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# IMLAY FLORISTS CELEBRATES 100 YEARS OF SUCCESS AS AN FTD FLORIST

**Imlay Florists, Inc.** of Zanesville, OH is celebrating 100 consecutive years as a dedicated FTD member florist. The shop joined FTD on September 1, 1912 and is our oldest, active member.

"FTD and Imlay Florists have been partners in the floral industry for 100 years. We have committed our family name to the industry for five generations, spanning 171 years. The great customer service that we have been able to provide our clients is because of our partnership with FTD. The continued success for Imlay Florists and FTD is going to be by embracing the changes in the floral market, and working together to meet the needs of our customers. Together we can succeed."

Imlay Florists "Family serving family since 1841"

Imlay Florists is a fifth generation, family-owned flower shop providing high quality service to several areas surrounding and including Zanesville. The shop is not only the longest running FTD member, but is also the oldest continuously family-owned and operated florist in the United States, according to *A Centennial History of the American Florist.* Imlay Florists has been proudly serving the

Zanesville community since 1841 and attributes its success to providing superior service and evolving to meet the changing needs of its customers. FTD is honored to have Imlay Florists as a partner and strives to help drive local business to its shop and increase its sales.

Please join FTD in congratulating Imlay Florists on its 100 years and ongoing success as an FTD member!

The FTD® Anniversary Bouquet AVB

Dave and Katie of Imlay Florists

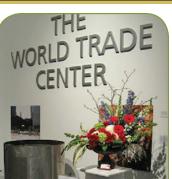


FTD International Field Business Consultant Raul Picazo (left) presented the FTD Mercury Award to Jose Rodriguez (right), owner of Floristería Exótico, located in Venezuela, at the Iberoamerican Cup of Floral Design in Argentina.



Congratulations to FTD Education Consultant Ian Prosser AIFD (right) and his team for creating a stunning grand finale wedding program at AIFD Symposium. FTD was proud to be the Platinum Elite Partner sponsoring Ian's program, that featured guest commentator and wedding magazine publisher Grace Ormonde (left).

Congratulations to Mann Florist of Sault Sainte Marie, ON, for celebrating the shop's 110th birthday!





# **CELEBRATING FTD FLORISTS**

Kate Petrykowski and Barbara Ostroff of **Delmar Florist** in Delmar, NY, created this exquisite floral arrangement for the World Trade Center Gallery. The arrangement was the only one permitted in the gallery and was placed at the entrance for all visitors to enjoy.



FTD Field Business Consultant Dave Galvin (left) and FTD Regional Vice President Jim Weedon (right) visit Jim Clifford (Center), owner of Clifford's Flowers in Quincy, MA.



FTD Regional Vice President Jim Weedon (left) and FTD Field Business Consultant Dave Galvin (right) with Dan Marquardt (center) of Coady Florist in Cambridge, MA.

# LEADING EDUCATION FROM FTD

# FREE WEBINAR SERIES -LEARN HOW TO PREPARE FOR A STRESS-FREE HOLIDAY



The FTD Webinar Series is an exclusive educational tool **FREE** for all FTD Florists! The online presentations are designed to give florists tips and tools to **increase sales and profits while reducing costs.** Register today at FTDi.com/FTDUniversity!

Deborah De La Flor AIFD FTD Education Consultant

> Prepare for a Stress-Free Holiday Presented by FTD Education Consultant



Deborah De La Flor AIFD, PFCI

Tuesday, September 11, 2012 2 pm ET/11 am PT

Register today! FTDi.com/FTDUniversity

The live webinars are also recorded, so if you miss one, view it later at FTDUniversity.com.

# GET FIT AT FTD BOOT CAMP

Sharpen your business and design skills at the exclusive FTD Boot Camp. Held in small classroom setting, this three-day workshop presents a perfect blend of business, design and quality training for shop owners and managers. FTD Boot Camp provides participants with a snapshot of ways to drive local business to their shops.

Register today at FTDi.com/FTDUniversity!



Ann Jordan AIFD FTD Education Consultant "The FTD Boot Camp is a great benefit because it covers everything from A to Z. I learned about myself as a manager and owner, and I am going back to my shop to make processes better, such as improving the loose ends that will help grow my shop. There's also validation behind Ann {Jordan} having owned a flower shop herself."

