranean storage organ consisting of a solid stem or stem base, often enclosed in a tunic. A-Z p. 1073

Flowering

One flowering stem - Any foliage must be attached to the stem

- 61. Allium
- 62. Caladium
- 63. Dahlia
- 64. Gladiolus
- 65. Lilium
- 66. *Lilium* Lily collection. Five different species or cultivars. Key card required.
- 67. Other

Classes 67 - 75

Roses

One flowering stem, except where noted - must be exhibited with at least one attached leaf containing five leaflets

- 68. Species roses
- 69. Old garden roses (prior to 1867)

Modern roses:

- 70. Floribunda and climbing floribunda
- 71. Grandiflora and climbing grandiflora
- 72. Hybrid tea and climbing hybrid tea
- 73. Miniature and climbing miniature
- 74. Polyantha and climbing polyantha
- 75. Shrub
- 76. Other

Classes 76-81

Woody Plants Flowering or Fruiting

Flowering Branch

- 77. Shrub
- 78. Tree
- 79. Vine

Fruited/Berried Branch

- 79. Shrub
- 80. Tree
- 81. Vine

Section 2. CONTAINER-GROWN PLANTS

Single species exhibited in a container not to exceed 12"

Classes 82 - 89

Flowering Containers

- 82. Orchid
- 83. Other

Foliage Containers

- 84. Fern and Fern Allies
- 85. Begonia
- 86. Other

Herbs

- 87. Container grown collection of five different species or cultivars in a single container, not to exceed 10 inches in diameter, with saucer. Exhibit must have been in the owner's possession for at least six weeks. Key card required.
- 88. Mature rooted plant. To be exhibited in a container with an accompanying saucer. One herb plant per container.

Par Class

89. An exhibit of exceptional horticultural merit, which does not qualify for entry elsewhere in the Horticulture Division. Entries in the Par class must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of one year. Cut specimen, orchids and hanging baskets are not permitted. Containers may not exceed 12" diameter/diagonal.



DIVISION III

Photography Guidelines

- 1. Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules, General Information, and Timetable for Exhibitors.
- 2. An exhibitor is permitted only one entry for the photography division.
- 3. Advance registration is required by June 1, 2024
- 4. If forced to withdraw, an exhibitor must notify the division chair and class consultant and find a substitute unless there is a waiting list of the class.
- 5. Questions regarding class requirements may be directed to the division chair.
- 6. A photograph previously entered in any GCA, GCA Major, Sanctioned non-GCA Major flower show, or a GCA *Focus* online contest *may not be entered* again even with slight alterations and/or reprinting. The same photograph may only be entered in one show at a time. If a photo is not advanced as a finalist in juried judging, it may be entered into a second juried flower show, a GCA flower show, a GCA Major flower show, or a Club flower show. Editing is allowed.
- 7. A photograph previously entered in a Club flower show *may* be entered into a GCA, Zone, GCA Major, or a Sanctioned non-GCA Major Flower Show unless that photograph was submitted for publication in the *Focus* photography gallery or a printed issue of *Focus*.
- 8. Each photograph must be the work of the exhibitor under whose name it is registered. In manipulated photographs, any added imagery must be the work of the exhibitor. Non-representational commercial overlays and textures are

- permitted. Matting, mounting and printing may be done professionally. All photographs must be two-dimensional and printed on paper unless otherwise specified. All post-production must be done before the photograph is printed.
- Any editing at any stage must be the work of the exhibitor.
 This includes enhancement for color or clarity, removal of a part of the image, combining images, or distorting the original subject.
- 10. Photography entries are limited to subjects consistent with The Garden Club of America's interests such as horticulture, floral design, gardens/landscapes, conservation, the environment, historic preservation, civic improvement, and the natural world. Plant material is required in photographs with the exception of Class 4 (optional but encouraged).
- 11. Photographs must be mounted on 3/16" black foam core edge to edge and may not be over-matted. The overall dimension of entry must be a minimum of 48" and not exceed 60" in total perimeter measurement. Glass and framing are not permitted.
- 12. A title or brief Statement of Intent in 25 words or less is required on the entry card and entry form.
- 13. Photographs will be hung on a brown-stained lattice panel.
- 14. Photographs must be received no later than June 29, 2024. Send to:

Heidi Drew c/o Atlantic East Nantucket Real Estate 82 Easton Street Nantucket MA 02554.

