



Join Us For Our 10th Annual
Educational Garden Conference!

Gardening and All That Jazz Garden Revival

Keynote Speakers

Joseph Tychonievich
Scott Beuerlein (2 presentations)
Deborah Trickett

Saturday, April 20, 2024, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Oakland Schools Conference Center
2111 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford, 48328

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

Doors open at 8 a.m. Conference begins PROMPTLY at 8:45 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m.

Each presentation will be one hour long, with a 15-minute Q&A.

Enjoy shopping, door prizes and our Grand Raffle!

Live jazz entertainment by the *The Dave Bennett Trio* during lunch, courtesy of The Greater Detroit Jazz Society.



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Educational Conference Registration

Tickets go on sale February 1, 2024.

Registration Fee: \$95

Cancellation policy: no refunds are granted.

Registration Deadline: Midnight,
Wednesday, April 5, 2024

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
E-mail: conference@mgsoc.org

Please complete the form and make checks payable to: MGSOC, Inc. or register online at the MGSOC web site:

<https://mgsoc.org/educational-conference/>

Don't forget to **pre-select your luncheon choice!** It will be indicated on your name badge the day of the conference. You will be able to indicate your luncheon choices if registering online. **If mailing your registration, please keep a copy for yourself and mail a copy to Ann Hudak at the address above.**

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY, All Fields Are Required

Name _____

Address _____

City / State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

E-Mail* _____

* Please note: confirmation will be sent via e-mail only.

Certified Master Gardener? (check if yes)

County _____

FOUR LUNCHEON CHOICES (please select one)

Turkey and Cheese Sandwich

Grilled Chicken Salad

Veg/Vegan/Dairy-free Salad

Gluten-free Salad

All lunches come with 2 sides and a beverage.
We will NOT be offering special dietary food options this year.

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Garden Revival



2024 Keynote Speaker Presentations



Joseph Tychonievich – Soil Problems and How to Solve Them
www.josephgardens.com

Apart from the weather, there is probably nothing that gardeners complain more about than their soil. Whether it is heavy wet clay, or drought-prone sand, every soil type presents different challenges... and opportunities. This talk will give you the tools to really understand your soil, how to optimize your soil for the plants you want to grow, and choose plants best suited to the soil conditions you already have.

Joseph is the author of several books, check them out on his website.

Scott Beuerlein – www.scottbeuerlein.com

1) Badass Trees for Piss-Poor Places

Originally titled “Good Trees for Bad Places,” it was determined by a committee of sobriety-challenged but internationally renowned horticulturists that the name needed an upgrade. The trees in this talk are survivors. They beg for poor soil, taunt droughts, laugh at incorrect planting technique, scoff at mulch volcanoes, and mock bad pruning cuts. Sure, some of the usual suspects, but the talk also includes some you probably don't know. It also uses some of the trees as launch pads into discussion of, and even challenge, some tree-planting concepts. Enjoy this romp through trees so ornery they'll resist the worst that is hurled at them and be there to shade your children's children's children.

2) Planting for Pollinators

We all know that pollinators are under pressure. Fortunately, our urban and suburban gardens and landscapes are easily (and beautifully) tailored to provide much of the plant diversity upon which pollinators depend. This talk sets the context and then provides the tools for any homeowner to do real conservation literally in their own backyards.



Deborah Trickett – Jaw-Dropping, Traffic-Stopping, Get-the-neighbors-talking Containers – www.thecapturedgarden.com

Tired of the same old windowboxes? Have you ever wanted to create lush container gardens that would be the envy of the neighborhood? Are you ready to move beyond the expected?

Join award-winning container garden designer Deborah Trickett as she shows you how to take your container gardens from “blah” to “aaah”. She'll start with the basics, including appropriate containers, soil mixes, and plant choices for different site conditions, then proceed to new and unusual plant material and uncommon, even “green,” container choices.

