

REGISTRATION FORM

Landscape Design School Course 3
April 14 & 15, 2027

Name: _____

Garden Club: _____

State Garden Club: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please choose your registration:

_____ **Two-Day Registration Fee of \$180**

Includes two days of 10 class hours,
breakfast & lunch both days

_____ **April 14 Only; Registration fee of \$120**

Includes 6 class hours, breakfast, lunch

_____ **April 15 Only; Registration fee of \$80**

Includes 4 class hours, breakfast, lunch

Are you taking the exam? Yes _____ No _____

Are you refreshing? Yes _____

Mail registration form & check to:

Linda Harris, LDS State Chair
3252 Walnut Bottom Rd., Swanton, MD 21561

Make Checks payable to: FGCMDC LDC
FGCMDC-Landscape Design Council

****Any special needs or diet restrictions? If so,
please provide details:

Objectives of Landscape Design School

- Develop a greater sense of appreciation, pride, and knowledge about our private, public, and historical gardens.
- Become better informed to promote positive changes in our surroundings to encourage beauty, utility, convenience, sound ecological practice, and ease of maintenance.
- Encourage a better understanding of the landscape design process to promote landscapes that will sustain sound management.
- Stimulate interest in all phases of landscape design, including community planning.
- Develop 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.

Questions/Information

Contact **Landscape Design School Chair Linda Harris**
at lindaharris355@aol.com or 443-695-2071.

Refreshing Consultants

must attend the full course; are not required to design a garden unless they choose to, but do have to attend the 3-hour class.

Students earning credit towards a Landscape Design Consultant Certificate must attend the full course, including all classes, complete and pass the exam.

Registration deadline is April 2
No refunds after April 6.

Landscape Design School Course 3



Wednesday & Thursday
April 14 & 15, 2027

The Greenhouse Classroom
Cylburn Arboretum
4915 Greenspring Ave.
Baltimore, MD 21209

Sponsored by
Landscape Design Consultants Council
Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, Inc.
Landscape Design Council Chair, Betty Reeves
Credentials Chair, Linda Harris
LDS State Chair, Linda Harris



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Landscape Design School Course 3 Schedule

Day One – Wednesday, April 14, 2027

8:00 - 8:45 am – **Registration & Breakfast**

8:45 – 9:00 – **Welcome & Announcements**

9:00 – 10:00 – **Graphics Interpretation** presented by Colleen Vacelet, President Intreegue Design

10:15 – 11:15 - **Woody Plants in the Landscape** presented by Colleen Vacelet

11:30 – 12:30 – **Landscape Design with Maintenance in Mind** presented by Kelley Oklessen, Owner Groundsmith Collective Design Firm

12:30 – 1:15 – **Lunch**

1:15 – 3:15 - **Landscape Design Process** presented by Kelley Oklessen

3:15 – 4:15 – **Outdoor Cylburn Arboretum Activity** led by Lisa Kuder, Native Plants & Landscape Specialist, UMD Extension

Day Two – Thursday, April 15, 2027

8:00 - 8:45 am – **Check In, Breakfast**

8:45 – 9:00 – **Announcements**

9:00 – 12:00 – **Creating Your Own Landscape Plan** presented by Claire Jones, Principle, Claire Jones Landscapes.

12:00 – 12:45 – **Lunch**

12:45 – 1:45 – **Herbaceous Plants in the Landscape** presented by Carrie Engel, Greenhouse Manager, Valley View Farms.

2:00 - 3:00 – **Review & Exam**

Directions for the Morning Class on Thursday, “Creating Your Own Landscape Plan”

- Each **student** will bring an accurately measured drawing of a small area of their landscape (or one of a friend or family member) that they would like to design or redesign.
- They will create a list of the requirements, restrictions and the conditions of the site (one hour of introduction and instruction).
- The instructor will work with them to create a workable design (one hour to work on design).
- Ideas for this project would include an herb garden, a cutting garden, or a garden dedicated to a specific genus (iris, Hosta, roses, etc.) as part of an integrated landscape design plan.
- The instructor will examine the plans and make suggestions as needed (one hour of evaluation).
- **Master Landscape Design Consultants** can serve as instructor’s aides, to assist students.
- This 3-hour class will not be tested, but each student will receive 30 points for their design (normally each exam question is worth 2 points).

Landscape Design Schools are open to everyone whether or not they are garden club members.

Hotel Guest Room Information

Delta Hotels Baltimore North

5100 Falls Rd, Baltimore, MD

410-532-8602

(A few minutes from Cylburn Arboretum)

**2 Queen Beds Discounted Rate of
\$129/night**

**Reservations must be made by
March 23, 2027 to get this rate.**

Reservation-Link

(Click on the “dates” box to choose your reservation dates)

Recommended Reading

The National Gardener (TNG). Students and Consultants are encouraged to read current landscape design articles in *The National Gardener* which can be found at gardenclub.org

Newscape, the NGC Landscape design newsletter, provides news and articles from the various state Landscape Design Councils and news about Landscape Design Schools.

The New Garden Designer’s Handbook, How to Design Useful, Beautiful Gardens from Start to Finish, Daryl Beyers, 2026. **(Excellent new book!)**

Maryland Native Plant Guide; Piedmont Region University of Maryland Extension; 2025

Plant This, Not That: Over 200 Native Plant Swaps for a More Sustainable, Pollinator-Friendly Garden, by Elise Howard; 2026