

## NGC Gardening School

### Objectives

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

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

Gardening Schools provide current information to those interested in horticulture and related topics. The curriculum has been developed by National Garden Clubs, Inc. (NGC), and is customized by the course instructors. Classes are open to the public as well as garden club members. Garden club members who complete the series of four courses (and pass the exams) are certified as NGC Gardening Consultants.

## NGC Gardening School

Series 1, Course 2 April 5 & 6, 2022

**Deadline for Registration- March 31, 2022**

**PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A DESKTOP OR LAPTOP COMPUTER, TABLET, IPAD WITH AUDIO AND VIDEO CAPABILITY. PARTICIPANTS MUST ATTEND A TEST/PRACTICE SESSION TO TEST THEIR ABILITY TO USE ZOOM AND DO A TECH CHECK ON OCTOBER 22. TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED.**

**General Information:** *The Consultant Certification Card is issued to NGC members after they have completed Gardening School Courses 1-4 with a passing grade of 70 or more on every exam. These four courses must be completed within seven years. Exams are optional. However, if you wish to be an accredited Gardening Consultant, you must take the exams. After passing two courses, a student becomes a Provisional Consultant and can join a Gardening Consultants Council. To remain in Good Standing, every five years Gardening Consultants must continue their education by attending a GS Refresher or a GS Course, no exam required. After a consultant's fourth refresher, the Consultant becomes a Master Consultant. Consultants or Master Consultants may earn refresher credit only once within a calendar year.*

**All students are required to read *The National Gardener.***

**[www.gardenclubs.org](http://www.gardenclubs.org)**

**Recommended Reading:**

**Capon, Brian, *Botany for Gardeners.***

**Timber Press. Tallamy, Douglas W., *Natures Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation That Starts in Your Yard.***

**Timber Press (2019) Stell, Elizabeth, *Secrets to Great Soil***

**(*Storey's Gardening Skills Illustrated*)**

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## Series 1, Course 2

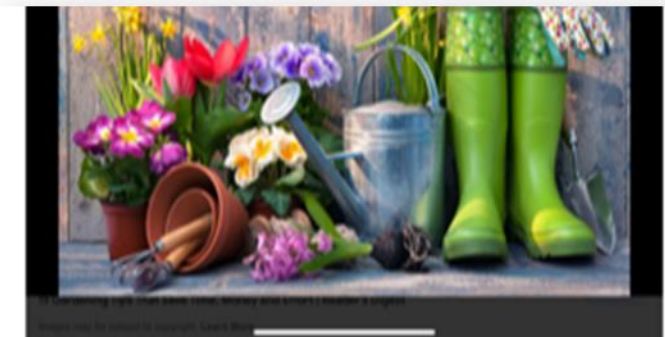


**April 5 & 6, 2022**

*Presented virtually via*



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## NGC Gardening School

Series #1, Course #2 Registration

online at NGC, Inc. website.

You pay when you register.

**Course Fee \$55.00**

**DATE: April 5 & 6, 2022**

### Permitted Equipment:

Desktop or Laptop computer, Tablet, or iPad

**Operating system: (Circle one)** *Microsoft Windows, Apple MacOS, Apple iOS on iPad, Android, or Tablet.* Smart phones **NOT** permitted unless it is for "Hotspot" connectivity (Zoom 5.4 or higher)

*\*Meets Zoom.com System Requirements*

Note: **STUDENTS PLEASE COMPLETE FORM 6; REFRESHING CONSULTANTS, Form 7** must be filled out with your previous schools' dates, signed by your State School Chairman. **FORMS FOUND ON THE NGC WEBSITE, SCHOOL RESOURCES, AND E-MAIL TO REGISTRAR - Rebecka Flowers ([rflowers@gardenclub.org](mailto:rflowers@gardenclub.org))**

**Copy** - to Charles McLendon, GS School Chairman ([mclendonc@nc.rr.com](mailto:mclendonc@nc.rr.com))

Questions or Help? 919-330-8690 cell

E-mail [mclendonc@nc.rr.com](mailto:mclendonc@nc.rr.com)

All forms can be found on NGC Website under Schools Forms

[www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)

## NGC Gardening School

### Course #2 Schedule

#### Tuesday - April 5, 2022

10:00 AM Eastern Time: Enter Zoom Announcements - Tech Check

10:30 - 12:00 NOON - Dr. Kimberly Moore

Irrigation and Water **(Tested- 8 Questions)**

12:00 - 12:30 PM - Lunch Break

12:30 - 2:00 PM - Prof. Barbara Schaedler

Plant Diseases and Garden Pests **(Tested- 15 Questions)**

2:00 - 2:10 PM - Break

2:10 - 3:10 PM - Prof. Barbara Schaedler Cont.

3:10 - 3:15 PM - Break

3:15 - 4:45 PM - Dr. Alex Lindsey

Lawn Alternatives and Growing Grass **(Tested- 8 Questions)**

4:50 - 5:00 PM – Questions-Test E-mailed

#### Wednesday – April 6, 2022

10:00 AM - Eastern Time: Enter Zoom Announcements

10:30 - 12:00 NOON - Dr. Pat Williams

Growing Fruit - **(Tested- 8 Questions)**

12:00 - 12:30 PM - Lunch Break

12:30 -2:30 PM - Carol Allen

Growing Vegetables **(Tested- 11 Questions)**

2:30 - 2:40 PM Break

2:40-3:40 PM Heather Zindash, CHP  
Blooms, Bugs and Birds **(Not Tested. Relax, Enjoy)**

3:40-3:50 PM Questions -Test E-mailed

## NGC Gardening School

### Series #1, Course #2 Committee

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