2018- 2019 Gibbing Schedule for Camellia Shows near Pensacola

This schedule is an approximation based upon an average time between the application of the gibberellic acid and blooming of about 6 weeks, bracketed with applications a week earlier or later. Thus, there are three application dates for each show. For example, if you gib 2 blooms on each plant at each application, you would have gibbed a total of 6 blooms on that plant --- and with luck maybe 1 of them will open in time for that show. The estimated time is for an average japonica plant in moderate shade and under normal Pensacola weather conditions.

	Show Date	1st Application 7 weeks before	2nd Application 6 weeks before	3rd Application 5 weeks before
Boston, GA	11/3/18	9/16/18	9/23/18	9/30/18
Gulfport, MS	11/17/18	9/30/18	10/7/18	10/14/18
Slidell, LA (Ozone Club)	12/1/18	10/14/18	10/21/18	10/28/18
Pensacola, FL	12/8/18	10/21/18	10/28/18	11/4/18
Covington,LA (Northshore)/	1/5/19	11/18/18	11/25/18	12/2/18
Tallahasee, FL	1/12/19	11/25/18	12/2/18	12/9/18
Metairie,LA (New Orleans)	1/26/19	12/09/18	12/16/18	12/23/18
Brookhaven, LA	2/2/19	12/16/18	12/23/18	12/30/18
Baton Rouge,LA	2/9/19	12/23/18	12/30/18	1/06/19
Mobile, AL*	2/15/19	12/30/18	1/6/19	1/13/19

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There is no fixed time for the gib to take effect, and many factors will affect the time. Early blooming varieties usually bloom more quickly and late blooming varieties usually take longer; some take much longer. More mature buds will bloom sooner than less mature ones. Reticulatas normally average a longer time to bloom than do japonicas. Plants in full sun may also bloom sooner. Of course, abnormally warm weather will accelerate blooming, while heavy freezes and colder conditions will delay blooming. Go to the **American Camellia Society** website for a video demonstrating gibbing