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The Florida Gardener is a quarterly magazine designed to address the interests and promote the activities of FFGC, and communicates programming and opportunities for members—connecting members all over the state. TFG covers FFGC news, opportunities, events, club achievements, educational articles, and photographs, plus NGC news.

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ON THE WEBSITE

All NGC and FFGC workshops and courses are on the FFGC.org website

www.FFGC.org/calendar

Attend one of NGC's courses. Go here for full information and a link to their calendar.

https://gardenclub.org/ our-schools

Read back issues of The Florida Gardener to see what you missed.

www.FFGC.org/the-florida-gardener



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Typing, Organized, Tracking People & Articles, Should Have PDF

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Tina Tuttle, President

by Tina Tuttle, FFGC President — 2023-2025

guess it is only normal, at the end of an administration, to look back over the past two years and take stock in what has been accomplished. If I start to name names and give credit to all the members who have contributed to our notable successes, I would fill up pages and pages and probably still end up leaving someone out. Suffice it to say, that I truly appreciate every one of you and your involvement in your club, your community, your district, and in FFGC, the DSGC and even NGC! You have truly made Florida shine!!

I am so thankful to have had this opportunity to lead FFGC as we celebrated our 100th anniversary. It was so much fun to plan our various celebratory activities around the state. I have met so many amazing people along the way! I couldn't have asked for a better group of dedicated people to work with on the Executive Board and my 12 District Sweeties were awesome! It is easy to see the commitment

and dedication our members have for our organization. We certainly have made and continue to make a difference in our local areas as well as throughout the state. We have learned from one another and shared our ideas, successes and trials and are stronger for it. I hope I will get the opportunity to personally thank you at the convention in April in Jacksonville.

Come prepared to celebrate YOU, for if it weren't for you, we wouldn't have such a vibrant organization!

At the time of this writing, I am eagerly and anxiously awaiting the Nell Coe Award submissions. I can't wait to see all the activities you have participated in and I hope you will continue to do all the things that make a garden club the best group to be a part of. I have heard from members who say the "100 Ways to Celebrate 100 Years" "saved their garden club" or "gave direction and purpose to our year of activities" or "helped us recruit new members"! That's the sort of response I was hoping for! Keep up the good work!

Let me offer my sincere best wishes to the incoming administration. I wish Christy, Mary, Leticia and Maria only the best and I know the new District Directors will work hard to continue our legacy of success. I'll still be around, sitting in the back, ready and willing to help in any way I can.

Thank you all! With gratitude,

Tina





THE 98th ANNUAL CONVENTION APRIL 8-10, 2025 JACKSONVILLE FL

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FFGC 2025 Convention Tri Refresher April 8th ~ 10th, 2025 Southbank Hotel Riverwalk 1515 Prudential Drive Jacksonville, Florida



Back to Basics: "Old Roots, New Shoots: Great Ideas for Every Gardener!"

This accredited NGC refresher has been designed to allow you to choose from a variety of topics presented for each school. Some of the program topics will include: Living Seashores, Daylilies, Color Inspiration in the Landscape, Wildlife Forensics, Poisonous Plants, The University of North Florida Botanical Gardens, Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve, Unseen Landscapes, Diggin it! and more.

Tour: The Jacksonville Zoo and Botanical Gardens—We will visit the Zoo and Gardens and take behind-the-scenes tours of a variety of areas. The tour will begin on Tuesday, April 8th, at 1 p.m. There will be no transportation to and from the zoo but we will organize carpools.

The Tri Refresher costs \$85.00 plus \$5.00 for **each** school you are refreshing in. *You may only register for more than one school if you are a Master in each school. Contact your State Chairman if you have questions.

** You MUST be registered for the convention to attend the Tri Refresher.

Deadline for registration is *March* **15**, **2025**. *Space is limited so register early!!!* Online Registration is available at ffgc.org/Convention.

Once you register you will be contacted and given details about the Refresher and where to send your Form 7. You will have until March 20, 2025, to submit your Form 7.

Please contact Jennifer Barber if you have any questions at jenniferbarberffgc@gmail.com.

