

A woman with long brown hair, wearing a white textured sweater and a dark apron, is focused on her work in a greenhouse. She is surrounded by various potted plants, including a large Monstera on the left and a yellow raincoat hanging on the wall behind her. The background is a rustic, weathered green wall.

Since 1977 National Garden Clubs have been promoting and educating member and non-members through Gardening Schools. Formerly called Garden Study Schools.



Gardening School

- 4 Courses
- 18 Topics
- Field Trip and Supplemental Subjects



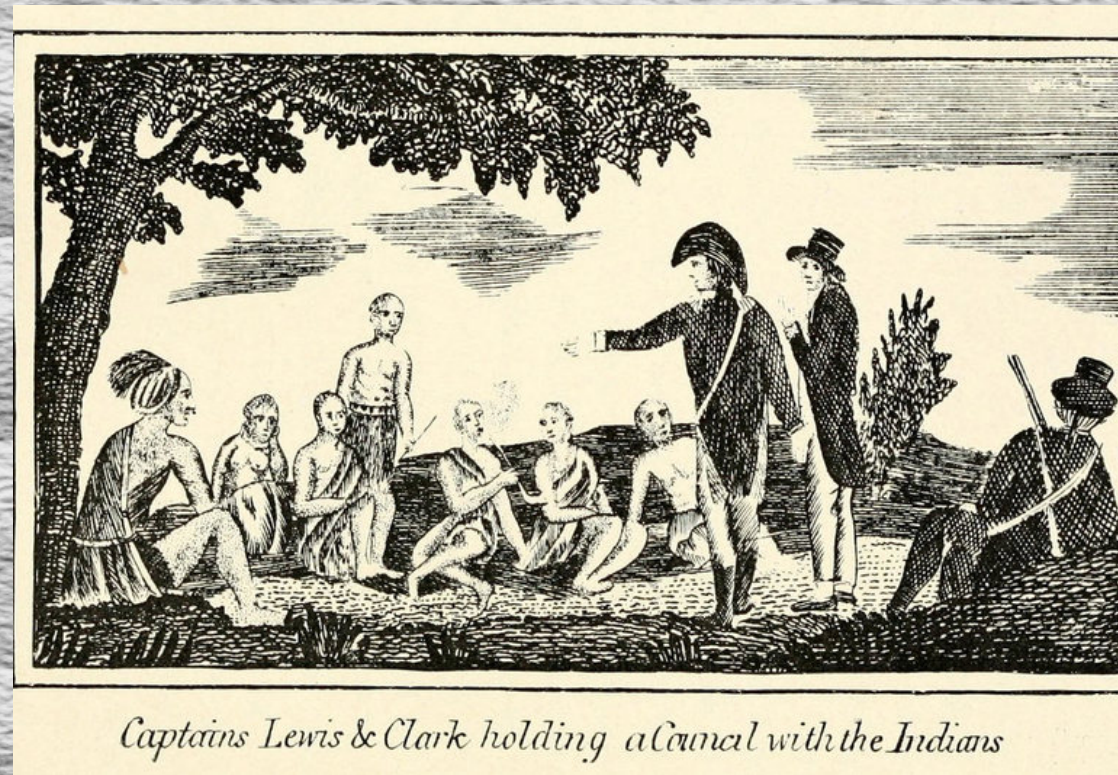


Discover the many gardening school projects, that promote sustainable gardens and ecological practices.

