

his year our theme gives

a wink to Jane Austen, an icon of 18th century literature, because our symposium is featuring four renowned contemporary authors who are launching their new books. Expect a wide-ranging and informative day covering the latest news on plants, design, and science. You'll be engaged and energized by intriguing new ideas from our speakers, fine plants offered for sale by local growers, irresistible goodies at an enticing silent auction, and new friends you'll make among the kindred spirits attending from the tristate area. Plus, you'll find delicious lunch options from our new caterer: Seasons. There's just no better place to be on March 14th as we 'March into Spring'!

The day begins with Ken Druse and a focus on scent in our gardens, while we savor his exquisite garden photos and plant scans by Ellen Hoverkamp. That idyll will be followed by Tom Christopher sharing the inspiration behind a wonderful public garden, Wave Hill, on the Hudson. In the afternoon, Kim Eierman will encourage us further with planting ideas to nurture pollinators from early spring through late fall. Doug Tallamy will share his latest research into the complex web woven among plants, insects and other fauna and ourselves.



KEN DRUSE is an award-winning writer and photographer who has authored 20 garden books. The New York Times called him "the guru of natural gardening". There is a "Ken Druse Collection of Garden Photography" at the Smithsonian Institute. Three hundred episodes of his radio program and podcasts are available on his website. He is currently a monthly guest on Margret Roach's radio show and podcast, AWaytoGarden.com. Ken's new book is The Scentual Garden: Exploring the World of Botanical Fragrance. He lives and gardens in the northwest corner of New Jersey. www.kendruse.com

THOMAS CHRISTOPHER is a graduate of the New York Botanical Garden School of Professional Horticulture, and has been designing and maintaining gardens for over four decades. A former contributing editor to Martha Stewart Living magazine, he is the author of more than a dozen books about gardening, most recently Nature into Art: The Gardens of Wave Hill. He writes a weekly gardening column that appears in more than 25 publications. Tom gardens in central Connecticut and the Berkshire Hills of western Massachusetts.

www.thomaschristophergardens.com

KIM EIERMAN is the founder of EcoBeneficial and is an environmental horticulturist specializing in ecological landscapes and native plants. Based in Westchester County, New York, Kim teaches at the New York Botanical Garden, Brooklyn Botanic Garden, The Native Plant Center at Westchester Community College, Rutgers Home Gardeners School, and several other institutions. Kim's new book is The Pollinator Victory Garden.

www.ecobeneficial.com

Doug Tallamy is chair of the department of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware. He has authored 88 research publications and has taught Insect Taxonomy, Behavioral Ecology, Humans and Nature, and Insect Ecology. Chief among his research goals is to better understand the many ways insects interact with plants and how such interactions determine the diversity of animal communities. His book Bringing Nature Home was published in 2007, and awarded a Silver Medal by the Garden Writers' Association. The Living Landscape, co-authored with Rick Darke, was published in 2014. His new book, Nature's Best Hope, expands our knowledge of his latest research and how we can effect change in our own gardens.

www.BringingNatureHome.net

Our 24th annual March Into Spring symposium offers a full day of insightful horticulture information for both novice and seasoned gardeners. Besides a day of great speakers, there will be shopping opportunities with local growers and other special vendors, plus an extensive silent auction with lots of unique garden-related books, plants, and tools. Come celebrate the end of winter with a group of likeminded plant geeks from the tristate area. We have stateof-the-art facilities at the DCCC campus, which is set in a beautiful arboreal landscape in Media PA.

Please note that credit cards will be accepted by HPS/ MAG, but may not be accepted by all vendors, who will appreciate cash or a check. A complete list of vendors will be available on our website in early March

No refunds unless the event is canceled



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Please contact us with any special needs at hpsprograms@hardyplant.org

___ Ham and Swiss on Rye

___ Veg/Grain Salad

Register and pay online, or complete and mail with a check to:

HPS/MAG c/o Janice Thomas 411 W. Miner St. West Chester PA 19382 SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

8:00 a.m. Registration/Coffee 9:00 a.m. Welcome & Logistics 9·15 a m KEN DRUSE The Scentual Garden: Exploring the World of Botanical Fragrance 10:15 a.m. Break/Shopping/Booksignings 10:45 a.m. Thomas Christopher Nature Into Art: The Gardens of Wave Hill 11:45 p.m. Lunch/Shopping/Booksignings Optional botanical activity in the auditorium during lunch 1:00 p.m. KIM EIERMAN The Pollinator Victory Garden 2:00 p.m. Break/Shopping/Booksignings Doug Tallamy 2:30 p.m. Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation that Starts in Your Yard 3:30 p.m. - Farewell and Auction closeout 4:00 p.m.

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