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# Speakers' Series '08/09

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Nov 25, 2008

## *“Invasive Species of the Toronto Area”*

by Paul Heydon & Gavin Miller

What they are, where they are, how and why we must prevent their proliferation.

**Presenter:** Paul Heydon is a Biologist and owner of Grow Wild! Native Plant Nursery. He has worked with a number of environmental organizations including Toronto Region Conservation Authority, Parks Canada, Friends of the Rouge and is a Director of The North American Native Plant Society.

**Presenter:** For the past ten years, Gavin Miller has been the lead Botanist for the TRCA and we are honoured to have him share his knowledge in this forum.

Dec 9, 2008

## *“The Secret Life of Plants”*

By Martin Galloway

This talk illustrates what goes on in gardens beyond the naked eye.

**Presenter:** Martin Galloway BSc., M.Sc. and B.Ed. is owner of Chalk Lake Greenhouses which specializes in perennials and native plants. He teaches Pathophysiology at Seneca College and Natural Sciences at York University. Martin is well-known for his segments on the Canadian TV series Harrowsmith Country Life and was also the host of The Secret World of Gardens.

Jan 13, 2009

## *“The Importance of Bees”*

By Dr. Laurence Packer

There are 20,000 species of bees in the world and their biology is very diverse. Bees are responsible for approximately 25% of our food, so understanding them is vital. Dr. Packer will dispel many generalizations about bees and explain why they are important organisms for monitoring the environment.

**Presenter:** Dr. Packer is Professor of Biology and Environmental Studies at York University, researches bee systematics and taxonomy, conservation genetics, sociobiology, and biodiversity.

Feb 17, 2009

## *“Gardening Trends”*

by Dennis Flannigan & Charles Kinsley

This talk examines gardening trends over the past 200 years, their influences and how they are in the midst of change today.

**Presenter:** Dennis Flannigan is Manager of Public Relations for Landscape Ontario Horticultural Trades Association and has been a Landscape Designer, teacher, TV host and lecturer in both the UK and North America for the past 30 years.

**Presenter:** Charles Kinsley has degrees in Chemistry and Theoretical Physics and is owner of Ontario Native Plants and Ontario Nativeland. He teaches part-time at Ridgetown campus, U of Guelph. He was a Terrestrial Biologist for the TRCA and has appeared on TV and written numerous articles on the importance of native plants.

Mar 17, 2009

## *“GREEN Gardening - A Joint Venture with Nature”*

by Ken Parker

Learn how to incorporate native species in the home landscape from a leading industry expert. This presentation includes ecological solutions for garden enthusiasts plus an introduction to the culinary, medicinal and spiritual uses of indigenous North American flora. Perennials, grasses, trees and shrubs for clay, sandy soil, wet sites and shady gardens are highlighted in this outstanding presentation.

**Presenter:** Ken Parker is co-owner of Sweet Grass Gardens and has been growing, installing and promoting North American native plants since 1992. Ken shares his native plant knowledge through HGTV, City TV, TV-Ontario, Canadian Gardening television, The Weather Network, providing lawn and garden tips.

April 7, 2009

## *“Native Trees of Southern Ontario”*

by Todd Irvine

An Arborists' photo introduction to native trees of Southern Ontario including the towering white pine, iconic sugar maple, and stately red oak. We will be provided with helpful tree identification tips, discuss basic tree physiology, and share some personal anecdotes.

**Presenter:** Todd is an arborist and Education Coordinator for LEAF. Todd lectures about trees, leads tree care workshops, and leads tree tours in Toronto. He is founding editor and Green Space columnist, for Spacing Magazine, the 2007 National Magazine Award winner for “best editorial package”.