AHS COSPONSORS WEBINAR SERIES WITH NDAL

WE ARE PLEASED to announce that the AHS is co-sponsor of New Directions in the American Landscape (NDAL)’s Ecology-Based Landscapes virtual series for Home Gardeners and Educators, running from January to March 2021. Based in Glenside, Pennsylvania, NDAL is a non-profit organization focused on ecological design founded by landscape designer Larry Weaner.

In addition to Weaner, presenters and participants include influential Dutch garden designer and plantsman Piet Oudolf; Jillian Bell, program coordinator for Audubon Connecticut and New York’s Bird Friendly Communities; Sama Mirghavami, who is the garden specialist at the Edible Schoolyard Project in Berkeley, California; and Clayton Brascoupe, founder and director of the Traditional Native American Farming Association in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

AHS members are eligible for an $8 discount on the $28 priced webinars in the Home Gardener series. Register now and enter code member20 to receive the discount. For more details on the webinar series, or to register, please visit www.ndal.org.

GARDEN WEBINARS WITH KERRY MENDEZ

THE AHS is also cosponsoring two educational webinars—on January 23 and February 13—being offered by Kerry Mendez of Perenniually Yours. Mendez is a garden designer, speaker, and author based in Kennebunk, Maine. The first webinar on January 23 at 11:00 a.m. (EST) is titled “Power Up Garden Beauty; Power Down Garden Maintenance.” Then on February 13 at 11:00 a.m. (EST), join Mendez for a presentation titled “Heavenly Plants for Tough Spots and Hellstrips.”

Each one-hour webinar includes four pages of lecture notes, as well as CEU form for Master Gardeners and green industry professionals. After each live broadcast, the lectures will be available—at 72 hours—online, so participants can watch anytime at their convenience, and as many times as they want. For more information visit www.pyours.com.
NEW RAP GARDENS IN 2021

Seven new gardens have joined the AHS’s Reciprocal Admissions Program in 2021, bringing the program’s national participation to more than 330 public gardens that offer free visitation and other benefits to AHS members. The new gardens offer broad geographic representation from states on the West Coast, deep South, Mid-Atlantic, and Southeast.

Joining the RAP are the UCLA Mildred E. Mathias Botanical Garden, Los Angeles, CA; the Will Rogers Garden, Oklahoma City, OK; the John Fairey Garden, Hempstead, TX; Reynolda Gardens of Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC; CELEBRATE PLANET EARTH: Giving Back with Our Gardens

April 22-25, 2021

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1. Create a username and password. This can be done from any page on our website (www.ahsgardening.org) by clicking on the Member Login in the top right corner and following the instructions.

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In recognition of Earth Day on April 22, we invite you to join us virtually from your home or garden, as we examine garden designs, gardening practices, and plant choices that embrace nature yet beautify the landscape. Renowned guest speakers and Colonial Williamsburg horticultural staff will share some of their best practices for creating gardens that are sustainable and earth-friendly. While we may not be able to gather in person for the conference, each registrant will receive a multi-day ticket to enjoy our historic and iconic gardens during a future visit!

To learn more, visit colonialwilliamsburg.org/learn/conferences or call 1-800-603-0948
Salem, NC; Wood County Arboretum & Botanical Gardens, Quitman, TX; Lake Wilderness Arboretum, Maple Valley, WA; and Landcraft Garden Foundation, Mattituck, NY.

While garden open hours and programming are currently still in flux because of the pandemic, many public gardens are hoping that restrictions on visitation and travel will be easing later this year. Before planning any garden visits, be sure to check with the individual gardens about their open hours and visitor requirements. You can find details on the benefits available to AHS members at these new RAP gardens and all of the other participating organizations on the AHS website (www.ahsgardening.org).

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WILLIAMSBURG GARDEN SYMPOSIUM GOES VIRTUAL

THE AHS is partnering again with Colonial Williamsburg on its annual Garden Symposium, scheduled April 22–25. This year’s 74th annual event is titled “CELEBRATE PLANET EARTH: Giving Back with Our Gardens.” In honor of Earth Day, April 22, the virtual program will include presentations from guest speakers and Colonial Williamsburg staff on garden designs, gardening practices, and plant choices that are sustainable and earth-friendly. While the program is virtual, each participant will receive a multi-day ticket to enjoy Colonial Williamsburg’s historic gardens during a future visit. To learn more, visit colonialwilliamsburg.org/learn/conference.

News written by AHS Staff.

Because guidelines for holding events are subject to change, please check our website for the most up-to-date information.

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events that are sponsored or cosponsored by the AHS. Visit www.ahsgardening.org or call (703) 768-5700 for more information.

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