

# THE NANTUCKET GARDEN CLUB 2025-2026 PROGRAM CALENDAR

APRIL 24-26     **50TH ANNUAL DAFFODIL SHOW**  
The Nantucket Inn, 1 Miller Lane  
*“50 Years of Sunny Faces, 50 Years of Smiles and Cheer, 50 Years of Daffodils, Still Blooming Year on Year”*  
Chairs: Mary Malavase & Linda Fraker

APRIL 24     **Entries** 12:00-6:00 p.m.

APRIL 25     **Entries** 7:00-9:30 a.m.  
**Open to the Public** 2:00-5:00 p.m.

APRIL 26     **Open to the Public** 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

JUNE 22     **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
8:30 a.m. The Nantucket Inn

JUNE 22     **BOARD MEETING**  
9:00-11:00 a.m. The Nantucket Inn

JUNE 22     **2026 PROVISIONAL CLASS ORIENTATION**  
3:00 p.m. 31 Gardner Road  
Chair: Caroline Tucker

JUNE 24     **GENERAL MEETING**  
9:30-11:00 a.m. The Nantucket Inn  
**“How to Enter a Flower Show”**  
Flower Shows are unique spaces for observing and learning about plants, conservation, and garden design. **Meg Tapp** will guide us through a schedule which is the blueprint for a show. The schedule presents the show's theme, flower show rules, registration and entry procedures specific to the show.

JUNE 24

**HORTICULTURE WORKSHOP**

11:00-11:30 a.m. The Nantucket Inn, following the meeting. A hands-on Knowing, Growing and Showing horticulture workshop. Please bring a cut specimen from your garden to learn all you need to know to enter your cut specimen in our July flower show.

Chairs: Mary Randolph-Ballinger & Ruthie Klink

JUNE 29

**HADWEN HOUSE GARDEN PROJECT**

8:00-9:00 a.m. 96 Main Street

Mandatory for Provisionals

Members are required to participate once a season.

Chairs: Robin Youngman & Sarah Ann Miller

JUNE 29

**FLORAL DESIGN WORKSHOP**

**2025 and 2026 Provisional Classes**

Time and location to be announced.

Register on the NGC Website Member page.

Chairs: Nina King & Candice Bednar

JULY 6

**SALTMARSH COASTAL RESILIENT GARDEN**

8:00-9:00 a.m. Saltmarsh Garden

Topic: Conservation

**2026 Provisional Class**

Chair: Paulette Boling

JULY 7

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE COFFEE**

10:00 a.m. 72 Hulbert Avenue

Candidate and Sponsor Meeting

Chair: Debbie Thomas

JULY 8                   **GENERAL MEETING**  
9:30-11:00 a.m. The Nantucket Inn  
“**Gardens in Focus**”  
**Lisa Field** graduated from Duke University with a degree in Advertising and Photography. Her 33 year career began with black and white portraits of young families. In early 2010 she changed her focus when she began capturing landscapes and seascapes around the world.  
Chair: Penny Lisi

JULY 8                   **PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP**  
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
Register on the NGC Website Member Page.  
Fee: \$25.00 per person  
Chair: Penny Lisi

JULY 13                   **BOARD MEETING**  
9:00-10:00 a.m. The Nantucket Inn

JULY 13-15               **GREEN THUMB FLOWER**  
The Nantucket Inn  
“**Shifting Sands: A Nantucket Story.**”  
Chairs: Nina King & Lynn Boyajian

JULY 13                   **Show set-up** 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.  
All Show Chairmen and Volunteers

JULY 14                   **Show open to the public** 2:00-5:00 p.m.  
**Preview Cocktail Party** 6:00-8:00 p.m.  
\$90.00 per person.  
Register on the NGC Website Member Page.

JULY 15                   **Show open to the public** 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

JULY 15                   **Show Breakdown** 4:45 p.m.  
All Show Chairmen and volunteers

JULY 17                   **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**  
                          10:00 a.m. 72 Hulbert Avenue  
                          Review Membership Applications  
                          Chair: Debbie Thomas

JULY 20                   **SALTMARSH COASTAL RESILIENT GARDEN**  
                          8:00-9:00 a.m. Saltmarsh Garden  
                          Topic: Conservation  
                          **2026 Provisional Class**  
                          Chair: Paulette Boling

