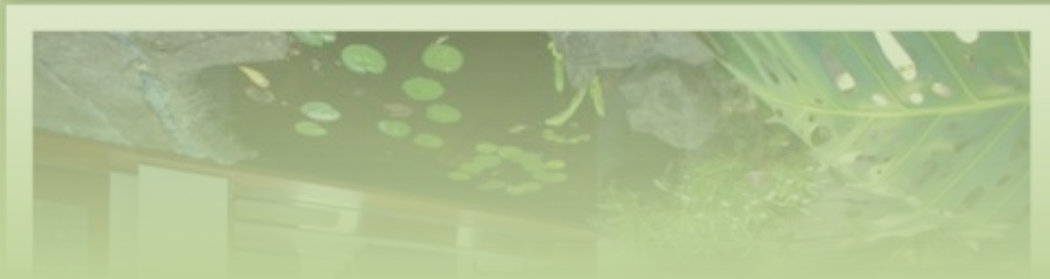


Callaway Gardens' 26th Southern Gardening Symposium



26th Annual Southern Gardening Symposium

January 27, 28, and 29, 2012

One of the South's Premier Gardening Events

Fred C. Galle Student Scholarship Application

Experience this three-day symposium devoted to gardening in the South! Program includes: in-depth optional pre-conference workshops; optional pre-conference garden tour; a silent auction; a live auction; and garden marketplace, and topics including **Dick Bir's** *Shrubs and Small Trees for Southern Understories*; **Mike Francis'** *The Best Maples for the South*; **Tovah Martin's** *Infusing the Garden with Personality*; **Jason Powell's** *Small Fruit Trees for the Home Gardener*; **Vincent Simeone's** *The Ever Changing and Exciting World of Hydrangeas*; **Charlie Thigpen's** *Have Fun Gardening*; **Shawn Walls'** *Wait for it, wait for it...*; and **Norman Winter's** *Hot New Plants and Captivating Combinations*.

Spend the day with one of our award-winning speakers. Our pre-conference workshops are interactive and fun. A special lunch is included. Pre-conference workshops on Friday, January 27th, 10 am - 2 pm include: (choice of one) **\$79** for SGS participants; **\$99** for non SGS-participants

Option 1: Part and Parcel: Garden Design Workshop with Shawn Walls

Learn how to break down the parts of the garden into manageable pieces and then figure out how to budget money and time to make the design a reality. Participants may bring designs they already have or photographs of challenging areas of their landscape.

Option 2: Make Your Own Terrarium with Tovah Martin

This workshop leads you through the making of a terrarium step-by-step. Every participant will create a small world encased in glass by the end of the session. The workshop begins with an explanation of terrariums and how they work to minimize maintenance and make indoor gardening sparkle. From there, you will observe a step-by-step demonstration. And then each participant crafts their own masterpiece. You will have a fantastic, creative, enabling, rewarding time! With decades of experience in growing terrariums of all descriptions, Tovah is the expert in this craft and shares exactly how to correctly construct terrariums that live happily ever after.

Option 3: Tour of Masee Lane Gardens, American Camellia Headquarters (9 am-3 pm)

Have a private tour of Masee Lane Gardens, a 100+ acre botanical garden in Middle Georgia. The gardens are the historic home of the American Camellia Society and are home to their camellia collection. Masee Lane Gardens has been designated as "A Garden of Excellence" by the International Camellia Society. After a tour of the garden with their horticulturist, you will be treated to lunch among the Boehm porcelains.

Friday, January 27, 2012 4:30 - 8:30 p.m. Registration - Mountain Creek Ballrooms Lobby 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Opening Reception - Renew old acquaintances, meet new gardening friends, visit the Market Place, and have an informal chat with our speakers. Live Auction! (heavy hors d'oeuvres and cash bar)

Saturday, January 28, 2012 8 a.m. Registration, Continental Breakfast - Mountain Creek Ballrooms Lobby 8:30 a.m. Welcome and Introductions - Mountain Creek Ballrooms 8:45 a.m. Charlie Thigpen, ***Have Fun Gardening*** 9:45 a.m. Break - Visit our Market Place - Peach Ballroom 10:15 a.m. Norman Winter, ***Hot New Plants and Captivating Combinations*** 11:15 a.m. Jason Powell, ***Successful Fruit Gardening in the Home Landscape*** 12:15 p.m. Lunch - Mountain Creek Ballroom Lobby 1:30 p.m. Vincent Simeone, ***The Ever Changing and Exciting World of Hydrangeas*** 2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Visit your favorite part of the Gardens on your Own! 6:30 p.m. Banquet Reception, cash bar available (Market Place closes for evening after reception) 7 p.m. Dinner Banquet - Mountain Creek Ballrooms 8 p.m. Tovah Martin, ***Infusing the Garden with Personality***

Sunday, January 29, 2012 8:15 a.m. Continental Breakfast - Mountain Creek Ballrooms Lobby 9 a.m. Mike Francis, ***The Best Maples for the South*** 10 a.m. Break - Visit our Market Place (Market Place closes after break) 10:30 a.m. Shawn Walls, ***Wait for it...Wait for it...*** 11:30 a.m. Dick Bir, ***Shrubs and Small Trees for Southern Understories***

Fee: \$245 - includes Friday evening reception, two continental breakfasts, Saturday box lunch, Saturday Banquet, Saturday and Sunday programs and materials. Deadline for registration is Friday, January 20, 2012.

A special room rate is available for Southern Gardening Symposium Registrants, starting at \$79 per room per night at the Mountain Creek Inn. CALL: Sandy Shapiro, FFGC Travel & Tour Chair at 305 733 8171 or email fivesenses@the-beach.net

***Early Bird Rates:** \$25 off the Symposium Registration Rate and buy one night at \$147 and get the second night FREE! (Rate is per room, per night based on double occupancy in the Mountain Creek Inn.) Other lodging rates available. Early Bird Special is good through October 31, 2011.