

**NGC Gardening School**  
**November 16-17, 2023**  
**Registration**

**Registration Fee: \$65 + \$8 Exam Fee\***  
**Or, \$65 + \$5 Refresher Fee\*\***

The registration fee includes lunch, snacks, and beverages.

\*Students taking the course for credit must remit the \$8 exam fee along with the \$65 course fee, for a total of \$73.

\*\*Consultants who wish to refresh must remit the \$5 Refresher fee along with the \$65 course fee, for a total of \$70.

**Registration Deadline: November 12, 2023**

Please Print Legibly

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

NGC Members \_\_\_\_\_ District# \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Master Gardener? Yes No Need

Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Include **check** made payable to: **FFGC District X**

Mail **registration form** and check to:

Toni Cvetko, Registrar  
911 Gardenia Dr. #151  
Delray Beach, FL 33483

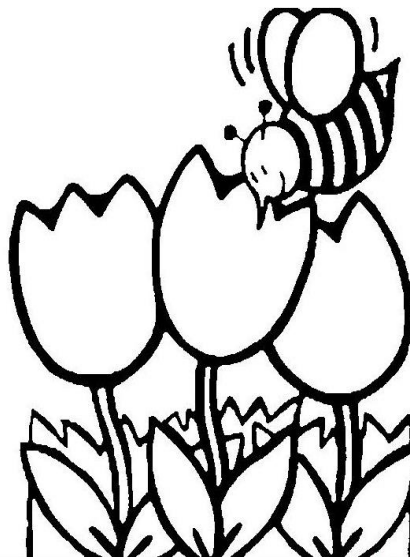
FFGC District X  
Mounts Botanical Garden  
Auditorium

**531 N. Military Trail**  
**West Palm Beach, FL**  
**33415**

**Phone: 610-297-1224**

**PLEASE NOTE**  
**Course 4 is planned for**  
**February , 2024**

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**National**  
**Garden Clubs, Inc.**

**Gardening**  
**School**  
Series 10  
Course 3



Thursday and Friday  
November 16-17, 2023  
8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

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## Overview

### Helping members become accomplished horticulturists.

The NGC Gardening School Courses are designed to provide educational information to those especially interested in gardening, horticulture and related subjects.

The School consists of a series of four courses, scheduled usually for two days of instruction, followed by a general examination. Courses cover all aspects of growing, from understanding soil structure to pruning techniques, plant identification, etc. Topics include basic botany, soils, growing annuals, perennials, trees and shrubs, fruits and vegetables, lawns, pests and diseases of plants, plant classification, and selected subjects of local interest.

Additional topics and areas of interest that may be covered are subjects such as Reconciliation Ecology (the science of inventing, establishing, and maintaining new habitats in places where people live, work, and play) and creating backyard habitats to help endangered species such as pollinators and amphibians.

## Course 3 Highlights

### FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE PLANT GROWTH

- A. Environmental factors
- B. Nutrients - organic, inorganic
- C. Plant/cultivar choices

### NEW PLANT DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION

- A. Hybridization
- B. Cultivar selection - include Native Plants and Nativars
- C. Environmental suitability
- D. Test gardens

### CONTAINER GARDENING

- A. Plants suitable for containers
- B. General culture
- C. Types of containers

### HOUSEPLANT BASICS

- A. Growing conditions indoors
- B. Plant choices
- C. Training and pruning
- D. Types of indoor containers (Single container, combination plantings, dish gardens, terrariums)

### NATIVE TREES, SHRUBS AND WILD-FLOWERS,

"Right Plant, Right Place" and Much More

### TEACHING TOUR OF MOUNTS BOTANICAL GARDEN

Annuals, perennials, trees, shrubs, container plants, wildflowers, etc. emphasizing Natives

Required Reading

"*The National Gardener*" Magazine

Available on the NGC website

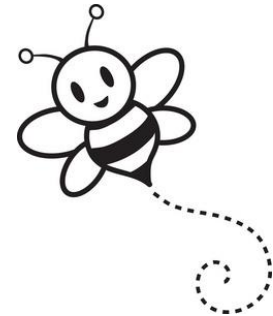
Optional Reading: "Nature's Best Hope by Doug Tallamy

"Botany for Gardeners" by Brian Capon

## Open to Everyone!

Gardening School courses are open to everyone, regardless of National Garden Club, Inc. membership. Each of the 4 courses has an optional exam. **NGC members wishing to apply to be NGC Gardening Consultants must take all four courses and pass each exam.**

Non-members fulfilling the above requirements may apply to be Consultants upon joining an NGC affiliated club within one calendar year of the completion date of the 4<sup>th</sup> course.



To take advantage of this opportunity, fill out the registration form on the reverse side of the brochure and send it with your check payable to FFGC District X to Toni Cvetko, 911 Gardenia Dr #151., Delray Beach, FL 33483