**The Simsbury Garden Club**

**Application for Membership**

Membership in the Simsbury Garden Club provides access to all club events as well as membership in the Federated Garden Clubs of CT. Members receive the club yearbook which includes activity schedules for the year, membership roster and other basic information. The club meets monthly from September through June usually on the third Monday of the month. Our meetings begin at 11:30 am and consist of a light lunch and business meeting followed by a program. Dues are $40.00 per year.

Meetings and events are announced primarily by email and through our website (simsburygardenclub.org) and our Facebook Page (The Simsbury Garden Club).

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_First Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Town: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Circle Preferred: (H) (C)

E-mail address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you are currently, or were previously a member of another Garden Club or gardening group, please list your former activities.

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The Simsbury Garden Club is a 501(c)3 Not-for-Profit organization offering opportunities to further your interest in gardening, conservation, floral arranging and horticulture by providing informative monthly programs and workshops.

**Please check the committee(s) of interest to you.**

Floral Design

Conservation, Preservation & Environmental Awareness

Civic Services: Holiday wreath making for Simsbury town buildings

Maintenance of our town historical garden sites: Herb Garden, Betty Fisher Gardens, Doorway Area

Circle Garden – Periodic maintenance

Pollinator Garden – Weekly maintenance May through October

Hospitality: Schedule and support committees of club members to provide lunch at meetings

Horticulture: Day trips and workshops

Publicity: Newspaper and social media (Facebook and Instagram)

Website

Ways and Means: Annual plant sale in May (or alternative major fundraiser such as Garden Tours) as well as smaller fund raisers held throughout the year

**Please check those areas in which you wish to acquire additional knowledge:**

Conservation, Preservation & Environmental Awareness

Floral Design

Horticulture

House Plants

Landscape Design

Wildflowers

Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special talents you would like to share with The Simsbury Garden Club such as artistic ability, computer knowledge, photography, floral design, arts and crafts, etc.

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**Membership Requirements:**

1. Attend at least one club meeting per year. Our meetings are held at the Apple Barn in Simsbury unless otherwise stated.
2. Pay annual dues of $40.00. Dues are payable before June 30th each year. In addition, new members pay a one-time $10.00 fee for the yearbook binder.
3. Members are expected to serve on one Hospitality Luncheon Committee per year, participate in the Annual Plant Sale or other fundraising activity, and participate at least once during the year to maintain the Club’s gardens unless physically unable to do so.

The Simsbury Garden Club often photographs events and activities for publicity purposes. Your membership in the Simsbury Garden Club will assume that you give tacit permission to photograph you and use your image in publicity materials. It is your responsibility to inform the event photographer or coordinator if you do not wish to have your photograph taken.

I have read and accept this SGC policy…

We encourage you to attend a Garden Club meeting prior to submitting your application to become familiar with what our club has to offer.

I have attended a Simsbury Garden Club General Meeting: Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please return the completed application to the address listed below and you will be contacted by a Membership Representative. We look forward to meeting you.

The Simsbury Garden Club

Membership Chair

P. O. Box 123

Simsbury, CT 06070

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