CONVENTION SCHEDULE

TUES APR 8	EVENT	LOCATION
8am-4 pm	Registration Open	1st Lobby
8am-10am	Registration Open	1st Lobby
9am-5pm	Flower Room Open	Engine Room
9am-4pm	Bartram Tour optional	Bus
9:30am-10am	TriCouncil Meeting	Compass Room
10am-11am	FFGC Committee Meetings	TBD
10:15am-10:45am	FL Flower Show Judges Meeting	Compass Room
11am-12:15pm	FFSJ/TriCouncil Lunch - optional	Starboard and Windward Rooms
Noon-6pm	Vendors Open	Anchor/Dockside/Commerce Rooms
12:30pm	Zoo Carpool Meetup	Hotel Lobby
1-4:45pm	TRI REFRESHER ZOO TOUR	Carpool/Private Car
5:15-6pm	Early Arrivals Program Rehearsal	Starboard and Windward Rooms
6:30pm-7:30pm	Early Arrivals Dinner	Starboard and Windward Rooms
7:30pm	Talent Show	Starboard and Windward Rooms
WED APR 9	EVENT	LOCATION
7am-8am	Morning Stretch	Ballroom Foyer
7:30am-8am	1st Time Attendees	Compass Room
7:30am-9am	WORKSHOP #1 Hats	Rope Room
8am-2pm	Registration Open	1st Lobby
8am-6pm	Vendors Open	Anchor/Dockside/Commerce Rooms
8am-9am	FL Springs Council Save Our Springs	Sail and Rigging Rooms
8am-9am	DIGGIN' IT! FL HORTICULTURE	Compass Room
8am-9am	Fun with Flowers	Tug Room
9am-5:30pm	Flower Room Open	Engine Room
9:15am-11:15 am	BRUNCH #1 Awards	Starboard and Windward Rooms
11:30am-1:30pm	Business Meeting	Port Room
1:45pm-3pm	WORKSHOP #2 Hats	Rope Room
1:45pm-2:30pm	LIVING SHORELINES: PROTECTING COASTAL RESILIENCE	Compass Room
1:45pm-2:30pm	FFGC Youth Programs	Propeller Room
1:45pm-2:30pm	BEWARE THAT WHOLE FAMILY: POISONOUS PLANTS	Sail and Rigging Rooms
2:45pm-3:30pm	THE UNSEEN LANDSCAPE: LANDSCAPES FOR THE SUBCONSCIOUS	Compass Room
2:45pm-3:30pm	Parliamentary Procedure	Sail and Rigging Rooms
2:45pm-3:30pm	ST. JOHN'S RIVERKEEPERS: WATCHDOGS OF THE RIVER	Propeller Room

WED APR 9	EVENT	LOCATION
3:45pm-4:45pm	.5K Fun Run	Lobby Bar
5:30pm-7:30pm	DINNER #1 Jack Lacey, Floral Designer Sponsored by FFSJ	Starboard and Windward Rooms
THURS APR 10	EVENT	LOCATION
7am-8am	Morning Stretch	Ballroom Foyer
7am-9am	Floral Design Study, Instructor Certification, Jan Griffin	Compass Room
7:30 am	Incoming District Directors Meeting	Captains Room
8am-2pm	Registration Open	1st Lobby
8am-3pm	Vendors Open	Anchor/Dockside/Commerce
8am-9am	UNF BOTANICAL GARDENS: INCEPTION TO COMPLETION	Sail and Rigging Rooms
9am-5:30pm	Flower Room Open	Engine Room
9:15am-11:15am	BRUNCH #2 GTM NATIONAL RESEARCH RESERVE and Flower Show Awards	Starboard and Windward Rooms
11:30am-1:30pm	Business Meeting Reconvenes	Port Room
1:45pm-4pm	Floral Design Study	Compass Room
1:45-2:30pm	COLOR THEORY IN THE LANDSCAPE: HOW COLOR SHAPES THE LANDSCAPE	Sail and Rigging Rooms
1:45pm-2:30pm	Here's To Camp Wekiva & All Her Crew	Navigator Room
1:45-2:30pm	DAYLILIES, YES YOU CAN!	Propeller Room
2:45pm-3:30pm	WILDLIFE FORENSICS: INNOVATIVE APPROACH TO PROTECT WILDLIFE	Sail and Rigging Rooms
2:45pm-3:30pm	How to Enter a Flower Show	Navigator Room
2:45pm-3:30pm	How to Navigate the FFGC Website	Propeller Room
3:30pm-4pm	District Directors (Sweeties) Meeting	Buckman Suite
5:30pm-6:45pm	District Parties	
7pm-9pm	DINNER #2 Installation	Starboard and Windward Rooms
9pm	Installation Reception	Port
FRI APR 11	EVENT	LOCATION
9am	FFGC Board of Directors Post Convention Meeting	Compass Room



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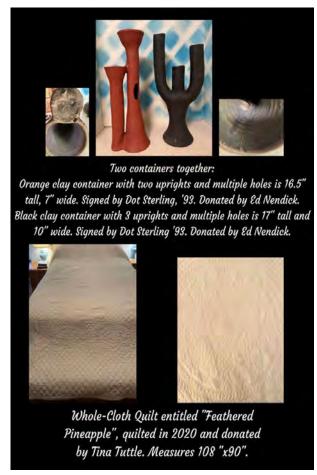


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Second Vice President







Christy Linke has been a member of Plant City Garden Club since 2007. She and her husband, Larry, retired from Law Enforcement and moved to Florida. From her first garden club meeting, she became actively involved, serving as President among other roles. She volunteered at Camp Wekiva for the 7th-grade Primitive program, which she has supported for 18 years. She is a Master Flower Show Judge and served as Secretary for the Florida Federation State Judges. Starting in 2011 with her first appointment as FFGC Bees, Birds, and Butterflies Chairman, her journey has been filled with achievement and nearly all the leadership roles leading to her installation as President! Christy loves to garden, make cards, work with Jr. Gardeners at The Jackson Elementary School in Plant City and first and foremost spending time with her five grandchildren, Tyler, Jordyn, Bryce, Cade, and Olivia and two sons, Jason and Mark, who all live in Tennessee. It is with great honor that Christy looks forward to serving as President of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. the next two years.

