NEW! Japanese Gardening Saturday, November 10

This special Saturday program offers classes related to Kiku: *The Art of the Japanese Chrysanthemum* on display in the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory Courtyards, October 20–November 18. Japanese gardens inspire on many levels: thoughtful plant choices, graceful paths, artistic ornaments, and intriguing water features. Whether you would like to create an entire Japanese-inspired landscape or simply incorporate plants native to Japan into your home garden, there's something for you. Learn about Japanese plants (perennials, shrubs, trees, and bamboo!), their uses in the landscape, and how to shape your garden to create a serene and inspiring Japanese-style scene. Participants select as many as three from six topics.

Saturday, November 10, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Plants from Japan for American Gardens

The rich flora of Japan provides a diversity of elegant plants for sunny and shady gardens. Whether your own garden is formal, naturalistic, or casual, there are Japanese plants for you to enjoy.

Judy Glattstein, a garden consultant and popular instructor at the Garden, lectures on garden topics across the U.S. and abroad. She is an award-winning author on water gardening, shade gardening, bulbs, and more. Her latest garden book is *Bulbs for Garden Habitats*, published by Timber Press in 2005.

FA GAR 232 Section A: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

NEW! Bamboo in the Landscape

In Japanese gardens, bamboo is both horticultural specimen and design element. Susanne Lucas illustrates the place of bamboo in Japanese landscape design, introduces students to several of Japan's great bamboo gardens, and offers suggestions for incorporating bamboo into American gardens.

Susanne Lucas is past president of the American Bamboo Society, executive director of the World Bamboo Organization, and is manager of BambooSelect U.S. Frustrated by the challenges of Boston winters, she became obsessed with growing cold-hardy bamboo in the 1980s. She has traveled extensively to see bamboo in the wild to understand what it needs to survive in cultivated gardens.

FA GAR 232 Section B: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

12:30-2:30 p.m.

Elements of a Japanese-Inspired Garden

The minimalist character of Japanese gardens has much to offer American gardeners. Refined and elegant, elements of Japanese garden style can be adapted to our own garden objectives. Learn about seasonal aspects of the Japanese garden and how water and stone are employed to suggest the natural landscape.

Judy Glattstein See previous description.

FA GAR 232 Section C: 12:30–2:30 p.m.

NEW! How to Grow Bamboo

Bamboo is a large and varied group of plants, with more than 1,400 types worldwide! Students learn about the many types of bamboo, concentrating on cold-hardy types that grow well in the New York metro area. Cultivation, management, and companion plants, as well as sources, give both the beginner and the experienced gardener confidence to grow this unique plant effectively and responsibly.

Susanne Lucas See previous description.

FA GAR 232 Section D: 12:30–2:30 p.m.

Fee for each session:

\$31 non-members, \$28 members Attend all three sessions and receive a 10% discount.



Conservatory Courtyard

2:45-4:45 p.m.

NEW! The Framework of Japanese Gardens

A Japanese garden is more than a collection of plants and stone; it is a structured environment of human scale and perception. Consider concepts and techniques adaptable to our landscape: the use of focal points, S-curves, berms, and pathways. Study the role of plant material and how various pruning and gardening techniques create a successful Japanese garden.

Asher Browne studied Japanese gardening in Kyoto, Japan, and specializes in Japanese garden aesthetics and pruning techniques. He is a certified arborist and is principal of a garden planning and installation firm in New Jersey.

FA GAR 232 Section E: 2:45-4:45 p.m.

NEW! Fall Color in the Garden

Japanese gardens are planted with autumn in mind. Besides highlighting *kiku* (chrysanthemums), they include a variety of woody ornamentals with fascinating foliage shapes and a great range of fall color. Learn to recreate this Japanese celebration of autumn in your own garden with a combination of plants from Japan and around the world: maples, serviceberry, sweet gum, chokeberry, and dogwood, to name just a few.

Vincent Simeone is the Director of Planting Fields Arboretum in Oyster Bay, Long Island and a horticultural consultant. His latest book is *Wonders of the Winter Landscape—Shrubs and Trees to Brighten the Cold-Weather Garden*.

FA GAR 232 Section F: 2:45-4:45 p.m.

Gardening: Special Saturday Programs

Houseplant Extravaganza, January 12

Do you enjoy indoor plants and want to expand your plant palatte? Houseplant Extravaganza, this special Saturday, is for you. Learn to diversify your collection and, perhaps, find a new affinity for tropical plants. This all-day program features stimulating classes on how to use exotic and unusual plants to add beauty to an interior landscape. Participants select as many as three from six topics.

