

90th Annual Garden Club of Ohio Convention



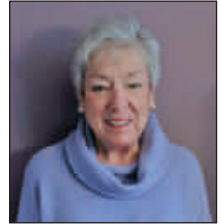
'As Time Goes By...We Celebrate Cincinnati' A Special Invitation to Attend

The plans are made - a gorgeous Flower Show Schedule, great programs for each day's sessions, 'pop-up' shops for shopping, raffle tables full of beauty - all within the beautiful spaces of the Embassy Suites here in Cincinnati.

Garden Club of Ohio is celebrating 91 years in 2018. All of us have so many memories of the wonderful days and times spent with our Garden Clubs in our communities throughout these years.

Here is your chance to come and celebrate those times with us by being our guests at the 2018 GCO Convention.

See You Soon!
Jeri Timon, Chair



2018 GCO Convention Location



LOCATION: EMBASSY SUITES – NORTHEAST

4554 Lake Forest Drive, Blue Ash, OH 45242

Reservations – 800-362-2779 or 513-733-8900

Please make reservations for overnight accommodations directly with the hotel. Ask for the Garden Club of Ohio rate of \$119 for a King or \$129 for a Double + tax. All rooms are suites. Your room rate includes a cooked-to-order breakfast daily and a two hour evening reception. Cut-off is May 5, 2018.

The hotel is located two miles south of I-275 on Reed Hartman Highway, One mile west of I-71 on Reed Hartman Highway – Pfeiffer Road Exit.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From the North: Take I-75 South to I-275. Follow I-275 to the Reed Hartman Exit. Stay in the right lane and continue on Reed Hartman to the intersection of Lake Forest and Reed Hartman. Turn right.

From the South: Take I-71 North to exit 15, Pfeiffer Road. Left on Pfeiffer Road to Reed Hartman Highway, go one block and turn left on Lake Forest Drive.

**Registrations are due by May 1st,
but we'd love to hear from you sooner.
Register early to reserve your spot in limited space workshops.
Sign up today!**



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2018 GCO Convention Schedule

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2018

1:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.	Registration	Lobby
2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Flower Show Entries	Redwood Room
2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Raffle Sales	Lobby
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Board Meeting	Sycamore Room
5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Board Dinner	Montgomery Inn Restaurant
	Program: A Sentimental Journey by the Cincinnati Museum Center	
8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Flower Show Entries	Redwood Room

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2018

8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Registration	Lobby
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Raffle Sales	Lobby
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Flower Show Entries	Redwood Room
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Market Place 'Pop-up' Shops	Lobby
8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Scholarship Breakfast	
	Program: Plants and Herbs with Benefits	
	By Rita Heikenfeld	Sycamore Room
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Program: Back to Nature	
	By Applied Imagination	Birch Room
9:45 a.m. - Noon	Flower Show Judging	Redwood Room
Noon - 2:00 p.m.	Awards Luncheon, Annual Business Meeting, and Scholarship Presentations	Willow & Birch Rooms
2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Flower Show Open	Redwood Room
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Workshop: Make Job's Tears Jewelry	Board Room II
	By Gail Suiter and Libby Head	
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Workshop: Lavender - Nature's Gift	Sycamore Room
	By Kim Benz of One-derings Lavender Farm	
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Reception	Lobby Cocktail Bar Area
6: 30 p.m.	Banquet, Parade of Presidents, Buckingham Award Presentation, and Design Program: The Fantastic Florals of Robin Wood!	Willow & Birch Rooms
9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Flower Show Open	Redwood Room

FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2018

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Registration	Lobby
8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Raffle Sales	Lobby
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Flower Show Open	Redwood Room
9:00 a.m.	Closing Breakfast	Willow & Birch Rooms
	A Barbershop Serenade with the Roaring Twenties Quartet, Memorial Remembrance, Citation Awards and Raffle Winners Announced	

Immediately Following Adjournment

Flower Show Take Down	Redwood Room
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2018 GCO Convention Programs and Optional Workshops



GCO Board Dinner Program: A Sentimental Journey

Doris Day and Rosemary Clooney began their spectacular big band singing careers in Cincinnati. With pictures, stories and the vocal stylings of a professional singer, we take a sentimental journey with a visit in history and songs made famous by these great entertainers! Ten songs made famous by Doris and Rosemary will be performed live during the program.

Our dinner is planned at the Montgomery Inn, an iconic restaurant known throughout the country for their famous menu – a delicious dinner has been chosen! The plan is to start our visit on this Sentimental Journey in style! Look forward to a great evening to kick-off the Convention!



