



THE GARFIELD GARDENER

THE NEWSLETTER OF GARFIELD PARK MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION

April 2017 Next Meetings

April 12
6:30 p.m.

Topic: Helpings of Hope

May 10
6:30 p.m.

Speaker: TBD

Future Meetings

June 14

July 12

August 9

September 13

October 11

November 8

December 13

*Meetings occur the second
Wednesday of each month at
6:30 p.m. at Garfield Park
unless otherwise noted*

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President's Letter

Greetings Gardeners,

It's officially Spring now, hooray! In addition to exploring what is coming up in my gardens, I am busy signing up vendors for the Irvington Farmers Market, a project of the Irvington Garden Club. I hope that you can visit the market sometime this season on the second Sunday of each month from June through October.

As you tour your gardens, please consider what might be donated to our upcoming plant sale on Saturday, May 20. Non-invasive flowers, vegetables, bulbs, shrubs and trees of all types are welcome if potted, labelled, and not diseased. Plants will be accepted beginning Friday night, May 19, and before the sale begins on Saturday morning. As always, we need you—as donors, volunteers and shoppers!

Work on the website is taking longer than we anticipated, but is progressing. We are scheduling training so please let Oren, Debra, or me know if you are interested in helping with website maintenance. Your input is welcome!

As of this writing, the Extension Office released a TENTATIVE "Reference Activity Names" worksheet for the new MG Database for hours reporting. I found the new system relatively easy to navigate. If you have any questions about what can be reported, contact Debra D. Schelske at the Extension Office.

Unfortunately, there is no Purdue MG State Conference this year, but the Extension Office suggested an alternate event—the 2017 Purdue Master Gardener State Tour on Friday, June 16, 2017.

Hope to see you at the April meeting!

—Nancy Boettner
President, GPMGA



*"The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt,
head in the sun, heart with nature. . . . To
nurture a garden is to feed not just the body
but the soul."*

—Alfred Austin (1835-1913)
English Poet Laureate

Garfield Park Conservatory Tour Guide Schedule

April 8 (2:30 p.m.)

Arlene Bow
Oren Cooley
John Montgomery

April 22 (2:30 p.m.)

No Tour; Orchid Show in Progress

Anyone interested in becoming a tour guide should contact Victoria Metheaux at vmeth@comcast.net.

April Hospitality Help

The following volunteers will provide the snacks at the April meeting:

- Debra Boyer
- Annette Moore
- Sue Hoyt
- Boynton Robson

If you wish to help with a future meeting, please contact Jeanne Corder at corder99@aol.com. If you wish to help with the July and December pitch-ins, contact Sue Hoyt at sue3@hotmail.com.

Next GPMGA Meeting— April 12

A representative from Helpings of Hope will speak at the Garfield Park Master Gardener Association's meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12, at Garfield Park Conservatory.

Helpings of Hope is a nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating hunger and food waste, and creating food security through community-driven projects that provide affordable, nutritious food for people in areas that would be considered food deserts—urban areas in which it is difficult to buy affordable or good quality fresh food.



Helpings of Hope, Inc.
Serving more than food . . .

In the greater Indianapolis area, one in five people are food insecure (one in five children below the age of eighteen). In Marion County, 21.6 percent of people live below the poverty level, with 32 percent of children living below the poverty level, according to Helpings of Hope's website.

Food security exists when all people at all times have physical, social and economic access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life. In pursuing that goal, Helpings of Hope has the following goals:

- Develop community gardens that will help people meet their dietary needs in a cost-effective and nutritious way.
- Establish Helpings Cafe, a "pay-as-you-can" cafe that will provide delicious meals for the people of Indianapolis, regardless of their ability to pay
- Promote an understanding of the value of nutritious food and the importance of the food choices people make every day.

Helpings of Hope is located at 770 Pawtucket Drive, Westfield, IN 46074. For more information, call 317-669-6100, write helpingsofhopeindy@gmail.com or visit <https://helpingsofhopeindy.org>.

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Please contact the officers and chairs of the Garfield Park Master Gardener Association if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions about the organization.

