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LECTURES & PROGRAMS

TBG Lecture Series

Generously supported by The W. Garfield Weston Foundation and The S. Schulich Foundation

The Toronto Botanical Garden is proud to present the Spring 2013 TBG Lecture Series. Come early to buy a light dinner, visit shopTBG and take in Talking Books at 6:45 p.m. in the Weston Family Library.

Doors open: 6:30 p.m.

Lecture: 7:30 p.m.

Public \$25 / Students (with ID) \$15 / Members free. Door sales only.

Longwood Gardens: A Century of Inspiration

Thursday, April 4

Paul B. Redman, Director

How should a botanical garden maintain its legacy, remain relevant and prepare for the future? Join Paul Redman as he relates how a small farm purchased by Pierre S. du Pont in 1906 to save a collection of historic trees has become one of the world's great horticultural displays.

Whistling Gardens: Building a Botanical Garden

Thursday, May 16

Darren Heimbecker, Founder

From cornfield to botanical garden, hear the trials and triumphs of starting a nursery and garden centre plus construction of a 20-acre botanical garden. Located just south of Brantford, Ont., Whistling Gardens boasts the largest conifer collection in the world as well as Canada's only stone fountain amphitheatre.



CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Floral Design Certificate Program

This series of hands-on courses is taught by accredited floral design judges from the Garden Clubs of Ontario and is suitable for both personal and professional interest. torontobotanicalgarden.ca | 416-397-1341. See page 6 for courses offered this term.



Garden Design Certificate

Offered in partnership with Continuing Education at George Brown College, this certificate takes a practical approach to designing gardens and landscapes. coned.georgebrown.ca/gardening | 416-415-5000, ext 2092 | celiberal@georgebrown.ca



Certificate in Landscape Design

Ryerson University's G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education's Certificate in Landscape Design enables aspiring landscape designers to design and restore sustainable outdoor spaces in the residential, commercial and public sectors. ryerson.ca/ce/landscape | 416-979-5035 | ce@ryerson.ca | a2brinsm@ryerson.ca





COURSES & WORKSHOPS



BEEKEEPING SERIES

Including both in-class and 'in hive' components, this series provides a grounding in basic beekeeping. Please choose Group A (more week-ends) or Group B (more weekdays) when registering. Some sessions combine both.

Instructors: Mylee Nordin, Cathy Kozma, Oliver Couto and Paul Zammit.

Group A: [PG13S43]

Public \$240; Members \$195

Group B: [PG13S44]

Public \$240; Members \$195

Session 1: Intro to Bees & Hive Building

Groups A & B: Tuesday, April 2, 6 to 9 p.m.

Learn the importance of bees to the environment, and the history of the modern beehive. Explore hive building equipment.

Session 2: Designing & Planting a Pollinator Garden

Groups A & B: Tuesday, April 23, 1 to 4 p.m.

Learn the best plants for bee nutrition. Do some planting in the TBG Pollinator Garden.

Session 3: Planning the Season & the Spring Hive Check

Group A: Saturday, June 1,

1 to 4 p.m. Rain Date: Saturday, June 8, 1 to 4 p.m.

Group B: Wednesday, May 22,

1 to 4 p.m. Rain date:

Thursday, May 23, 1 to 4 p.m.

Learn about a typical beekeeping season, planning considerations, pitfalls and remedial options.

Session 4: The Summer Hive Check

Group A: Sunday, July 21,

1 to 4 p.m. Rain Date: Saturday, July 27, 1 to 4 p.m.

Group B: Wednesday, July 31,

1 to 4 p.m. Rain Date: Wednesday, Aug. 7, 1 to 4 p.m.

Learn to handle hive equipment, identify the queen, worker and drone bees, and participate in a TBG beehive check.

Session 5: The Honey Harvest

Groups A & B: Sunday, Sept. 15,

noon to 4 p.m. Rain Date:

Saturday, Sept. 21, noon to 4 p.m.

Learn to sort and pull capped honey frames, remove wax cappings, extract liquid honey from the honeycomb and return spun frames to the hive.



Session 6: Putting the Bees to Bed

Group A: Saturday, Nov. 2, 1 to 4 p.m. Rain Date: Saturday, Nov. 9, 1 to 4 p.m.

