

LESLIE VAN BERKUM'S FAVORITE PLANT COMBINATIONS

One of the most difficult parts of developing the perfect perennial garden of your dreams is establishing balance, harmony and eye-popping beauty with great plant combinations. Do you walk around with a newly acquired plant only to put it in the last blank space you can find in the garden? Let Leslie Van Berkum, renowned perennial expert and speaker in the plant world, give you tools to plan and create complementary plant combinations of flowers and foliage. Leslie is coming out of lecture circuit retirement to share her favorite plant combinations with you, so take advantage of this special event!

BIOGRAPHIES

Bill Cullina, a noted horticulturist, expert plant propagator and fine author and speaker, is Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens' first plant and garden curator. He holds degrees in plant science and psychology and has been working in plant propagation and nursery production for more than 20 years. In 1995 he became nursery manager and propagator, and most recently was director of horticultural research, at the New England Wild Flower Society's Garden in the Woods and Nasami Farm

Robert Childs, Extension Entomologist, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, has been an instructor there since 1984. He teaches entomology and has an Extension appointment to the Landscape, Nursery and Urban Forestry program. He was responsible for the development of the New

England Recommendation Guide for Insects, Diseases and Weeds of Shade Trees and Woody Ornamentals and has authored numerous articles and fact sheets for the University of Massachusetts.

Chris Schadler is a wild canid ecologist whose first interest 30 years ago was the gray wolf. She earned her Masters degree in Conservation Biology having completed a study of the recovery of the gray wolf in the Great Lakes States. For 10 years she taught both Conservation and Wolf Ecology in the Department of Natural Resources at the University of New Hampshire while tending sheep on a farm in Kensington. Her farm attracted the attention of the local coyote gang and her attention turned to the study of this fascinating predator. She is currently working on her book, *Coyote Nation*. Having won many teaching excellence awards, she is recognized across New England as a passionate and inspiring lecturer and a knowledgeable authority on wolves and coyotes.

Leslie Van Berkum owns and runs Van Berkum Nursery in Deerfield, NH, the nationally known wholesale perennials and groundcover business, with her husband Peter. Leslie has lectured at the New England Wildflower Society, New England Grows, Tower Hill Botanic Garden and many garden clubs throughout New England. She has been featured in many magazines and is the author to the perennial portion of the book *The Best Plants for New Hampshire Gardens and Landscapes*.

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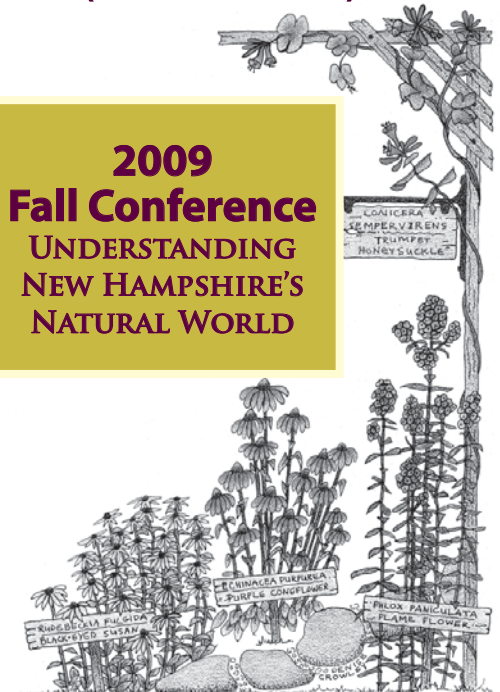
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The non-refundable registration fee includes continental breakfast, all presentations, lunch, and raffle prizes.

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UNDERSTANDING NH'S NATURAL WORLD

8:15-8:45	Registration, Continental Breakfast
9:00-9:10	Welcome and Opening Remarks- Marcy Stanton
9:10-10:10	"UNDERSTANDING PERENNIALS" Bill Cullina
10:10-10:25	Break
10:25-10:45	"NATURAL RESOURCES STEWARDS (Community Tree Stewards) RECOGNITION" Mary Tebo
10:45-11:45	"ASIAN LONGHORN BEETLE" Bob Childs
11:45-1:00	Lunch
	Lunch Time Presentations: Each given twice
	• Josh Trought, D-Acres Organic Farm 12:05 to 12:25 and 12:35 to 12:55
	• M.Perron & P.Dumont, English Gardens 12:05 to 12:25 and 12:35 to 12:55
1:00-2:00	"COYOTES-<i>canis latrans var.</i>" Chris Schadler
2:00-2:15	Break
2:15 - 2:35	"MASTER GARDENERS AT WORK- RECOGNITION" Marcy Stanton
2:35 - 3:35	"LESLIE'S FAVORITE PLANT COMBINATIONS" Leslie VanBerkum
3:35-3:45	NHMGA meeting
3:45-4:00	Raffle

"UNDERSTANDING PERENNIALS"

Have you ever wondered why some of your perennials thrive and others just barely survive in your garden? Bill Cullina introduces his latest publication, *Understanding Perennials: A New Look at an Old Favorite*. Instead of the usual encyclopedic listing of plants, this "book talk" offers what Bill describes as the psychology of perennials – their needs, wants and potentials. Starting at the roots, moving up the stems, leaves and flowers, his book "provides both new and seasoned gardeners the strong foundation for lasting relationships with these plants." You will have the opportunity to purchase this book and others by Bill Cullina during the conference.

ASIAN LONGHORN BEETLE: A VERY SERIOUS INVADER AT NEW HAMPSHIRE'S DOOR.

Forest health experts fear an exotic pest called the Asian longhorned beetle (ALB), which made its way into the U.S. in wooden packing crates from China more than a decade ago, could move into New Hampshire and devastate our forests. Last summer the beetle was discovered in Worcester, Massachusetts. Bob Childs has been one of the principals involved in attempting to eradicate the ALB. His presentation is not just another ALB lecture but a lesson on how insects have been able to get out of control throughout the world

because humans do not follow basic rules of nature. The potential impact of our carelessness on North America's forested areas is tremendous. Learn the latest information on eradication efforts, containment measures and management possibilities. Explore the impact on neighborhoods, forests and municipal budgets as governments spend millions of tax dollars on hopeful eradication of this insect.

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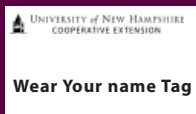
Coyotes are elusive, adaptive, intelligent animals that manage to hold their own when living in close contact with humans. The first verified account of a coyote in New Hampshire was in Grafton County in 1944. Today, coyotes are common in every county throughout the state.

Chris Schadler spends her time in pursuit of Eastern Coyotes and will share the results of studying their use in our changing landscape. She will help separate fact from fiction as she discusses their behaviors, population dynamics, dispersal patterns, and interactions with returning wolves from Canada. She will compare coyote and wolf ecology, behavior and social dynamics as well as discuss the return of wolves to New England.

Advanced Master Gardener's can earn 4 ceu's for this conference. Bring cash or checks to purchase merchandise and pay for NHMGA membership.

For questions and information or for requests for special accommodations for disabilities, call Marcy Stanton at 629-9494, ext.110 or email:marcy.stanton@unh.edu

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