The GCO Board Dinner is open to present and past Board Members!

Scholarship Breakfast Program: Plants and Herbs with Benefits



Rita Nader Heikenfeld is a certified herbalist, Appalachian herbal scholar, syndicated columnist, author, and cooking professional.

As important, Rita is a wife, mom and grandmom who lives “in the sticks on a little patch of heaven” in the eastern Clermont County of Cincinnati. Rita grows her own produce and herbs and raises chickens for eggs.

Rita’s presentation will be a sensory, fun presentation. Did you know that if the shape of a food or plant resembles a particular body part, it offers health giving qualities to that part? Along with companion herbs, Rita will walk us through the “Garden of Eden”. We may even get to help Rita make a few “potions” for health and longevity!

Who would want to miss this - a walk through the “Garden of Eden” and potions!

Please note: The Scholarship Breakfast is open to GCO Life Members only.



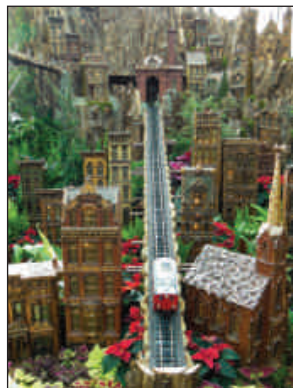
Program: Back to Nature

Cindy Johnson of Applied Imagination, is a botanical architect with twenty years’ experience in this beautiful and amazing art form.

Applied Imagination produces original public garden exhibits, seasonal displays and garden railways. ‘Millionaire’s Row’, our Taft Museum and The Krohn Conservatory appear in botanical interpretations of willow, along with other natural materials such as pinecones, nuts, bark, sticks

and moss! The creations are unbelievable – Cindy will bring a few examples of Applied Imagination’s actual buildings.

Join us as we go ‘Back To Nature’ and to the beginnings of this unique process and enjoy a few of these miniature wonders close-up!



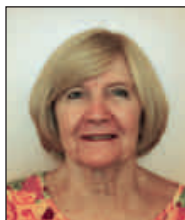


Workshop: Make Job's Tears Jewelry

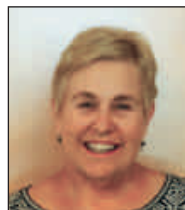
Space is limited to 25 attendees.

Cost: \$15

From time immemorial, creative people have fashioned attractive bead jewelry from all sorts of natural objects using any number of types of natural beads. There is one remarkable seed commonly called 'Job's Tears' that is naturally polished with a hole through it! This perfect bead is produced by a tall, roadside grass that grows like a weed throughout the Old and New World tropics.



Gail Suiter, at left, President – Federated Garden Clubs of Cincinnati & Vicinity and **Libby Head**, Master Gardener, pictured at right are members of Four Seasons Garden Club and The Herb Society of Cincinnati and will present this workshop.



Gail and Libby will talk history, growing and using Job's Tears. Each attendee will receive a kit with everything needed to make a pair of Job's Tears pierced earrings!



Workshop: Lavender - Nature's Gift

Space is limited to 25 attendees.

Cost: \$20

Lavender is one of nature's great gifts to all of us. It provides us with heavenly aroma and visuals in the garden. It also dries beautifully to be used in arrangements and bouquets. If this was not enough, lavender's essential oils have been clinically shown to reduce anxiety and heal skin issues.

Kim Benz, owner/partner of One-derings Lavender Farm will conduct this workshop. In 2008, Kim started the farm with her sister, Amy, and they currently have 4,000 lavender plants as well as lavender product development facilities. Kim will demonstrate how to harvest and utilize your English lavender for both dried beauty and health.

You will have a hands-on opportunity to create dried lavender bundles and process culinary lavender/tea, and infused oils for your skin. Plan to enjoy the fragrance of it all!



Design Banquet Program: The Fantastic Florals of Robin Wood!

She was the Queen of Rock and Roll in Cincinnati, the woman behind the misty, whispery voice that awakened the city each day which helped catapult radio station WEBN to the zenith of FM radio*.

Today, **Robin Wood** reigns over a very different world. That of an artisan floral designer with her days filled with beauty, color and creativity. Her business of absolutely gorgeous florals and floral designs began in 2001 – in her kitchen! Ultimately, she opened her shop, Robin Wood Florals, six months later. This is the place where she and her staff happily cut

and design each day's work. This is the place where Handel, not rock plays in the background.