— Valerie Kinsch-Wray, Kinsch Village Florist & Garden Center, Palatine, IL

Join us for FTD Boot CampDate:October 1-3, 2012Location:Downers Grove, IL - FTD HeadquartersCost:\$599/person\*Instructor:Ann Jordan AIFD, AAF, mmfd

\*Includes all education sessions, flowers and materials; three nights of hotel room and tax; breakfast and lunch and a networking dinner on Monday night.

Flowers say it better. FTD says it best.™

# **EDUCATION & EVENTS CALENDAR**

FTD is proud to support more than 50 industry shows each year, strenathening our commitment to our florists.

#### SEPT. 7-9. 2012 ALABAMA STATE FLORISTS **ASSOCIATION CONVENTION** MONTGOMERY, AL



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JACKIE JOHNS • 205-438-1898 Featured FTD Design Program: "Weddings from A to Z" presented by FTD Education Consultant Deborah De La Flor AIFD

#### SEPT. 7-9. 2012 NORTH DAKOTA STATE FLORISTS **ASSOCIATION CONVENTION** JAMESTOWN, ND



JAN HEITMANN • 701-746-7777 Featured FTD Design Program: "Vase It!" presented by FTD Education Consultant

SEPT. 7-9, 2012 **NEW MEXICO STATE FLORIST ASSOCIATION** CONVENTION ALBUQUERQUE, NM

THIA SMITH • 505-242-7818

John Klingel AIFD

SEPT. 9, 2012 **CENTRAL ALLIED FLORIST ASSOCIATION** CHRISTMAS DESIGN SHOW PEARL, MS JOHN STEPHENSON • 601-919-1465



EVERYDAY PROGRAM

SYMPATHY

PROGRAM

Featured FTD Design Program: "The Impact of Perception" presented by FTD Education Consultant Ann Jordan AIFD

#### SEPT. 14-16, 2012 **OZARK FLORIST ASSOCIATION** CONVENTION QUAPAW, OK

PAT PHILLIPS • 417-883-8580 Featured FTD Design Program: "A Celebration of Life: Today's Sympathy Flowers" presented by FTD Education Consultant Keith White AIFD

#### SEPT. 15-16, 2012 **IOWA FLORISTS'** ASSOCIATION CONVENTION **DES MOINES, IA**

MARCIA GOODMAN • 319-399-1023 Featured FTD Design Program: "Creative Everyday Designs" presented by FTD Education Consultant John Klingel AIFD

EVERYDAY

PROGRAM

## SEPT. 19-22. 2012

SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FLORISTS **ANNUAL CONVENTION** PALM BEACH, FL SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FLORISTS 703-836-8700

HOLIDAY

PROGRAM

## SEPT. 30, 2012

**HOMETOWN FLORIST** ASSOCIATION CHRISTMAS SHOW **BALTIMORE, MD** MARIE GAYDOS 410-655-7700 Featured FTD Design Program: "Holiday Heaven" presented by FTD Education Consultant Tina Coker AIFD

#### OCT. 6-8, 2012

NATIONAL ALLIANCE **OF FLORAL ASSOCIATIONS** CONFERENCE **CROMWELL, CT** NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF **FLORAL ASSOCIATIONS** 800-352-6946

## OCT. 13-14. 2012

MONTANA FLORISTS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION **BILLINGS. MT** KARI LANE JOHNSON • 406-771-6828

## OCT. 13-14, 2012

**CALIF FLORA 2012** LOS ANGELES, CA **CALIFORNIA STATE FLORAL ASSOCIATION** 916-448-5266

### OCT. 20, 2012

**CANADIAN ACADEMY OF FLORAL ART ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** TORONTO, ON

# CANADIAN ACADEMY OF FLORAL ART 416-699-9669

## OCT. 21, 2012

CONNECTICUT FLORISTS ASSOCIATION "ACHIEVING FLORIST SUCCESS" SHOW WATERBURY, CT CONNECTICUT FLORISTS ASSOCIATION 203-268-9000

The FTD<sup>®</sup> You're Special<sup>™</sup> Bouquet 12-F1