Group B: Wednesday, Nov. 6, 1 to 4 p.m. Rain Date: Wednesday, Nov. 13, 1 to 4 p.m.

Learn to wrap the hives and get the bees ready for winter.

GARDENING

Mystery in Garden Design

Wednesday, March 27, 7 to 9 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Things are not always what they seem! Explore design techniques to build suspense in your garden with surprising visual effects.

[PG13S11] Frank Kershaw



Companion Planting That Works

Wednesday, April 3, 7 to 9 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Companion planting is an ancient, ecologically sound practice. Find out which companions do well together and why.

[PG13S14] Maureen Hulbert

Caring for Clematis

Thursday, April 4, 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Learn about clematis identification, propagation, pruning, planting, care and the new herbaceous varieties.

[PG13S16] Marion Jarvie

The Harbingers of Spring

Tuesday, April 10, 7 to 9 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Design with plants that herald spring including wildflowers, shrubs, bulbs and ornamental grasses. Explore habitat and maintenance requirements.

[PG13S19] Frank Kershaw

When Good Plants Go Wild

Wednesday, April 17, 7 to 9 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Learn how ornamental invasive species can affect native flora, how to manage them in your garden, and the value of native plant gardening.

[PG13S28] John Oyston, North American Native Plant Society

April in the Jarvie Garden

Wednesday, April 24, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Public \$38; Members \$30

Now's the time to admire Marion's hellebores, early bulbs, flowering shrubs and trees. Focus on pruning, planting, feeding, mulching, lawn and groundcover care as well as remedies



for emerging problems. Directions to Marion's Thornhill garden provided.
[PG13S30] Marion Jarvie

Colour in the Garden

Thursday, April 25, 7 to 9 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Beautify your garden with harmonious or contrasting colour combinations.

Discover how seasonal light differences and texture change colour perception. Review colour theories.

[PG13S31] Anna Leggatt

Pruning Made Easy Series

Spring Pruning: Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

[PG13S48]

Fall Pruning: Saturday, Oct. 26, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. [PG13F01]

Each session: Public \$65; Members \$55

Learn seasonal pruning techniques and the right tools for the job. Each session includes live demos and an outdoor 'virtual pruning' walk.

TAKE BOTH SESSIONS AND SAVE 15 PER CENT!

[PG13S45] Public \$110; Members \$93
Jim Lounsbury

Native Orchids of Ontario

Tuesday, May 7, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Ontario boasts 65 different native orchids. Learn to recognize them, discover why they need our protection, their specialized habitats and the best times to find them.

[PG13S37] Tom Shields, Southern Ontario Orchid Society

May in the Jarvie Garden

Wednesday, May 22, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Public \$38; Members \$30

Admire Marion's newly blooming shrubs, trees and perennials. Learn what to plant now for summer-long beauty. Discuss native wildlife, fertilizing, pests and biological controls. Directions to Marion's Thornhill garden provided.

[PG13S41] Marion Jarvie

Expand Your Plant ID

Saturday, April 13, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Public \$65; Members \$55

Hone your plant id skills in class and on a walk through Wilket Creek, then learn how to press, mount and label plants, herbarium style. Suitable for intermediate to advanced gardeners.

[PG13S20] Stefan Weber

Growing From Seed

Monday, March 4, 7 to 9 p.m.

Public \$40; Members \$32

Get the jump on spring by starting your vegetables and annuals from seed indoors. Experience hands-on seed planting and take home some seeds and a windowsill greenhouse kit.

[PG13S04] Connie Hunter, Toronto Master Gardener



Vegetable Gardening Basics

Tuesday, March 26, 7 to 9 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Don't be intimidated about growing vegetables! Learn the basics of growing the most popular ones in your garden or in containers. Also includes issues



such as diseases, pests, special needs and when and how to harvest.
[PG13S10] Connie Hunter, Toronto Master Gardener

**Growing the Romantics:
Roses, Peonies, Irises**

Thursday, May 23, 7 to 9 p.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Bring these divas into your garden! Learn how to plant, prune, grow and overwinter, discuss low maintenance tips and hardy varieties.

[PG13S42] Veronica Callinan, Toronto Master Gardener

FLORAL DESIGN

Course fees do not include flowers or supplies. Unless otherwise indicated, all courses can be applied to the Floral Design Certificate.