Each morning she rises early and heads to the wholesale houses to choose the day's flowers, returning to her shop "with today's palette". Robin states, "We take our inspiration from the season. Our galleries are meant to inspire and share our love of flowers".

We are very excited to have Robin presenting our Design Banquet Program with her chosen palette of florals!

2018 GCO Convention Registration Form

Reservation Due Date - May 1, 2018

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Name for Badge: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail *: _____

Garden Club: _____ District: _____

*** Your reservation acknowledgement will be e-mailed.**

Full-time Package includes: Welcome Bag, Program, Awards Luncheon, Flower Show, Design Banquet and Closing Breakfast \$ 155 _____

Postmarked after May 1, 2018 \$ 165 _____

Part-time Attendee Events:

Program, Awards Luncheon and Flower Show - June 7 \$ 55 _____

Design Banquet, Parade of Presidents and Flower Show - June 7 \$ 60 _____

Closing Breakfast and Flower Show - June 8 \$ 45 _____

Special Events and Workshops:

Board Dinner - June 6 \$ 48 _____

Scholarship Breakfast - June 7 - GCO Life Members only \$ 28 _____

Lavender - Nature's Gift Workshop (Limit 25) \$ 20 _____

Job's Tears Jewelry Workshop (Limit 25) \$ 15 _____

Postmarked After May 1, 2018 - Add Late Fee \$ 10 _____

Total Due \$

Please indicate with a checkmark.

Vegetarian Meals? Yes No

Life Member? Yes No

Club President? Yes No

Sorry, no refunds after May 14, 2018.

No walk-ins will be accepted.

Mail check and Registration form to: Sue Ann Vogt, 5624 Cookie Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45238.
Make check payable to Garden Club of Ohio 2018 Convention Fund.



'AS TIME GOES BY' - QUEEN CITY OF THE WEST

A STANDARD FLOWER SHOW SPONSORED BY OHIO JUDGES COUNCIL

DIVISION I. HORTICULTURE - 'THE LUSH OHIO RIVER VALLEY'

Eligible for the Award of Horticulture Excellence

CONTAINER GROWN PLANTS

Container size can be no larger than 6" in diameter unless otherwise noted.
Correct scientific name must be given: Binomial and cultivar, if applicable.

Section A. 'Krohn Conservatory' - Indoor Flowering Plants

Eligible for Grower's Choice Award

Class 1. *Anthurium*

Class 2. *Gesneriad*

a. *Chirita*

b. *Saintpaulia* – African violet

1. Miniature

2. Standard

c. Other

Class 3. Orchid

Class 4. Any other flowering container grown plant

Section B. 'Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden' - Indoor Foliage Plants

Eligible for Grower's Choice Award

Class 5. *Begonia*

Class 6. Cactus

Class 7. Succulent other than cactus

Class 8. Any other foliage container grown plant

Section C. 'Great Parks of Hamilton County' - Combination Plantings

Reservations required. Limit of four entries per class. No more than 12" in diameter or 18" in length. A 3"x 5" card must accompany each entry stating the scientific (binomial) names and diagram/locations of each plant. All accessories must be naturalistic.

Eligible for Grower's Choice Award

Class 9. Dish garden - Miniature landscape in an open low-volume container.

Class 10. Planter – Grouping of plants in a container, not a landscape.

Class 11. Terrarium – Miniature landscape in a transparent container.

CUT SPECIMENS

Section A. 'Spring Grove Cemetery & Arboretum' - Bulbs, corms, tubers or rhizomes (in bloom)

Length of stem in proportion to bloom size. Foliage only permitted if attached to bloom stem.

Eligible for Award of Merit

Class 12. *Allium*

Class 13. *Hemerocallis*

a. Miniature

b. Standard

Class 14. *Iris*

a. Miniature or dwarf

b. Standard

Class 15. Any other flowering bulb, corm, tuber or rhizome

Section B. 'Hamilton County Fair' - Flowering Perennials

Eligible for Award of Merit

Class 16. *Coreopsis*

Class 17. *Paeonia*

Class 18. *Rosa*

- a. Grandiflora
- b. Hybrid Tea
- c. Miniature
- d. Shrub (including Knockout)

Class 19. Any other flowering perennial

Section C. 'Harvest Home Fair' - Perennials Grown for Foliage

Eligible for Award of Merit

Class 20. *Heuchera*

- a. Green
- b. Purple/Brown
- c. Red
- d. Bicolor/Variigated

Class 21. *Hosta* - size measured width x length in square inches

- a. Miniature (< 6 square inches)
- b. Small (< 30 square inches)

Class 22. *Pteridophyta* (ferns, fern allies, plants that reproduce via spores)

- a. Miniature
- b. Standard

DIVISION II. DESIGN - 'CINCINNATI FLOWER SHOW'

Eligible for the Award of Design Excellence

Section A: 'Cincinnati Happenings' - Eligible for the Designer's Choice Award

Class 1. **Tall Stacks** (1988 - Part of Cincinnati's bicentennial celebration-14 riverboats)

Staged on a black pedestal 36" high, top 24" x 24", that can be covered or draped. Free standing design, viewed on all sides.

