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BLENDING DESIGN, HORTICULTURE AND ECOLOGY

An in Depth Seminar for Landscape Professionals

As the demand for ecological landscapes dramatically increases, it is important that we as landscape architects and designers, horticulturists and land planners define our goals and develop reliable strategies for their design and implementation. In this symposium, an outstanding group of designers and ecologists will explore ways to combine ecological understanding with a knowledge of horticulture and design to create landscapes that function as plant communities and mirror the beauty and grace of the natural world.

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Registration deadline: 7 days prior to event

Registration fee: $118.00

LOCATION ATTENDANCE:
Includes breakfast, lunch and informational handouts

EE/PF PER PERSON:
8:30  Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:00  Introduction: “What is Natural Design Anyway?”
      LARRY WEANER

“Field and Forest: Using Nature as a Design Model”
In this group of lectures we will explore the composition and processes of various types of native landscapes
followed by a discussion of techniques for adapting their aesthetic and ecological characteristics into the
designed landscape.

9:15  “Ecology of the Native Open Landscape: A Basis for Design”
      SAMUEL B. JONES JR. (Virginia and South Carolina only)
      JAMES S. MCCORMAC (Ohio only)
      DR. THOMAS B. SIMPSON (Illinois only)
10:15 Break
10:30 “Designing the Open Landscape: Where Art and Nature Meet”
      DARREL G. MORRISON, FASLA (All Locations)
11:30 Lunch

12:30 “Native Woodland Ecology: A Basis for Design”
      SAMUEL B. JONES JR. (Virginia and South Carolina only)
      JAMES S. MCCORMAC (Ohio only)
      DR. THOMAS B. SIMPSON (Illinois only)
1:30  “Designing the Woodland Landscape: Where Art and Nature Meet”
      DARREL G. MORRISON, FASLA (All Locations)

2:30  Break
2:45  Panel: “Natural Design: Making it Work”
      An open discussion of the nuts and bolts of designing, implementing, and managing natural landscapes.
      Some common difficulties will be discussed including obtaining native plant material, dealing with invasive
      exotics and minimizing damage due to animal browsing including deer. Audience questions and comments
      will be encouraged.
      DARREL G. MORRISON FASLA (All Locations)  SAMUEL B. JONES, JR. (SC and VA only)
      LARRY WEANER (All Locations)  JIM MCCORMAC (OH only)  DR. THOMAS SIMPSON (IL only)

3:30  “The Residential Scale: Beauty, Function and Ecology”
      This lecture will explore ways to relate the residential property, both aesthetically and ecologically, to the
      native landscape, while considering the clients artistic tastes and functional needs. Roles for both native and
      exotic plants will be discussed along with ways to deal with client education and expectations.
      KIM HAWKS (SC only)  CRAIG TUFTS (VA only)  ROBERT E. GRESE (OH and IL only)

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Laurel Ridge Conservation Education Center, Nat. Wildlife Fed., Vienna, VA.
Lakeland Community College, (near Holden Arboretum), Mentor, OH.
Sandhill Research and Education Center of Clemson Univ., Columbia, S.C.
Thurmond Education Center, Mentor Arboretum, Little, IL.

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Speaker Profiles

ROBERT E. GRESE is an associate professor of Landscape Architecture at the School of Natural Resources at the University of Michigan. He is the author of Jens Jensen: Maker of Natural Parks and Gardens, the definitive work on one of America's greatest landscape architects.

KIM HAWKS is principal of Niche Gardens, a native plant nursery. She is also a designer, author, and lecturer, whose work can be found in many horticultural publications including Fine Gardening and Southern Living. She received the 1992 Quill and Trowel Award from the Garden Writers of America.

SAMUEL B. JONES JR. was formerly a Prof. of Botany at the Univ. of Georgia and Dir. of the University Herbarium, is the author of Plant Systematics, and the co-author of Gardening with Native Wild Flowers and Native Shrubs and Woody Vines of the Southeast. With his wife, he operates Piccadilly Farm, a perennial plant nursery.

DARREL G. MORRISON, FASLA, is one of the most accomplished and influential landscape architects of the "Natural Design" movement. He is a professor at the Univ. of Georgia School of Environmental Design where he served as Dean from 1983 to 1992, is a frequent lecturer at The Clearing, a school established by Jens Jensen at Ellison Bay, WI, and has been a fellow of the American Society of Landscape Architects since 1982. He also co-authored Native Shrubs and Woody Vines of the Southeast.

JAMES S. MCCORMAC is a botanist for Monitoring and Research with the Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources. He serves on the Ohio Rare Plant Advisory committee and has published numerous papers on the flora of Ohio in scientific journals.

DR. THOMAS B. SIMPSON is an ecologist at the Morton Arboretum, Lisle, Ill. where he formulated their Naturalist Certificate Program. In addition to his educational work at the arboretum his main scientific focus has been on the mapping of landscape ecosystems.

CRAIG TUFTS is chief naturalist of the National Wildlife Federation and manages their Backyard Wildlife Habitat Program, a nation wide effort with over 15,000 participants. Mr. Tufts has recently completed a book entitled The National Wildlife Federation's Complete Guide to Gardening for Wildlife.

LARRY WEANER is principal of Larry Weaner Landscape Design, Erdenheim, PA and Developer of the New Directions in the American Landscape conference series. He is an instructor at the Morris Arboretum of the Univ. of Pennsylvania and is chairman of the Environmental Committee of the Assoc. of Professional Landscape Designers.