

Natural Design in Context: Intimate to Grand

14th ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM
New Directions in the American Landscape

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Natural landscape design is not limited to any specific setting. While large and small-scale practitioners often consider themselves in different worlds, they have much to learn from each other. In this two-day conference we will examine the artistic and ecological techniques that go into creating natural landscapes, from intimate gardens to vast public spaces.

Fee per person: \$284 includes continental breakfast, reception, lunch and breaks

Student rate: \$174 includes continental breakfast, reception, lunch and breaks
(students must enclose copy of student ID with registration)

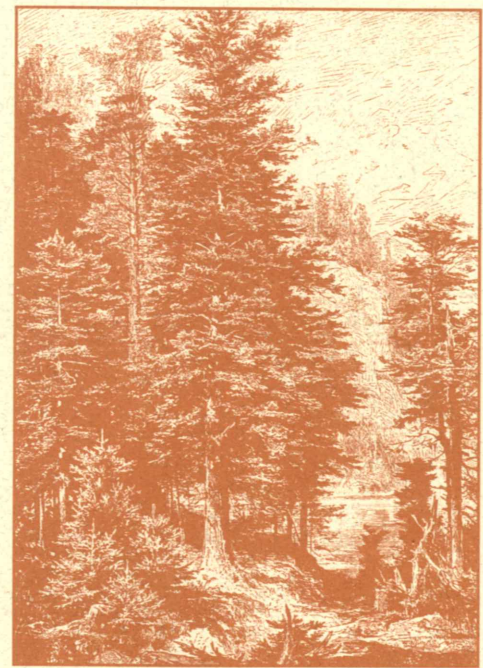
For more information call: PA: (215) 247-5777 ext 156; CT: (860) 439-5020

Hotel Accommodations: PA: Best Western/King of Prussia (610) 265-4500

CT: Holiday Inn of New London (860) 442-0631
(Mention Landscape Symposium)


Map and symposium schedule will be sent with confirmation.

Registration will be refunded only when notification is received no later than 7 working days prior to event.



Locations and Dates:

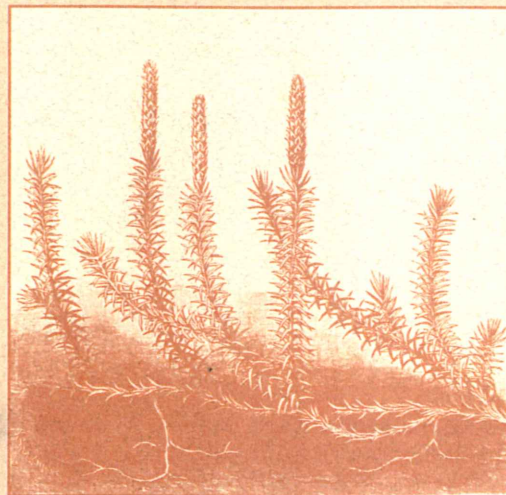
CT: Connecticut College
New London, CT
Day 1: Thursday, Jan. 15, 2004
Day 2: Friday, Jan. 16, 2004


PA: Arboretum Villanova
VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY
Villanova, PA
Day 1: Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2004
Day 2: Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2004

A Note From the Organizers

Throughout the history of our symposium we have presented programs relating to landscape design, ecological restoration, and those interesting areas that lie in-between. We are proud of these programs and of the high caliber landscape professionals who have participated.

Our goal has been to ensure that an already knowledgeable conference participant will leave with a substantial amount of new and useful information.



This is how we have achieved that goal:

- Programs** organized as a cohesive curriculum
- Speakers** with high levels of expertise and ample time to cover their topics
- Emphasis** on innovative practices, both new and re-discovered
- Multi-disciplinary** presenters, including designers, horticulturists, ecologists, botanists, anthropologists, historians and artists
- Opportunities** for a lively exchange of ideas between participants

"You have made a great contribution to the field through your conferences."