Class 2. **Octoberfest** (1976 - Largest Octoberfest in the USA, second in the world)

Class 3. **Bengalmania** (1967 - Cincinnati's professional football team)

Both staged on a table 30" high, covered in white and skirted in black with space allotted: 30" x 30". May use a staging panel not to exceed 44" high and 28" wide.

SECTION B: 'Haute Cuisine' - Eligible for the Table Artistry Award

Class 4. **Netherland Hilton Room Service** (1931)

Breakfast tray for one, staged on a TV tray table 19 1/2"x 14 1/2". Tray may overlap by no more than 1" each side.

Class 5. **Jeff Ruby's The Precinct** (1981)

Capsule table for one, staged on 1/4 of a 6 ft. round table, covered in white, white divider, no overhang or background draping allowed, but underlay permitted.

Class 6. **Oriental Wok** (1977)

Exhibition table, staged on a table 30" high, covered in white and skirted in black with space allotted: 30" x 30". May use a staging panel not to exceed 44" high and 28" wide.

SECTION C: 'Cincinnati Firsts' - Eligible for the Petite Award

Class 7. **WCET** (1955 - First city to have a licensed public broadcasting station)

Design not to exceed 3". Space allotted: 5" x 5" x 5" light gray, trimmed in black; background light gray.

Class 8. **Cincinnati Redlegs** (1869 - First professional paid baseball team)

Design not to exceed 5". Space allotted: 7" x 7" x 7" light gray, trimmed in black; background light gray.

Class 9. **Ingalls Building** (1903 - First reinforced concrete skyscraper in the USA)

Design not to exceed 8". Space allotted: staged behind a black picture frame 12" high and 10" wide on a black board, in front of warm gray walls.

DIVISION III. BOTANICAL ARTS DIVISION

Section A. Design - 'Art Academy of Cincinnati' (1929)

Eligible for Botanical Arts Design Award

Class 1. **Rookwood Pottery** (1880)

Collage: Size not to exceed 14" x 14" and to be hung on a black pegboard.

Class 2. **Taft Museum of Art** (1927)

Plaque: Size not to exceed 14" x 14" and to be hung on a black pegboard.

Class 3. **Contemporary Arts Center** (1939)

Mobile: Staged on a black wire holder, 14" high x 4" deep. Holder will be placed on black pedestal 36" high with a top 24" x 24". Size of mobile not to exceed 6" in any direction.

Section B. Artistic Crafts - 'Pendleton Arts Center' (1991)

Eligible for Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts Award

All staged on table 30" high, covered in white and skirted in black.

Class 4. **Summer Fair** (1966 - one of the oldest continuous art fairs in the country)

Necklace to be displayed on a black neck form. Length of necklace not to exceed 19".

Class 5. **Gattle's/Elizabeth Grace Home** (1904 - known for the finest dining linens)

Pressed flower decorated plate not to exceed 8" in any direction and placed on a plate support.

Class 6. **Batsakes Hat Shop** (1907 - hand-crafted hats)

Decorated Hat not to exceed 12" width and displayed on a gray head form 11" high and 8" wide.

For reservations and any questions you may have about the Flower Show, please contact:

General Chairman and Design Reservations: Gail Chuck, gchuck@fuse.net, 513-367-0483

Horticulture and Botanical Arts Reservations: Deborah Wyght, debgeof@fuse.net, 513-871-1997

Visit the GCO website at gardenclubofohio.org for the full flower show schedule.



Ohio Land Trust

Athena Thaler, Ohio Land Trust Chairman

We have collected \$1,865 from July 13, 2017 to December 22, 2017. These donations come from eight out of ten districts. Thank you for your donations.

The offer of four *Nature Conservancy* magazines and two Ohio newsletters continues for those donating \$50 or more. Donors are enjoying this special perk. Don't forget that upon special request, arrangements can be made for presentations for GCO district meetings.

Visit the GCO website under Civic Development for more about the Nature Conservancy or to access the printable donation form.

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