Your registration will be confirmed and receipt of your photograph will be acknowledged. For information, contact Heidi Drew 508-325-2121 heidi@heididrew.com.

15. A jpg file between 1-5 BM should be sent to Heidi@HeidiDrew.com by June 29, 2024. The jpg file will be

submitted to the Garden Club of America for any special awarded photographs for their records.

- 16. All entries will be passed by two members of either the Photograph Committee and/or the Photography judging program to verify class specifications have been met. If a photograph is not passed, the exhibitor will be notified and allowed, if time permits, to send a replacement photograph.
- 17. Only the photography committee may reclassify an entry, and only with the exhibitor's permission. The photography committee and/or the judges may subdivide a class.
- 18. Only appropriate images of a child or children should be submitted to, passed, and exhibited in the Photography Division and published in *Focus*.
- 19. If a photograph is to be returned, the exhibitor must provide a self-addressed return label, envelope or mailing box, and postage and packing material. Any award received will be noted on the back of the mount before it is returned. If a photograph will not be returned, to receive the comment card and any award won, include a self-addressed and stamped envelope.

Recommended:

Use two 15" \times 19" bubble wrap envelopes or a reusable mailing box. (Smaller envelopes are too tight to easily get images in and out with their various wrappings) Wrap your mounted or matted image between 2 suitable pieces of foam core (this is very light) or non-bendable cardboard, which will be reused for return. Place wrapped image and folded self-addressed return envelope inside the mailing envelope.

Postage: Please include a \$15 check payable to Nantucket Garden Club to cover return postage and handling. You may include UPS labels or postage meter strips. If a return envelope and postage are not included, it will be assumed that the image will not be returned.

21. Scale of points by which the classes are to be judged (as per FS & JG Book 4: Judging at Flower Shows, 2023 edition)

For Photography classes

Creativity	25
Composition	25
Technical Skill	20
Conformance/Interpretation	20
Distinction	<u>10</u>
Total	100

DIVISION III

Photography Classes

Section A

Open only to the members of the Garden Club of America clubs

Class 1 Sailing Over the Bounding Main Color 4 Entries

Words from a traditional 1880 sailing song written by Godfrey Marks.

Novice Class

A seascape in which the ocean predominates. Image is to be taken with a smartphone or tablet. Plant material is required.

Seascape: An image in which the primary subject is the sea or ocean rather than land or a landscape.

Class 2 Ahoy Little Dinghy! Color 4 Entries

A small open boat or watercraft.

A close-up image of a single flower

Close-up: A photo taken close to the subject with a long focal-length lens to permit a close and detailed view of the object.

Class 3 Leaving a Wake Black and White 4 Entries

The track or path that a boat leaves behind it.

An image that captures a pattern in nature. Plant material is required.

Pattern: The repetition of elements such as shapes, tones, forms, or lines.

The area near the Equator where very little surface wind is present. It means to be at a stand still or moving slowly.

A flat lay, still life using objects found along the ocean shore, purposefully composed by the photographer on a surface in an aesthetically pleasing way, and shot directly from above. Plant material is optional but encouraged.

Special note: See GCA Rules #6 concerning the use of natural objects in photography.

Flat lay: A top-down perspective of objects laid out on a surface in an aesthetically pleasing way.

Still Life – Composed: An image depicting a composed arrangement of inanimate objects, either natural or man-made, or a combination of both. It is clear to the viewer that the objects have been deliberately arranged and illuminated. The framing of the objects and how they are photographed should be visually compelling.

