

Natural Lands Trust & New Directions in the American Landscape Present:

Creating a Natural Home Landscape: People, Plants and Creatures
Thursday, April 3, 2003 at Hildacy Farm, Natural Lands Trust Headquarters, Media, PA
Dinner at 5:30-6:30 p.m.; First lecture begins at 6:30 p.m.; Program ends at 9:00 p.m.



From an open wildflower meadow, to an intimate woodland glade, to a calming water garden, nature can offer a wealth of ideas for landscaping properties of all sizes. Join us, in an informal setting, to explore some techniques for transforming your property into a drought tolerant home environment, with less maintenance and more of the beauty and grace of the natural world. *A light dinner will be served, providing an opportunity to mingle with the faculty and fellow participants (optional).*

Where You Live: Ecologically Speaking
Presenter: James F. Thorne, PhD.

In order to successfully design and maintain a natural home landscape, it is crucial to be familiar with the native plants of your area, the combinations in which they occur, and the processes of change that they undergo. While the importance of this understanding may seem obvious, it is often overlooked in traditional gardening instruction. This portion of our program will analyze and illustrate native plant communities that can serve as 'design models' for natural plantings on your property.

Jim Thorne is the Director of Science and Education for Natural Lands Trust. Before joining Natural Lands Trust in 2001, Jim worked eight years for the Pennsylvania Chapter of The Nature Conservancy, where he directed the Chapter's Science and Stewardship programs and also led land protection and conservation planning efforts.

Designing from Natural Models:
Meadows, Woods and Water

Presenter: Larry Weaner

Sequenced photographs depicting natural landscape gardens before, after and mature, will be used to illustrate how these gardens are achieved. Examples will range from large estate plantings to small intimate gardens, and will illustrate specific design, planting and maintenance techniques, many of which are surprisingly divergent from traditional horticultural practice.

Larry Weaner has been principal of Larry Weaner Landscape Design Associates since 1982 with projects throughout the eastern U.S. He is also active as a guest lecturer for numerous institutions, including the National Arboretum in Washington, DC, and the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin, Texas. Larry is a past board member and environmental committee chair of the Association of Professional Landscape Designers.

For information or to register by phone, call:
(215) 886-9740

Life Out Back: Creating a Backyard Wildlife Sanctuary
Presenter: Adrian Binns

Using a "plant it and they will come" approach to gardening, Adrian will discuss, season by season, the needs of our native fauna. He will explain how specific bird and butterfly species, frogs and turtles and other desirable wildlife can be enticed onto your property through the thoughtful selection and arrangement of plants, wildlife structures and water. This very underutilized and dynamic aspect of landscaping can provide a whole new dimension to your outdoor living experience.

Adrian Binns has combined his lifetime interest in ornithology and wildlife, with his background in landscape design. As an independent tour guide, Adrian has also led birding trips throughout the United States and abroad. As an educator Adrian has lectured, written articles, and produced an educational program on "Owls" for the Audubon Society. He is also an accomplished avian illustrator and photographer, whose images have been published in various publications.

Participants will receive informative materials on natural landscaping techniques.

-----**REGISTRATION FORM**-----

\$60 --includes dinner \$48 --without dinner

Name(s) _____

Address _____

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