Like...soil management, crop rotations and educating the public



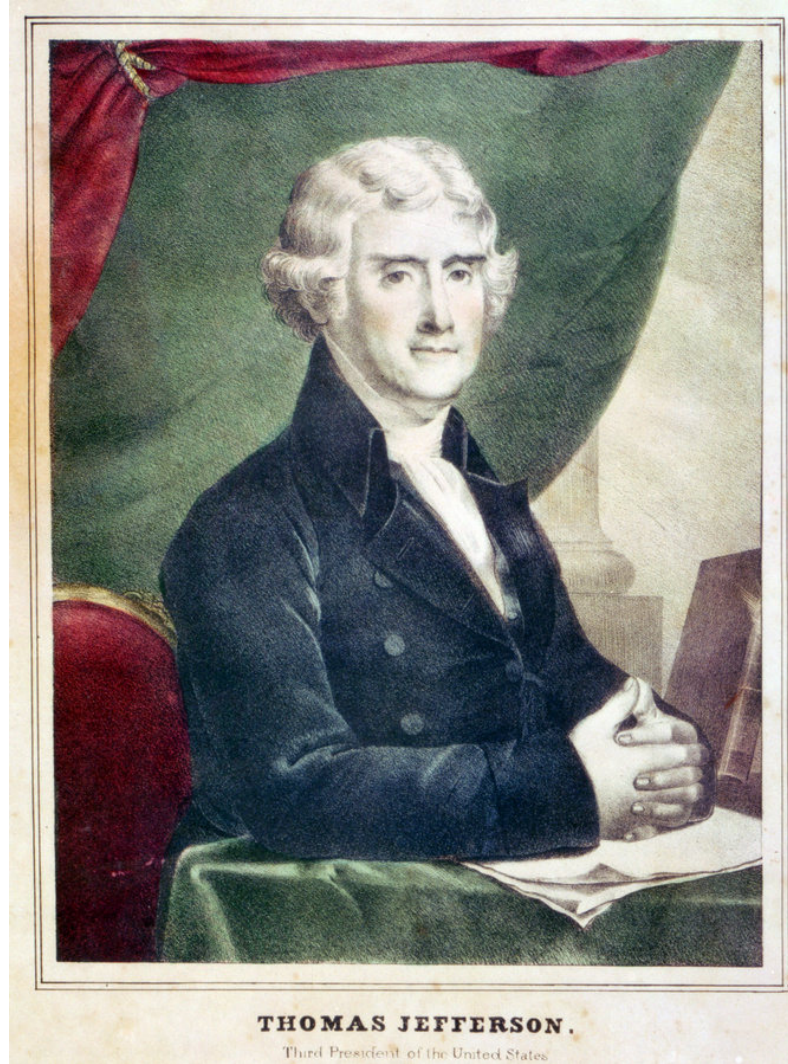
Study the gardening practices since ancient times...