GPMGA Meeting Minutes — March 8

Program

Fabulous meeting that featured the following speakers who explored volunteer opportunities at the indicated places:

- Deb Ehret - IMCPL - Seed Bank Library at Spades Park
- Nancy Boettner—GPMGA Plant Sale
- Boynton Robson - President Benjamin Harrison Home
- Kay Martin-Pence - Garfield Park and Garfield Park's Children's Garden
- Ed Myers - Benton House and Kile Oak Habitat Garden
- Bill Bernstein - Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, Inc. (Opportunities listed on KIBI's website.)
- Lane Judkins - Indiana World War Memorial
- Dawn Keller-Doll - Helpings of Hope; Nora church
- Thomas Graham - All-America Selections Garden at Garfield Park Art Center

Business Meeting (Board Reports)

- President-Nancy Boettner: Encouraged people to renew memberships
- Vice-President-Carrie Alumbaugh: Introduced new members/guests—Becky Walker, Paula Carson, Catherine Corbin
- Secretary-Lane Judkins: Reviewed minutes from February meeting; Minutes accepted unanimously
- Treasurer-Cindy Maude (Absent). Report given by Lane Judkins: Checking balance \$4,943.86; Membership dues due; \$500 gift to Demonstration Garden sent
- Hospitality-Sue Hoyt, Jean Corder, Betty Hurn Johnson: Thanks to snack providers; Seeking snacks for next meeting
- Newsletter/Communications-Oren Cooley: Website update. Password: garden
- Programs-Kay Martin-Pence & Penny Place: Helpings of Hope in April
- Historian-Jayne Queck: No report.
- Conservatory Tours-Victoria Metheaux: Training delayed but will take place for any new tour guides.

Motion made to accept these board reports: Bill Bernstein motioned; Boynton Robson seconded.

Other Business

- Gardening Opportunities:
 - All America Garden - Thomas Graham: Approval to plant received from Art Center; Need volunteers to help with planting and maintenance
 - Marion County Fair Garden – Jayne Queck: Fair Board talking with others about urban farm in the fall, Area too large for a small group; Perhaps, GPMGA could help with landscaping by front of Cattle Barn
 - Demo Garden volunteers needed; Contact Steve Mayer
- Cookbook: Eventually available on GPMGA website
- Garden Center Discounts-Barb Jablonski: Article in Newsletter, 21 vendors with a 10% discount. Please thank them!
- Spades Park Library Branch- Deb Ehret: Kick-off on March 25 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Certificates distributed to Ed Meyers, Judy Martin, Victoria Metheaux.

—Respectfully submitted,
Lane Judkins

Additional Garden Center to Provide Discount

Indiana Mulch and Stone has agreed to offer a 10 percent discount to GPMGA members. This addition brings to 22 the number of garden centers that will give Master Gardeners a landscape discount. For more information, visit <http://www.indianamulch.com/Home.aspx>.

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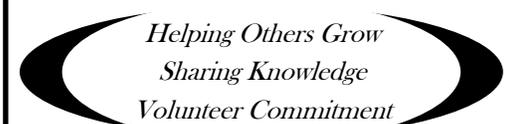
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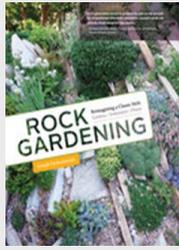
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From the Bookshelf . . .**Rock Gardening: Reimagining a Classic Style**

by Joseph Tychonievich

This volume explores the many facets of rock gardening—the art of growing alpine and other miniature plants in the company of rocks in order to recreate the look of a rugged mountaintop.



Time and space constraints, chronic drought in the American West and a trend toward architectural plants are just a few reasons this style of gardening has been capturing greater attention.

Rock Gardening brings this traditional style to a new generation of gardeners. It includes a survey of gorgeous rock gardens from around the world, the techniques and methods specific to creating and maintaining a rock garden, and profiles of the top 50 rock garden plants. Spectacular photography, colorful writing and detailed plant information combine to bring rock gardening to life for modern audiences that are increasingly interested in diminutive gardens.

On the Web . . .**Purdue Extension Garden Tips**

www.extension.purdue.edu/gardentips/

Purdue Extension GardenTIPS is the online resource for Indiana gardening information from Purdue University's experts. Originally formatted as an e-newsletter, GardenTIPS now occurs in an archive-only state with active links to continue its position of a portal to gardening resources at Purdue University. A popular resource, the website contains past issues of the e-newsletters as well as sections devoted to garden flowers; fruits and vegetables; lawn care; landscape plants; insects, pests and diseases; and indoor plants that allow gardeners to find information quickly.