Basic Floral Design

Wednesdays, March 6 to 27, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Public \$165; Members \$135

Gain in-depth knowledge of plant material and design techniques. This course is required to enter the Garden Clubs of Ontario Judges School.

Prerequisite: Introduction to Floral Design (pre-requisite waived for GCO entrants).

[PG13S05] Brandy Hermant

**Floral Design Preview
at Canada Blooms**

Saturday, March 16, 8:30 to 10 a.m.

Public \$32; Members \$25

Enjoy this guided preview of the Toronto Flower Show at Canada Blooms. Fee includes admission. Cannot be applied to the Floral Design Certificate.

[PG13S07] Margaret Taylor





Modern Design Techniques

Wednesdays, April 3 to 24,
6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Public \$165; Members \$135

Learn key techniques for cutting edge modern floral designs, such as leaf manipulation, making wire grass forms, armatures and jewelry. Prerequisites: Introduction to Floral Design and Basic Floral Design.

[PG13S12] Margaret Taylor

Creative Floral Design

Wednesdays, May 1 to 22, 6:30 to
9:30 p.m.

Public \$165; Members \$135

Explore such groundbreaking techniques from the 1960s as parallel, satellitic, synergistic, underwater and duo designs. Prerequisites: Introduction to Floral Design and Basic Floral Design.

[PG13S33] Pat Ware



GARDENING ON THE WEB

Managing Your Digital Photos

Wednesday, March 13, 1 to 3 p.m./
Tuesday, April 16, 10 a.m. to noon

Public \$25; Members \$20

Upload, share and use your digital photos with online tools such as Photobucket, Flickr and Facebook. Bring your photos on a laptop or USB key.

[PG13S26] Zack Osborne

Gardening on the Web: Cover the Basics

Tuesday, March 26, 10 a.m. to noon

Public \$25; Members \$20

Learn internet essentials from web browsers and search engines to search strategies, Google-specific features, bookmarking, and more.

[PG13S09] Zack Osborne

Gardening on the Web: Search the Web

Wednesday, April 3, 1 to 3 p.m.

Public \$25; Members \$20

Designed for answer-driven gardeners, this session covers a wide range of horticulture databases and free online resources.

[PG13S13] Zack Osborne

ART

Spring Flowers

Tuesdays, March 19 to April 23,
10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (6 sessions)

Public \$235; Members \$190

Explore the beauty, including colour and texture varieties, of early spring flowers while developing your artistic skills. Suitable for beginner to advanced in graphite and coloured pencil; intermediate to advanced in watercolour.

[PG13S08] Nellie Sue Potter



Botanical Art Studio

Thursdays, April 4 to June 20, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (no classes April 25 or May 30). (10 sessions)
 Public \$375; Members \$300
 Develop your own botanical painting style. Instruction is based on your expertise level. All levels welcome. Bring watercolour materials and an inspirational subject.
 [PG13S15] Leslie Staple

Brushes with Serenity: Spring Delights

Mondays, April 8 to May 6, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. May 6 session is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (5 sessions)
 Public \$225; Members \$180
 Use bamboo brushes, ink and watercolours on rice paper to depict the warmth and soft colours of spring. Extra \$30 if materials required.
 [PG13S17] Moira Mudie

Botanical Art for Beginners

Saturdays, April 13 to May 18, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (6 sessions)
 Public \$225; Members \$180
 Start your weekend right by creating beautiful botanical artwork. Drawing exercises lead to an intro to watercolour. Individual assistance in a relaxed atmosphere. No experience necessary.
 [PG13S21] Leslie Staple

NATURE

What's the Buzz in the Hive?

