



**Landscape Design Study Program  
Announcement – Golden Gardens & CGCI Website**

**Learn about Landscape Design this Fall**

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*Curriculum Summary*

Course I

- Space, Design, and People
- Principles and Elements of Landscape Design
- Planning Your Home Grounds
- Basics of a Site Plan
- The Private Garden
- Design for the Environment
- Public Landscapes
- Development of Landscape Design
- Landscape Design Resources
- Special Interest Lecture: Outdoor Lighting

Course II

- Landscape Design Process
- Site Design and Landform
- Plants in the Landscape
- Plant Selection
- Structures in the Landscape

- Landscapes as a Learning Experience
- Development of Landscape Design in Early America
- Preservation of Historic Sites and Structures
- Community Landscape Management
- Special Interest Lecture

### Course III

- Color in the Landscape
- Landscape Design Accessories
- Landscape Design for Maintenance
- Design on the Land – Regional Expression
- Development of Landscape Architecture from 1840 – 1940
- Introduction of Urban Design
- Parks, Playgrounds, and Conservation Areas
- Graphics Interpretation
- Guidelines for Evaluating Landscape Design
- Special Interest Lecture

### Course IV

- Development of Landscape Architecture from World War II to Present
- Contemporary Landscape Design
- Designs for the Future Redesign of Areas
- Herbaceous Materials in the Landscape
- Community Participation – Organization and Individual Responsibility
- Evaluating the Landscape Designs of Residential, Public, & Business Property
- Special Interest Lecture

After successful completion of the four courses, a member may be certified and become an accredited National Garden Club, Inc. Landscape Design Consultant. These courses are designed to:

- acquire the tools necessary for making gardens more beautiful and easier to maintain.
- become better educated to make changes in our surroundings so that they will be more beautiful, useful, convenient, ecologically sound and easily maintained.
- develop a greater sense of appreciation, pride and knowledge about private and public gardens.
- stimulate interest in all phases of landscape design, including community planning, which will affect all of our lives.
- join a contingent of qualified Landscape Design Consultants to serve in such decision-making areas of public life as providing leadership, educational programs, scholarships, awards and promoting better landscape design.

Here is a shorter version:

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