



## IMPORTANT DIY PROGRAM INFORMATION

### **PURCHASE FLOWERS FROM MARKET FLOWERS AND YOU CAN USE OUR WAREHOUSE FACILITY TO DESIGN AND STORE YOUR BOUQUETS!**

Please read through all of this important DIY information and adhere to our rules! This includes all members of your DIY group. This information and these rules are in place to ensure you are properly prepared to create your arrangements, and to ensure our DIY space is a safe, fun and respectful environment for both your group and the other groups who are working in our space.

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### **HOURS**

- We are open Thursday thru Sunday, May thru October
- DIY Design and Pick Up Hours:
  - Thursday and Friday 9am – 3pm
  - Saturday and Sunday 7am – 1pm

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### **RESERVING YOUR SPACE**

- Call, email, or stop in to reserve a DIY space. Space is limited.
- The space is yours the entire time we are open the day of your reservation.
- Check-in time for a Thursday or Friday reservation is between 9am and 10am. **If you can't check in by 10am, please let us know or we will open your space to those on our Wait List.**
- If you decide you are no longer going to use your reserved DIY space, please be considerate to those on our Wait List and contact us ASAP to cancel your reservation.
- If you try to make a reservation and we are full that day, we will place you on our Wait List. If a group cancels we will contact you as soon as a space opens up. In addition, if a group does not check in by 10am the day you are on our Wait List, we will contact you that day.

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### **PURCHASING FLOWERS**

- We require that you purchase all of your flowers from Market Flowers if you want to use our facility. **Do not ask to bring in flowers from other vendors or from a garden.**
- To purchase flowers, **you can choose from what we have in our cooler OR pre-book flowers.** Most people pre-book what they know they want for sure and then shop our coolers to supplement with the other great flowers we find each week at great prices.
- **All Pre-Books are due by Friday at noon two weeks prior to the weekend of your event.** We require a non-refundable 25% deposit on all Pre-Books. You can either call or stop in to submit your pre-book order. We do not take pre-books via email or through our website.
- **Our flowers are sold in bulk.** They need to be cleaned and processed. Guard petals, foliage, thorns, etc. need to be cleaned from the flowers and stems. You will need to allow extra time for some flowers to open if desired, such as roses, lilies, etc, and allow extra stems for breakage.
- All flowers need to be hydrated, labeled, and packed for transport, prior to storage in our cooler. Packing materials, and labeling supplies are your responsibility to bring. All cut stems should be stored in

water. Corsages and boutonnieres should be sprayed with water and stored in plastic.

- We have our largest selection of flowers for the weekend when we open on Thursday morning.

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## PREPARING TO COME WORK

- We provide the flowers, water, design and cooler storage only. You must provide all of your own supplies, packing materials, buckets if needed for transportation, etc. See our [DIY Supply List](#). **We do not provide, loan or sell supplies!**
- BYOB! You can use our buckets while working in our space or for storage in our coolers but, if you want to take your flowers with you in a bucket, please BYOB. We sell used buckets for \$6 each.
- **Do your DIY homework!** You are in charge and responsible for your own planning, design, processing, care, storage and transportation of your flowers. Visit web and video sites, read magazines and books to gather ideas and how-to information. Practice!
- **Again, Practice!** The best way to know how many flowers you need, is to buy test flowers and practice prior to your event!

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## WORKING IN OUR SPACE

- One design table is provided for each group. **Please limit your design help to a maximum of 4 people (this includes you).** We DO NOT allow more than 4 people per group under any circumstances. **If you bring more than 4 people we will have to ask your group to leave.** This limit is in place to ensure that your group, and all other groups, have ample space to safely work in our space.
- All DIY groups must work inside our warehouse and at the table provided. We do not allow groups to work on our loading dock, in the Urban Garden, or in our parking lot.
- Dress to work and for the weather. Our warehouse is not heated or cooled and our floors can get wet and slippery. Comfortable and appropriate clothing, and non-slip shoes are required. **Flip Flops and high heels are not allowed.**
- Market Flowers is a busy warehouse with lots of commotion and preparation for the weekend market. It is a fun environment, however, **it is not a safe place for children.** Out of respect for other groups working in our DIY space, and for the safety of your children: **absolutely no children are allowed in our DIY space.**
- Plan to clean your work area before you leave: wipe table, sweep floor, dump buckets, etc. We provide brooms and rags for an easy clean-up.

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## PARKING AND PICKUP

- For [Thursday and Friday Parking and pick-up](#), you can park under our red roofs/pavilions.
- For [Saturday and Sunday Parking](#) you will need to find street parking. For [Saturday and Sunday pick-up](#) there is a 10 minute pick up zone. Please ask about details.
- We provide carts for easy transport from our warehouse to your car.

**If you have any questions about this information please call or email Tom or Diane.**

**Thank you for reading though this information and adhering to our rules :-)** Have fun creating!