

## 25th Anniversary Speakers Series ~ Gamble Garden, Palo Alto, CA

### Botanical Patterns on English Transferware with Judie Siddall

Date: Sunday, March 21, 2010; 2:00 to 4:30 PM (including reception)

Fee: \$30 member, \$40 non-member; class limit 30

Location: Carriage House

Garden scenes, nature, and plants were common subjects on the print pottery of the 18th and 19th century. This talk will focus on the botanical patterns produced in the 19th century by Wedgwood, Spode, Minton, and other English transferware pottery makers. It will be illustrated by photos of transferware pottery decorated with botanical and floral prints, as well as the source prints from which they were copied. It will include a brief history of English transferware pottery manufacturing. As it is best to handle the pottery, some examples will be on display. The talk will also illustrate how a non-academic can use the Internet to do research on subjects of interest. Judie will also bring some books filled with examples you can browse through and several pieces available for purchase.

Register online for this class: <http://www.gamblegarden.org/>

Judie Siddall was introduced to blue and white transferware pottery by her mother and grandmother, but did not buy her first piece until 1977. An addiction was born! In 1990, she was told by her husband, David Hoexter, that she either become a transferware dealer or stop collecting. This was when Merlin Antiques was born, named after Judie's favorite black and white cat. Judie always enjoyed studying transferware and sharing that knowledge with others, so in 1998 she founded the Transferware Collectors Club (TCC), along with Norman Wolf and Dave Arman. Judie has served as the TCC Vice President, President, and is currently the Membership Secretary.