Tuesday, April 16, 7 to 9 p.m.
 Public \$32; Members \$25
 How do bees communicate? Examine the soundless interactions between honey bees, which lead to the creation of queens, departure of swarms and ability to turn nectar into honey.
 [PG13S27] Mylee Nordin

Introduction to Birding

Thursday, May 2, 7 to 9 p.m.
 Public \$32; Members \$25
 Learn to identify birds by sight and sound, how to use a field guide and binoculars and more. Ideal for beginners.
 [PG13S34] Zak Smith

Beginner Birding Walk

Saturday, May 4, 7 to 9 a.m.
 Public \$32; Members \$25
 In this follow-up to the Introduction to Birding, put your newfound skills to use on an early morning bird walk in Edward Gardens. Ideal for beginners.
 [PG13S35] Zak Smith
TAKE BOTH SESSIONS AND SAVE 15 PER CENT! Public \$54; Members \$42 [PG13S--]





WELLNESS

Qi Gong

**Mondays, March 4 to April 29,
1 to 2:30 p.m. (no class on
March 25). (8 sessions)**

Public \$125; Members \$100

Discover how easy breathing exercises and soft movements can relax and energize your mind, body and spirit. Suitable for all levels.

[PG13S02] Vera Stern

WALK-IN

Drop in and try it out! [PG13503]
\$10 per class

Yoga

**Mondays, April 15 to June 24
(no class May 20). (10 sessions)**

Rejuvenating classes encourage a balance between endurance, strength and flexibility. All levels welcome. Bring a yoga mat and towel.

• TAKE ALL TEN CLASSES

[PG13S22] 4:30 to 6 p.m.

[PG13S23] 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Public \$185; Members \$150

• TAKE ANY FIVE CLASSES

[PG13S24] 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Public \$100; Members \$80

• WALK-IN

Drop in and try it out!

[PG13S25] \$20 per class

Instructor: Janet Croken

Herbal Medicine in the Garden Series

Join registered herbalist Danette Steele for these hands-on herbal workshops.

EACH SESSION: Public \$50;

Members \$40

TAKE ALL THREE SESSIONS AND

SAVE 15 PER CENT: Public \$130;

Members \$100

Planting the Seeds for Future Healing

**Tuesday, April 23, 6:30 to
9:30 p.m.**

While sampling herbal teas learn about ten easy-to-grow medicinal plants and their therapeutic uses. Do a seed planting demo to take home, plus a garden plan and medicinal herb use list.

[PG13S29] Danette Steele

Making Spring Tonics

**Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 to
9:30 p.m.**

Give yourself a boost this spring by learning about ten herbs that increase energy and vitality. Make and take home an herbal remedy and spring tonic recipes.

[PG13S32] Danette Steele

Walking on the Wild Side - Weeds as Medicine

Tuesday, May 7, 1 to 4 p.m.

Take a guided walk to identify local wild plant medicine, and learn how to gather herbs sustainably. Take home a list of plants and their culinary and medicinal uses.

[PG13S36] Danette Steele

PHOTOGRAPHY

Foundations of Photography

Wednesday, May 15, 1 to 5 p.m.

Public \$55; Members \$45

Learn the basics of digital photography. Includes demos and guided exercises.

Bring your fully charged digital camera.

[PG13S39] Mark Trusz



SPECIAL EVENTS

Spring TBG Art Gallery Exhibit Opening

**Thursday, March 14, 7 to 8:30 p.m.
FREE**

Welcome our Spring exhibitor, photographer Marilyn Cornwell. Flowerography is an expression of the delicate beauty of the floral realm. Marvelling The Mushroom delves into the abstract miniature world of mushrooms.



Grow, Cook and Relish: Spring Greens

Tuesday, April 9, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Public \$50; Members \$40

From watercress and kale to dandelions, fiddleheads and arugula — enjoy a fun evening of cooking and sharing; then take some home! Co-supported by the Compost Council of Canada and Plant a Row • Grow a Row.
[PG13S18] Lisa Kates, Chef

Earth Day

Sunday, April 21, noon to 4 p.m.
FREE, rain or shine. Join the final planting of the TBG's newest wildlife-friendly garden, the Woodland Walk and Bird Habitat. Purchase native

plants, take a free garden tour, or bring your little sprouts to plant the Alphabet Garden in the Teaching Garden.

TBG Plant Sale

Preview Day: May 8, 10 a.m. to noon (Friends) & noon to 8 p.m. (Members)

Open to the Public: May 9 to 10, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. & May 11 to 12, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Check out coveted plants from the TBG gardens, native plants and more. Support the TBG. Members enjoy a 10 per cent discount (bring your card).