Saturday, January 12, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

NEW! Beyond African Violets: Flowering Gesneriads for Your Home

Everyone knows the African violet, which is a member of the Gesneriad family, and includes many plants that flower well indoors. Consider *Gloxinia, Streptocarpus, Columnea, Episcia,* and many other easily grown species and hybrids. Students learn about the culture and propagation of these favorites (among others!) and come away with a list of recommended Gesneriads.

Michael Riley is president of the Greater New York Gesneriad Society. He was director of the New York Flower Show and a former president of the American Gloxinia and Gesneriad Society. He has participated in numerous plant expeditions to Central and South America and works with Ecuagenera, the largest exporter of orchids and tropical plants in Ecuador.

WI GAR 128 Section A: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Orchids at Home

If you're tempted to try an orchid but afraid you'll fail with these tropical beauties, fear no more. There are many lovely orchids that adapt easily to growing conditions in the average home. Learn about recommended species and the basics of watering, fertilization, and general care. Take the plunge.

Elena Gaillard Andrews is a past president of the Manhattan Orchid Society and has taught numerous orchid classes.

WI GAR 128 Section B: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Fee for each session:

\$31 non-members, \$28 members Attend all three sessions and receive a 10% discount. 12:30-2:30 p.m.

An Indoor Herb Garden

Maybe you grew fabulous herbs on your windowsill all summer long and don't want to give up their savory goodness just because it's winter. Or maybe you don't have an outdoor garden, but long to cook with fresh, homegrown herbs. Discover which herbs (traditional and exotic) adapt well to indoor culture and how to make the most of your indoor growing conditions. There's no reason why you can't harvest from your indoor herb garden all year round.

Leda Meredith is a professional gardener and ethnobotanist with expertise in growing herbs and tender plants both indoors and out. Her clients are residential, commercial, and institutional, on rooftops, patios, and other urban settings.

WI GAR 128 Section C: 12:30-2:30 p.m.

NEW! Aristocratic Aroids: Fabulous Foliage for Your Home

Fabulous foliage is the backbone of any garden, indoors or out. For exceptional indoor foliage look to the Aroid family, which includes many plants that are very easy to grow in the average home (e.g., *Monstera, Anthurium, Alocasia, Philodendron, Scindapsis,* and many more!). Plant shapes, textures, and colors are infinitely variable and endlessly fascinating. Students explore their availability, ease of culture, and propagation techniques.

Michael Riley See previous description.

WI GAR 128 Section D: 12:30-2:30 p.m.



2:45-4:45 p.m.

NEW! Flowering Houseplants

Flowering indoor plants bring color, fragrance, and a touch of the exotic into your home. Learn which species do best in your home and how to care for them so they continue to bloom month after month. Among the plants to be covered are many varieties of bromeliads, hoyas, wax begonias, jasmine, cape primrose as well as orchids.

Leda Meredith See previous description.

WI GAR 128 Section E: 2:45–4:45 p.m.

Cacti and Succulents

Many cacti and succulents make superb houseplants; they're low-maintenance plants with a wide range of colors and shapes, fabulous foliage, and surprising flowers. Learn how to propagate them, how to care for them indoors, and how to summer them outside. Put down that watering can! You don't want to kill these plants with kindness. Growing tips and recommended species give you a well-rounded introduction to the world of cacti and succulents.

Joseph DiMattio has worked with the cactus and succulent collection at Wave Hill for the past six years. A lifetime gardener, he and his wife created Riverhill Garden in Ulster County on the west bank of the Hudson, which features an extensive terrace collection of cacti and succulents.

WI GAR 128 Section F: 2:45-4:45 p.m.

Shade Gardening Saturday, February 9

This exciting day offers a selection of classes for those gardeners who have sunchallenged gardens. Whether you wonder how to evaluate how much shade you have or want help choosing which plants to grow, you will discover how to create a lush oasis of flowers and foliage. Participants select as many as three from six topics.

Saturday, February 9, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Spectacular Blooming Shrubs for Shade

This slide-illustrated lecture features timetested plants from the instructor's organic garden. Learn about a wide selection of sumptuous flowering, often fragrant, easy-care shrubs that thrive in the shade. Advice on plant care, including planting, feeding, and pruning is provided.

Lois Sheinfeld, an environmentalist, has taught at Stanford University in California and at NYU. She currently lectures on a broad range of garden topics in the tri-state area. She was a member of the founding Board of Directors of the Manhattan Rose Society and received an Award of Merit from the American Rose Society for her published writing on organic gardening.

WI GAR 137 Section A: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

NEW! The Different Shades of Shade

How do you define and measure shade? Do you have filtered light, dappled shade, heavy shade? How much light does a part-shade plant really need? Learn to measure your light/shade levels and demystify shade to make the most of the light you've got.

Michael Ruggiero is a horticulturist at Matterhorn Nursery in Spring Valley, N.Y. He is a long-time instructor at the Garden and the former Senior Curator in the Horticulture Department. He frequently lectures and writes on gardening topics and has authored several books. Among his most well-known books are *Annuals with Style* and *Perennial Gardening*.

