

	8/29/2023	DRAFT	Schedule for Garden Club Convention 2024	DRAFT
			Garden Club of Alabama, Inc. Annual Convention	
			Still Making a Difference	
			April 14-16, 2024	
			Auburn Marriot Opelika Resort and Spa at Grand National	
			Sunday, April 14, 2024	
	Noon - 3:00 PM	Vendor Set-up		
	Noon - 3:00 PM	Education Exhibits-stay up throughout convention		
	3:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Convention Registration		
	3:00 PM - 6:30 PM	Vendor Sales, Way & Means, Drawings of Opportunity 2 tables for W& M, 1 for jewelry		
	2:30 PM - 3:30 PM	ACFSJ Executive Council Meeting		
	3:30 PM - 4:00 PM	GCA Advisory Council Meeting		
	4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	GCA Executive Board Meeting		
	5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	GCA Board of Directors Meeting		
	5:30 PM	Resort Activities		
	6:30 PM	Board of Directors Dinner (Everyone invited--just for fun, wear something (accessory) from the past -- any decade!)		
			Monday, April 15, 2024	
	8:00 AM - 6:30 PM	Convention Registration		
	8:00 AM - 6:30 PM	Ways & Means/Vendors/Exhibits/Drawings of Opportunity(Closed During Lunch)		
	8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Landscape Design Consultants Meeting : Speaker TBA		
	9:15 AM - 10:45 AM	Opening Business Session: Welcome from Mayor		
	11:00 - 11:45 AM	Workshop/Speaker - Nemophiliiy Natives, Sarah Wolak Gardening for the Bees, Butterflies and Birds: The Case for Planting Natives		
	12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Scholarship Luncheon: Speaker - Auburn TBA		
	1:45 PM - 2:45 PM	Workshop/speaker from luncheon TBA		
	1:45 PM - 4:00 PM	Tour - Auburn Roof Top Garden/ Greenhouses		
	3:00 PM-4:00 PM	Workshop/Speaker- King Braswell (Botanic's Co-Owner with wife Stacy, founder of Chicken Salad Chick)		
	3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Workshop/Speaker - Morgan Pendergrass (Donald Davis Arboretum) Big Ideas for Small Gardens-Design Basics		
	4:15 PM - 5:15 PM	ACFSJ General Meeting		
	5:30 PM	President's Reception		
	6:30 PM	Design Banquet - Speaker/Designer TBA		
	8:30 PM	Conversation on the Veranda (People bingo --Special Prize!)		
			Tuesday, April 16, 2024	
	8:00 AM - 6:30 PM	Convention Registration		
	8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Memorial Service - Suzy Shepherd		
	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Ways & Means/Vendors/Exhibits/Drawings of Opportunity		
	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Business Session (Continued if needed)		
	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Workshop : Make and Take		
	10:15 AM - 11:00 AM	Workshop/speaker: Charles Mitchell - Auburn - Opelika Men's Camellia Club		
	10:15 AM - 11:00 AM	Workshop/speaker : Melinda Welch Garden with Ease and Joy --Safely		
	11:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Luncheon: Awards		
	1:45 PM - 2:30 PM	Workshop/Speaker: Dale Peterson - Hydrangeas for the Alabama Home		
	1:45:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Tour: Botanic Tour and Aquaponics Tour		
	2:45 - 4:30	Tour : - Donald E. Davis Arboretum , Auburn		
	2:45 PM - 3:30 PM	Workshop/speaker: Maria Pacheco-West (Lanark Nature Plex - topic: Herbs, title to be decided)		
	3:45 PM - 4:30 PM	Workshop/speaker: Katie Jackson Past, Present, Future--Garden Clubs As Agents of Change		
	5:30 PM	Gather - 99 and Holding Recognition of Sybil Ingram		
	6:30 PM	Special Speaker Tommy Paulk - Bonnie Plants family, CEO, Agriculture Honor Roll Inductee		
	9:00 PM - ???	Party in Kathy's Suite		