Mother's Day Tea & Truffle Pairing

Saturday, May 11, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Public \$65; Members \$55
Two tickets and a one-year TBG membership for Mom: \$145
Enjoy a delightful afternoon of tea and chocolate truffle pairing plus tips on tea selection and brewing.
[PG13S38] Hoda Paripoush, Certified Tea Sommelier, Director
Sloane Fine Tea Merchants





PHOTOS: TEXTILE MUSEUM OF CANADA

HortiCULTURE Salon Series: Natural Resources

Wednesday, May 15, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Public \$15; Members \$10

Discover the Textile Museum of Canada's international collection of plant fibre artefacts and explore the connection between historic textile practices and innovative materials used in modern architecture and design. [PG13S40] Natalia Nekrassova, Curator of Collections & Research

Woman to Woman Luncheon in the Garden

Thursday, May 30, noon to 2 p.m.

Tickets: \$125 each

Enjoy a moveable feast with fashions, music, hats and party frocks. Prizes for the most creative hat or fascinator. Tickets and info: 416-397-1483 or torontobotanicalgarden.ca

Day Tour: Spectacular Town and Country Gardens

**Thursday, June 20, 8:30 a.m. to
6:30 p.m.**

Public \$120; Members \$100

Tour town and country gardens of Guelph and Elora Region including rockeries, scree gardens, outdoor

garden rooms, ponds and riverfront oases. Includes lunch at the historic Breadalbane Inn.

[PG13S01] Frank Kershaw

TBG Book Club

**Last Wednesday of each month,
7 to 8:30 p.m.**

FREE; Open to TBG and Book-Lovers Members only.

Join our friendly group of garden lit lovers on the last Wednesday of the month to discuss books with a gardening theme. To register and for more info, contact Jan Neuman: janneuman@rogers.com / 416-656-8246.

SAVE THE DATE!

Through the Garden Gate: Forest Hill

**Saturday, June 8 and Sunday,
June 9**

One day pass: Public \$40;

Members \$35. Two day pass:

Public \$52.50; Members \$47.50

Visit glamorous, private gardens in one of Toronto's most prestigious neighbourhoods.

Tickets and info: 416-397-1483 or torontobotanicalgarden.ca



GARDEN TRAVEL

Soul Inspiring Garden Tours

Join these small group tours in 2013. Paris/ London 100th Anniversary Chelsea Flower Show, Tuscany, Italy and Grapes & Gardens of Argentina! Visit www.gardeningtours.com for itinerary or e-mail donna@icangarden.com

Philadelphia, Buffalo, Reford and More!

Join Margaret in 2013 for the Philadelphia Flower Show, Orchid Extravaganza at Longwood, Buffalo Garden Festival and Quebec Garden Tour including Reford Gardens! Plus a return excursion to the Brandywine Valley in May. Margaret@hnatravel.com

Heatherington & Assoc. 416-746-7199/ 1-877-672-3030

Chelsea, South Africa, New Zealand, Portugal and More!

Enjoy RHS/Collette garden tours of London and the Chelsea Flower Show, the floral wonders of South Africa, New Zealand's stunning garden route, and the gardens of Portugal. Tours to Italy, France and the USA also available. sales@cruisenet.ca; www.cruisenet.ca; 905-829-0111

Garden Celebrity Tours

Join David Hobson in May for the Chelsea Flower Show including London & Edinburgh; Marjorie Harris in September for Gardens of Naples and the Amalfi Coast. www.travelspecifics.com 1 888 823 5849 linda@travelspecifics.com

Support the TBG and mention that you saw it here! A portion of TBG registrations for these trips goes to support our programs.



Our Cancellation Policy is Changing As of Jan. 1, 2013: if cancellation occurs one week or less prior to the class start date, no refund or transfer will be given. If cancellation occurs more than one week prior to the class start date, TBG will retain 20 per cent as an administrative fee on refunds. TBG will retain a transfer fee of \$10 for courses with a pre-tax cost of under \$50, and \$25 for courses over \$50. 416-397-1362.

ABOUT THE TORONTO BOTANICAL GARDEN



The TBG offers year-round learning experiences for all ages including programs, garden tours, nature day camps and field trips, along with the Weston Family Library, Canada's largest private horticultural library. Toronto Botanical Garden is a registered charity No. BN11922 7486 R0001. For more information, visit torontobotanicalgarden.ca or call 416-397-1341.

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