

Special Lecture Series | The American Landscape: Nature and Place

The New York Botanical Garden, New-York Historical Society, and Foundation for Landscape Studies present this series of Tuesday evening slide lectures. These presentations explore landscapes of different kinds and at different scales, which synthesize art and nature in ways that are environmentally respectful, experientially rewarding, and a source of personal delight. Each lecture is followed by a conversation between the guest speaker and Elizabeth Barlow Rogers, president of the Foundation for Landscape Studies.

Tuesday evenings, January 9, February 13, March 6, April 10, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 9

A Gardener's Conversations with the Woods



Rick Darke is president of Rick Darke LLC, an independent consulting firm focused on landscape ethics, photography, and contextual design. His work has been featured on National Public Radio and is reflected in the many books he has authored, including the award-winning *The American Woodland Garden: Capturing the Spirit of the Deciduous Forest*. Mr. Darke discusses three decades of woodland observation and interaction, and how this exchange has influenced the eyes, ears, and heart of a naturalist-turned-gardener.

WI LAN 825 Section A: Jan. 9

Tuesday, February 13

The H2O Landscape



Tony Hiss has written 13 books, including the award-winning *The Experience of Place*. He was a staff writer at *The New Yorker* for more than three decades. Mr. Hiss presents the startling findings behind his most recent book, *H2O: Highlands to Ocean*, which show that, despite 400 years of non-stop growth in the region, so much spectacular natural land and water survives that New York's "great natural building blocks are still intact, still functioning, still integrated with one another."

WI LAN 825 Section B: Feb. 13



Elizabeth Barlow Rogers organized this series.

Seating is limited, so please register early. Registration will be accepted at the door only if seating is available.

Register for all four and receive a discount (WI LAN 825 Section E):
\$97 non-members, \$87 members

Registration fee for each lecture:
\$27 non-member, \$25 member

Location: The New-York Historical Society
170 Central Park West (at 77th Street)
New York, NY 10024

Time: 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 6

The American Parkway: Past, Present, and Future



Tim Davis is the lead historian for the National Park Service's Park Historic Structures and Cultural Landscapes Program. His writings on parkways and other aspects of

the American landscape have appeared in numerous journals and the prize-winning volume *America's National Park Roads & Parkways: Drawings from the Historic American Engineering Record*. Parkways combine recreation, transportation, and natural resource protection in landscapes specifically designed to promote the enjoyment of scenery in motion. This conversation traces the evolution of the American parkway, discuss contemporary management concerns, and speculate on future prospects.

WI LAN 825 Section C: March 6

Tuesday, April 10

Nature in the City



Landscape architect **Carol Franklin**, is a founding member of Andropogon Associates, Ltd., a firm that has pioneered the rediscovery and celebration of place.

She is currently finishing a book on a park system in the dramatic gorge of Philadelphia's Wissahickon Valley and the suburban countryside directly abutting it. Ms. Franklin reflects on how park systems based on rivers and their tributaries protect regions, cities, and neighborhoods from the worst effects of urban sprawl: destruction of natural areas, general loss of urban character, and homogenization of the suburban landscape.

WI LAN 825 Section D: April 10