Leslie Sauer, Andropogon Associates

DAY 1

CT: Thursday, January 15, 2004
PA: Tuesday, January 27, 2004
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Designing for the Ecologically Uninitiated (1hr) **Peter Moscufo, RLA**

How do we create environmentally sensitive designs when our clients have little or no understanding of natural systems or regional ecology? Illustrating the differences between gardens and landscapes, Mr. Moscufo will demonstrate design solutions that address client needs in an ecological manner, even when they don't necessarily have the environment in mind.

Off the Wall: Working with Highly Specialized Habitats (1hr) **Chris Myers**

This fascinating look at Mr. Myers brilliant landscape treatment of a sheer cliff at a Bucks County, Pennsylvania residence, will offer insight on multiple levels; from selecting plants for specialized habitats to creating, sometimes out of necessity, entirely new planting techniques.

ALLIED PROFESSIONS FORUM

Part 1: The Botanical Sciences (1 hr)

Dr. Nels Barrett (CT only), **Arthur Haines** (CT only),

Dr. Timothy Block (PA only), **R. Jay Ugiansky** (PA only)

This forum will cover new efforts by botanists and ecologists to catalogue and locate the occurrence of native plants by specific area and habitat type; and make the resulting information available on-line. Access to this data can be of enormous use in specifying these plants for landscape projects.

The Stone Gardens of Opus 40 (1 hr.) **Tad Richards**

Sculpted from an abandoned quarry, this one-of-a-kind landscape blends human industry, subtle artistry and nature's geological forces. Mr. Richards, who has lived on the property throughout his life, describes a place where the lines separating natural bedrock, built walls and constructed steps are sometimes hard to distinguish, resulting in a place of pure magic.

Prairie Invades the Lawn (1hr) **Patricia K. Armstrong**

Ms. Armstrong, a leading practitioner of native landscape design, will illustrate her unique perspectives on designing residential landscapes where people and wildlife happily co-exist. She will place a particular emphasis on substituting large lawn areas with prairie and other native ground layer treatments.

Evening reception following lectures.



DAY 2

CT: Friday, January 16, 2004
PA: Wednesday, January 28, 2004
8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

The Schulenberg Prairie (1hr.) **Patricia K. Armstrong**

The story of The Morton Arboretum's Schulenberg Prairie, one of the true landscape wonders of the world, will be presented. Throughout the 1960s, volunteers planted thousands of seedlings on 100 acres of arboretum land in suburban Chicago under the direction of the eminent horticulturist/ecologist Ray Schulenberg. The result is one of the most diverse and beautifully planted landscapes that you will ever see.

ALLIED PROFESSIONS FORUM

Part 2: Installation and Maintenance Contracting (30 min.)

Michael Nadeau

The demand for ecologically sensitive landscapes has spawned a plethora of new products. In this presentation we will rediscover tried-and-true remedies as well as new science-based materials that are making high-quality organic land care possible.

ALLIED PROFESSIONS FORUM

Part 3: Plant Growers (45 min.)

William Flemer IV, Dale Hendricks,

Jim MacKenzie (PA only), **David Anderson** (CT only)

Native landscapes often require the specification of alternative plant sizes, packages and handling techniques. Representatives from innovative nurseries will discuss how their industry is responding.

Passing Through (Part 1):

The History and Restoration of the Merritt Parkway (1 hr) **Vincent C. McDermott, FASLA, AICP**

The great old northeastern parkways demonstrated tremendous sensitivity to the natural landscape. Existing topography, view sheds, naturalistic plantings, and rustic stonework were integrated to create an enhanced experience for the traveler. Mr. McDermott will discuss the Merritt Parkway in Connecticut, which restored the intent of the original designers while addressing the needs of modern highway travel.

Passing Through (Part 2):

Native Roadside Plantings and the Modern Landscape (1hr.) **Susan Barton**

Innovation is becoming the norm on Delaware's highways through projects that acknowledge the varying priorities of visual appeal, conservation, and economics. Ms. Barton will illustrate these projects and applications to other landscape settings.

