



# MEMPHIS GARDEN CLUB

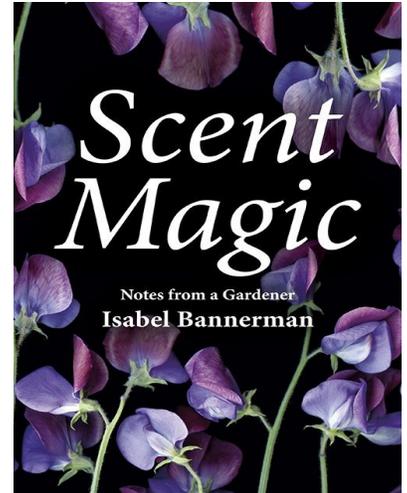
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## PHOEBE COOK LECTURE



*Isabel Bannerman*

Thursday, November 21  
10:30 meeting, 11:00 lecture  
Winegardner Auditorium



Isabel Bannerman, British gardener extraordinaire, will be introducing her new book, *Scent Magic*, which outlines a year's journey of scents through her beautiful garden in Cornwall.

The book will be available for purchase at the lecture.

### President's Message

Greetings MGC Friends,

Our first meeting was amazing, lots of information and Kim Bearden shared insightful facts about some of the very interesting women of Elmwood.

Selden, Elizabeth and Lysbeth are working hard to organize the upcoming Phoebe Cook reception. I sincerely hope you and a guest will join all members to offer a southern-style welcome to the Bannermans on Nov 20<sup>th</sup> then attend the informative lecture on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

*If you haven't heard* we are in Flower Show mode – all members are highly encouraged to enter in the show, if you don't want to create a masterpiece alone then grab a MGC friend and enter together.

You may have missed the birthday sign-up sheet at the Oct. meeting if so please email your birthday (month & day only) to me.

