The Partners for Native Landscaping join the St. Louis County Library for a

Spring Seminar Series ALL ABOUT NATIVE PLANTS

All programs are virtual and **FREE**, but advance registration is required. **Space is limited, so don't delay!** To register: go to **www.slcl.org**, click *Events & Classes, Adult Programs*, and search by title or date.

> Wednesday March 10 - 2:00pm A Journey of Transformation to Native Plant Gardening

Friday March 12 - 2:00pm Introduction to Native Landscaping for Wildlife & People

Monday March 22 - 7:00pm Invasive? Native? Exotic? An Eco-Logical View of Plants

> Monday March 29 - 2:00pm Native Plant Gardening for Pollinators

Wednesday March 31 - 2:00pm Challenges with Native Plant Practices & Plants

> *Monday April 5 - 7:00pm* **Native Plant Gardening for Birds**

Monday April 19 - 7:00pm Gardening with Native Shrubs & Trees

Monday April 26 - 7:00pm **Rainscaping with Native Plants**

Tuesday May 4 - 7:00pm **Growing a Culture for Native Plants**



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A Journey of Transformation to Native Plant Gardening Presented by Sue Leahy, Wild Ones Wednesday March 10 - 2:00pm

Introduction to Native Landscaping for Wildlife & People

Presented by Dave Tylka, St. Louis Audubon Society Friday March 12 - 2:00pm

Invasive? Native? Exotic? **An Eco-Logical View of Plants**

Presented by "Green Jean" Ponzi, Missouri Botanical Garden Monday March 22 - 7:00pm

Native Plant Gardening for Pollinators Presented by Ed Spevak, Saint Louis Zoo

Monday March 29 - 2:00pm

Challenges with Native Landscaping Practices & Plants Presented by Scott Woodbury,

Shaw Nature Reserve Wednesday March 31 - 2:00pm

Native Plant Gardening for Birds

Presented by Mitch Leachman, St. Louis Audubon Society Monday April 5 at 7pm

Gardening with Native Shrubs & Trees

Presented by James Faupel, Litzsinger Road Ecology Center Monday April 19 at 7:00pm

Rainscaping with Native Plants

Presented by Cody Hayo, Pretty City Gardens & Landscaping and Rob Kennedy, Missouri Botanical Garden Monday April 26 - 7:00pm Sue will take you through her experiences in 12 years of native plant gardening. She'll talk about some of the revelations that encouraged native planting and mistakes that were made (& corrected). She will share some of the things that inspired her to plant more natives and share photos of the ongoing development of her yard into a wildlife habitat. She will share basic design elements that keep her yard from looking too "wild" and talk about basic maintenance tips.

Urban landscapes are key to creating and restoring natural habitats for birds, bees and butterflies. Native landscaping around your home not only helps wildlife, but provides you a healthy, pesticide-free and inspiring space to enjoy. This presentation describes basic approaches to native landscaping, highlighting useful ideas, tools and resources for gardeners.

Jean Ponzi of the EarthWays Center invites you to meet some WILD-ly wonderful native plants. Learn how plant choices matter to birds, bugs and people, when "pretty" is not your best choice - and why some good-looking plants go bad.

Learn about creating a native plant garden for pollinators, especially native bees and butterflies. Butterfly caterpillar food, host plants, will be covered as well as nectar plants for both adult butterflies and a variety of bees. Nesting sites for native bees and other pollinator friendly garden practices will be included. Local resources will also be highlighted.

This program will cover a variety of common issues faced by native plant gardeners like: how to mix native and non-native plants; how many native plants to use; the 'weediness' of native plants; how to use garden design to avoid 'conflict' with your neighbors; tips on specific plants like witch hazel, garden phlox, beautyberry and pawpaw. In addition to answers to these issues, local resources will also be highlighted.

Learn how songbirds and hummingbirds can be attracted to residential yards through the use of native plants that furnish insects, seeds, flowers, and fruits. Specific examples of the most versatile and adaptable native woody and herbaceous plants will be included as well as simple gardening practices essential for birds. A brief review of local resources to help you will be included.

Missouri's native woody plants play a critical role in our ecosystem. They can also be very beautiful in the landscape. Shade and intimacy, structure and beauty...come on a journey of Missouri's native trees and shrubs, learn their habits and practical growing advice. A brief review of local resources to help you will be included.

Learn the do's and don'ts of rain garden basics from deciding on a proper site, to size, design, construction, and maintenance. We'll walk through the process of building a basic rain garden using your existing site and soil conditions by following MOBOT's Rainscaping Guide flowchart. Resources will be covered, including the MSD Project Clear Small Grant program.

Growing a Culture for BiodiverseCity St. Louis, our bi-state network of over 100 organizations, proudly celebrates the ecological landscaping movement thriving across this region. Learn how you can join **Native Plants** with native plant advocates, professionals, artists and pollinators of all kinds to enjoy and work with Nature for mutual blooming benefits.

Presented by "Green Jean" Ponzi, Missouri Botanical Garden Tuesday May 4 at 7:00pm

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