

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Janet Macunovich is an author, educator and garden designer known for plans that are simple, enduring, creative and individually pleasing. In addition to designing and tending gardens for clients, she also teaches "how to." That's resulted in nine books and hundreds of articles, placed her at the head of radio and internet forums dealing with questions on all aspects of landscaping, and an audience of thousands of gardeners both amateur and professional throughout the U.S., Canada and England. Her students have said, "When Janet explained, I finally got it... and I had fun, too!"

Among her tutors, Janet counts professors of horticulture, elder neighbors who gave her plants as a child and the brothers Cameron of Shenley Church End, Buckinghamshire who took her on as apprentice in 1973 in their 300-year-old garden. She says "I'll never stop learning" and it's just as likely that you'll meet her as a fellow student as your instructor in gardening programs all over North America.

Ed McKee is the Manager of Outdoor Horticulture at **Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park** and has worked in the horticulture industry since graduating with degrees in Ornamental Horticulture & Business Management. Ed has been involved in many aspects of the industry as a Landscape Designer for both commercial & residential construction and 10 years involved in a large wholesale plant nursery in sales and service.

Over 7 years ago Ed joined the team at Meijer Gardens which kindled his love for public horticulture and a love for art and sculpture. He works with the Hort staff planning a variety of seasonal displays, exhibits and a variety of new landscapes and gardens always keeping the mission in mind— "promotes the enjoyment, understanding and appreciation of gardens, sculpture, the natural environment and the arts".

Ed is a self-proclaimed "Plant Geek" and has spent quite a bit of time visiting, touring and getting ideas from others gardens public and private alike. He enjoys traveling and gardening in his spare time and enjoys spending time with his 2 teenagers and his wife.

PANEL SPEAKERS

Ryan Bose is a Certified Arborist with **Bartlett Tree Experts**. He has a degree from MSU and has been helping to care for trees along the lakeshore for 10 years. With his love for trees, Ryan share his unique perspective on the problems common to many tree planting projects today.

Pam and Rick Cater are celebrating their 21st season at **Hidden Grove Greenhouse & Nursery**. Pam has a B.S. degree in Horticulture from Michigan State University. Pam enjoys growing and sharing unusual annuals and perennials.

Kevin Hoezee holds a BS degree in Agronomy from Michigan State University. He has worked for **Landscape Design Services** for the past 25 years and has managed the landscape maintenance division for much of that time.

Greg Kuziak has been the Retail Manager at **Jonker's Garden** for the past 10 years. He will share how he incorporates perennials, annuals, herbs and vegetables in his containers and gardens using the companion planting techniques.

Eric Nelson is a sales rep. for **Meadowridge Greenhouses Inc.** He is a MI Certified Nurseryman (19+ year) and is embarking on a whole new career by focusing on annuals. As a regular speaker for the West MI Home & Garden Show and Meijer Gardens, Eric loves to share his passion for plants.

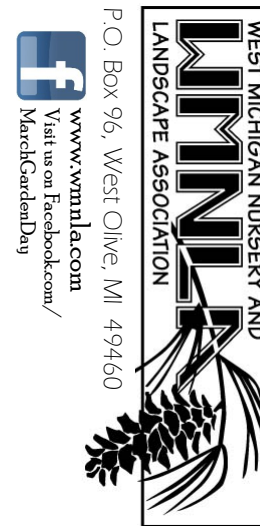
Jennifer Smith is a Sales Specialist & Project Mgr. for **LiveRoof LLC**. She will discuss the basics of green roof design & construction to the most common systems on the market. She will review pros & cons of each type of installation and how to maximize the benefits of green roofs for the home & building owners.

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 MASTER
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Attendance will qualify for
5 Education Credits
toward Master Gardener
Re-Certification

March Garden Day is sponsored by the West Michigan Nursery & Landscape Association, a local non-profit organization of gardening and landscape professionals. Proceeds from this event help fund the WMNLA Scholarship Program & Horticulture Education Grants.



Saturday, March 10, 2012

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

Grand Haven Community Center
421 Columbus Street
Grand Haven, Michigan

Registration includes lunch

\$45 in advance

\$50 at the door

Space is limited to 300 people.

