



Join Us For Our 9th Annual
Educational Garden Conference!

Gardening and All That Jazz Growing With Style

Keynote Speakers

**David Culp • Kerry Ann Mendez
Shawna Coronado
Meredith Simpson / Richard Thomas**

Saturday, April 30, 2022 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

2022 is a Virtual Conference Produced by
Orion Neighborhood Television
<https://orionontv.org>

***Presentations will be available online for two
weeks following the conference!***

This conference is offered to the public; you need not
be a Master Gardener to attend!
Master Gardeners receive 5 hours CE credit.

The following books will be available for purchase on
the Eventbrite registration site:

David Culp
The Layered Garden
A Year at Brandywine Cottage

Piet Oudolf and Henk Gerritsen
Planting the Natural Garden

Price includes shipping and handling to your home address.
Books will be mailed from the publisher after April 15.

For questions on book sales, please contact our Registrar,
Ann Hudak via e-mail: conference@mgsoc.org

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Educational Conference Registration

Tickets go on sale February 1, 2022.

Registration Fee: \$50

**Cancellation policy:
no refunds are granted.**

**Registration Deadline: Midnight,
Wednesday, April 27, 2022**

Checks must be received by this date.

**Ann Hudak – Registrar, 3931 Custer Avenue
Royal Oak, MI 48073**

Direct conference registration questions to:

Ann Hudak, phone (248) 812-9437

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AGENDA

Conference begins PROMPTLY at 9 a.m.

Each presentation will be one hour long, with a 15-minute
Q&A. Q&A questions will be e-mailed in during each
presentation.

Welcome with opening remarks

David Culp – The Layered Garden

15-minute break

**Kerry Ann Mendez – Hydrangeas Demystified –
Great Hydrangeas Plus Tips for
Exceptional Flowering**

30-minute lunch break

**Shawna Coronado – Grow UP! Elevate
Your Garden Beds and Stop Being a Pain in Your Neck**

15-minute break

**Meredith Simpson and Richard Thomas –
Oudolf Garden Detroit**

4 p.m. conference closes

Background jazz music courtesy of
Dave Bennett and
The Dave Tatrow Quartet

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2022 Keynote Speaker Presentations



David Culp – *The Layered Garden* – www.davidculp.com

David Culp will show us how to recreate the majestic display of his beloved two-acre Pennsylvania garden, Brandywine Cottage. It contains a basic lesson in layering—how to choose the correct plants by understanding how they grow and change throughout the seasons, how to design a layered garden, and tips on maintaining it. To illustrate how layering works, David will take you on a virtual tour through each part of his celebrated garden. The lecture culminates with his signature plants for all four seasons.



Kerry Ann Mendez – *Hydrangeas Demystified – Great Hydrangeas Plus Tips for Exceptional Flowering* – www.pyours.com

Unravel the mystery for having honkin' Hydrangeas that will be the envy of the neighborhood. This vast genus of shrubs is divided into five groups. Knowing the differences and how to maximize the show from each will be discussed as well as top-performing cultivars. The talk includes how to care for and prune these beauties.



Shawna Coronado – *Grow UP! Elevate Your Garden Beds and Stop Being a Pain in Your Neck* – www.shawnacoronado.com

Since Shawna Coronado has been diagnosed with osteoarthritis pain in 2015, she has been learning tips and tricks for how to reduce her chronic inflammatory pain while in the garden. In this workshop, Shawna will teach you all the smart garden tips for pain reduction she knows. She will show full-color photos featuring her extensive elevated bed gardens and will teach techniques on smart ways to grow at waist height. Learn how to grow a large volume of annual flowers, perennial plants, vegetables and herbs, and even succulents in a smaller space while reducing stress on your joints and body. Stop being a pain in your own neck and back – attend the class to get all the down low on growing UP.



Meredith Simpson and Richard Thomas – *Oudolf Garden Detroit* – www.oudolfgardendetroit.org

Oudolf Garden Detroit is a four-season, free public garden on beautiful Belle Isle – a setting as unique as Detroit! Inspired by the energy of Detroit after receiving a “love letter from Detroit” from The Garden Club of Michigan (GCM) Piet Oudolf designed this naturalistic public garden on Belle Isle. Both artistic and ecologic by design, he chose perennials, grasses, shrubs, and trees for their hardiness, durability, and ever-changing textures and colors for enjoyment. We will explore how an all-volunteer ‘grounds crew’ has worked together with Piet Oudolf to fund, plan, design, build and now care for this wonderful public asset. Join us as we explore Piet Oudolf’s master plan, planting designs, and extensive plant choices.