

The **Non-Stop** Garden

Saturday, May 8



+ **Native Perennials Seminar**
with Stephanie Cohen **May 9**



Almost every gardener wants more—continuous color, additional space, a greater diversity of plants, endless time to work in the garden, and a longer season to enjoy your masterpiece. **This symposium, for both professional and amateur gardeners, will explore innovative ways to stretch your garden’s capacity.** You can create a spectacular landscape that lasts well beyond our region’s May-to-October “leafy season.” Learn new ways to break the confines of conventional planting styles, while creating inviting spaces to entertain friends and wildlife.



The latest books by our outstanding roster of speakers, listed on the following pages. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



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- 🕒 When:** Saturday, May 8, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- 📍 Location:** Pineland Farms Conference Center, New Gloucester, Maine
- 💰 Fee:** \$90 for members of Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens or Maine/New Hampshire Master Gardeners; \$105 non-members
- 📌 Includes:** Continental breakfast, box lunch and handouts



Activities:

- Attendees are invited to tour the Garden at Pineland Farms following the talks. Pineland staff will highlight its unique one-acre mix of perennials, herbs, and vegetables.
- Books will be available for sale and signing.
- A raffle for exciting prizes will be held at the end of the symposium.

Accommodations:

- Overnight accommodations for groups between 2 and 20 are available at Pinelands. Please visit www.pinelandfarms.org/guesthouses for more information.

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Stephanie Cohen

The Non-Stop Garden: Extending
Your Garden Season **9:30 a.m.**

Annuals in the annual bed, herbs in the herb garden, foundation plantings, the perennial border—enough is enough! Since many of us don't have either space or patience to do this, let's throw it all together like potpourri. Award-winning garden communicator Stephanie Cohen makes the case for using a wonderful mix of perennials, annuals, shrubs, trees, and even tropical plants to create a year-around landscape. Her lecture will include practical techniques, design ideas, and a host of great plants to create visually impressive, non-stop gardens.

Nationally recognized horticulturist Stephanie Cohen's witty and frank approach to plants has both delighted and enlightened audiences across the country. A member of the Temple University faculty and former director of the university's Landscape Arboretum, she specializes in herbaceous perennials. Stephanie is co-author of *The Non-Stop Garden: A Step-by-Step Guide to Smart Plant Choices and Four-Season Design* (forthcoming in 2010), *Fallscaping: Extending your Garden Season into Autumn* (2007), and *The Perennial Gardener's Design Primer* (2005).



William Cullina

Native Shrubs and Small Trees for
Perennial Companionship **11:00 a.m.**

Not all woody plants mix well with perennials and annuals for several reasons, including differing soil and fertilization needs, incompatible growth habits, aggressive root systems, or fear of crowds. Award-winning author and plant expert William Cullina will profile his favorite "natural mixers," focusing on native woody plants that bring form, texture, color and wildlife to the perennial garden. Bill will show how native shrubs and small trees can be cut back every year or two just like their non-woody neighbors to control their size and promote flowering and vigorous growth, with spectacular results.

William Cullina is the Director of Horticulture and Plant Curator for one of North America's newest and most exciting public gardens, Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens in Boothbay. A recognized authority on North American native plants, Bill is author of *Understanding Perennials* (2009), *Native Ferns, Mosses, and Grasses* (2008), *Understanding Orchids* (2004), *Native Trees, Shrubs, and Vines* (2002), and *Growing and Propagating Wildflowers* (2000), and is the photographer for *Native Plants for Your Maine Garden* by Maureen Heffernan (2010).



Lee Schneller Sligh

The Ever-Blooming Flower
Garden **1:15 p.m.**

What gardener doesn't dream of blooms from frost to frost? Lee Schneller Sligh has devised a system to design gardens that begin blooming in spring and don't quit until the last days of autumn. Now beginners and experts alike can apply her no-fail formula to produce a season of non-stop color. Lee will illustrate the deceptively simple secrets to a continuous-bloom system with examples of gardens she has designed. Her technique constitutes a giant step forward in perennial garden design.

Lee Schneller Sligh is principal of Lee Schneller Fine Gardens in South Thomaston, Maine. Since 1995 she has specialized in building Japanese-inspired, naturalistic, and continuously blooming gardens, and has designed more than 200 Maine gardens. Her degree in Asian history, as well as years of study in Japan and China, inform her approach to the landscape. Lee is author of *The Ever-Blooming Flower Garden: A Blueprint for Continuous Color* (2009).



John Greenlee

The Lure of the Meadow:
Meadows by Design **2:30 p.m.**

Meadows are animated and alive with rhythmic movement, catching wind and light while attracting a diversity of life. Properly designed meadows require less maintenance and consume significantly fewer resources than lawns and borders. One of the exciting new directions in horticulture and design encompasses greater use of grasses, sedges, and a large variety of flowering plants in innovative combinations. Passionate meadow designer John Greenlee will highlight design ideas and techniques you can use to create sublime landscapes with bold textures and gradations of color in all seasons.

John Greenlee is founder of Greenlee Nursery, the West Coast's oldest and largest specialty and ornamental-grass nursery. He is president of John Greenlee Associates in Brisbane, California, where he has designed meadow gardens for such luminaries as Steven Spielberg, Michelle Pfeiffer, Diane Keaton, Ellen DeGeneres, and Eric Clapton. John has hosted HGTV's "Way to Grow" and PBS's "The New Garden," and he is author of *The American Meadow Garden* (2009) and *The Encyclopedia of Ornamental Grasses* (1992).

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AT THE
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Sunday Seminar



Tiarella cordifolia 'Stephanie Cohen'



Phlox paniculata 'Shortwood'



Stephanie Cohen

Native Perennials: from Meadows,
Fields, Forests, and Test Tubes

Every year new cultivars of our American perennials are discovered by keen-eyed gardeners and growers, while other newcomers are developed in labs where genetics rule the roost. This process continues to expand the extreme plant addict's design palette while supporting wildlife biodiversity. Join the "Perennial Diva," Stephanie Cohen, for an interactive seminar on the best native perennials on the market today. All the plants discussed are currently available for Northeastern gardens.

Space is limited; register early.

- 🕒 **When:** Sunday, May 9, 10:00 a.m.–noon
- 📍 **Location:** Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Boothbay, Maine
- 💰 **Fee:** \$35 for members of Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens or Maine/New Hampshire Master Gardeners; \$42 non-members

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