

## SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE

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## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Lectures are open to all garden club members and the public upon payment of fees.

**All judges taking the NER Symposium for credit or audit must check with their State Flower Show Schools Chairman (or Credentials) to verify eligibility. Each State Chairman shall then notify the Symposium Chairman of eligibility.**

Judges must have their own copy of *The Handbook for Flower Shows - 2007 Edition* with corrections to obtain credit. If taking the exam you must supply your own clipboard. All judges taking the course for Credit or Audit **must** attend all meal functions.

## RECOMMENDED READING

**Handbook for Flower Shows – 2007 edition**, Sections on Design, specifically pgs. 197-19, and Horticulture.  
**Designing by Type** (NGC), pgs. 31-33 and 37-40.  
**The Essence of Floral Creativity** (Thomas), pgs 105-107.  
**Creative Flower Arranging** (Belcher), pgs. 110-12, 177 and 120-121, 129.  
**Creative Floral Design Step by Step** (Hawkins), pgs 70-71 and 74-76.  
**Students may want to try a Google search on symposium topics.**

## DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR SYMPOSIUM:

**September 27, 2011 is the final deadline for Symposium registration.**  
**No refunds will be made after that date.**  
**Good standing must be on the registration.**  
**NO TELEPHONE RESERVATIONS.**

## DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS: September 27, 2011

All reservations are to be made directly with:  
Radisson Hotel and Suites Chelmsford,  
10 Independence Drive,  
Chelmsford, MA 01824.  
Telephone 978-256-0800,  
[www.radisson.com](http://www.radisson.com).

You should state that you are with the  
**NER SYMPOSIUM.**  
Guest room rates are Studio Suite \$119 or  
Deluxe Room \$99 and are subject to  
11.7% Rooms Tax, double or single occupancy.  
**Directions:** In Chelmsford at Exit 34, route  
110 W off of I-495. Right onto Independence.

## Mark your calendars!

New England Regional Meeting  
October 17-18, 2011  
Radisson Hotel and Suites Chelmsford  
Check the website and  
Make reservations at the same time!

## 44th ANNUAL NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL SYMPOSIUM October 18-20, 2011



Presented by the  
Garden Club Federation of Massachusetts  
Heidi Kost-Gross, President

New England Region Director  
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REGISTRATION FOR NER SYMPOSIUM

October 18-20, 2011

Make checks payable to: *NER Symposium 2011* and mail to: Maureen Christmas, 190 Pope Road, Acton, MA 01720.

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ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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CHECK ONE:

- ( ) \$155.00 - Full course with Exam (includes Allied Topics, Hort., Design, 1 dinner, 2 lunches)
- ( ) \$155.00 - Full course Audit (includes above but no exams)
- ( ) \$150.00 - Full course, no credit, (includes as above)

Partial Registrations:

- ( ) \$55.00 - Tuesday - Allied Topics and dinner only
- ( ) \$85.00 - Wednesday - Horticulture (includes one lunch)
- ( ) \$85.00 - Thursday - Design (includes one lunch)

**Any food allergies must be submitted to the committee at the time of registration in order that we may fulfill your needs.**

**Date of Current Certificate or Good Standing:**

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NER SYMPOSIUM – 2011

**Tuesday, October 18**

- 2 - 4 p.m. - Registration, Radisson Hotel lobby
- 4:15 p.m. - Welcome, Salon AB
- 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. - Allied Subject  
“Judging Comments”, Gina V. Jogan
- 6:30 p.m. - Dinner, Merrimack Room
- 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. - Allied Subject  
“Armature Designs”, Tony Todesco

**Wednesday, October 19**

- (Breakfast on your own)
- 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. - Registration, Radisson Hotel lobby
- 8:15 a.m. - Announcements, Salon AB
- 8:30 - 9:45 a.m. - Horticulture “Incredible Heucheras”, Sandra Joyce
- 9:45 - 10 a.m. - Break
- 10:00 - 11:15 a.m. - Horticulture “Exotic Sansevierias” Sandra Joyce
- 11:30 - 12:30 p.m. - Luncheon, Merrimack Room
- 12:45 - 2:15 p.m. - Horticulture Practice Point Scoring, Salon AB
- 2:30 – 4:30 p.m. - Horticulture Point Scoring Exam, Heritage A

**Dinner on your own.**

**Thursday, October 20**

- (Breakfast on your own)
- 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. - Registration, Radisson Hotel lobby
- 8:15 a.m. - Announcements, Salon AB
- 8:30 - 9:45 a.m. -Design “Constructions and Assemblages”, Gina V. Jogan
- 9:45 - 10:00 a.m. - Break
- 10:00 - 11:15 a.m. - Design continues, Gina V. Jogan
- 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Luncheon, Merrimack Room
- 12:45 - 2:15 p.m. - Design Point Scoring, Salon AB
- 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. - Design Point Scoring Exam, Heritage A

INSTRUCTORS

**Gina V. Jogan:** Gina is a resident of Molino, FL and is a NGC Accredited Master FS Judge, FS School and Symposium instructor. Among her many impressive credentials are: Instructor in Floral Design Study Schools (a Bob Thomas creation), FFGC Chairman of the “Fun with Flowers program, NGC Gardening Consultant and Landscape Critic and graduate of FL State University in Elementary Ed and Mathematics. She writes “I am having fun doing what I love to do”! Her mother was a NGC instructor in Hort for 25 years and her sister is presently a Hort instructor - that’s 3 Master judges/instructors in one family - amazing!

**Sandra M. Joyce** hails from Hudson, MA and is a NGC Master Judge and Accredited Flower Show Procedure, Horticulture and Symposia Instructor. A former GCF of Massachusetts State President (1999 – 2001), she currently serves on the NGC FSS Committee as Horticulture and FS Procedure Instructor’s Chairman and on the Prospective Instructors Committee. Sandi is currently the Chairman of the new Horticulture book being produced by NGC. She has chaired numerous flower shows, including the GCF of MA section at the New England Spring FS and Holiday Shows at Tower Hill Botanic Gardens. She is a Landscape Design Master Consultant and Gardening Study Consultant and for over thirty-five years, Sandi has owned and operated a floral business and has lectured many groups on design and horticulture.

**C. Anthony Todesco** or Tony is from Stow, MA and is a NGC Master Judge. He was FSS New Design Development Chairman from 2001 – 2009 and a major contributor and Coordinator of Contributing Designers of the NGC publication, *Designing by Types*. He travels nationally and internationally presenting innovative floral design lectures.