A Celebration of Gardening!

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MARCH GARDEN DAY

Schedule of Events

8:00 Registration & Check-In

Visit Exhibits, Indoor Gardens & Silent Auction. Professionals available to answer your individual gardening questions.

9:00 Session 1

Continuous Color in the Landscape with **Janet Macunovich**, Gardener, Landscape Designer, Educator & Author

Your landscape shouldn't look like a moonscape during the off-season!

Great designs have color and interest all year. What you plant is only part of the answer -- how you place and maintain plants and other garden features is more important. Here are design techniques and maintenance tips for four seasons of color.

10:30 Session 2

Art Appreciation 101—How to Turn Your Space into an Art-Filled Garden with **Edward McKee**,

Manager of Outdoor Horticulture at Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park

Thinking about taking your garden to the next level, but don't know what that might entail? Wanting to add that little spark or additional panache? Don't know where or how to begin?

Ed will offer insights and images highlighting ideas that can enhance your personal garden space and your life. He will present the practical aspects, thought processes and the resulting experience simple enhancements can evoke.

Whether you are looking to leave behind or de-emphasize some of the old hard and fast horticultural rules or simply looking to gain some art appreciation, learn how to create and interact anew within your art-filled garden.

12:00 Silent Auction—Section I Closes

Please be present to win items.

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There will be a lunch break from 11:45 - 1:15

This is a great time to tour the indoor gardens, visit the booths, attend a Breakout Session, & enjoy lunch. Lunch is included with registration and provided by **Landyacht Bake House.**

Choose Lunch (A) or Lunch (B), alternating with a choice of one (1) Breakout Session:

11:45—12:30 Breakout Session (A) or Lunch (A):

12:30—1:15 Breakout Session (B) or Lunch (B):

Choice of one Breakout Session:

- The Root of the Problem: Tips & Tricks for Proper Tree Planting** by Ryan Bose, Bartlett Tree Experts
- Organics: One Piece of the Lawn Care Puzzle** by Kevin Hoezee, Landscape Design Services
- Nearly Foolproof Hydrangeas** by Eric Nelson, Meadowridge Greenhouses Inc.
- Companion Planting with Vegetables, Annuals, Perennials & Herbs** by Greg Kuziak, Jonker's Garden
- Creating a Garden in Small & Narrow Spaces** by Pam Cater, Hidden Grove Greenhouse & Nursery
- Living Roofs** by Jennifer Smith, Hortech, Inc.

1:15 Silent Auction—Section II Closes

Please be present to win items.

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1:45 Session 3

What Your Garden Says About You with **Janet Macunovich**, Gardener, Landscape Designer, Educator & Author

The plants, design and condition of a garden are windows on the soul of the gardener. What does your garden say about you? What can you learn about your neighbors and friends from their gardens?

Janet will cover standard messages, such as which door a visitor should approach as well as more subtle hints to the owner's personality, lifestyle, even their philosophy.

Laugh and learn!

3:00 March Garden Day Event

concludes. Thank you for being a part of today's celebration on gardening!



MARCH GARDEN DAY REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Address: _____ (registration confirmation will be sent by email)

email address: _____
Please select your luncheon choice: _____ grilled chicken sandwich with sweet & sour slaw and pasta salad
_____ mixed green salad with roasted cherry tomato, marinated fresh mozzarella & basil/pesto dressing
_____ and curried cous-cous with sundried cherries

Lunch time preference: (A) 11:45-12:30 _____ (B) 12:30-1:15 _____ No Time Preference: _____

Please complete and return this form with your pre-registration fee of \$45.00 by March 1, 2012.

Mail pre-registration forms to: WMNLA, PO Box 96, West Olive, Michigan 49460. Please make checks payable to "WMNLA."

For additional information visit www.wmnlacomm.com, visit us on facebook or email the March Garden Day Committee at info@wmnla.com.
Advance registration at local garden retailers: Grand Haven Garden House & Jonker's Gardens in Holland. On site registration is \$50.00.
Registration is limited to 300 people. Attendance will qualify for 5 Education Credits toward Master Gardener Re-Certification.