Cheers,  
Jenne



## Horticulture

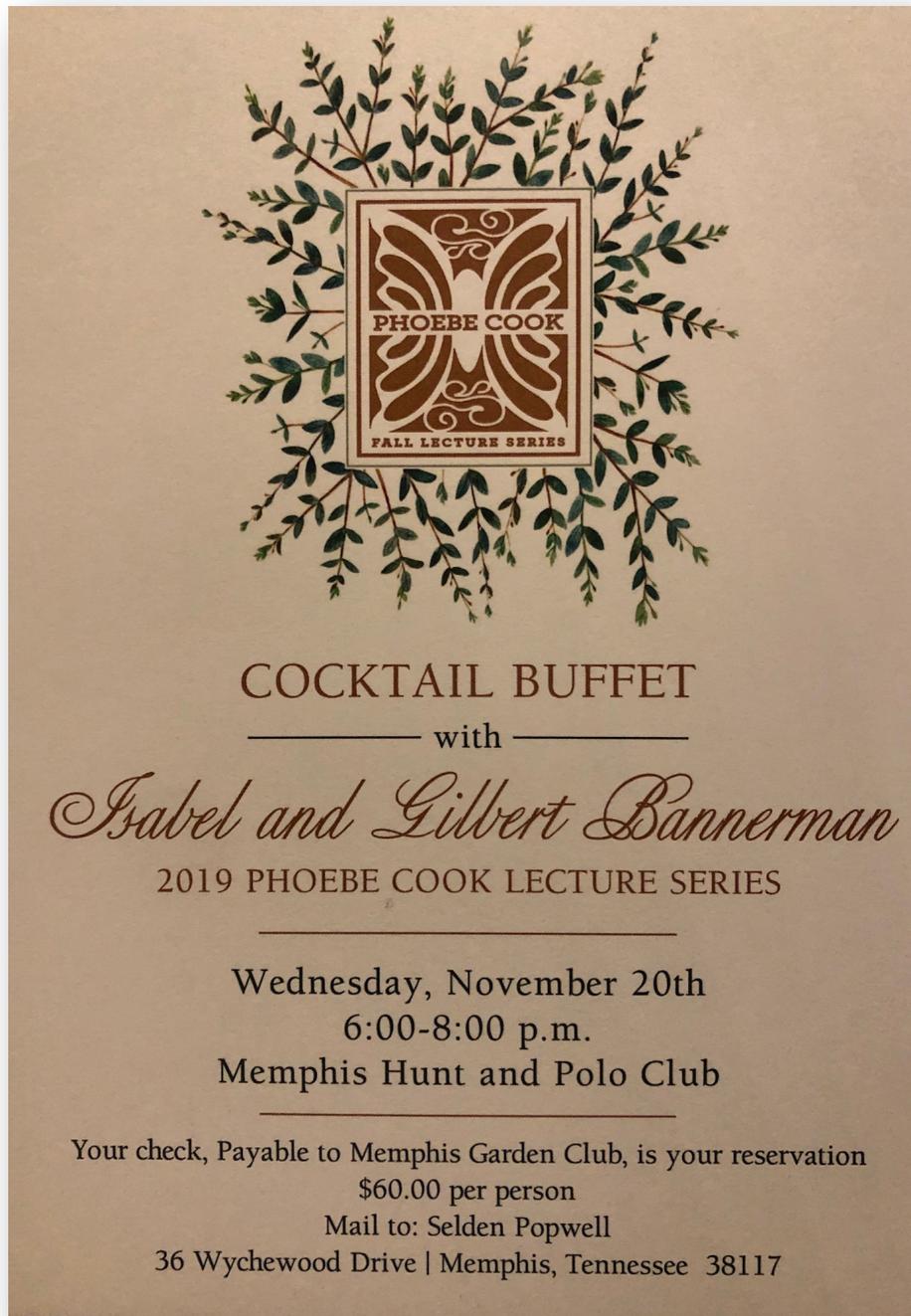
## Emily Lowrance

The Memphis Garden Club up-potted Rosie Bok Choy, Central Red Mizuna, Joi Choi Bok Choy and Burgundy Mini Broccoli.

These late winter crops will be used for annual color on the Dixon grounds and planted on top of our spring bulbs of tulips and daffodils.

Memphis Garden Club President Jenne Williams and Dixon Greenhouse and Cutting Garden Manager Kim Rucker.





Please join the Memphis Garden Club and Phoebe Cook family and friends for a cocktail supper at Memphis Hunt and Polo Club from 6:00-8:00 on November 20th to honor our lecture series speakers, Isabel and Gilbert Bannerman.

## Christmas at the Dixon

It's almost Christmas....

Think Santa, Candy Canes and Red and Green!!!

Christmas will be here before we know it, and once again the Memphis Garden Club will be decorating the Dixon for the season with our favorite Christmas themed decorations!! Please contact Suzanne or Kathryn to sign for Tuesday, December 3 at 9:00 a.m. in decorating the Dixon's Catmur Foyer and exterior and Wednesday, December 4 at 9:00 a.m. to decorate the Residence Living Room, Dining Room, Library, Auditorium and Entrance Hall.

(Take down of decorations will be at 10:00 on Thursday, January 2)

All members are invited!

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**Tuesday, December 3, 9:00 a.m.**

MGC decorates the Catmur Foyer.

The Residence exterior is decorated by the first-year and second-year MGC members.

**Wednesday, December 4, 9:00**

MGC decorates the Residence interior- Living Room, Dining Room, Library, and Residence Foyer.

**Thursday, December 5, 5:30-7:00**

Dixon Christmas party for MGC members

**Thursday, January 2, 10:00**

MGC takes down Christmas and packs away decorations.

### **ROOM CAPTAINS:**

**Exterior of Dixon:** Frances Montgomery

**Catmur Foyer:** Melanie McFadden

**Living Room:** Emily McEwan

**Library:** Irene Brownlow

**Dining Room:** Lida Bross & Veazy Krausnick

**Residence Foyer:** Heather Grosvenor

**Auditorium:** Ainsley & Hardy Todd

**Food:** Carol Stout

Thank you!!!! Let us know if you have any questions!

