

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

March 28-30, 2025 | Hudson Valley Community College

Free with paid admission

Friday, March 28						
Room	Time	Topic	Speaker			
1A	11:00AM	Promoting Plant Health Through Proper Pruning	Fred Breglia, Landis Arboretum			
ECO 1B	11:00AM	Sustainable Landscapes: Creating a Pollinator Garden	Addison Kubik, Capital Region PRISM			
2A	11:30AM	Gardening With Children	Angela Tompkins, Cornell Cooperative Ext. Sch'dy Co.			
1A	12:00PM	Living Wreaths & Kokedame with Herbs	Suzanne Balet-Haight, Balet Flowers & Design			
ECO 1B	12:00PM	Please Won't You Be My Neighbor	Donna Lee Newsome, Wild Ones Capital Region NY			
2A	12:30PM	Lawn Maintenance with Robotics	Todd Zimmerman, Kress			
1A	1:00PM	Improving Soils for Better Results in All Locations	Fred Breglia, Landis Arboretum			
ECO 1B	1:00 PM	Building a Bird Garden	Kristi Shepler, Independent Gardener			
2A	1:30PM	Get Ready for Gardening	Casey Harkins, MVP Health Care			
1A	2:00PM	Dahlias - America's Most Underappreciated Flower	Barbara Melera, Harvesting History			
ECO 1B	2:00PM	Native Carnivorous Plants	Shobha Chengalur-Smith, Cornell Cooperative Ext.			
2A	2:30PM	Gardening with an Eye to the Sky	Alicia Wasula, STM Weather			
1A	3:00PM	Backyard Medicine	Janis Fallon, Cornell Cooperative Ext. Rens. Co.			
ECO 1B	3:00PM	Seed Starting Workshop	Rhonda Rumsey van Heuvein, Capital Native Plants			
2A	3:30PM	Landscape Sustainability	Paul Swieton, Hudson Valley Community College			
1A	4:00PM	Growing Plants in Containers	Barbara Melera, Harvesting History			
ECO 1B	4:00PM	Restore Ecosystems in Yards and Gardens	Sheree Cammer, Home Earth Alliance			
2A	4:30PM	Ten Broeck Mansion Gardens: History & Herbariums	Kathryn Kosto, Ten Broeck Mansion			
1A	5:00PM	Gardens of the Emerald Isle	Jana Milbocker, Enchanted Gardens			



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Saturday, March 29							
Room		Time	Topic	Speaker			
	1A	11:00AM	Improving Soils for Better Results in All Locations	Fred Breglia, Landis Arboretum			
ECO	1B	11:00AM	An Ecological Approach to the American Lawn	Kate Brittenham, Front Stoop Gardens			
	2A	11:30AM	Future of Lawn & Garden Power Tools	Todd Zimmerman, Kress			
	1A	12:00PM	Cut Flowers and How to Make Them Last	Suzanne Balet-Haight, Balet Flowers & Design			
ECO	1B	12:00PM	All Season Wildflowers	Rhonda Rumsey van Heuvein, Capital Native Plants			
	2A	12:30PM	Orchids 101	Donna Wardlaw, Northeastern NY Orchid Society			
	1A	1:00PM	Promoting Plant Health Through Proper Pruning	Fred Breglia, Landis Arboretum			
ECO	1B	1:00PM	Please Won't You Be My Neighbor	Donna Lee Newsome, Wild Ones Capital Region NY			
	2A	1:30PM	Growing A Great Lawn	David Chinery, Cornell Cooperative Ext. Rens.			
	1A	2:00PM	Begonias - Continuing Opulence Throughout the Entire Summer	Barbara Melera, Harvesting History			
ECO	1B	2:00PM	Managing Invasive Species in your Backyard	Addison Kubik, Capital Region PRISM			
	2A	2:30PM	Kitchen Herbs - Myth, Magic, Folklore & Uses	Janis Fallon, Cornell Cooperative Ext. Rens. Co.			
	1A	3:00PM	Rise and Shine: Waking up Your Garden in Spring	Jana Milbocker, Enchanted Gardens			
ECO	1B	3:00PM	Regenerative Gardening Practices for the Home Gardener	Genoveffa Vitale, Wild Ones			
	2A	3:30PM	Engaging Kids in the Garden through Hands-On Learning	Zachary Lynn, Roots Learning Lab			
	1A	4:00PM	What's Going on with the Weather?	Alicia Wasula, STM Weather			
ECO	1B	4:00PM	Pollinators in Your Home Garden	Lisa Salamon			
	2A	4:30PM	Japanese & Chinese Gardens of the Northeast	David Besozzi, Educator, Independent Gardener			
	1A	5:00PM	Got Worms?	Cody Futia, Vermiluv			



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Sunday, March 30						
Room	Time -	Горіс	Speaker			
2A	10:30AM	Ikebana Spring - Japanese Flower Arranging	Kaye Vosburgh, NYSCD Sogetsu Study Group			
1A	11:00AM	Calla Lilies - The Perfect Plant	Barbara Melera, Harvesting History			
ECO 1B	11:00AM	Native Garden Management	Genoveffa Vitale & Kate Brittenham			
2A	11:30AM	Herbal Tea from Your Garden	Matthew Zacharewicz, Short and Stout Tea Company			
1A	12:00PM	Getting to Know Your Weeds	Carole Henry, Cornell Cooperative Ext. Albany Co.			
ECO 1B	12:00PM	Got Worms?	Cody Futia, Vermiluv			
2A	12:30PM	Orchids 101	Donna Wardlaw, Northeastern NY Orchid Society			
1A	1:00PM	Petal Talk	Michele Peters, AIFD, Ambiance Florals & Events			
ECO 1B	11:00AM	Perennial Pollinator Gardens	Jessica Hyatt, Hewitt's			
2A	1:30PM	Orchid Repotting	Elyse DuBois, Northeastern NY Orchid Society			
1A	2:00PM	Carnivorous Plants of the World	Bill Schwartz, Clever Carnivores			
ECO 1B	2:00PM	Native Perennials and Groundcovers	Carole Henry, Cornell Cooperative Ext. Albany Co.			
2A	2:30PM	Building a Backyard Asian Inspired Garden	David Besozzi, Educator, Independent Gardener			
1A	3:00 PM	Styling Cut Flowers	Chris Grigas, Bill Doran			
ECO 1B	3:00PM	Transforming Challenging Landscapes into Ecological Assets	Zachary Lynn, Roots Learning Lab			
2A	3:30PM	Houseplant Benefits	Jessica Hyatt, Hewitt's			