

San Diego Floral Association

Classes & Workshops Summer/Fall 2024

Casa Del Prado Room 104 – 10 am to Noon \$20 members – \$30 non-members Minimum Class size 8 – Maximum 12 Bring flower clippers or shears.

Please reserve your space ahead of time: presidentsdfloral@gmail.com

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Purchase on-line: https://www.sdfloral.org/classes.htm

SDFA Classes & Floral Craft Workshops

Workshop Thurs, Sep. 9 – Suzanne Johnson – Banksia Mermaid, Make & Take

A popular fundraiser at the Festival of Trees, see how to create a cheerful summer dolly out of yarn, chenille stems, and banksia cones. A wonderful gift when paired with an inspirational saying.

Workshop Mon, Sep. 16 - Carole Leap - Kokedama, Make & Take

Using the Japanese art of planting a moss ball, create a kokedama with your choice of fern, ivy or pothos to display in a pot or hang in a macrame plant hanger.

Workshop Thurs, Oct. 10 - Carole Leap - Thanksgiving Protea Wreath, Make & Take

Create a mini wreath, made from grapevine and protea flowers and foliage. Add with fall ribbons or holiday accessories. This mini wreath will dry beautifully and last until Thanksgiving. (Protea variety will vary upon harvest availability at the time of class.)

Workshop Wed, Oct. 16 - Suzanne Johnson - Succulent Pumpkins, Make & Take

A decorating staple for the period between Halloween and Thanksgiving, Floral will be selling small pumpkins planted up with succulents at our special Saturday Quarterly meeting on October 19th. Join this workshop for the pick of the best materials, and help placing 'the spiller, the filler, and the thriller.'

Class Mon, Oct. 21 – Dale Rekus – Creative Line-Mass floral design, Make & Take

A staple design in judged flower shows, it can be easy for novices yet challenging for seasoned designers, depending on the specs. We will be incorporating fresh and dried plant material.

Workshop Thurs, Nov. 14 - Suzanne Johnson - Narcissus Pots, Make & Take

A popular fundraiser at Festival of Trees, join this workshop for tips and tricks to creating a striking arrangement, or a simple gift of narcissus that will start to emerge at the beginning of December.

Workshop Mon, Nov. 18 - Suzanne Johnson - Bedazzled Pinecones & Hollywood Bows

Sugar pinecones are a treat to have in your holiday décor in southern California. Thanks to a generous

donation, this year we will be adding them to our fundraising efforts at Festival of Trees. Paired with a layered ribbon bow and a simple hanger, they make a striking alternative to a wreath.

Suzanne Johnson is best known for her annual contributions to the SDFA Festival of Trees. She began entering flower shows in 1993, and has taken classes since then with local teachers including Rene van Rehms, Kathy Taylor de Murillo, Tina Rappaport and Barbara Chapman. Most of her experience has come from decorating venues for non-profit events to benefit RSF Library Guild, RSF Senior House, RSF Garden Club, Canyon Crest Academy Foundation, and Friends of Balboa Park, with a few weddings thrown in. Suzanne is currently the president of SDFA.

Carole Leap has a passion for design and art that she enjoys sharing with others. As an educator, she taught high school students for 25 years. As a designer, she has facilitated special projects and events for schools and non-profit organizations. She is currently building a floral farm, specializing in proteas. She is an active member of the California Protea Association, the International Protea Association, and she serves as SDFA 1st VP Programs Chair.

Dale Rekus is the president of the Flower Arrangers Guild of San Diego. He started doing occasional designs in 2013 but got serious about it in 2015. He has won myriad awards in flower shows sponsored by the Bonita Valley and Point Loma Garden Clubs as well as the Coronado Floral Association. He has entered Art live every year since 2017 and provides a weekly floral design a few times a year in the Point Loma/Hervey Branch Library.