WI GAR 137 Section B: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

12:30-2:30 p.m.

NEW! City Gardens in Shade

Many of our urban gardens are shade gardens; buildings cast large shadows over back yards, terraces, and even curbside gardens. Learn how to be a successful city gardener by making informed plant choices (annuals, perennials, vines, shrubs, and trees) and giving these plants the care they require.

Sara Stopek holds a BA from Harvard and a Certificate in Horticulture. Gardener-in-Chief of Sara Gardens, she designs, installs, and maintains gardens. She has written on urban garden topics such as selecting and protecting front garden plantings and growing herbs in containers.

WI GAR 137 Section C: 12:30-2:30 p.m.

NEW! Deer-Resistant Plants for Shade

Do you have a shady garden? Do you share that garden with the occasional (or not so occasional) deer? Learn which shade plants (including annuals, perennials, trees, shrubs, and vines) are also deer resistant, so that Bambi can look elsewhere for his smorgasboard.

Michael Ruggerio See previous description.

WI GAR 137 Section D: 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Fee for each session:

\$31 non-members, \$28 members Attend all three sessions and receive a 10% discount.



Shade perennials in the Perennial Garden

2:45-4:45 p.m.

NEW! Containers for Shade

A container garden offers certain challenges. Additionally, when that garden is in the shade, you need specialized information! Learn which shade loving plants do best in containers, and how to adjust your garden maintenance for these specific growing conditions.

Sara Stopek See previous description.

WI GAR 137 Section E: 2:45–4:45 p.m.

Herb Gardens Made for Shade

If you thought herb gardens had to be sunny, think again. A wide range of herbs can be cultivated in the shade. Many are fragrant and ornamental in addition to having culinary and medicinal uses. Include these double (and triple) duty plants in your shady border or woodland garden.

Leda Meredith is a professional gardener and ethnobotanist with expertise in growing herbs and tender plants both indoors and out. Her clients are residential, commercial, and institutional, on rooftops, patios, and other urban settings.

WI GAR 137 Section F: 2:45-4:45 p.m.

Gardening: Special Saturday Programs

Spring Fever Saturday, March 1

Spring is just around the corner and with a little advance preparation you will be ready to start the growing season right. Classes on spring garden tasks, new plants, and early spring bloom help you prepare for the growing season. Sessions are led by experts in their fields. Participants select as many as three from six topics.

Saturday, March 1, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Fine Tune Your Soil

If you get your soil right from the start, your garden will explode with gratitude. Rich, nutritious soil makes for large, healthy plants and reduces the need for regular fertilization. Learn the difference between sandy and clay soils, alkaline, neutral, and acidic soils, how these differences affect plant choice and growth, and how you can modify your soil. Find out what plants grow in what types of soil. Give your garden a solid foundation and you'll reap the benefits for years to come.

Duncan Himmelman holds a Ph.D. in Ornamental Horticulture from Cornell and has over 20 years experience in practicing and teaching horticulture.

WI GAR 225 Section A: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

NEW! Spring Maintenance

Spring cleaning is as important outdoors as it in indoors...and lots more fun to do!
Raking back your winter mulch, cutting back perennials left up for winter interest, adjusting soil nutrients... take care of these tasks early on to start your growing season off on the right foot.

Sara Stopek holds a BA from Harvard and a Certificate in Horticulture. As principal of Sara Gardens, she designs, installs, and maintains gardens for and with client gardeners-in-training. She has written on urban garden topics such as selecting and protecting front garden plantings and growing herbs in containers.

WI GAR 225 Section B: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

12:30-2:30 p.m.

NEW! First Flowers of Spring

If you think snowdrops and crocus are the classic spring flowers, get ready to expand your plant palette. Others include familiar bulbs, hardy cool-weather bloomers, spring ephemerals, as well as many native plants. Students learn how to stretch the gardening season by choosing and cultivating these first flowers of spring.

Sara Stopek See previous description.

WI GAR 225 Section C: 12:30–2:30 p.m.

Dividing and Transplanting

Early spring, with its cool temperatures and plentiful rain, is the perfect time to divide and transplant many garden perennials. Dividing also helps keep your plants healthy and floriferous, and lets you rearrange your garden without spending lots of money! Learn how to split and move perennials without stressing them, making the most of the plants in your garden.

Michael Ruggiero is a horticulturist at Matterhorn Nursery in Spring Valley, N.Y. He is a long-time instructor at the Garden and the former Senior Curator in the Horticulture Department. He frequently lectures and writes on gardening topics and has authored several books. Among his most well-known books are *Annuals with Style* and *Perennial Gardening*.

