

THE GCA 2027 ANNUAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION

"COME CELEBRATE GARDENING WITH US"

MARCH 17-18, 2027

EMBASSY SUITES, 2410 University Blvd, TUSCALOOSA, ALABAMA 35401

Make checks to GCA CONVENTION and mail with Registration Form to Rachel Thomas, 4253 Hwy 107, Fayette, AL 35555, E-mail: harleyt2006@yahoo.com, 205-270-2324. Confirmation will be e-mailed. For USPS mail acknowledgement of registration, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

PLEASE PRINT INFORMATION ON FORM

Name (Last) _____ First _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Garden Club _____ STATE _____ District _____

Special Dietary Needs (Medical Only) _____

CHECK ALL CATEGORIES WHICH APPLY TO YOU, OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS MUST ALSO CHECK

☐ Garden Club Member	☐ GCA Life Member	☐ Deep South Life Member	☐ NGC Life Member	
☐ Guest/Spouse	☐ GCA Officer	☐ Deep South Board Member	☐ NGC Board Member	☐ Garden Study Consultant
	☐ GCA Club President	☐ Deep South Officer	☐ NGC Officer	☐ Environmental Consultant
☐ Delegate	☐ GCA Board Member			☐ Landscape Design Consultant
☐ Alternate				

TWO WAYS TO REGISTER – MUST BE POSTMARKED BY Jan 10, 2027

A. PACKAGE PLAN (includes 2 Days Registration, 2 Luncheons & 2 Banquets, Entertainment, Programs)--\$ 295

B. A LA CARTE PLAN

Registration Fee per Day (required for all events/tours/meals)	\$30.00	=
Registration for Non-Members per day	\$40.00	=
Wednesday, Mar 17 Scholarship Luncheon	\$55.00	=
Wednesday, Mar 17, Design Banquet Ikebana Floral Design by Marsha Merrill	\$65.00	=
Thursday March 18, Luncheon, Healing from Your Own Yard	\$55.00	=
Thursday, March 18, Awards Banquet and New Officer Installation	\$65.00	=
Late Registration fee	\$50.00	=
TOTAL ENCLOSED FOR CONVENTION		\$

C. TOURS: Advance registration is required for tours. **NO EXCEPTIONS. NON-REFUNDABLE.**

TOUR OF KENTUCK ART GALLERY AND CRAFTS (WEDNESDAY)	\$15.00	=
TOUR OF UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA FOOTBALL STADIUM (WEDNESDAY)	\$35.00	=
TOUR OF TWICE AS NICE CONSIGNMENT SHOP THURSDAY AND PEANUT SHOP (THUR)	\$ 5.00	=
TOTAL ENCLOSED FOR TOURS		\$

D. WORKSHOPS

THURSDAY	PAINT STATE CHRISTMAS TREE ORNAMENT	NANCY JENNINGS	\$15.00	=
TOTAL				\$

NO REFUNDS AFTER JAN 10, 2027. REGISTRATION FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE. NO WALK-INS. YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND ANY PROGRAM, MEAL, TOUR OR WORKSHOP.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: Embassy Suites, 2410 University Blvd, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Booking Link <https://group.embassysuites.com/61plqm> Rate \$149.00 per night 2 queen or king, or you can call 205-561-2500 and let reservations desk know room reservation for the Garden Club of Alabama/Deep South Convention Code 927. Hotel has free parking, free made to serve breakfast with omelets, complimentary evening reception with 2 free drinks per room, rooms are newly remodeled, hotel is located in immediate downtown area, indoor pool and business center.

Scholarship Luncheon on Wednesday followed by Bee's Lecture or a tour

Wednesday Night will be a reception at 6:00 for Brent Wheeler to be greeted by attendees and enjoy conversation and refreshments before dinner. Design Program will be exciting to learn about Ikebana, the Beautiful, Ancient Art of Japanese Flower Arranging, with Designs by Marsha Merrill highly trained in this Japanese skill.

Thursday University of Alabama professors will teach us about Dragonflies and Damselflies and other exotic insects and introduce us to books, photos, and information to amaze us. Lectures discussing Bees will be fun.

In the afternoon, walk two blocks to the best consignment shop in Alabama or find unique Peanut Flavors in shop around corner

In the evening wear your Roaring 20s or Jazz outfit during reception and join in the fun music provided by Ken Bausano before the Awards Banquet and new officers installation.

FULL AGENDA TO BE POSTED TO WEB. SEE YOU SOON Karen Merrill, 2027 Convention Chair