SECTION B

Open to the public who are not members of Garden Club of America clubs.

Class 5 Toe the Line

Color

6 Entries

Sailors under inspection were expected to stand in a line with their toes behind a planking or behind the line.

An image that captures a window box in all its glory

DIVISION V

Education Guidelines

- 1. Please carefully read and follow the GCA Rules, General Information, and the Timetable for Exhibitors.
- 2. Education exhibits may be executed by any invited person(s), organization or business wishing to communicate information relevant to the educational message of the flower show.
- 3. Include a 50-word Statement of Intent for each Education Exhibit.
- 4. Scale of points by which Education Exhibits are to be judged: (as per FS & JG Book 4: Judging at Flower Shows, 2023 edition).

Educational value	60
Staging	20
Creativity and distinction	<u>20</u>
Total	100

DIVISION V

Education Exhibit

The Nantucket Garden Club has created a "Coastal-resilient garden" in the front of the Saltmarsh Senior Center over the past two years.

<u>Statement of Intent</u>: Our goal is to demonstrate the Saltmarsh Senior Center Garden's advantages by defining a Coastal-resilient garden, explaining the benefits of this kind of garden to the environment, and demonstrating our process in creating the garden.

Additional information regarding the exhibit and project:

Going forward, the Nantucket Garden club is not only committed to beautifying this spot but also to educating the community about the value of native plants, especially in this location. The success of our initiative is due in part to collaboration with other island organizations. Specifically:

- We have been awarded a Conservation Commendation from the Nantucket Land and Water Council and the Nantucket Garden Club.
- We have benefited from advice on plants from Kelly Omand, Chief Ecologist/Botanist at the Nantucket Conservation Foundation.
- We interact with Saltmarsh Senior Center Board members Peggy Kaufman and John Copenhaver and appreciate their support.
- As a result of our interaction with the Saltmarsh Center, members/users of the center are participating in the floral division of our Nautical Nantucket Flower Show.
- The garden has a highly visible location close to town, on the harbor, and across from a beach. When we are working in the garden we interact with members of the public when they walk, bike, or drive by. People often stop to comment, ask questions, read the sign, or say thanks.

Division Consultant: Paulette Boling PauletteBoling@gmail.com



GCA FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

The GCA Flower Show Awards described below are approved and will be presented if merited.

Division I, Floral Design

Best in Show Floral Design is selected from first-place winners in the division.

The **Dorothy Vietor Munger Award** may be awarded to members of The Garden Club of America clubs in competitive Floral Design classes at a GCA Flower Show. It is offered in recognition of creative work of outstanding beauty using predominantly fresh plant material. The design must have placed first, second, or third. Challenge class entries are not eligible. The award is not a substitute for Best in Show and will be given at the discretion of the judges.

The Harriet DeWaele Puckett Creativity Award may be awarded to members of GCA clubs or non-members in recognition of a uniquely skillful and creative response to an imaginative schedule in Floral Design. It will be given for an innovative and interpretive entry, which, although it abides by the principles of good design, goes beyond traditional period arrangement to whatever art form the exhibitor(s) chooses. The design must have placed first, second, or third in the Floral Design Division of a GCA Flower Show. An entry in any challenge class is not eligible to receive this award. The award is not a substitute for Best in Show and will be given at the discretion of the judges.

The **Sandra Baylor Novice Floral Design Award** may be given at a GCA Flower Show to an exhibitor who is a member of a GCA club and who has never won a GCA Special Award in the Floral Design Division of a GCA, GCA Major or Sanctioned non-GCA Major Flower Show. It shall be awarded to an individual novice exhibitor for a unique and skillful response to the schedule. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

Division II, Horticulture

Best in Show Horticulture is selected from first-place winners in the division.