The National Parks:

Early Marriage of Nature and Design (1 hr.) **Linda Flint McClelland**

From 1916-1942 the National Park Service adopted a naturalistic design ethic that harmonized all planted and built elements with the natural setting. This effort included such visionary landscape architects and ecologists as Henry Hubbard, Frederick Law Olmstead, Frank Waugh and Frederick Clements. Ms. McClelland will discuss the vision and results of this innovative and often forgotten period.

SPEAKER PROFILES

David Anderson is the President of New England Wetland Plants (NEWP), propagators and growers of native woody and herbaceous plants. He studied biology at Connecticut College where he worked with Dr. William Niering on the experimental landscapes at the College.

Patricia K. Armstrong is the Principal of Prairie Sun Consultants in the Chicago area, an award winning landscape design firm. Her work has been featured in numerous books and national publications. She also managed the Schulenberg Prairie during the fourteen years spent in the Education Department at the Chicago area's Morton Arboretum.

Dr. Nels Barrett is a biologist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service based in Tolland, CT. Prior to joining NRCS he was an ecologist with the National Park Service stationed at the Cape Cod National Seashore.

Susan Barton is an extension specialist at the University of Delaware. She is currently coordinating a project entitled "Enhancing Delaware Highways" investigating innovative techniques for managing and planting roadside vegetation, a topic which she frequently speaks.

Dr. Timothy Block is the Director of Botany at the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania and is manager of their Flora of Pennsylvania database project. He is co-author of *The Plants of Pennsylvania: An Illustrated Manual* and the soon-to-be-published *Pennsylvania Trees: A Natural History*.

William Flemer IV is co-owner of Mapleton Nurseries, growers of native plants in Kingston, NJ and grew up and worked for Princeton Nurseries, his family's business. He also served as the first President of the New Jersey Native Plant Society in 1985.

Arthur Haines is a plant biologist with the New England Wildflower Society. He is the author of *The Flora of Maine*, is an author and reviewer for the *Flora of North America*, and is currently writing a new flora of New-England including up-to-date plant names and original keys.

Dale Hendricks is the principal of North Creek Nurseries in Landenberg, PA, growers of perennial and woody plugs. His firm has pioneered the direct planting of native plugs into the landscape, as well as made available many native species, cultivars and selections new to the industry.

Vincent C. McDermott, FASLA, AICP is a Senior Vice President at the Connecticut landscape architecture firm of Milone and MacBroom, Inc. He is a fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architects and is a past president of the National Council of Landscape Architect Registration Boards.

Jim MacKenzie is President of Octoraro Native Plant Nursery in Kirkwood, PA which he co-founded in 1993. He is an active lecturer and serves on the Board of Directors and the Government Relations Committee of the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association (PNLA).

Linda Flint McClelland has been a landscape specialist and historian for the National Park Service for over 20 years. She is also the author of *Presenting Nature* and *Building the National Parks*, and is currently working on a biography of Landscape Architect, Frank Waugh.

Chris Myers is founder of Bedminster Organics in Bedminster, PA and is the Director of Natural Resources of the Bedminster Land Conservancy. His work has been featured in *Garden Design Magazine* and *Green Scene*, the publication of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society who also awarded him the Suburban Greening Award.

Peter Moscufo, RLA is principal of Piedmont Designs, LLC in Kimberton, PA and an instructor in Temple University's, Department of Landscape Architecture. He lectures frequently on the connections between landscape design and environmental stewardship and is a Perennial Plant Association 2002 National Design Competition Award Winner.

Michael Nadeau is co-founder of Plantscapes, in Fairfield, CT and past president of the Connecticut Groundskeepers Assoc. He co-authored the Standards for Organic Land Care - Practices for Design and Maintenance of Ecological Landscapes for the Northeast Organic Farming Assoc.

Tad Richards is the President and Artistic Director of Opus 40 in Saugerties, NY, and is the stepson of its founder, Harvey Fite. He is the author of over two-dozen books and recently started Old Mole Press, devoted to handmade, illustrated books.

R. Jay Ugiansky is a resource conservationist at the USDA NRCS National Plant Materials Center in Beltsville, MD. Mr. Ugiansky provides technical assistance and resources to interested professionals, government agencies, and organizations on the work of the Center.