Mary Ann is a 6th generation native of Florida from Tampa. She worked for IBM Corporation as a communications specialist, project manager and technical sales specialist. Her hobbies include gardening, golf, scrapbooking, kayaking and spending time with her five wonderful grandchildren. After retiring, she returned to her beloved Florida and joined the Crystal River Garden Club where she was Secretary, Vice President and President, District V Secretary, District Director, SEEK Registrar, SEEK Chairman, Convention Chairman, Vice President Tri-Council, H&E Committee and Co-Chairman of the 2022 Convention. She has completed master status in all three of the NGC Schools and is an Accredited Flower Show Judge. Mary has been a Wekiva nature volunteer for over 16 years. She has received the FFGC Life Member award, Hall of Fame, Pillar of Pride and the Blanche Capel Covington Leadership award. She is honored to become the 1st Vice President of FFGC and looking forward to helping FFGC move forward.

Leticia has lived longer in Florida than in her native and beloved Texas. As a resident of Ft. Myers in her 20s, she fell in love with the paradisiacal Florida lifestyle. Since moving to Miami in 1999, she has proactive for change in her community like she watched her mother do. Gardening has always been part of Leticia's life since her grandmother taught her how to graft, air root, and grow plants from seeds or cuttings. As an Accredited NGC Flower Show Judge, she has received many top ribbons for her own entries. She has served FFGC as Director of District XII. translated the FFGC brochure to Spanish, and the recipient of the 2019 FFGC Leadership Award and Pillard of Pride. She also served as President of Miami Beach Garden Club for four years. Leticia has Chaired programs outside of FFGC, but is proud of Chairmanship of Wekiva Critter Camp. Leticia is a self proclaimed Orchid nerd and butterfly mom. She enjoys puttering in her garden with her 125 lb Italian Mastiff, Atticus.

YOUR 2025-2027 EXECUTIVE BOARD

Maria Wolfe
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Corresponding Secretary







North Carolina native, Maria Wolfe, has lived in Florida for more than 45 years with her husband, Jim, and they have three daughters, a son-in-love, and two grandsons. She attended Elon University and spent 16 years for SunTrust/ Truist for as a Vice President in Corporate Cash Management. She left corporate America to raise her family. A member and past president of Wellington Garden Club, she furthered her education by attending Tropical Short Courses and becoming an NGC Gardening School Consultant. She was a volunteer at Wekiva Youth Camp. During her presidency, the Club won the Nell Coe Award for increased membership and Maria earned the FFGC Leadership Award #3. She has served as District Director for District X, where she started two new Garden Clubs and traveled over 3,000 miles visiting Clubs within the District's seven counties. This inspired her to serve on the FFGC Board of Directors.

Blanca moved to Miami when she was 15 years old from New Jersey, Puerto Rico and Cuba. As a University of Miami student, she completed her B.A. in Politics & Public Affairs/Foreign Languages. She worked her way through college employed with several airlines, and as an interpreter in Immigration/ Customs, at Miami International Airport (Dade County Aviation Department). She held various positions in the Miami Dade Police Department for 26 years, the last 15 as a detective in CID, Robbery Division. Blanca's mother and grandmother, both avid gardeners, inspired her interest in exploring all phases of gardening. She was happy to become active with the Garden Club of Fort Pierce, serving as recording secretary, and president (2018-20, 2024 to present) and was a recent recipient of the Pillar of Pride award. She is also a Master Gardener. She holds membership and officer positions with Fort Pierce Orchid Society, Treasure Coast African Violet Societ, and Fort Pierce Art Club.

Linda was born and raised in West Palm Beach and enjoyed a career with AT&T and Southern Bell as an Electronics Technician. After retiring, she moved to Steinhatchee in 2000, she sought to learn about the North Florida garden. Shortly after joining the Steinhatchee Garden Club, she became First Vice President, then President. She has served on most of the committees and held every officers position in her club at least once. She has taken the Master Gardeners course and had the first yard in Taylor County certified as a Florida Friendly Yard. After her husband passed away in 2016, she was asked to become District Director. As well as getting her hands dirty in the garden, she enjoys working with the local PAWS (Pets Are Worth Spaying) where she has been a member for the past nine years. Linda has been adopted by FIVE kitten fur babies who have showed up on her doorstep over the years. Occasionally, she finds enough free time to ride her Harley.

...and last but not least...

Jana Purvis Walling
Treasurer

Rosita Aristoff
Parliamentarian





State officer elections are held every two years. If you're interested in getting more engaged, attend a convention and meet the current (and wonderful) past members.

Jana has been a member of Tallahassee Garden Club for 40+ years. She has been Chairman of the Jasmine Circle during several terms and Circle Treasurer for numerous years. Jana served as President of Tallahassee Garden Club 2009-2011. She has been on the FFGC Board since 2011, serving as SEEK Finance until 2015, and then serving as Scholarship Endowment Chair until 2015. She has too many positions to include. She is an Accredited Master Flower Show Judge. She serves as Treasurer of the District III Flower Show Judges. Jana has served on the board of directors of Goodwood Museum and Gardens, Inc., a member and Treasurer of the Friends of Maclay Gardens, a support group for the Alfred B. Maclay State Park, and assists her church as well. A graduate of Florida State University, Jana was a CPA for over 30 years. She and her husband Ken have two grown sons, a wonderful daughterin-law, and two adorable grandsons.

