

High Desert Gardening & Landscaping Conference 2014

Agenda

Thursday, March 13

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Registration & Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45 a.m. Welcome – Jan Groth, MC

8:45 – 10:00 a.m. General Session A
*Dr. Robert Casavant, Science and Research Manager
Arizona State Parks*

10:00 - 10:30 a.m. Break/Exhibits

10:30 – 11:45 a.m. General Session B
Stephen Scott, Terroir Seed LLC, Home of Underwood Gardens
Chino Valley, Arizona

11:45 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch, Door Prizes & Exhibits

1:15 – 2:15 p.m. Session I
A. Agaves & Legumes for High Desert
Matt Johnson, Program Manager and Curator of the Desert Legume Program, University of Arizona College of Agriculture & Life Sciences and the Boyce Thompson Arboretum

B. Community Gardens and the Triple Bottom Line of Sustainability in the High Desert
Mark Apel, Area Extension Agent, Community Resource Development, Cochise Count

C. Seed Saving Q & A
Stephen Scott, Terroir Seeds LLC, Home of Underwood Gardens, Chino Valley

2:15PM Break

2:30 – 5:00 p.m. Session II (Hands On/Interactive)

A. Plant ID for Everyone (Except Pencil-Necked Geek Botanists) (limit 20)
Jim Koweek, Owner, Arizona Revegetation & Monitoring Company

B. Insect Identification & Management (limit 30)
Stacey Bealmear, Extension Agent, Urban Horticulture, Yuma County
Peter Warren, Extension Agent, Urban Horticulture, Pima County

C. Plant Propagation (Limit 30)*
Bill Cook, Owner, Harmony Gardens, Duncan, AZ and Extension Program Coordinator, Cochise County

D. The Virtual Gardener Presents – Gardening with Technology (limit 20)
Gary Gruenhagen, Master Gardener

E. Growing, Drying, & Cooking with Herbs (limit 30)*
Karen Webb and Maryhelen

Friday, March 14

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Registration & Breakfast
8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Welcome - Jan Groth, MC

8:45 - 10:00 a. m. General Session C
Hot Pots: Container Gardening in the Arid Southwest
Scott Calhoun, Owner of Zona Gardens, Garden Designer & Author

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Book Signing/Exhibits

10:30 – 11:45 a.m. General Session D
Southeast Arizona Plant Identification
Vincent Pinto, Ravens-Way Wild Journeys, Patagonia AZ

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch & Know it all Panel

1:15 – 2:15 p.m. Session III
A. Growing Fruit Trees*
Bill Cook, Owner, Harmony Gardens, Duncan, AZ and Extension Program Coordinator, Cochise County

B. Everyday Landscape Ideas
Jan Groth, Extension MG Program Coordinator, Cochise County

C. Growing Chiles & the Latest Research*
Ed Curry, President of Curry Seed and Chile Co.

2:15 – 2:30 p.m. Break

2:30 – 3:30 p.m. Session IV
A. Growing Vegetables*
Clinton Gray, Gray's Garden of Eatin'

B. Native Plant Volunteers
Vincent Pinto, Ravens-Way Wild Journeys, Patagonia AZ

C. Plants of the Chihuahuan Desert Gardens
John White, Garden Curator, Chihuahuan Desert Gardens, El Paso TX

3:45 - 4:30 p.m. Petey Mesquitey (Peter Gierlach)
Writer, Poet, Singer, Storyteller

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