

# Midwest Native Plant Conference Agenda

August 2-4, 2024 Bergamo Center Beaver Creek, OH

<b>Friday</b>			
12:30 pm Vendor Registration Opens	Sponsor, Vendor & Exhibitor Registration.		
1:30 pm Attendee Registration Opens	Full Attendee Registration Opens. Friday Only Option Registration Opens.		
1:30-2:30 pm Indoor Presentation	<b>Seed Collection and Propagation of Native Plants</b> , Gale Martin		
1:30-2:30 pm Outdoor Walk	<b>Shade Plantings and Thickets</b> , Austin Miller, Moderate to difficult walking. Limit 15		
2:30-3:30 pm Indoor Panel	<b>Ask an Expert Panel</b> , Mark Plunkett, Macy Reynolds, Kim Carlson, Sandy McHugh		
3:45-4:45 pm Indoor Presentation	<b>Edible Native Plants: Food for Thought</b> , Debra Knapke		
4:30-6:30 pm Fireplace Lounge	Social with Cash Bar until 6:30		
5:00-6:30 pm Dining Room	Dinner Shifts - Flora 5:00 - Fauna 5:30		
6:45 pm Roncalli	Welcome, Marianist Environmental Education Center (MEEC) & General Announcements		
7:15 pm Roncalli Keynote Speaker	<b>The Legacy of Native Gardens in America and their Promise for the Future</b> , Robert Grese		
9:00 pm Outdoor Activities-meet at front entrance. Indoor talks in Roncalli.	<b>Chimney Swift Walk</b> —Judy Semroc <b>Firefly Walk</b> -Matthew Speights	<b>Sounds Night Walk</b> -Lisa Rainsong <b>Nature Prowl</b> -Jim McCormac.	<b>The Great Plains: A Vanishing Ecosystem</b> , Tom Croce (indoor)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Saturday Native Plants &amp; Artisan Sale, Open to the public by registration, 9:30 am to 5:30 pm</b>		
8:00 - 9:00 am Dining Room	Breakfast 8:00 am - 9:00 am		
8:00 am Silent Auction Opens. Dining room Fireplace Lounge.	<b>Silent Auction Bidding</b> Opens in Dining Room Fireplace Lounge. Must Be Present to Win! Bidding closes 6:15pm		
9:15 Roncalli	Welcome and Announcements		
9:30 am Roncalli Keynote Speaker	<b>Cultivating for Native Bee Conservation</b> , Dr. Karen Goodell		
10:45 am-11:45 am	<b>Breakout Session 1</b> - Meet outside front entrance for outdoor programs.		
Indoor Presentation	Ruby-throated Hummingbirds: Feathered Helicopters, Jim McCormac		
Indoor Presentation	Birds and Insects are Listening, Dr. Lisa Rainsong		
Indoor Presentation	Attracting Beneficial Insects to the Home Garden Habitat, Judy Semroc		
Outdoor Art Program	Landscape Drawing with Natural Objects, Bill Whorrall		
Outdoor Presentation	Cultivating Stewardship; Growing Native Trees from Seed, Sam Settlemyre		
Outdoor Nursery Tour	DIY - Growing Native Plants and MEEC Nursery Tour, Michele Banker		
Outdoor Presentation	Historical and Medical uses of Native Ohio plants, Dr. Theresa Culley		
Outdoor Presentation	Controlling Wildland Weeds, Tom Borgman		
Noon-1:30 pm Dining Room	Lunch Shifts - Flora 12:00 & Fauna 12:30 pm		
1:30-2:30 pm	<b>Breakout Session 2</b> - Meet outside front entrance for outdoor programs		
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3:30-4:30 pm Indoor Presentation	<b>Planting With Nature: Designing with Native Plants</b> , Jennifer Smith		
3:30-4:30 pm Indoor Presentation	<b>Restoring Land and People – Plant a Sound Garden</b> , Jack Stenger		
4:30-6:30 pm Social, Fireplace Lounge	Social with cash Bar until 6:30 pm. Silent Auction bidding ends 6:15 pm.		
5:00-6:30 pm Dining Room	Dinner Shifts - Flora 5:00 & Fauna 5:30. Silent Auction Bidding Ends 6:15 pm		
6:45 pm Roncalli - Announcements	Centerpiece Raffle & Silent Auction Winners Announced– <i>Must be present to win!</i>		
7:15 pm Roncalli Keynote Speaker	<b>Carex for Every Garden</b> , Sam Hoadley		
9:00 pm Outdoor Walks meet at front entrance. Indoor talks in Roncalli.	<b>Chimney Swift Walk</b> —Judy Semroc <b>Firefly Walk</b> -Matthew Speights	<b>Sounds Night Walk</b> -Lisa Rainsong <b>Nature Prowl</b> -Jim McCormac.	<b>The Great Plains: A Vanishing Ecosystem</b> , Tom Croce (indoor)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Conference Ends - Thank you for Joining Us!</b>		
7:30-8:30 am Dining Room	Breakfast and Room Checkout 7:30 am - 8:30 am		
9:00 am Field Trips Depart.	Fill your water bottle, get your snacks and maps, and then head out to your field trip.		

Conference Documents can be found online at: <https://midwestnativeplants.org/midwest-native-plant-conference/>