Do you know a great Website? Send info to www.pastpfct@aol.com.

Earth Day Indiana — April 22

On Saturday, April 22, thousands of Hoosiers will head to downtown Indianapolis to attend what the national Earth Day Network calls one of the most successful annual Earth Day events in the country.



The Earth Day Indiana Festival—which will occur from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Military Park—combines more than 125 environmental and conservation exhibits, live music, special activities for kids and good food. The festival features exhibits on environmental protection, conservation of natural resources and sustainable living. The Earth Day Indiana Festival is the state's largest one-day environmental event, and is the first free, outdoor festival in Indianapolis each year.

This year marks the return of the Recycle Run 5K! Starting at noon, participants will be able to run or walk a 5K route—mostly along the White River! The majority of the course will take participants upriver and then downriver—finishing at Military Park.

In 1970, U.S. Sen. Gaylord Nelson organized the first Earth Day to bring national attention to conservation issues. Twenty million people joined in peaceful demonstrations—including 10,000 grade and high schools, and 2,000 colleges in approximately 1,000 communities. In 1995, Nelson was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Through the 1970s, Indiana's Earth Day celebrations were held primarily at colleges. However, in the late 1980s, a particularly hot summer produced serious air pollution problems, record-setting heat waves and drought with devastating fires. Soon, the nation's agricultural belt began to take a greater interest in environmental concerns.

By the 20th anniversary of Earth Day in 1990, interest in environmental issues had spread across the globe.

For more information, visit www.earthday.org.

GPMGA Plant Sale May 20

The Garfield Park Master Gardeners' Annual Plant Sale will occur from 9:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 20.

We are looking for plants to sell. They can be divisions from your perennial garden, plants grown from seed, bulbs, vegetables, herbs, annuals, houseplants, trees (small enough to pot up) or shrubs.

Plants will need to be potted and ready for sale when you bring them in. No plants with mildew or other problems. And, please, no invasives.

Some pots will be available at future meetings.

If you have any clean, empty pots, please bring them to the meetings as well. We need 3" and 4" plastic pots as well as 1-5 gallon size.

We don't accept plants until May 19—the night before the plant sale. However, if you need help preparing plant labels in advance, please let us know.

Of course, we also need help the day before and the day of the sale—setting up, tearing down, assisting customers—as well as needing shoppers! If you would like to help, please contact Kay Martin-Pence at guiltargirl929@gmail.com.



Spring Blooms, Beer Garden A Success

More than 2,600 people visited the Indianapolis Museum of Art for the opening weekend of *Spring Blooms: Celebration of Color*—the museum's spring garden exhibition featuring a floral display of more than 250,000 bulbs that kicked off March 31.

Among its many features, *Spring Blooms* included a 30-seat beer garden at the IMA's Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse. The IMA's director of hospitality, Josh Ratliff, dreamed up the idea of a beer garden in response to market research that showed an interest in the museum incorporating more food and beverage into its experience.



He envisioned the beer garden as the Germans did: communal tables surrounded by scenic beauty. "It's really about a moment of pause and social celebration," he said. "And getting people to pause and relax at the IMA."

The beer garden was created using refurbished materials from the museum's campus. Pat's Philly Pretzels are served on old slate tiles from the roof of Lilly House.



Drink selections include a farmhouse ale brewed special for the IMA by Sun King Brewery called "Among the Leaves," a Warsteiner German Pilsner, a riesling wine and a non-alcoholic root beer from Triton Brewing Co.

"Among the Leaves" is made with a native yeast that gives the beer an apple or pear blossom taste, according to Sun King Brewery. Camomile and Liberty hops add a lemongrass finish.

The beer garden is open from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Thursday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m., Sunday. It can be accessed with admission to the IMA. General admission tickets are \$18 for adults.

For more information, visit www.imamuseum.org.

Garfield Park Orchid Show April 22-23

The Central Indiana Orchid Society's Orchid Show will occur from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on April 22-23 at the Garfield Park Conservatory.

