



Friday, March 27 - 2026 Seminar Schedule

Time	Topic	Speaker	Room
11:00 AM	Promoting Plant Health Through Proper Pruning	Fred Breglia, Landis Arboretum	1A
11:00 AM	Managing Invasive Species in Your Backyard	Addison Kubik, Capital Region PRISM	ECO
11:30 AM	Schenectady's Central Park: A Park for the People	Marge Rizzo & Arden Lawand, CCE Sch'dy	2A
12:00 PM	Cut Flowers and How to Make Them Last	Suzanne Balet-Haight, Balet Flowers & Design	1A
12:00 PM	Building a Bird Garden	Kristi Shepler, Independent Gardener	ECO
12:30 PM	All About Hostas	Dave Jennings, Upstate NY Hosta Society	2A
1:00 PM	Improving Soils for Better Results in All Locations	Fred Breglia, Landis Arboretum	1A
1:00 PM	From Lawn to Garden in Two Weeks	Kate Brittenham, Front Stoop Gardens	ECO
1:30 PM	The Wheel of the Year: Herbs of the Spring	Janis Fallon, CCE Rens. Co.	2A
2:00 PM	Winning the War on Weeds	Joanne Strevy, Rosewood Gardens	1A
2:00 PM	What You Can Do to Help Nature	Rhonda Rumsey van Heuveln, Cap Native Plants	ECO
2:30 PM	Aging in the Garden: Green Thumbs Never Die	Robert & Marie Wieboldt, CCE Rens. Co.	2A
3:00 PM	Growing Citrus Trees in the Northeast	Barbara Melera, Harvesting History	1A
3:00 PM	Garden Gold: Why Worms Are Every Plant's Best Friend	Cody Futia, Vermiluv	ECO
3:30 PM	You Can Grow Orchids! They Are Different But Not Difficult	Donna Wardlaw, Northeastern NY Orchid Society	2A
4:00 PM	The Mayor's Garden	Kathryn Kosto, Ten Broeck Mansion	1A
4:00 PM	Home Composting	Glen Culbertson, Home Earth Alliance	ECO



Saturday, March 28 - 2026 Seminar Schedule

Time	Topic	Speaker	Room
10:00 AM	Seed Starting Workshop	Rhonda Rumsey van Heuveln, Capital Native Plants	ECO
10:30 AM	Stunning Succulents	Denise Maurer, CCE Rens. Co.	2A
11:00 AM	Improving Soils for Better Results in All Locations	Fred Breglia, Landis Arboretum	1A
11:00 AM	Native Plants and the Birds Who Love Them	Kate Brittenham & Lance Raffe, Home Earth Alliance	ECO
11:30 AM	The Wheel of the Year: Herbs of the Spring	Janis Fallon, CCE Rens. Co.	2A
12:00 PM	Living Wreaths & Kokedama w/ Succulents	Suzanne Balet-Haight	1A
12:00 PM	Circle of Life in the Garden	Rhonda Rumsey van Heuveln, Capital Native Plants	ECO
12:30 PM	You Can Grow Orchids! They Are Different But Not Difficult.	Donna Wardlaw, Northeastern NY Orchid Society	2A
1:00 PM	Promoting Plant Health Through Proper Pruning	Fred Breglia, Landis Arboretum	1A
1:00 PM	Sustainable Landscapes: Creating a Pollinator Garden	Addison Kubik, PRISM	ECO
1:30 PM	Growing a Great Lawn	David Chinery, CCE Rens. Co.	2A
2:00 PM	Everyone Loves Tomatoes	John Martin, CCE Albany Co.	1A
2:00 PM	Native Carnivorous Plants	Shobha Chengalur-Smith, CCE	ECO
2:30 PM	Kodak Moments in the Garden	Chet Boehlke	2A
3:00 PM	Creating a Backyard Vegetable Garden	John Martin, CCE Albany Co.	1A
3:00 PM	50 Eco-Friendly Things You Can Do BINGO	Pam Skripak, Home Earth Alliance	ECO
3:30 PM	Carnivorous Plants: Plants with Personality	Bill Schwartz, Clever Carnivores	2A
4:00 PM	Styling Cut Flowers	Chris Grigas, Bill Doran	1A
4:00 PM	Garden Gold: Why Worms Are Every Plant's Best Friend	Cody Futia, Vermiluv	ECO
4:30 PM	Building a Japanese Garden: Essential Dos & Don'ts	David Besozzi	2A



Sunday, March 29 - 2026 Seminar Schedule

Time	Topic	Speaker	Room
10:30 AM	Japanese Flower Arranging	Ellen White Rook, NYCD Sogetsu Study Group	2A
11:00 AM	Growing Plants in Containers	Barbara Melera, Harvesting History	1A
11:00 AM	Let's Thank the Trees!	Margaret Blohm, CCE Sch'dy	ECO
11:30 AM	Herbal Tea from Your Garden	Matthew Zacharewicz, Short & Stout Tea Co.	2A
12:00 PM	Anyone Can Grow English Roses	Joanne Strevy, Rosewood Gardens	1A
12:00 PM	A Bug's Eye View: Caring for Our Gardens with Compassion	Kate Brittenham, Front Stoop Gardens	ECO
12:30 PM	Carnivorous Plants: Plants with Personality	Bill Schwartz, Clever Carnivores	2A
1:00 PM	Petal Talk	Michele Peters, AIFD, Ambiance Florals & Events	1A
1:00 PM	10 Underrated Trees for Your Landscape & How to Plant Them	Will Vitagliano, Home Earth Alliance	ECO
1:30 PM	Orchid Repotting	Elyse DuBois, Northeastern NY Orchid Society	2A
2:00 PM	Daring or Demure, Daylilies	Kathryn Mohr, Hudson-Adirondack Daylily Society	1A
2:00 PM	Gardening for Wildlife	Tami Sheffer, Home Earth Alliance	ECO
2:30 PM	Modern Tablescape	Ben Felthousen, Felthousen Florist & Greenhouse	2A
3:00 PM	Winning the War on Weeds	Joanne Strevy, Rosewood Gardens	1A
3:00 PM	Family Food Forests	Zachary Lynn, Roots Learning Lab	ECO
3:30 PM	Orchid Q&A: Ask the Experts	Elyse DuBois, Northeastern NY Orchid Society	2A