WI GAR 225 Section D: 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Fee for each session:

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Rhododendron flower

2:45-4:45 p.m.

NEW! Spring Shape Up

Are you intimidated by the idea of pruning? Learn when is the best time to prune your trees and shrubs, why you should prune them, how to prune them and what tools are needed for the job. Understand the difference between maintenance and rejuvenation pruning. Spring is a great time to get your woody plants in shape, thinning out overgrown plants to create open, healthy, beautiful trees and shrubs. Start your garden off right by getting rid of deadwood before the flush of new growth kicks into high gear.

Michael Ruggerio See previous description.

WI GAR 225 Section E: 2:45–4:45 p.m.

Starting from Seed

Seed starting should be one of your first steps in gearing up for the gardening season. Starting your own plants from seed is both horticulturally satisfying and economical. Also, many unusual plants may be difficult to locate, but their seeds are easier to find. Learn about the dos and don'ts of seed starting, direct seeding, transplanting, and different methods for starting seeds. Then start your own seeds and get ready for spring!

Jim Carr is the author of *Gardening and Landscaping the Natural Way.* He uses his natural method to manage properties ecologically.

WI GAR 225 Section F: 2:45-4:45 p.m.

Native Plants Saturday: March 29

Native plants are all the rage, and with good reason. Many native American annuals, perennials, shrubs, and trees make superb garden plants; they often require minimal maintenance and offer excellent pest and disease resistance. Learn how to choose the right native plants for your garden, then discover a variety of woody and herbaceous species, including evergreens and deciduous plants. Consider plant combinations, learn which invasive plants are threats to the native ecology, and explore the care and maintenance of your native plant garden. Participants select as many as three from six topics on this new special day.

Saturday, March 29, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

NEW! What is a Native Plant?

Exotic plants, naturalized plants, native plants... so many terms, so much confusion. What is the difference between naturalized and native? Natives mean different plants to different people. Are you looking for plants native to North America? To the mid-Atlantic? To the state where you live? Learn about the different levels of native-ness, then consider representatives from each group and decide for yourself which are right for you.

Jody Payne is Curator of the Rock Garden at the Botanical Garden and a graduate of the Garden's School of Professional Horticulture.

WI GAR 202 Section A: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Invasive Plants

Invasive exotic plants are a huge threat to our native ecology, causing habitat destruction for native plants and animals alike. Learn what makes a plant invasive, which plants to avoid, and how to get rid of invasive plants that may already have taken hold in your garden.

Carol Levine is author of *A Guide to Wildflowers in Winter.* She holds a MA in biology education from Fairfield University and currently serves on the board of the Bartlett Arboretum in Stamford, Conn.

WI GAR 202 Section B: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Fee for each session:

\$31 non-members, \$28 members Attend all three sessions and receive a 10% discount.

12:30-2:30 p.m.

NEW! A Native Perennial Garden

Native plants often outperform their exotic counterparts in the perennial garden and as their popularity grows, more exciting native perennials are available in garden centers across the country. Learn which natives are best suited to various landscapes (sun, shade, and a range of soil types) plus environmentally sensitive tips on growing and maintaining these perennials.

Brad Roeller is Manager of Display Gardens at the Institute of Ecosystem Studies in Millbrook, N.Y. He holds a BS in Environmental Conservation from Cornell.

WI GAR 202 Section C: 12:30-2:30 p.m.

NEW! The Special Virtues of Native Plants

In small gardens plants need to do double or triple duty. If you love natives and are looking for something extra, learn which plants offer fragrance, fall color, beautiful bark, ornamental seed pods, and much, much more.

Sara Stopek holds a BA from Harvard and a Certificate in Horticulture. As principal of Sara Gardens, she designs, installs, and maintains gardens for and with client gardeners-in-training. She has written on urban garden topics such as selecting and protecting front garden plantings and growing herbs in containers.

WI GAR 202 Section D: 12:30–2:30 p.m.



Native lily

2:45-4:45 p.m.

NEW! Woody Natives for Area Gardens

Many native trees and shrubs make excellent ornamentals in the landscape. Discover flowering trees and shrubs, evergreens, and deciduous foliage trees that thrive in our climate naturally. This class dispels the notion that natives are less interesting than exotic imports.

Brad Roeller See previous description.

WI GAR 202 Section E: 2:45-4:45 p.m.

NEW! Native Plants for Urban Gardens

If you think native plants require pristine woodlands and windy prairies, think again. Many of our most beautiful natives adapt gracefully to city gardens. The shade of a neighboring building replaces the canopy of the deciduous forest; a sunny rooftop mimics a windy prairie. Maximize your chance of success by choosing native plants with a proven urban track record.

Sara Stopek See previous description.

WI GAR 202 Section F: 2:45–4:45 p.m.

To register, or for more information, call 718.817.8747.