

The Partners for Native Landscaping
Spring Seminar Series

**Native Plant Landscaping
Resources
for Residential Landowners
of the St. Louis Area**



Web Based Gardening Tools

- **National Audubon's Plants for Birds Database:**
<https://www.audubon.org/PLANTSFORBIRDS>
- **Missouri Botanical Garden's Plantfinder:**
<https://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/plantfinder/plantfindersearch.aspx>
- **Grow Native Plant Database:**
<https://grownative.org/native-plant-database/>
- **Grow Native Resource Guide:**
<https://grownative.org/resource-guide/>
- **National Wildlife Federation Native Plant Finder:**
<https://www.nwf.org/nativeplantfinder/>
- **Wild Ones St. Louis Native Plant Gardening Tool:**
<https://nativegardendesigns.wildones.org/designs/st-louis/>

Books to Inspire and Assist with Native Landscaping

- **Bringing Nature Home: How You Can Sustain Wildlife with Native Plants** | *Doug Tallamy*
- **Gardening is a Verb** | *Cindy Gilberg*
- **Garden Revolution: How Our Landscapes Can Be a Source of Environmental Change** | *Larry Weaner*
- **Native Landscaping for Wildlife and People** | *Dave Tylka*
- **Native Landscaping Manual** | *Missouri Department of Conservation & Shaw Nature Reserve*
- **Native Plants of the Midwest** | *Alan Branhagen*
- **Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation that Starts in Your Yard** | *Doug Tallamy*
- **Pollinators of Native Plants** | *Heather Holm*
- **Tried and True Missouri Native Plants for Your Yard** | *Missouri Department of Conservation*

Public Native Plant Demonstration Gardens

- **Brightside St. Louis** at Vandeventer & Kingshighway in St. Louis
- **City Garden** in downtown St. Louis
- **Lockwood Park** in Webster Groves
- **Mallard Lake Pollinator Demonstration Gardens** at Creve Coeur Park
- **Missouri Botanical Garden Main Campus**
- **Powder Valley Nature Center** in Kirkwood
- **University City Bird Garden** at Centennial Commons
- **University of Missouri Extension Office** St. Charles County
- **Whitmire Wildflower Garden** at Shaw Nature Reserve

Take The Challenge and Bring It Home!

The Partners for Native Landscaping come together each year to inspire and help individuals to create gardens that are not only beautiful but are also habitats for native wildlife. We ask you think about how you can apply what you learn in your own yard to your neighborhood and broader community. For example, consider one or more of these actions:

- **Add more native plants** to your front yard landscape to inspire your neighbors with its abundance of wildlife.
- **Add informational signage** to your landscape to describe the biodiversity on view.
- **Reduce your turf** by expanding your native landscapes.
- **Share what you learn** about native landscaping with your neighborhood organization and help create a native plant garden on public/common ground.
- **Write an article** and send it, with a photo from your yard, to your community newspaper; or invite a reporter to your yard.
- **Engage your elected officials** to incorporate native plants and practices in public spaces.

The Partners challenge you to pick one of the above or come up with your own and pledge to act to enhance biodiversity and our community.

Short Takes to Seed Your Native Plant Interest

- **Native Plants for St Louis, Front & Center** | Susie Van de Riet, St. Louis Public Radio, 2021
- **Welcome Bugs Into Your Yard** | Doug Tallamy, Washington Post, 2020
- **Homegrown National Park** | STL success stories, EarthWays Center Green Living Festival, 2020

The Partners for Native Landscaping

The Partners for Native Landscaping is a collaborative effort of the following organizations:

BiodiverseCity St. Louis is a community initiative to promote, protect and plan for biodiversity throughout the greater St. Louis Region. Launched in 2012 from the Missouri Botanical Garden, this growing network of biodiversity-focused organizations and individuals is working collaboratively across our bi-state region to improve quality of life for all through actions that welcome nature into our urban, suburban and rural communities.

www.BiodiverseCitySTL.org

Grow Native! is a native plant marketing and education program of the Missouri Prairie Foundation. Grow Native! helps protect and restore biodiversity by increasing conservation awareness of native plants and their effective use in urban, suburban, and rural developed landscapes. Grow Native! aims to significantly increase the demand and use of native plants in the lower Midwest through collaboration with consumers, private industry, non-profit organizations, and government agencies.

www.grownative.org

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Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District - MSD alone cannot keep the region's waterways clean. We need the support, resources and actions of concerned citizens, businesses and municipalities to improve local water quality. Since our waterways and sewers are shared public resources, there are many steps that you can take to help maintain both.

www.msdpjectclear.org/what-we-do/rainscaping/

Missouri Department of Conservation – One of our priorities is to help citizens connect with fish, forests, and wildlife where they live, through a statewide approach to community conservation. This means providing citizens across the state with opportunities to learn about and experience the outdoors where they live; providing technical assistance to communities and partner organizations to help citizens protect fish, forests, and wildlife; and demonstrating and promoting conservation-friendly development practices in urban settings.

www.mdc.mo.gov



Shaw Nature Reserve strives to inspire responsible stewardship of our environment through education, restoration and protection of natural habitats, and public enjoyment of the natural world. Native Plant School is a monthly series of native landscaping classes held in the Whitmire Wildflower Garden at Shaw Nature Reserve.

www.shawnature.org



St. Louis Audubon's Bring Conservation Home program provides on-site native landscaping consultation and certification services to landowners in the St. Louis metro region. For a modest fee, Habitat Advisors conduct a habitat consultation to identify ways to improve each landscape for the benefit of wildlife and the community and based on the owner's goals. The owner receives immediate feedback and ideas on-site followed by detailed, written recommendations.

www.stlouisaudubon.org/bch/



The St. Louis Community College Horticulture Program is committed to expanding minds and changing lives every day through horticulture. Our program focuses on applied horticulture while providing students hands-on learning experiences utilizing industry best management practices and leading edge technology. We are proud to be recognized as a significant resource for the general public and green industry.

www.stlcc.edu/horticulture

Wild Ones St. Louis is one of the oldest, largest and most active chapters in the country. We work to educate and inspire the growing community of native plant gardeners through grants and through monthly yard tours and presentations to which the public is welcome. Visit stlwildones.org to participate in our mission of Healing the Earth one yard at a time.

www.stlwildones.org