Captains Lewis & Clark holding a Council with the Indians

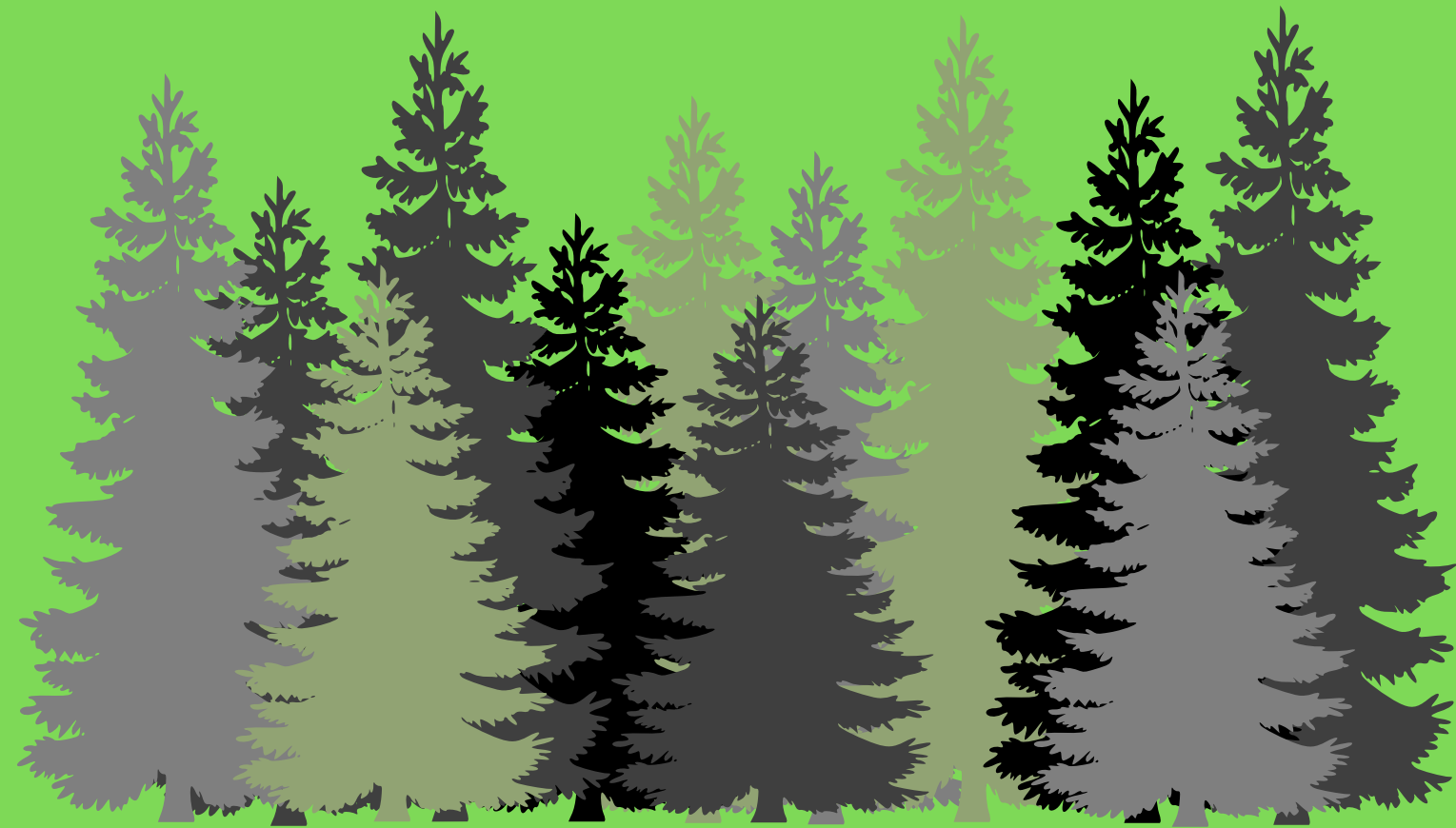


**Including...Thomas Jefferson and the practices
he began at Monticello
still used today by gardeners**



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- **Gardening Designs**
 - **Soil Analysis**

