



“Beyond Beginnings” with Cathy Ritch
Classes fill up quickly. If you plan on attending sign up now.

Take the fear out of learning design

When the Beyond Beginning (BB) Floral Design Workshops were conceived, the name was chosen to describe someone who knew a little bit about creative design but wanted to learn more. That someone wanted to learn “what makes a design creative, how do I put it together, what are the newest techniques, where can I buy supplies, what makes a good design, where can I practice”? The workshops are lively two or two-and-a-half-hour-sessions scheduled 8 or 9 times a year. Topics included “Leaf Manipulation” - “Working with Weathered Wood” - “Creativity from Initial Concept to Completed Design and What Happens in Between”. Not only do participants learn from the instructor, they also learn from each other.

At the end of the session, small groups mentored by a judge view each design as if it were at a flower show. They critique the designs using the Principles and Elements of Design. All is done in good spirit, with the sole intention of increasing your understanding of good design.

\$35 covers materials needed to create your design and a demonstration of the principles and elements being used.

Class size is limited. If already full, you can observe at no charge.

For more information visit the Federated website:

<https://ctgardenclubs.org/education/bbdesignworkshops>

To register or observe contact Cathy Ritch at:

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UPCOMING BB CLASSES

- June 21-Intro to Creative Line Design (Old Saybrook) - \$35
- July 20-Create Your Own (CAES, New Haven) - \$ 5
- Sept 7-Petite Designs (CAES, New Haven) - \$15
- Nov 2-Tropicals & Leaf Manipulation (CAES, New Haven) - \$35
- Nov 30-Designs Inspired by Artwork (CAES, New Haven) - \$35

Think about partnering with other club members and carpooling. Sheila Daley, Mary Mulcahy, Lynn B. Horne and Pat Moores attended several of these classes. It was great fun, spending time with good friends and learning something new.