Rosita was born in Santiago, Chile. Her working career began as a legal secretary for a law firm and later in the accounting and policy writing departments of other companies. She moved to Coral Gables to study English at the University of Miami before moving to Villanova, PA where her colorful gardens attracted countless pollinators. She became a proud U.S. citizen in 1989. She moved back to Florida and the Garden Club of Stuart invited her garden to included on their 2004 Secret Garden Tour. She is a Life Member of FFGC, of Deep South Garden Clubs, and of NGC. She is an NGC Accredited Flower Show Judge and an Accredited Life Judge in 2024. Rosita has served on the board of the Garden Club of Stuart for 20 years in various capacities. She served on the FFGC Nominating Committee twice, as Blue Star Chair for District X, FFGC, and Deep South Garden Clubs. She recently served on the FFGC Bylaws Committee from 2021-2025.

Congratulations!

COVER STORY

Tina's Camellia

Camellia x '*Tina Tuttle*' was hybridized by John Davy, owner of Panhandle Growers in Milton FL. He also named a camellia for former presidents Cinny O'Donnell and Arlene Rand. Literally hundreds of tiny pink flowers line the long graceful stems of this seedling of '*Snow Drop*.' The single flowers are about 2.5 inches across and appear early in the season. This introduction from John Davy is a very vigorous grower.

Hardy to USDA Zone: 7 Blooms (NC): Vigorous

Bloom size: Miniature, less than 2.5 inches

Panhandle Growers is a 350+ acre wholesale tree grower, located in Milton, Florida, approximately 30 miles from Pensacola. We have been providing high quality, large ornamental and shade trees to the Southeastern United States since 1987. Panhandle Growers has built a trustworthy reputation for growing the best varieties of plant material and for our outstanding customer service to the trade only.

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Carolyn Kovacs

Presentation Living Seashores

Learn all about how living seashores are changing the face of the Florida Coast while increasing vital watershed habitat for creatures, improving homeowner's landscapes, saving them money and mitigating the damaging effects of hurricanes.



Carolyn Kovacs is the Florida Sea Grant Agent with UF/IFAS Extension in Volusia and Flagler Counties, where she provides community education programs and environmental literacy materials promoting healthy oceans and coasts. Carolyn holds a B.S. in Biology from the College of William and Mary in Virginia and an M.S. in Marine Sciences from Savannah State University in Georgia. Prior to her position with UF/IFAS, Carolyn taught marine science courses for study abroad programs onboard a sailboat and on an island in Panama. She now enjoys teaching coastal ecology and conservation to Florida residents through programs such as the Florida Master Naturalist Program and is part of the Florida Sea Grant team teaching the Living Shorelines Training Program for Marine Contractors.

Rhoda Gracie

<u>University of North Florida</u> <u>Botanical Gardens</u>

Learn how UNF Botanical Gardens were established, their Florida-Friendly gold-level certified gardens, Bee Campus USA designation, educational exhibits that provide transformational learning opportunities, and more. Discover the beauty of the garden and natural lands blooming with opportunities for exploration and growth with a virtual tour led by horticulturist Rhonda Gracie.



Rhonda Gracie earned a BA in Architectural Studies from Florida International University and a Parks and Recreation Maintenance Management degree from NC State University. She has served as the Landscape Architect for the cities of Clearwater and Miami Beach's Park and Recreation Departments, where she received numerous accolades for her outstanding projects and sustainable initiatives. Rhonda holds US Patent No. 7,784,217 for her contributions to horticulture. Since 2013, she has been the Horticulturist at the University of North Florida, overseeing the management of over 1,600 acres. She has been instrumental in transforming the university campus into a public garden. In 2022,

Rhonda's vision and leadership led to the official establishment of The University of North Florida (UNF) Botanical Garden.

Jolie Friedrich Wildlife Forensics

Come learn all about the exciting and important field of Wildlife Forensics—how it impacts management practices at federal and state levels, and how you can address patterns of mortality in our neighborhoods and backyards.



Jolie Friedrich is the lead naturalist for the City of Jacksonville Parks and Recreation. She has worked for JaxParks for over nine years. She began her parks career while studying Biology and Anthropology at the University of North Florida, and is expected to graduate from the University of Florida in spring 2025 with her Masters of Science in Wildlife Forensics and Conservation. She is an instructor for the Florida Master Naturalist Program and on the board of the Ixia chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society. By spreading information and passion about Florida's native flora and fauna. Jolie hopes to inspire others to take action to protect the amazing wildlife in our beautiful state.

Linda Krepp **GTM Research Reserve**

Come learn about the importance of this NOAA Research Reserve which is one of 30 reserves across the country that protects 76,760 acres across 40 miles of coastal land. This area contains 44 mammals, 358 birds, 41 reptiles, 21 amphibians, 303 fish and 580 plants. Friends of GTM Research Reserve play a crucial role in providing vital financial and volunteer support for the reserve's initiatives, from research and education programs to habitat restoration projects.



Linda Krepp is a former business professional, educator, and school administrator at St. Johns Technical High School. Ms. Krepp earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Kent State University and started her career in manufacturing for the B.F. Goodrich Chemical Group. Her career as an educator spans eight years in the classroom including Kindergarten through adults as well as the Coastal Training Program Coordinator for the GTM National Estuarine Research Reserve. As the administrator at St. Johns Technical High School, Ms. Krepp created the Academy of Coastal and Water Resources, the Academy of Culinary Nassau County Extension Director,

Arts and the Carlisle Manufacturing Academy. These programs provided at-risk and underserved high school students with hands-on job skills to prepare them for success in the future.