The **Catherine Beattie Medal** may be awarded for a horticulture entry distinguished by its vibrancy, prime condition, and perfection of grooming. The exhibitor must have owned and grown the exhibit for at least six months. The medal may be awarded for a single plant, collection of plants, container garden, or cut specimen, but only if there is an exhibit worthy of the honor. It may be awarded to members of GCA clubs only; individual, joint, and club entries are eligible. The award should not be considered as a substitute for Best in Show. The medal may not be awarded to the same exhibit more than once; however, the offspring of a Beattie winner are eligible to receive the award.

The Clarissa Willemsen Horticulture Propagation Award may be awarded for a horticulture entry distinguished by its prime condition, flawless grooming and difficulty of propagation. The entry must have been propagated and grown by the exhibitor for at least six months. This award may be given for a single-rooted plant or a collection of rooted plants. The dates and method of propagation must be recorded on an accompanying propagation card. The entry must have placed first, second, or third at a GCA Flower Show. The award may not be given to the same exhibit more than once.

The **Rosie Jones Horticulture Award** may be presented to a horticulture entry of exceptional visual appeal that reflects the spirit of growing with joy and enthusiasm and inspires others to propagate, grow, show and share horticulture. An exhibit that has been propagated by the exhibitor will be given special consideration but propagation is not a requirement. Perfection, while always desirable, is not a primary criterion. This award celebrates the ineffable joy inherent in the beauty and pursuit of horticulture.

The GCA Novice Award in Horticulture may be awarded for an outstanding exhibit to a member of a GCA club who has never won a GCA Special Award in the Horticulture Division in a GCA, GCA Major or Sanctioned non-GCA Major Flower Show. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

Division III, Photography

Best in Show Photography is selected from first place winners in the division.

The **Photography Creativity Award** may be awarded at a GCA Flower Show to a member of a GCA club in recognition of creative and technical excellence in response to the theme of the schedule. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

The GCA Novice Award in Photography may be awarded for an outstanding exhibit to a member of a GCA club who has never won a GCA Special Award in the Photography Division in a GCA, GCA Major or Sanctioned non-GCA Major Flower Show. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

Division V, Education

The Division V exhibit is eligible for one of the following Education Exhibit awards.

The **Ann Lyon Crammond Award** may be presented at a GCA Flower Show to an outstanding educational exhibit, which best educates the public about gardens. Any educational exhibit, which increases the appreciation of any aspect of plants, gardens, or landscape design, may be considered for this award. The award may be given to GCA club members, member clubs, non-members or other organizations.

The Marion Thompson Fuller Brown Conservation Award may be presented for an outstanding conservation exhibit at a GCA Flower Show. The award recognizes an exhibit of exceptional educational and visual merit, which increases knowledge and awareness of the environment. The exhibit should emphasize environmental concerns and may demonstrate conservation practices. Plant material may or may not be used and, when appropriate, must be clearly identified. Protected material may be included if such materials are identified as protected and not collected in the wild. The award may be given to The Garden Club of America clubs, club members, non-members or other organizations.

Overall (Divisions I - V)

Judges' Commendation(s) may be given to an entry, class, section, special exhibit or other aspect of the show that is of exceptional merit.

Award of Appreciation may be given to thank an exhibitor or group for participation. The award may also be given to non-judged classes.

Nantucket Garden Club Awards

Division I Floral Design

The **Jules M. deR Thebaud Trophy** will be awarded for the Best in Show for Flower Arrangement. It will be presented to the exhibitor, who in the opinion of the judges, has presented the outstanding arrangement combining originality, distinction and beauty of design. The winner must be a member of the Nantucket Garden Club.

The **Twenty-fifth Anniversary Award**, established by Mrs. Donald H. Robinson, will be awarded to the most interesting and well-designed arrangement in a Pedestal Class.

The **Margaret Robinson Memorial Award** will be awarded to a novice flower arranger who has never before won a blue ribbon in a GCA or GCA Major Show. The winner must be a member of the Nantucket Garden Club.