The conservatory will be filled with many displays of blooming orchids from across the Midwest—all competing for awards. Vendors also will be available with orchids for sale.



Come check out this annual event. The cost is \$4 per person or \$10 per family (2 adults maximum). For more information, visit www.garfieldgardensconservatory.org.

Garfield Park's History

We continue this month with GPMGA member Boynton Robson's series on the history of Garfield Park. Enjoy!

—Jayne Queck, GPMGA Historian

As one strolls around the park, there are many points of interest to catch one's eye. One is the statue of General Henry Lawton, a hero during the Civil War and a native Hoosier who served with the Indiana Volunteers. He also fought in the Spanish-American War, where he lost his life in 1899 in the Philippines.

His statue is located on the park's east side near the Shelby Street entrance overlooking the Conservatory and Sunken Garden. The statue was moved to that location from the old Marion County Court House in 1915.

Fourteen years later, the monument to Confederate military personnel who lost their lives while in capture as prisoners of war at Camp Morton was moved from Greenlawn Cemetery to the park's entrance on Southern Avenue.

However, through the years, Garfield Park mostly has remained a focal center for families from all walks of life.

One of the most interesting projects was added in 1920 and isn't that well known. The Grove of Remembrance was created in the northwestern section of the park. It is behind the fire station and consists of trees that were planted to honor the Indianapolis soldiers who fell during World War I.

Originally, a tree was planted for each individual soldier—a total of 387. Of course, through the years, some of the trees have died and, unfortunately, were not replaced.

In 1920, an amphitheater was built as well and it is in use to this day with concerts and plays. It has hosted the wonderful series of Shakespeare in the Park, the Starlight Musicals, the Indianapolis Symphony and many star performers. In addition, in 1922, an outdoor shelter was built and later enclosed. It housed the first exhibits of the Children's Museum.

To be continued. . . .

EXTENSION HORTICULTURE HINTS—APRIL 2017

Steve Mayer, Extension Educator-Horticulture, Purdue Extension-Marion County

Steve Mayer, Extension Educator-Horticulture, for Purdue Extension-Marion County, serves as coordinator and instructor for the Purdue Master Gardener program in Marion County.

April Garden Calendar Tips

Note: Letters and numbers following the tip refer to Purdue publications; other reference links on the topic may also be supplied.

- **First Week:** Plant early season potato cultivars as soon as the soil is dry enough to work. Use 2-ounce sections of certified, disease-free seed potatoes. Late-season cultivars are often planted later (around mid-June) so the tubers can develop during the cooler fall season. Late cultivars are best for winter storage of potatoes (HO-62). <https://edustore.purdue.edu/item.asp?item_number=ho-62-w>
- **Second Week:** Check needle evergreens for spruce spider mites every 1 to 2 weeks in April and May. Apply a pesticide if 2 dozen mites fall from a branch when tapped over a sheet of paper (E-42). <<https://extension.entm.purdue.edu/publications/E-42.pdf>>
- **Third Week:** In rainy weather it is better to mow the grass when it is a little wet rather than waiting until the grass is dry but 8 inches tall (AY-8). <<https://www.extension.purdue.edu/extmedia/ay/ay-8-w.pdf>>
- **Fourth Week:** As soon as the soil can be prepared, set new raspberry plants in early spring. Keep the plants moist – before and during planting. The hole should be large enough to easily accommodate the root system. Place the plants at the same depth as they were growing in the nursery (HO-44). <https://edustore.purdue.edu/item.asp?item_number=ho-44-w>

Follow me on Twitter @purduehortindy (or view at: <http://twitter.com/purduehortindy>) for more tips. You don't have to be on Twitter to simply view my comments.



Winter annual weeds like this purple deadnettle were flowering in late March and early April this year (Photo: Steve Mayer, 4/1/17).

Winter Annual Weeds are Blooming

Broadleaf winter annual weeds germinate in the fall, survive the winter as a plant, and then flower, produce seeds and die in the spring.

Purple deadnettle has a square stem (member of mint family) and small, pink to purple tubular flowers like a similar weed in the mint family – henbit. However, the leaves are different. The upper leaves of henbit are deeply lobed and attach to the main stem at the leaf base (no leaf stalk). However, the leaves of purple deadnettle are roughly triangular, not deeply lobed, and can be more purplish in color (especially at the tip of the shoots).

