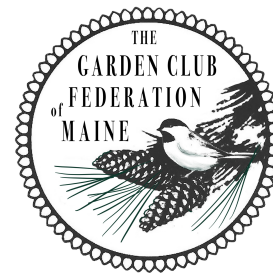


GCFM 92nd Annual Convention ***“Gardening For Tomorrow”***

University of Maine
Buchanan Alumni House
160 College Avenue, Orono



THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024

- 8:30am – 10:00am **Registration** (Timeline Hall)
10:00am – 3:30pm **Garden Tour** with vendors at each garden – Free!
3:30pm – 5:30pm **Registration continues.** *Visit our Raffle and Silent Auction in the Allain Library!*
5:30pm – 6:15pm **Reception** with complimentary appetizers and cash bar held in the Courtyard.
6:30pm **Dinner and Program** (McIntyre Maine Event Room)

Evening Keynote Speaker: Ivonne Vazquez "Enhancing our Gardening Perspective"

Ivonne Vazquez is passionate about native plants, herbs, pollinators, DIY, sustainability, the environment, and sharing gardening knowledge. She is most often found outdoors using her skills as a former Master Gardener Volunteer, Licensed Registered Maine Guide/Recreation, Basic Gardening Instructor at Bangor Adult Community Education, small acreage diversified farmer and native plant nursery owner at Bas Rouge Farm & Forge, Orono, Maine.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2024

- 8:00am – 10:00am **Registration** (Timeline Hall)
9:00am – 10:00am **Business Meeting** (McIntyre Room - complimentary coffee)
10:00am – 10:15am **Break** (last chance to participate in raffle and silent auction)
10:15am – 11:00am **Business Meeting Resumes**
11:00am – 12:00pm **Program**

Ikebana Demonstration with Sandra Leonard, a Level 1 Ichiyo Ikebana Designer

Sandy Leonard, a Maine native, began Ikebana studies while living in Tokyo, Japan. “Just when I thought my in-class design was perfect, our instructor would stop by and remove about half of the plant material”! Sandy is an NGC Accredited Master Flower Show Judge and holds a Level One certificate from the Ichiyo School. She is a member of Boothbay Region Garden Club and gives programs throughout Maine.

- 1:00pm – 2:00pm **Awards Ceremony**
Raffle and Silent Auction – winners will be announced
3:30 pm **Adjournment**

For your convenience:

Hotel Ursa, is a new hotel that has opened on the campus of the University of Maine! It's just a short walk to the Buchanan Alumni House. To register for the special group rate of \$139 for the night of Thursday, June 20th please register online at [Hotel Ursa GCFM rate](#).

If you plan to arrive a day early or stay a day later, please call (207) 962-1313 to receive the special rate. Don't forget to mention that you're part of the "GCFM Convention".

Visit the raffle and silent auction in the Allain Library!

Registration Fee must be postmarked **on or before June 6, 2024**

Registration Fee for GCFM Members **\$35.00**

Registration Fee for non-GCFM Members **\$40.00**

Name:

Phone Number:

Email address:

Garden Club:

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GCFM Board Member

Former State President

Current Club President

District Director

State Life Member

National Life Member

Delegate representing my garden club

****No Outside Meals Allowed in Venue**

Thursday, June 20th - Dinner Entree (All entrees are \$38.00)

All meals include a salad, starch, vegetable, dessert, and coffee

Panko Crusted Haddock with Sherry Cream Sauce

Chicken Piccata with Lemon Caper Sauce

Vegetarian Option: Stuffed Zucchini with Harissa Tomato Sauce

Friday, June 21st - 12:00pm – Program/Lunch Buffet (\$26.00)

Assorted wraps, salads, fresh fruit, desserts, cold beverages, and coffee

****Special Dietary Requirements for dinner and/or lunch?**

To register and pay by credit card go to the [GCFM website events page](#)

To register and pay by check payable to: **GCFM 2024 Convention**

Mail to: Ann Hardwick, Convention Registrar, 14 High St., Apt. C, Newport, ME 04953

Questions?

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Registrar - Ann Hardwick (207) 416-4807 **OR** eannah322@gmail.com

Total Fee For Registration and Meals