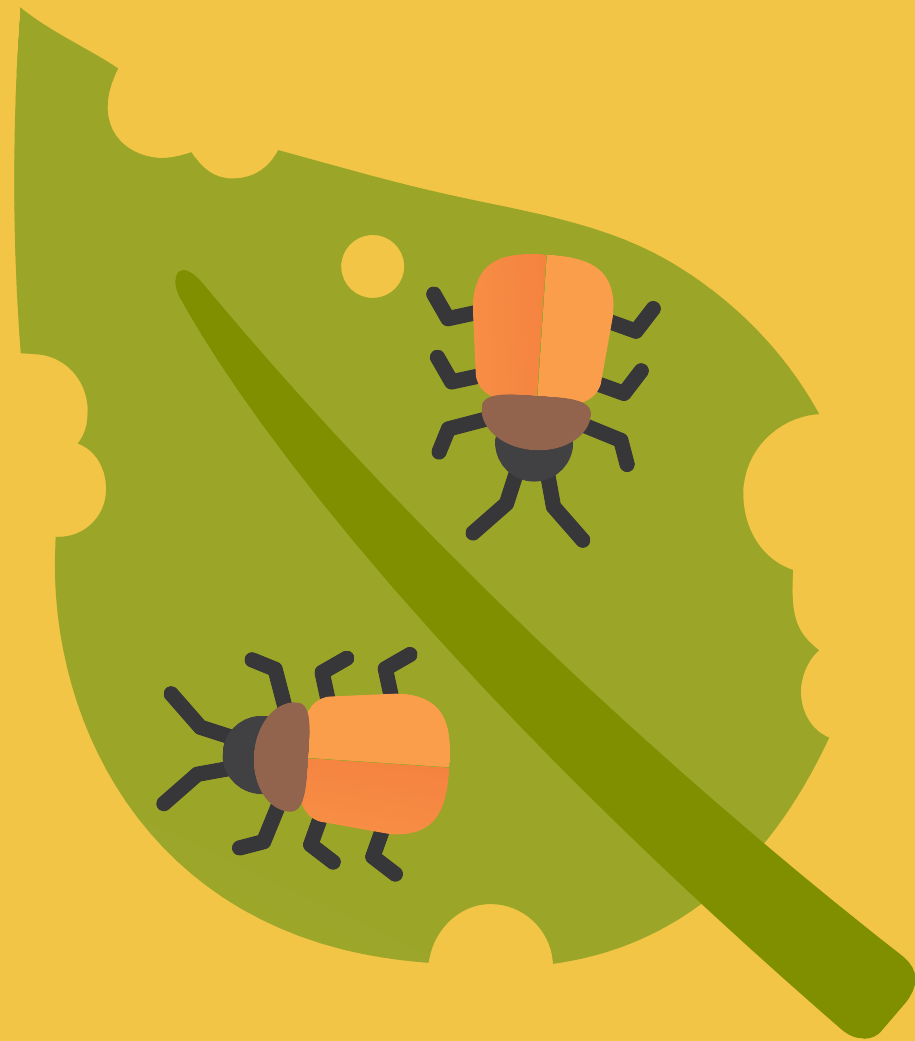
Hardiness Zones





Native Plants

Plant Disease and Pest Control



Benefits of Garden Therapy-Meditation and ways to engage these practices





DEMONSTRATIONS in the Garden for Youth and Adults



Historians, Your Instructors might include: Ecologists/Environmentalists, Botanist, Horticulturists.

CREATE

Your Own Garden Plot Plan



CONNECT

with reading material
like the National Gardener...

and other publications for current
and archived articles on gardening.



The National Gardener

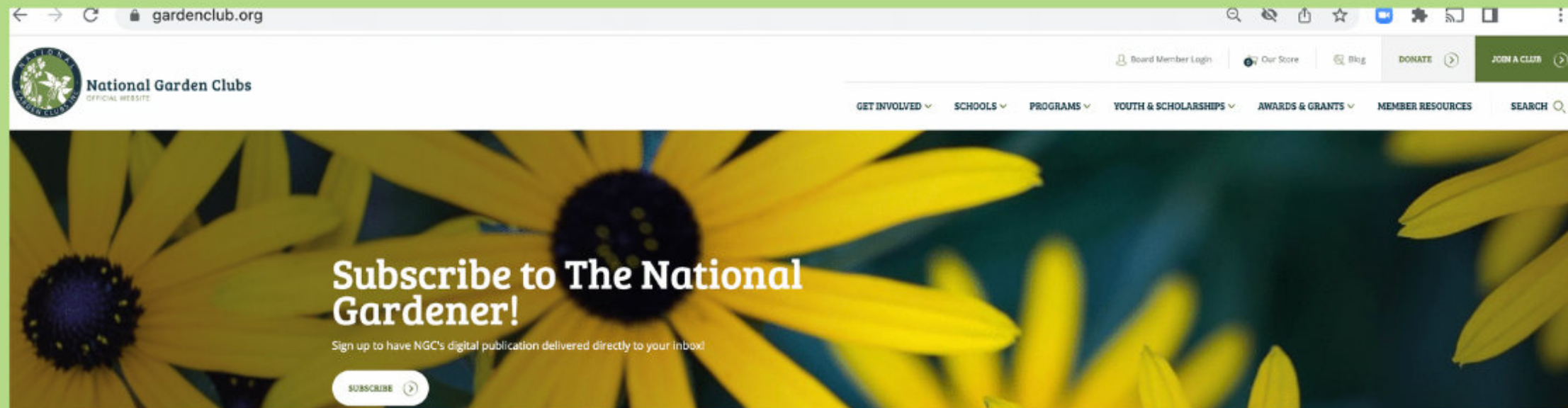
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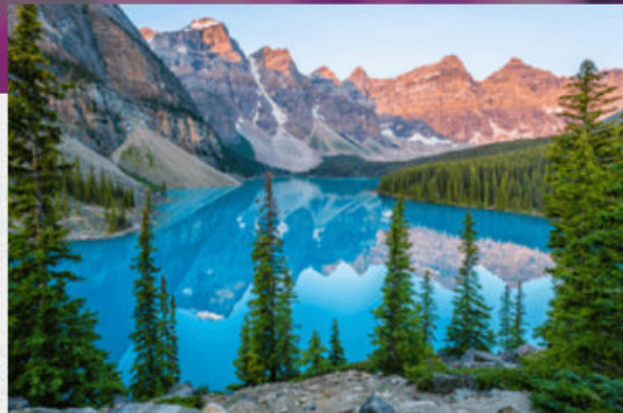
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Our Schools