JULY 22                   **GENERAL MEETING**  
                          9:30-11:00 a.m. The Nantucket Inn  
                          **“Native Beauty: Bringing Meadows to American Landscapes.”**  
                          **Claire Chambers** is the founder and CEO of Meadow Lab, a public benefit company designing high-performance plant systems like native wildflower meadow sod inspired by nature. After twenty years as an entrepreneur and executive in the world of digital commerce, Claire left to study at New York Botanical Garden’s School of Professional Horticulture, where she received a certificate in landscape design. Today, Claire is focused on advisory, incubation and investment work that supports the broader mission of re-wilding the built world.  
                          Chair: Sarah Johnson

JULY 24                   **VISITING GARDENS FIELD TRIP**  
                          Time and location to be announced.  
                          Register on the NGC Website Member page.  
                          Chair: Debbie Lewis

JULY 27

**HADWEN HOUSE GARDEN PROJECT**

8:00-9:00 a.m. 96 Main Street

Chairs: Robin Youngman & Sarah Ann Miller

JULY 29

**GENERAL MEETING**

9:30-11:00 a.m. The Nantucket Inn

**“English Garden Eccentrics”**

**Todd Longstaffe-Gowan** is a Harvard-educated English landscape designer and garden historian. Since 1990 he has advised on many public and private landscapes and developed management plans for the National Trust, English Heritage and private owners in the UK and abroad. Recent projects include the complete redesign of Kensington Palace Gardens and the new Royal Kitchen Garden at Kew Palace. In 2021, he designed the “Majalis Garden” at San Giorgio Maggiore for the Venice Architectural Biennale. His Italianate garden at the Morgan Library in New York was declared by the *Wall Street Journal* as “one of the most outstanding landscape projects completed in the USA in 2022.” Todd has written for numerous prestigious garden magazines and journals. His books, many of them award-winning, include *The London Town Garden*, *The Gardens and Parks at Hampton Court Palace*, *The London Square: Gardens in the Midst of Town*, and recently, *English Garden Eccentrics*, the winner of the *Apollo* ‘Book of Year’ prize for 2022 and the subject of his talk for the Nantucket Garden Club.

Chair: Paula Henderson

AUGUST 5      **70th ANNUAL HOUSE TOUR**  
11:00 a.m.-4:00 p. ***“Promenade on the Point”***  
Register for ALL volunteer slots on the NGC Website Member page beginning May 1st.  
Chairs: Betsy Carey & Helen Dubois

AUGUST 7      **PHOTOGRAPHY RAMBLE**  
Time and location to be announced.  
Register on the NGC Website Member page.  
Chair: Penny Lisi

AUGUST 10      **HADWEN HOUSE GARDEN PROJECT**  
8:00-9:00 a.m. 96 Main Street  
Chairs: Robin Youngman & Sarah Ann Miller

AUGUST 11      **CIVIC IMPROVEMENT & GRANTS COMMITTEE MEETING**  
2:00 p.m. 5 Evelyn Street  
Chair: Linda Kelly

AUGUST 12      **CONSERVATION FIELD TRIP TO BEEKEEPER JIM GROSS**  
2:00 p.m. 16 Margaret's Way  
Register on the NCG Member page.  
Chairs: Sarah Johnson & Maryann Wasik

AUGUST 12      **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**  
10:00 a.m. 72 Hulbert Avenue  
Membership vote  
Chair: Debbie Thomas

AUGUST 13      **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
1:00 p.m. 1 Henry Street  
Treasurer: Susan Rein

AUGUST 14     **6th ANNUAL NANTUCKET GARDEN CLUB MEETS THE CLEAN TEAM**  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
Location to be announced.  
Register on the NGC Member page.

AUGUST 17     **HADWEN HOUSE GARDEN PROJECT**  
8:00-9:00 a.m. 96 Main Street  
Chairs: Robin Youngman & Sarah Ann Miller

AUGUST 17     **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
8:30 a.m. The Nantucket Inn

AUGUST 17     **BOARD MEETING**  
9:00-11:00 a.m. The Nantucket Inn

AUGUST 19     **ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON**  
10:00 a.m. Coffee, 10:30 a.m. Meeting  
The Nantucket Inn  
The Annual Meeting will include the State of the Club, the NGC Budget report, a Presentation of Awards, and the Nominating Committee report. We will welcome the 2026 Provisional Class as Active members and the incoming Provisional Class of 2027. Please Register for the Luncheon on the NGC Member Page.

AUGUST 19     **2026-2027 PROVISIONAL ORIENTATION**  
Immediately following Annual Meeting and Luncheon  
Chair: Caroline Tucker

#### **PLEASE NOTE**

Two or more unexcused absences from NGC General Meetings in any year will result in membership forfeiture. Excuses should be sent via email to the Corresponding Secretary, Helen Dwyer.