Ms. Krepp was the recipient of the Manufacturers Association of Florida's Best Practices in Manufacturing Education Award in 2014, the Outstanding Educator Award from the First Coast Manufacturers Association and her work in manufacturing education was recognized by Governor Scott for innovation and excellence as a part of the Keep Florida Working initiative in 2015.

Linda currently serves on the Board of Directors at the GTM Research Reserve.

Dr. Taylor Clem The Unseen Landscape

Ever wonder why some landscapes just feel better? Do our preferences have to do with basic needs for survival as early hunting/gathering humans or does our culture and history contribute to our preferences.



Dr. Taylor Clem is the UF/IFAS

and a horticultural extension agent. He earned a Bachelors degree from the University of Kentucky and a Master's degree from the University of Florida, both in landscape architecture. Dr. Clem also has a doctorate in horticulture services from UF. He has numerous certifications including, but not limited to: Certified Florida-Friendly Landscaping Professional; Green-Industries Best Management Practices Instructor Training; and Teaching and Learning in Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Tonya Ashworth

Beware that Whole Family! Poisonous Plants of Florida

With so much to consider when choosing plants to your landscape, have you ever stopped to wonder if that beautiful Asiatic Lily, Queen Anne's Lace, Oleander, or Sago Palm might be poisonous to Fido or Mittens? Come find out which families of plants are know to cause skin irritations, rash, upset stomachs and even death!



Tonya Ashworth's horticulture career spans 20 years with a wide range of experience from working for a design-build firm, a florist, two interiorscape companies,

a university extension service, and a public garden. She holds a Bachelors degree from Mississippi State University in Ornamental Horticulture and a Masters in Business Administration from the University of Memphis. She is currently an Extension Agent in Duval County.

Tina Tuttle <u>Diggin It!</u>

This is your opportunity to enhance your knowledge and skills in horticulture. **Diggin It!** is an organized series of courses with an established curriculum for you to refresh what you already know, hone your gardening skills, and maybe even learn something new. Come experience Course 1 of a 10+part series that focuses on Florida Horticulture that goes beyond what you have learned in NGC Gardening & Landscape Design schools and Master Gardener Programs.

FFGC President Tina Tuttle is a 5-Star member having attained Master level in NGC Gardening, Landscape Design, and Environmental Consultant and Flower Show Judge. She also served as an NGC Horticulture Instructor 2003-2017 and continues as a Flower Show Procedure and Symposium instructor. She was a Master Gardener and certified Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Advisor for 12 years (retired in 2011) and has served as Florida's Horticulture Chairman and the FFGC State Endangered Plant Advisory Council representative by the Commissioner of Agriculture. She has served as the President for

the Florida Flower Show Judges (2011-2013) and as an FFGC District Director (District I 2013-2015). She has served for nine years as the Chairman for Short Course North and is the Author, editor and creator of *Digging It!*, Florida's Horticulture Study Series.

Jack Lacey <u>Wednesday Banquet Speaker</u>

Jack Lacey has served as a leader in many industry associations include his current position as AFE Board Trustee, 2021-23 President of FSFA International, 2019-2021 AIFD National President, 2011-2022 AIFD National BOD, and he has served on numerous AIFD committees and the AIFD Southern Regional Board. Recipient of the 2024 WUMFA National Service Award, 2023 FSFAI Humanitarian Award, 2022 AIFD Special Award of Recognition, 2022 GLFA National Service Award, 2021 FSFAI Lifetime Achievement Award, and the 2021 AIFD Special Award of Dedication. Jackie's extensive travels across the country, Canada, Mexico, Hong Kong, China, and Europe afford many opportunities for him to interact with designers of all levels and share this extensive background and experience to florists everywhere.



Jack Lacey, a 40+ year veteran of the retail floral market and floral education field, includes deep experience in wedding/event design. He shares his experience by providing education and instructional design programs, market showroom set up, private retail consulting, product development as well as design and event planning. His most recent position as Director of Education and Industry Relations with Floriology, BloomNet and Napco, Senior Design Team Specialist and Senior Editor for Floriology Magazine, have kept him on top of market and design trends, industry education and retail marketing. Jackie is a co-creator of one of the top floral education centers in the industry and is considered one of the top floral educators in the field. His current position as Design Education Coordinator and retail consultant with The Profitable Florist will keep him in touch with the retail florist and design education nationally and abroad.



Jackie has won numerous awards in floral design competitions in multi-state, national and local floral associations. Adding the distinguished 2024 SAF Sylvia Cup Award only shows his continued commitment to the industry. His work has been published in

Floriology Magazine, SAF, Flowers &, Modern Bride, Inside Weddings and many others. National television exposure includes designing and participation for WE TV programs "Platinum Weddings" and "I Do Over" as a Celebrations. com Floral Expert. Previous work for celebrities such as Drew Barrymore, Sandra Bullock, Meryl Streep, Diane Lane, Cheryl Ladd, Cindy Crawford and Richard Gere, Matthew McConaughey and Leonardo DiCaprio were a result of floral design participation on several major motion pictures.





Continuing education through numerous stage presentations for multi-state Associations and national industry leaders such as SAF, AFE, Virgin Farms Direct, Smithers-Oasis, BloomNet, FTD, Fitz Design Team, Floral Strategies and John Henry Company allow Jackie to help the continued growth of the floral industry. Experience in floral design for the Tournament of Roses Parade floats, product development team for the largest

Import/Export show in the world and set up and design for Gift Market showrooms only adds to the vast floral experience he can call on for every event. His expertise in floral evaluation and judging, see him requested as a fair and non-bias judge in numerous floral competitions.

Dr. Gail Hansen

Color Theory in the Landscape

Savvy use of color can do wonders for your landscape. Color can add a unifying element or draw attention to a focal point in your garden. It can make a small garden seem bigger, or a large space feel cozy. Color is one of the most powerful tricks up a gardener's sleeve, but incorporating it into your own landscape design can seem overwhelming. Dr. Hansen will show us how to use Color Theory in your Landscape Design.



Dr. Gail Hansen is an associate professor who specializes in landscape design. Her teaching and extension programs address sustainable science-based and art-centered landscape design practices that take into account the

social dimension of green urban environments, environmental protection, and the quality of life for urban dwellers. Dr. Hansen is faculty in the Center for Land Use Efficiency, an advisor to the Florida-Friendly Landscaping Program™ and the Extension Specialist for landscape design.

Derby Sale Parliamentary Procedure

You have questions? Derby and his 4-H High School Leaders have answers. These High-School students don't just know Parliamentary Procedure they compete in Parliamentary Procedure! 4-H parliamentary procedure competitions are events where teams present a meeting and demonstrate their knowledge of parliamentary procedure. Come learn about how to make your meetings more efficient and help these students prepare for their next competition.



Derby is Florida 4-H's youth program coordinator for citizenship and leadership. He loves working with youth to find their voice and empowering them with skills to lead for a lifetime.

Connie Gladding Daylilies - Yes You Can!

Daylilies are among the most popular perennials grown in Florida. These hardy plants are relatively pest-free and have a long blooming period. Daylilies' popularity is due to its variety. The plants are available in different growth habits, flower shapes, and colors. Some daylilies are evergreen, while others are deciduous. There are early-season bloomers that start flowering in March and late-season daylilies that won't bloom until mid-May.



Connie was born in Southeast Missouri, where the soil is fertile, and gardens and farmlands are nourished by the Mississippi River. Connie joined the US Navy after college and served 22 years, retiring as a Commander in 1997. She has two master's degrees: Education and Information Systems Management. During her Navy service, she learned to garden and treasure the flora and fauna around the world.

She and her husband moved to Florida's Clay County in 2006, where she built a small consulting business supporting the medical, veteran, and defense industries. In 2018, Connie retired and joined

the local garden club, where she still loves serving on the club's civic projects. Also in 2018, Connie completed her training as a Master Gardener. Since then she has served as her Club's President and as the President of the Clay County Master Gardener Volunteers. Connie is the President of the North Florida Daylily Society, and of Region 12 Daylily Society and a Board member since 2020. She is an American Daylily Society Instructor and Senior Exhibition and Garden Judge.

Madeline Barber Camp Wekiva and Crew!

Camp Wekiva has been a cornerstone of FFGC for over 50 years. This program will cover; campers, counselors, volunteers, special programs, day to day activities and the ongoing impact and legacy of the camp.

Come learn all about Camp Wekiva and all her crew from a former camper, now Counselor, and future Environmental Leader.

Madeline Barber is a Junior at UCF studying Wildlife Conservation and Zoology. Madeline's first experience at Camp Wekiva started when she was in 3rd grade and she has been in love with Wekiva Youth Camp ever since.

Lisa Rinaman The St. Johns Riverkeeper

Lisa will discuss her work as The Riverkeeper and how Citizen Advocacy can help steer governmental legislation and how



As the St. Johns Riverkeeper, Lisa Rinaman serves as the chief advocate and public's voice for the St. Johns River. Her responsibilities include holding accountable regulatory agencies and those polluting the river; identifying and advocating for solutions that will protect and restore the river; working with government entities, businesses, community leaders and citizens to resolve problems that impact the river's health; and communicating with the media and the public to educate and raise awareness about important riverrelated issues.

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Gina Jogan FFSJ President

<u>Fun With Flowers</u> <u>Lifetime Flower Arranger</u>

Come watch, laugh, learn, and have fun as Gina leads you through some amazing floral arrangements.



FFGC

- -Treasurer (2009-2019)
- -District I Director (2003-2005)
- -Chairman, Strategic Planning Committee, (2019-2023)
- -Chairman of Florida's "Fun With Flowers" (2007-2013)
- -Chairman 2008 FFGC State Convention and Deep South Region Convention

DEEP SOUTH GARDEN CLUBS

- -Deep South Garden Clubs Board of (2025-present)
 Directors, Floral Design Chairman (2003-2013)
 -Instructor, Floral Company (2003-2014)
- -Deep South Garden Clubs Unified Project chairman for FFGC (2019-2021)
- -Chairman 2009, 2011 and 2013 Deep South Region Advanced Std. Petite FS
- -Co-Chairman 2020 Deep South Region Convention, Tampa

FFGC FLOWER SHOW

- -Former FFGC chairman Flower Shows, Evaluations and Calendar (2001-2003)
- -Past Director, Pensacola Flower Show Judges' Council (twice)
- -Former FFGC chairman Flower Shows, Evaluations and Calendar (2001-2003)
- -Co-Chairman 2012 State Flower Show at FFGC State Convention, Jacksonville

NATIONAL GARDEN CLUB

- -NGC Flower Shows and Flower Show Schools Chairman, (2025-present)
- -Instructor: Design and Flower Show Procedure for NGC's Flower Show (since 2002)
- -Instructor, NGC Symposia, Design and Allied topics (since 2004)
- -Accredited-Master Flower Show Judge
- -Gardening Consultant and Landscape Design (Master Emeritus
- in both)
 -Flower Show Schools Committee,
- Chairman positions Student Schedules/Corrections (2015-2019)

Chairman New Design and FSP Instructors (2019-present)

- -NGC Flower Shows and Flower Show Schools Chairman, (2025-present)
- -Instructor, Floral Design Study Schools 1-9 (A Bob Thomas creation)
- -Chairman 2022 National Garden Clubs' Convention (May 2022, Orlando)
- -Chairman National Garden Clubs' Fall Board Meeting 2018, Orlando
- -Instructor, Chairman (2025-2027)
- -Vice-Chair Future Conventions/ Fall Board Meeting for NGC (2021-2023)

AWARDS

- -Patron and Guardian of Gardening
- -Blanche Capel Covington
- -Leadership Award (FFGC#1)
- -Hall of Fame and Pillar of Pride x 2
- -Floral Designer's Award Winner and "Calendar Girl" (FFGC)
- -Gardener of the Year (Pensacola Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.)

EDUCATION

Graduate of Florida State University B.S. in Elementary Education and Mathematics.

Member and Presenter, CFAA (Creative Floral Arrangers of America)

-Member and Presenter, OFAD (Organization of Floral Art Designers)

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PROPOSED BYLAWS FOR 2025

BYLAWS, previously approved by the BOD, to be brought to this convention annual meeting include:

MOTION: Article V - Finances Section 4 -Special funds a. - Remove 5 (a-c). The Gifts Today for Tomorrow Endowment Fund is not used.

(5) The Gifts Today for Endowment to provide funds to enhance the financial future of FFGC. (b) The fund is restricted to FFGC needs not encompassed by the General Budget or self-sustaining entities. (c) Only income MOTION: Article XXI, Section 1, d. - Add the produced from the principal may be used words "or County" and "electronically." once per Administration as recommended by the Finance Committee subject to the approval of the FFGC Board of Directors.All funds from this Fund will move to the General Operating Fund.

MOTION: Article XVI - By-laws and Standing Rules Committee Section 5 - Duties -Remove b. We no longer publish a BOI.

The Bylaws Committee duties include but are not limited to: a. Immediately following the Winter Board of Directors meeting, all Bylaw changes to be addressed at the Annual Convention must be prepared and forwarded to The Florida Gardener Chairman for the MOTION: Article VII- Duties of Officers, Spring Issue. This is in accordance with Section 1 President m. - delete all of m and ARTICLE XXIII, Amendments, Section replace it with an updated duty. 1. b. Immediately following the Annual Convention, a list of all Bylaws and Standing Rules adopted from one convention through the year to the next Annual Meeting is to be prepared and submitted: (1) In the even number year to be published in the BOI Supplement; and (2) In the odd number year (end of each administration) the

Master Bylaws and Standing Rules need to be updated for publishing in the Book of Information. c. Immediately following the Annual Convention, the Master Bylaws and Standing Rules are updated on the website. would become Section C.

MOTION: ARTICLE XVII - SEEK Tomorrow CONFERENCE Section 2 - Remove Fund (a) Established information in parentheses. SECTION 2 - Finances (as listed in FFGC Bylaws ARTICLE V, Section 4, Special Funds)

Currently states: Transfer of a member Club from one District to another may be granted by the FFGC Board of Directors, provided such transfer was previously approved by the Directors of the respective Districts and their District Board of Directors. Proposed Change: Transfer of a member Club or county from one District to another may be granted by the FFGC Board of Directors, provided such transfer was previously approved electronically by the Directors of the respective Districts and their District Board of Directors.

Currently states: m. Make the official report at the National Convention at the end of the first year of the term of office. If the President is unable to attend, a Vice-President in order of rank shall make the official report. At the end of the second year of the term of office, the retiring President shall make the official report at the National Convention. If the

PROPOSED BYLAWS FOR 2025

retiring President is unable to attend, the newly-elected President or a Vice-President in order of rank shall make the official report. The expense of the individual making the official report shall be defrayed by FFGC. Proposed change: m. Delete Make the official report at the National Convention at the end of the first year of the term of office. If the President is unable to attend. a Vice-President in order of rank shall make the official report. At the end of the second year of the term of office, the retiring President shall make the official report at the National Convention. If the retiring President is unable to attend, the newlyelected President or a Vice-President in order of rank shall make the official report. The expense of the individual making the official report shall be defrayed by FFGC; Add - Complete the NGC 'State President Report and Garden Club History' form and return it to the NGC Historian by the stated due date in the odd numbered year.

