

16th Annual P.L.A.N.T. Seminar

Sunday, January 22, 2012

Greater Columbus Convention Center -- 400 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio

The Perennial Plant Association & Ohio State University Extension Master Gardener Volunteers Present...



Perennials & Design - A Perfect Combination



7:30 am – 8:15 am – Registration

8:15 am – Welcome

Dr. Steven Still

Emeritus Professor, Ohio State University

8:30 am – Color in the Shade -

9 months of Natives in Bloom

Gene Bush

Munchkin Nursery & Gardens

Depauw, Indiana

This presentation presents plenty of bloom and color in the shade garden from March through November. What grows nearest us is often the loveliest, easiest to find gardening success; but also often ignored in favor of finicky foreign plants. This hour will change how you see native woodlanders as garden plants.

9:30 am – Creating the Nonstop Garden

Jennifer Benner

Roxbury, Connecticut

A nonstop garden doesn't mean nonstop work. Lower maintenance is just one of many benefits of four-season gardening. In this lecture, horticulturist Jennifer Benner will outline the benefits of creating a nonstop garden. She will highlight plant choices from key plant groups-trees, shrubs, perennials, annuals, edibles, bulbs, and vines-and explore other ornamental elements that help achieve year-round interest.

10:30 am – Beverage Break

**11:00 am - Landscaping in Drifts of One -
Residential Design for Plant Collectors**

Tony Avent,

Plant Delights Nursery

Raleigh, North Carolina

Gardening rules say to limit your plant palette but all this does is make gardens boring and identical. We'll send you in the other direction by showing how attention to colors, textures and forms in the garden allow you to have an unlimited plant palette, along with a more interesting, aesthetically pleasing and botanically diverse garden.

**12 noon – Lunch on your own - Food court
and other facilities nearby**

1:30 pm – Thrills & Chills -

New Perennials for 2012

Chris Hansen,

Great Garden Plants

Zeeland, Michigan

Join Chris for a fast-paced look at the exciting new sun and shade-loving perennials for 2012. Chris guarantees you'll experience a variety of "thrills & chills" as you enjoy a sneak preview of over 100 tantalizing new perennials. From the newest double-flowered coneflowers to Chris' own hellebore hybrids, you'll be entranced by these colorful new garden plants. Chris has promised that all plants presented are hardy to zone 5. AND..Chris is bringing 10 of his best new Winter Thiller™ hellebores for 10 lucky audience winners.

2:30 pm – Beverage Break

3:00 pm - Landscaping With Ornamental Grasses

Dr. Mary Meyer

University of Minnesota

Chaska, Minnesota

Join Dr. Meyer to learn what's new in landscaping with ornamental grasses. Dr. Meyer will present how to have less lawn and more ornamental grasses and making it acceptable to owners and neighbors. Grasses for tough sites, shade and slopes will be presented.

**4:00 pm -Container Gardening:
Drama For Every Season**

Paul Zammit

Toronto Botanic Garden

Toronto, Ontario

Just as outdoor landscapes change throughout the year, Paul believes seasonal transformations should also be reflected in dramatic container arrangements. Join Paul for an energetic presentation where he will discuss the steps to creating an eye catching and lasting planter. He will also highlight many of his favorite choice plants, container combinations and planter accents for every season.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION CREDIT IS OFFERED WITH THIS PROGRAM.

- The **Ohio Certified Nursery Technician Program** offers one unit of credit for attendance for the full day.
- The **Association of Professional Landscape Designers** offers one credit for each presentation for a total of six (6) APLD CEUs for the full day program.

Speakers of the 16th P.L.A.N.T. Seminar Sunday, January 22, 2012

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Tony Avent

Tony Avent is the owner of Plant Delights Nursery in Raleigh, North Carolina. Tony founded this nursery to help fund the activities of Juniper Level Botanic Gardens, a display and research garden with over 11,000 plants. Tony is well known as a lecturer and garden writer and recipient of prestigious awards from the American Horticultural Society, the North American Rock Garden Society, the North Carolina Association of Nurserymen, and the Perennial Plant Association, to name a few.

Jennifer Benner

A graduate of The Ohio State University horticulture program, Jennifer gained experience in nursery production, garden design, installation, and maintenance. She eventually worked as a horticulture manager, specializing in perennial and container gardens. Jennifer joined *Fine Gardening* magazine, where she spent seven years taking articles from conception to print as an associate editor. Now the communications manager for the Connecticut Forest & Park Association, she also works as a freelance writer, photographer, and horticulture consultant. Her book, *The Nonstop Garden*, a collaborative project with perennial expert Stephanie Cohen, was published by Timber Press.

Gene Bush

Gene Bush, along with his wife, is owner/operator of Munchkin Nursery & Gardens, LLC, in southern Indiana. The nursery and display gardens specialize in native and non-native perennial shade and woodland plants. Gene photographs, writes articles, and lectures from personal experience based upon growing the native, non-native mix of plants in his southern Indiana garden. Gene's writing and photographs appear in *Fine Gardening* and *The American Gardener*.

Chris Hansen

Chris is the vice-president of Great Garden Plants of Holland, Michigan. Great Garden Plants, established in 2007, is an online source of new and exciting garden plants. Chris' career in horticulture includes time in internships at the Missouri Botanic Garden and Longwood Gardens, as Director of Horticulture for Wayside Gardens, and in a wholesale nursery for several years. During this time Chris has visited and photographed thousands of nurseries and home gardens. His experiences searching for new perennials will be highlighted in "Thrills & Chills - New Perennials for 2012".

Dr. Mary Meyer

Dr. Mary Meyer is a professor in the Department of Horticulture Science at the University of Minnesota. As an extension horticulturist her research interests include native and ornamental grasses and sedges, especially *Miscanthus*, *Schizachyrium*, *Pennisetum*, and *Carex pensylvanica*. Dr. Meyer is the author of *Ornamental Grasses for Cold Climates*.

Paul Zammit

After graduating from the University of Guelph, Paul has spent more than twenty years in the horticulture industry. He has been a frequent speaker across Canada, in the United States, in Europe, and Bermuda. He has nearly two decades of management and retail experience at a leading garden centre in Toronto. His container designs have been showcased several times in assorted gardening magazines. Paul's designs have appeared in both television and in print and he has won numerous awards, including the Scotts Miracle-Gro, Do Up the Doorstep competition. He was awarded both the Perennial Plant Association's Young Professional Award and the Industry Service Award.

P.L.A.N.T. Seminar Registration: January 22, 2012

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