 

**Gardening School**

Series XI

Course 1

LAFAYETTE GARDEN CLUB

Ira Nelson Horticulture Center

University of Louisiana

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#### NGC Gardening School

#### September 24 - 25, 2019

#### *Registration*

**National**

**Garden Clubs, Inc.**

Tuesday -Wednesday

September 24-25, 2019

8 AM – 3 PM

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

Master Gardener? Yes No

Need overnight accommodations? Yes No

**Registration Fee: $72**

**Registration includes credentialed instructors, professional training materials with supplemental learning activities**

The registration fee includes breakfast, lunch, snacks, and beverages.

**Registration Deadline: September 15, 2019**



**PLEASE NOTE**
**Course 2 & 3 is planned for**

**January 13 - 16, 2020**

Include **check** made payable to:

**LAFAYETTE Garden Club**

Mail **registration form** and check to:

 Sarah Leblanc, Registrar

 307 Bluebonnet Drive

 Lafayette, LA 70508-5412

***Course 1 Highlights***

**BASIC BOTANY**

A. Plant anatomy (roots, stems, leaves, flowers)

B. Plant requirements (light, temperature, water, humidity)

C. Life cycle of plants (annuals, biennials, perennials)

D. Reproduction (sexual, asexual - pollination and fertilization)

E. Study of plant structure (specific plant group studied)

**SOILS**

A. Characteristics and structure of soil

B. Soil testing (Extension Service/state)

C. Function of soil

D. Importance of roots

E. Maintenance

F. Fertilization (compost, fertilizers)

**TECHNIQUES FOR GROWING OUTDOOR FLOWERS**

A. Environmental factors and choice of plant material

B. Organic gardening

C. Crop rotation and landscape suitability

D. Pruning and training of plants

E. Problems and problem solving

**PLANT PROPAGATION**

A. Seed selection lecture

B. Vegetative propagation

C. Propagation workshop (hands on project)

**SUPPLEMENTAL SUBJECT ACTIVITIES**

Study of specific local plant groups

***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 4th course.



Required Reading

“***The National Gardener***” Magazine

Purchased from NGC Headquarters

Optional Reading ***“Botany for Gardeners"***

By Brian Capon

## 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.

To take advantage of this opportunity, fill out the registration form on the reverse side of the brochure and send it with your check to the Lafayette Garden Club.