MOTION: Article VII- Duties of Officers Section 4 through 8 - <u>Give each Vice President</u> their own section, add Strategic Planning to 2nd and 3rd VP's duties, renumber sections 4-8 to 4-9.

Currently States: SECTION 4 - Second and Third Vice-Presidents: The Second and Third Vice-Presidents shall: a. Perform, in order of rank, all duties of the President in the absence of the President and the First Vice-President; b. Each be a Chairman of a Committee; and c. Each be a member of the Finance Committee. SECTION 5 - Recording Secretary: The Recording Secretary shall: a. Record the proceedings of all meetings of the FFGC Board of Directors and of the Annual Convention; b. Be

responsible for and affix the Official Seal of the Corporation; c. Have charge of all papers pertaining to the office; and d. Present to the FFGC Board of Directors an electronic copy of the minutes and of the reports as soon as possible after the close of the term of office. Proposed changes: SECTION 4 - Second and Third Vice-Presidents: The Second and Third Vice-Presidents shall: a. Perform, in order of rank, all duties of the President in the absence of the President and the First Vice-President; b. Each be a Chairman of a Committee; and c. Each be a member of the Finance Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee. SECTION 5 - Add Third Vice-President: The Third Vice-President shall: a. Perform, in order of rank. all duties of the President in the absence of the President and the First Vice-President and the Second Vice-President; b. Each be a Chairman of a Committee; and c. Each be a member of the Finance Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee. SECTION 6 - Recording Secretary: The Recording Secretary shall: a. Record the proceedings of all meetings of the FFGC Board of Directors and of the Annual Convention; b. Be responsible for and affix the Official Seal of the Corporation; c. Have charge of all papers pertaining to the office; and d. Present to the FFGC Board of Directors an electronic copy of the minutes and of the reports as soon as possible after the close of the term of office. The remaining sections would be renumerated to Section 7, Section 8 and Section 9.

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Sue Roberts

Navigating the FFGC Website

After complaining about the accuracy of our website while a District Director she was asked to improve it six years ago. The website holds a great deal of information about FFGC. Sue's presentation is to point out the location of vital information on the site and to answer any questions attendees might have about the website.

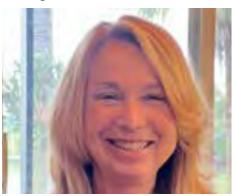


Sue has been a member of two Central Florida garden clubs for almost 25 years. She has held multiple offices within her own club and in FFGC, including District Director from District VII, FFGC Recording Secretary, and many other FFGC board positions.

Susan Hillson

How to Enter a Flower Show

Has the idea of entering a flower show intrigued you and then you open the schedule and all you see is $Ti \sigma to \delta i \acute{\alpha}o \lambda o \lambda \acute{\epsilon} \epsilon i \alpha v t\acute{o}$? Come learn how to read a schedule, what is the difference between petite and regular, what are the rules, how does horticulture work, and all of your other questions.



Susan Hillson has been a garden club member for over 30 years in Massachusetts, Maine, and Florida. She is an NGC Accredited Master Flower Show Judge, the Florida Flower Show School Chairman, an NGC 4 Star member, and teaches the Floral Design Study Series. Susan is a member of the Wellington Garden Club in District X, an FFGC Life Member, and has received the Pillar of Pride Award. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education, and a Master's Degree in Computer Information Systems from Boston University. She loves to spend time in her garden, and grows vegetables and flowers in Maine and a mix of tropical and native plants in Florida. You can follow her gardening and

floral design adventures in her journal on Instagram@gardening_with_susan.



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APRIL 12, 2026

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Fly into Seattle and motorcoach to La Conner, Washington

MONDAY, APRIL 13

Tulip Farms and Festival activities

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

Ferry to Friday Harbor

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15
Tulip Farms and Festival activities

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THURSDAY, APRIL 16

Motorcoach to Seattle - Visit Chihuly Garden and Glass Gardens

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

Fly home or continue with the optional extension to Victoria

Tour cost: \$1889 pp* (Single supplement: \$849) Cost is based on double occupancy. Airfare is not included

OPTIONAL VICTORIA EXTENSION:

FRIDAY, APRIL 17
Fly to Victoria for your 3-night stay at the Magnolia Hotel

SATURDAY, APRIL 18
Butchart Gardens

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 Explore Victoria & High Tea

MONDAY, APRIL 20 Fly Home

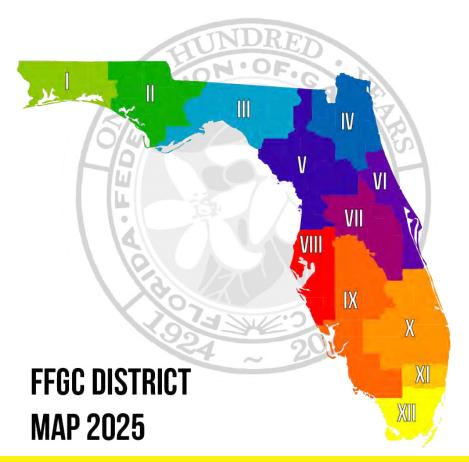
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