The **Sandy Taylor and Betty Webb Creativity Award** will be awarded to the most creative interpretation of the schedule. The winner must be a member of the Nantucket Garden Club.

The **Terry Hoyt Memorial Award** will be awarded to the exhibitor, in the classes for young arrangers, who best demonstrates the spirit of creativity and original thought.

The **Anniversary Dining Table Award** presented by Mre. Earle R. MacAusland, will be awarded for the table arrangement styled in the most beautiful and dramatic fashion. The winner must be a member of a Garden Club of America club.

Division II Horticulture

The **Green Thumb Horticulture Award**, established by Mrs. Earle R. MacAusland, will be awarded for the Best in Show.

A **Sweepstakes Award** will be given by the Show Committee to the exhibitor who earns the most points in horticulture categories.

The **Helen Magee Alliott Best Rose Award** will be awarded by Jane Murkland in memory of her mother.

The **Susan Scarborough Ward Memorial Award** will be awarded to a novice exhibitor for Horticultural Exhibit of exceptional merit.

Division III Photography

The Nantucket Garden Club Award for Excellence in Photography may be awarded to the member of a GCA club for an outstanding exhibit. The entry must have placed first, second, or third.

The **Nantucket Garden Club Photography Award** may be awarded to a non-GCA exhibitor to recognize an exhibit of distinction.



REGISTRATION FORMS

Nautical Nantucket

DIVISION I, Floral Design Registration Form

Please provide the registration details for each entry in the body of an email

Registration Deadline: July 1, 2024	
Email registration to: Nancy Serafini Nancy Serafini@me.com	
Date:	
Name:	
Garden Club and Zone:	
Address:	
Tel:	
Email	
Co-Exhibitor(s)	
<u>Class Number</u> <u>Class Title</u>	
1 st Choice:	
2 nd Choice:	
Novice? Yes/No (individual exhibitor only)	
A novice is an individual exhibitor who has not won a first-place ribbon or a GCA Special Award in Floral Design at a GCA Flower Show, GCA Major Flower Show, or Sanctioned non-GCA Major Flower Show. If your novice	

status changes before the date of this show, please notify the division chair or

class consultant

Nautical Nantucket

DIVISION III, Photography Registration Form

Please provide the registration details for each entry in the body of an email

Registration Deadline: June 1, 2024

division chair and the class consultant.

Email the information listed below to Heidi Drew at Heidi@heididrew.com	
Date:	
Name:	
Garden Club and Zone	
Address:	
Tel:	
Email:	
<u>Class Number</u> <u>Class Title</u>	
1st Choice:	
2 nd Choice:	
Novice? Yes/No	
A novice is an individual exhibitor who has not won a first-place ribbon or a GCA Special Award in Photography at a GCA Flower Show, GCA Major Flower Show, or Sanctioned non-GCA Major Flower Show. If your novice status changes before the date of this show, please notify the	

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▲ TOP **▲ PHOTOGRAPHY ENTRY FORM ▲** TOP **▲**

This form must be copied and affixed to the back of the photograph mounting when entry is mailed or submitted.

Photograph Delivery Deadline: June 29, 2024

Please complete **two** Entry Forms per photograph. Affix one form to the back of the mounting and enclose the other with the entry.

Send photograph to: Heidi Drew

c/o Atlantic East Nantucket Real Estate

82 Easton Street Nantucket, MA 02554

Identified Plant Material: Required in all classes with the exception of Class 4 (optional but encouraged).

Title or brief statement is required. Statement of intent is to be 25 words or less.

Class Entered:	
Name:	
Garden Club and Zone:	
Email:	
Address:	

Novice? Yes/No

Tel:

A novice is an individual exhibitor who has not won a first-place ribbon or a GCA Special Award in Photography at a GCA Flower Show, GCA Major Flower Show, or Sanctioned non-GCA Major Flower Show. If your novice status changes before the date of this show, please notify the division chair or class consultant.

Notes: