

Friday, April 21, 2017

Heart of Virginia Master Gardeners Speakers Bureau

Members of the Heart of Virginia Master Gardeners are available to speak for community organizations about a wide variety of horticultural subjects, as listed below. Please contact the Prince Edward Extension Office at 434.392.4246 or Katy Overby hawthoks@vt.edu to request a specific topic, and provide information on the date, time, location, and approximate number of attendees. While there is no charge for the speaker's time, reimbursement for travel expenses, handouts, or other materials used in the presentation may be appropriate.

Gardening Topic	Presenter	Length of Presentation	Notes
Bringing the Outside In – Decorating inside & out using seasonal plants & other natural accoutrements. This program can be tailored to specifics like seasons or holidays or can be general.	S J Drummond	30-45 Minutes	
Florabundance! – The art of easy but impressive flower arranging. This program can be tailored to a specific topic (church, weddings, parties) or a general topic.	S J Drummond	30 Minutes	
Bayscaping - Tour a landscape that uses native plants to reduce water, fertilizer and maintenance needs.	Deanna Fehrer	30-45 Minutes	The Bayscaping site is located at the Prince Edward Natural Resource and Agricultural Building
Rain Gardens - Landscape to manage erosion and water runoff - learn what, how and why	Deanna Fehrer	30-45 Minutes	
Hypertufa Containers - construction of rough textured planters which resemble English stone troughs	Deanna Fehrer	Workshop	There is a cost for materials
African Violets – For a Blooming Success	Jeanne Grunert	30 minutes	
Keeping Christmas Cacti Alive After the Holidays	Jeanne Grunert	30 Minutes	
Starting a Butterfly Garden - Learn how to start a garden that attracts beautiful, colorful butterflies. Includes host plants, nectar and shelter plants, site selection and more.	Jeanne Grunert	30-60 Minutes	

Gardening Between the Bookends – The speakers will discuss the fascinating garden books the Heart of Va Master Gardeners have contributed to the Buckingham, Cumberland & Farmville/Prince Edward public libraries in the recent years.	Joyce Keith & Elsie Towler	30 Minutes	
Amaranth: Showy Ornamental, Super Weed, Ancient “Grain”	Pat Lust	30 Minutes	Small table and a blank wall or screen for projection
Geophytes: Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes and Other Tubers – Which Is It, and Why Does It Matter, Anyway?	Pat Lust	30 Minutes	Small table and a blank wall or screen for projection
Horticulture and Crops in Ecuador: Their Natives, Our Favorite Foods and the Challenges	Pat Lust	30 Minutes	Small table and a blank wall or screen for projection
<u>Who’s Related to Whom? Series: Veggies: Are they brassicas? Cucurbits? Nightshade? Legumes? Alliums? Or, something else?</u>	Pat Lust	30 Minutes	Small table and a blank wall or screen for projection
<u>Who’s Related to Whom? Series: Fruit: Are they berries? Drupes? Pomes? Pepos? Hesperidiums? Or, something else?</u>	Pat Lust	30 Minutes	Small table and a blank wall or screen for projection
<u>Who’s Related to Whom? Series: Edible Seeds: Are they legumes? Grains (cereals)? Pseudo cereals? Pulses? Nuts? Just Seeds? Or something else?</u>	Pat Lust	30 Minutes	Small table and a blank wall or screen for projection
Proper Pruning – the tools you need and helpful techniques to remember.	Tina Wells	30 Minutes	
Tree Topics	Tina Wells	30-60 Minutes	Many topics available