In the spring, remove these winter annual weeds by hand in the garden and landscape when flowering to avoid further seeding in the area. You can also easily pull small numbers in the lawn. Postemergence broadleaf herbicides are best used in the fall when the plants are small. Late spring herbicides are usually not needed since the leaves of the weeds will soon turn yellow and die naturally from warm temperatures in late spring and early summer.

More information on identification and control in the lawn is found in the links below.

Henbit

<<http://purdueturftips.blogspot.com/2014/04/weed-of-month-for-december-2013-is.html>>

Purple Deadnettle

<<http://purdueturftips.blogspot.com/2013/04/aprils-weed-of-month-is-purple.html>>

The Question Box

April 2017

Steve Mayer, *Extension Educator-Horticulture
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Q. Is there a Purdue Master Gardener State Conference this year?

A. No. The next Purdue Master Gardener State Conference will be June 7-9, 2018 in Danville, IN.

There is a 2017 Purdue Master Gardener State Tour in Bloomington, IN, on Friday, June 16, 2017. The early registration fee ends April 15. Complete details and a registration form are online: http://www.mcmga.net/upcoming_events/2017_Master_Gardener_State_Tour/2017_Master_Gardener_State_Tour.htm. Registration closes on May 14 or at 150 registrations.

The 2017 International Master Gardener Conference will be held July 10-14, 2017, in Portland, OR. The last day to register is May 26. Info is at: <http://blogs.oregonstate.edu/2017imgc/>.

Q. What resources can I use when helping youth learn about gardening?

A. Thanks to a donation from the Marion County Master Gardener Association (MCMGA), we purchased Junior Master Gardener (JMG) program books. One set of the JMG books we purchased was placed for reference in the Master Gardener AnswerLine library at our office. **You are welcome to browse through the materials at the office for teaching ideas and activities for youth.**

Youth Teaching Materials in the AnswerLine

- Teacher & Leader Guide, Junior Master Gardener, Level 1, Texas A&M Extension Service, 2016.
- Junior Master Gardener Literature in the Garden, Level 1, Texas A&M Extension Service, 2005.
- Junior Master Gardener Wildlife Gardener, Level 1, Texas A&M Extension Service, 2004.
- Junior Master Gardener Operation Thistle: Seeds of Despair, Level 2, Texas A&M Extension Service, 2005.
- Junior Master Gardener Operation W.A.T.E.R.: Dr. Thistle Goes Underground, Level 2, Texas A&M Extension Service, 2006.
- Master Gardener's Let's Grow, Eat & Go, Texas A&M Extension Service, 2015.
- Junior Master Gardener Handbook, Level 1, Texas A&M Extension Service, 1999 (purchased previously).

For info on the purchase of these Texas A&M Extension

publications, call 888-900-2577 or 979-985-5259. You may also send an email to: agrilifebookstore@tamu.edu or go online to: <https://www.agrilifebookstore.org/category-s/1838.htm>. Additional information on JMG resources and the JMG program is at the national JMG website: <http://jmgkids.us/>.

Community Gardening Info in the AnswerLine

We also added a copy of the following book to the Master Gardener AnswerLine library from a MCMGA donation last year.

- Start A Community Food Garden by LaManda Joy, Timber Press, 2014.

Q. My Japanese Spurge (*Pachysandra*) ground cover started to turn brown and die this spring. What happened?

A. One common problem that appeared this spring is Volutella Blight. Infection is possible at any time in the growing season with proper environmental conditions. The warm temperatures early this year may have made things more favorable for an earlier infection. The warm temperatures and wind this winter may have increased water stress on the plant, a condition taken advantage of by this opportunistic fungus. Good sanitation and avoidance of stress are important. Remove all brown material that may be diseased and pull out and remove from the site any severely affected plants. Other stresses to avoid are mentioned in the links below such as excessive sunlight, insect damage, tree leaf debris present that decreases air circulation as does excessively thick plantings of the ground cover (may need thinning). Do not confuse the disease with browning from winter desiccation. Consult the links for details.

https://ag.purdue.edu/btny/ppdl/Pages/WH_old/hot06/6-5.html

<https://ipm.illinois.edu/diseases/rpds/649.pdf>

<http://plantclinic.cornell.edu/factsheets/pachysandrareafblight.pdf>

http://www.ct.gov/caes/lib/caes/documents/publications/fact_sheets/plant_pathology_and_ecology/volutella_blight_of_pachysandra_04-10-08r.pdf

Show / Event Calendar

Now until May 31

Spring Blooms: Celebration of Color
 Indianapolis Museum of Art
 4000 N. Michigan Road, Indianapolis
www.imamuseum.org

April 22 (9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.)