Our schools provide members and non-members with a range of educational opportunities on the art and science of the environment, gardening, landscape design and floral design.



Environmental School

Helping members become accomplished environmental consultants. Helping others engage in environmental education.

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Flower Show School

Flower Show School is a comprehensive program that teaches all you need to know about judging, entering, competing and chairing a NGC flower show.

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Gardening School

Gardening Schools provide educational information to those who are especially interested in gardening, horticulture and related subjects.

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Landscape Design School

Helping members and others develop a greater appreciation of the environment, both natural and human made.

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Course Content



GARDENING SCHOOL COURSE CONTENT

Course 1 - Botany, Soils, Techniques for Growing Outdoor Flowers, Plant Propagation

Course 2 - Plant Diseases and Garden Pests, Irrigation and Water, Lawn Alternatives and Growing Grass, Growing Fruits and Growing Vegetables

Course 3 - Factors that influence Plant Growth, New Plant Development and Evaluation, Container Gardening - Outdoor, Houseplant Basics, Native Trees and Shrubs, Teaching Tour of a Botanical Garden

Course 4 - Plant Classification and Nomenclature, Outdoor Identification of Plants, Specialized Garden Styles, Techniques of Growing Woody Ornamentals, Pruning Techniques



NEXT-FIND COURSES

What is a Gardening School?

Gardening School courses, primarily intended for garden club members, are open to the public. Organizers charge a nominal fee for attending each course. Member clubs, groups of clubs, Districts and State Garden Clubs may sponsor courses. Garden club members completing the series of four courses and passing exams gain the designation of NGC Gardening Consultant. Other attendees may attain Consultant status by joining a garden club during the school series or shortly after completion.

In planning, promoting and publicizing Gardening Schools, organizers may consider the theme for the 2019-2021 NGC administration, Plant America, with its focus on gardens and gardening. Plant America is a description of what NGC garden clubs do as well as a command to service. During Gardening School, participants learn all aspects of Planting America. They receive information and skills for club, district or state projects that may apply to Plant America Community Project Grants.

For more information, please contact  [Charles McLendon](#), Gardening School Chairman.

See the NGC Schools Handbook and all related forms on the [SCHOOLS RESOURCES](#) page.



Gardening School Courses

Gardening School

Helping members become accomplished Gardening Consultants. Helping others engage in gardening education. **CLICK EACH TAB BELOW TO FIND A SPECIFIC COURSE.**

- Course 1
- Course 2
- Course 3
- Course 4

 Sep 14 - Sep 15, 2022 Baltimore, MD (In-Person Classroom) Register: Linda Harris 443-695-2071	COURSE CONTACT 
 Nov 14 - Nov 15, 2022 West Palm Beach, FL (In-Person Classroom) Register: Carol Stender 610-297-1224	COURSE CONTACT 

click each tab to find courses offered

Course listings are updated when registered with NGC

Other Resources

- Gardening School Reading & Supplemental Subjects [PDF DOWNLOAD](#) 
- Gardening School Directory

Class may be conducted:

- In Classroom (physically there)
- Via Zoom
- Hybrid-attendees and/or professors might be either in person &/or on ZOOM

**The choice is up to the sponsoring
NGC State Garden Club**

Thank You!

