



March 2 – March 5, 2017 · The Fairgrounds Nashville

Lecture Series Schedule

Free admission to all lectures presented on the day of ticket purchase

As of February 10, 2017

Thursday, March 2

- 10:30 a.m. **Don't Let Endangered Scare You:** Using Rare and Endangered Plants in Your Own Back Yard, presented by **Mike Berkley** GroWild Inc., Tennessee Plant Conservation Alliance, Fairview, TN www.growildinc.com
- 11:30 a.m. **Looking Back, Moving Forward**, presented by **Troy Marden**, Designer and Garden Travel, Nashville, TN www.troybarden.com
Looking at garden design through the ages, where we are headed in the future and most importantly, how new trends and directions relate to the home gardener.
- 12:30 p.m. **Think Outside the Hive**, presented by **Jay Williams**, Williams Honey Farm, Franklin, TN and Director of farm operations for Crown Bees (largest solitary bee breeder in the U.S.) www.crownbees.com
We will cover solitary bees, how they are different from honeybees and what makes them such incredible pollinators for your farm or backyard garden. Topics will include raising/growing your operation, care and maintenance, and the different solitary bee choices throughout your season. Boost your crop yield in 2017!
- 1:30 p.m. **Three Public Rose Gardens in Nashville:** How they were built and sustained, presented by **Ron Daniels**, ARS Consulting Rosarian, President Nashville Rose Society, Master Gardener
We will discuss the unique features of each garden.
- 2:30 p.m. **Discover the Wide Variety of Daffodils That Will Flourish in middle TN (and a few that will not!)** presented by **Becky Fox Matthews**, Past President of the American Daffodil Society (2011-2013)
Daffodils are not just yellow anymore. Newer varieties come with all shades of yellow, orange, pink, and even some with red and green! You'll be introduced to Charming pre-1940 historic daffodils; enchanting miniatures (a great fit for smaller gardens), and the newest and greatest hybrids in the world of daffodils!
- 3:30 p.m. **Subsoil**, presented by **Jeff Poppen**, the Barefoot Farmer, Biodynamic Farm, Red Boiling Springs, TN www.barefootfarmer.com
- 5:00 p.m. **Photography101**, presented by **David Cornett**, professional photographer, Abingdon, VA
An Introductory class for all ages, with an emphasis on digital phone and tablet photography. Topics include subject matter and how to get the best out of your equipment.

Friday, March 3

- 10:30 a.m. **Planting and Maintaining Conifers in The Landscape**, presented by **Andrew Pulte**, Ph.D., Public Horticulture Senior Lecturer, UT Department of Plant Sciences, Knoxville, TN
Interested in becoming a cone head? A beginner's guide to using conifers in the landscape. This talk will focus on everything from basic terminology to site requirements for using and maintaining conifers in your garden.

- 11:30 a.m. **Foraging Flowers, Natures Organics**, presented by **Kathy Bates**, floral designer, Rebel Hill Florist, Nashville, TN www.rebelhillflorist.com
A showcase of floral designs foraged from nature's beauty. Learn what you can design with materials gathered from your own home garden.
- 12:30 p.m. **Permaculture Gardening & the Indoor Farming Movement**, presented by **Sizwe Herring**, Earth Matters Tennessee, Nashville, TN www.emtn.net
- 1:30 p.m. **A Tree for Everyone**, presented by **Jason Reeves**, Horticulturist, UT Gardens, Jackson, TN
Trees can fit almost anyone's situation, from a small tree in a pot on the patio or a tall and skinny for a zero lot line to full size shade trees. There is a tree for you.
- 2:30 p.m. **Chickens 101**, presented by **Chelsey McMahon**, UT/TSU Williamson County 4-H Extension Agent
- 3:30 p.m. **The Edible Landscape** presented by **Todd Breyer**, Landscape Architect, Nashville, TN
- 5:00 p.m. **Discover the Mysteries of Owls**, presented by **Julie Eperjesi**, director of education, Owls Hill Sanctuary, Brentwood, TN www.owlshill.org
Experience seeing owls up close during this presentation.

Saturday, March 4

- 10:30 a.m. **Forest Gardening Demystified**: Simple steps to creating a forest garden, presented by **Cliff Davis** Spiral Ridge Permaculture Homestead, Design/Consulting Firm, Summertown, TN
www.spiralridgepermaculture.com
- 11:30 a.m. **Creative Play Spaces**: Let Your Imagination Guide You, presented by **Mark Kerske**, Gardens of Babylon, Nashville, TN www.gardensofbabylon.com
- 12:30 p.m. **More than Pretty, Plant These Useful Trees**, presented by **Carol Reese**, UT Extension, Ornamental Horticulture Specialist, Jackson, TN
They can be trees that provide fruit for humans and critters, trees with foliage for specific purposes both now and in our nation's history, which brings to mind, trees with historical significance, even fun facts about Johnny Appleseed and his mission, to today's trends toward more sustainability.
- 1:30 p.m. **Attracting, Supporting, and Enjoying Tennessee's Bluebirds and Hummingbirds**, presented by **Kent Hiday**, Wild Birds Unlimited, Nashville, TN www.wbu.com
Simple tips on how to attract Bluebirds, Hummingbirds, & to keep them Safe, Healthy & Happy!
- 2:30 p.m. **A Gardener's Guide to Reducing Environmental Impact ...** by getting to the root of the problem, presented by **Amy Dismukes**, UT/TSU Williamson County Extension Service
Landscape issues are very often misdiagnosed, resulting in the use of an incorrect control method; i.e. shot hole disease mimics insect feeding injury. Use of an insecticide to control disease results in: NO control, waste of time (and money) AND potential unnecessary pollinator injury/death. By correctly identifying the problem, we can utilize the correct control method, thereby decrease our environmental impact.
- 3:30 p.m. Presentation by the Nashville Zoo
- 5:00 p.m. **Just What Is That Stuff in My Soap!?**, presented by **Debra "Willow" Townsend**, DIHom, Tennessee Medicinals, McMinnville, TN www.tennessee Medicinals.com
Just what are those nasty chemical ingredients in your personal care products and what do they do? Learn about safer, more effective alternatives.

Sunday, March 5

11:00 a.m. **Gardening all Four Seasons**, presented by **Lucas Holman**, agriculture/horticulture instructor at Riverdale High School, Murfreesboro, TN
Learn about plants that light up each season.

12:00 p.m. **How Big of a Garden Do I Really Need To Feed My Family?**, presented by **Mike Nocks**, White Harvest Seed Co., Hartville, MO; whiteharvestseed.com

1:00 p.m. **The Woodland Garden**, presented by **Margie Hunter**, Author, *Gardening with the Native Plants of Tennessee: The Spirit of Place*, Nashville, TN www.gardeningwithnativeplants.com
Woodland gardens blend cooling summer shade with higher light levels, particularly in spring and fall, to favor a wide palette of native ornamentals. Five essential woodland characteristics guide homeowners in development of a successful landscape that is part shade, part sun, and all beauty.

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