## *On the Road Again !*

*P Pierce, C Mueller*

### On the Road with the MGC.....

At 12:00 noon on Thursday, the fourth of October , 21 MGC members arrived in Mountain Brook, Alabama for a two day non-stop, fun-filled, but one the less educational, adventure. Despite the 100 degree temperature 4 members of Birmingham's Red Mountain and Little Garden Clubs opened both their homes and their gardens to us. We were welcomed with lunch on Ellen McWhorter's screen porch with a breath-taking view of the city of Birmingham. We then wound our way through Mountain Brook (easier said than done!) to the home of Phillippa Bainbridge, a true piece of architectural history built to accommodate 100 year old decorative French panels that once adorned the Fifth Avenue home of Cornelius Vanderbilt. From there we continued over the mountain and through the woods (again, easier said than done!) As we toured the spectacular gardens of Margie Gray, we were entertained and educated by Norman Johnson, one of Birmingham's most sought after landscape architects. After one last trip through Mountain Brook (remember...this was easier said.....) we were invited to enjoy a glass of wine as we strolled through Dot Fletcher's magnificent home and perfectly manicured gardens.

Most of Friday was spent at the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Antiques at the Gardens benefiting Birmingham Botanical Gardens. We were completely entertained by Manhattan-based designer Markham Roberts. Using bold colors, furniture of different styles and periods, and masterfully-mixed patterns, HOUSE BEAUTIFUL calls Markham's interiors "the epitome of chic." After a book signing and lunch, we were free to attend more lectures, explore the Gardens, or visit the charming Mountain Brook Village.

Our dinners at Galley and Garden Restaurant and The Mountain Brook Country Club allowed for time to relax and enjoy time with old friends and getting to know some of our newer members. This is, of course, the real reason we will continue to go.....On the Road with the MGC!

Camille and Pam

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## Conservation

Pam Martin

Epping Way Outing

Saturday, Nov 2nd at 10:30

Come have coffee and doughnuts

Enjoy the beautiful lake and tour of the new 1.1 mile section of the Greenway. Wolf River Conservancy people will be present to answer questions.

Pam Martin

## Please Take Note

### NEW MEMBERS

The New Members have been busy with a variety of activities including Floral Rotations, Horticulture and Conservation Workshops , and arranging flowers for a Dixon Opening. They have reviewed the schedule for April's Flower Show and are making plans to enter various classes .

Vice President Lysbeth Francis

Please remember to send all Membership Meeting REGRETS to Kaki Smith!

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## Tip of the Month!

### Not All Frogs Are Created Equal !



**Fifty Flowers (fiftyflowers.com)** offers a 4 inch square, bendable wire grid that works with most containers. \$6.99 for 1, \$24.99 for 6, \$45.99 for 12

A benefit of recycling: Reuse the plastic netting bags that avocados come in since they are both strong and flexible. Cut the netting to size to fit the top of your container, square, round, oval. Using clear packing tape secure the slippery netting to the sides of the container, stretching it to keep it tight and rigid. The tighter the netting, the more support the flower stems will have.

**Cost: a bag of avocados**



**Budable** is a handmade polymer, self sticking, flexible, stretchable, stem assembly tool that the company likes to call the lightweight, any size portable flower frog. It comes in a three pack for \$15.99. It can be ordered from Amazon by searching: Budable 3pack Flower Arranger, floral supplies, flower frog holder. It is shipped and sold by Bloomeze.

## November Birthdays!

- Nov 1 - Muffy Turley
- Nov 4 – Veazey Krausnick
- Nov 15 - Tay Chafin
- Nov 15 - Mary Ellis
- Nov 24 - Elizabeth Dickinson
- Nov 25 - Heather Grosvenor
- Nov 27 - Julie Smith



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