Parks Foundation of Hendricks County
 Native Plant and Tree Sale
 Sodalis Nature Park, 7700 South County Road 975 East, Plainfield
www.pfohc.org

April 22 (9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.)

Tippecanoe MG Association
 12th Annual Garden Expo
 Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds
 1010 Teal Road, Lafayette
 1-765-474-0793

April 22 (11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Earth Day Indiana
 Military Park/White River State Park
 601 W. New York St., Indianapolis
www.earthdayindiana.org

April 22-23

CIOS Orchid Show at Garfield Park
 Garfield Park Conservatory
 2505 Conservatory Drive, Indianapolis
www.garfieldgardensconservatory.org

April 29-30

IMA's Perennial Premiere and Indianapolis Garden Club Flower Show
 Indianapolis Museum of Art
 4000 N. Michigan Road, Indianapolis
www.imamuseum.org

May 1 –13

Indiana School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Plant Sale
 Indiana School for the Blind
 7725 N. College Avenue, Indianapolis
 317-253-1481

May 5-6

Hancock County Herb Society and MG Association Plant Sale
 Hancock County Fairgrounds
 620 N. Apple St., Greenfield
<http://hancockmga.com>

May 13

INPAWS Native Plant Sale and Show
 Park Tudor Gymnasium
 7200 N. College Avenue, Indianapolis
www.inpaws.org

May 20 (9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.)

GPMGA Annual Plant Sale
 Outside Garfield Park Conservatory
 2505 Conservatory Drive, Indianapolis
www.garfieldgardensconservatory.org

Educational and Volunteer Opportunities

April 8 (8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.)

Spring Herb Symposium: Duet in C
 Herb Society of Central Indiana
 Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds
 2003 Pleasant St., Noblesville
<http://herbsocietyofcentralindiana.org>

April 10 (6:30 p.m.)

Think Outside the Hosta
 Holliday Park Nature Center
 6363 Spring Mill Road, Indianapolis
www.indianapolishostasociety.org

April 22 (9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.)

Hendricks County MG Gardening for All Ages
 Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds
 1900 E. Main St., Danville
www.hendricksgardeners.com

May 3 (6:30 p.m.)

Tropical Butterfly Adventures Around the World
 First Friends Church
 3030 Kessler Blvd., E. Dr., Indianapolis
www.indianadaylilyirissociety.org

IMA: Spring Blooms, Audubon Lecture, Perennial Premiere



Celebrate spring at the Indianapolis Museum of Art with a tour of *Spring Blooms: Celebration of Color* and then attend a discussion of *Birds of America* led by Jim McCormac, a leading expert on John James Audubon, on Sunday, April 23 (from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.).

Jim McCormac has spent 31 years working for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources as a botanist and bird specialist. Hear him discuss Audubon's style, talent for presenting birds as art, and some of the enduring mysteries of Audubon's *Birds of America*. Afterwards, explore the IMA exhibition, *Audubon: Drawn to Nature*.

Then, on Saturday, April 29 (from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), and Sunday, April 30 (from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.), the IMA will host the Perennial Premiere and the Indianapolis Garden Club Flower Show.

Come purchase plants unavailable anywhere else from perennials and annuals to tropical, herbal, and house plants during the IMA's Perennial Premiere at the museum's Newfields home. In addition to seeing rare and beautiful plants, visitors will have an opportunity to have the horticulture staff answer various planting questions.



This year, Indianapolis Garden Club Flower Show is back again in the museum's Deer Zink Special Events Pavilion. Come browse through hundreds of flowers all tied into our theme of *Through the Looking Glass*. This year, the collection is inspired by the new and improved IMA Gardens and *Spring Blooms*.

For more information, visit www.imamuseum.org.

