

WINTER SYMPOSIUM & 49TH CVNLA SHORT COURSE: GARDENING WITH PURPOSE & PASSION
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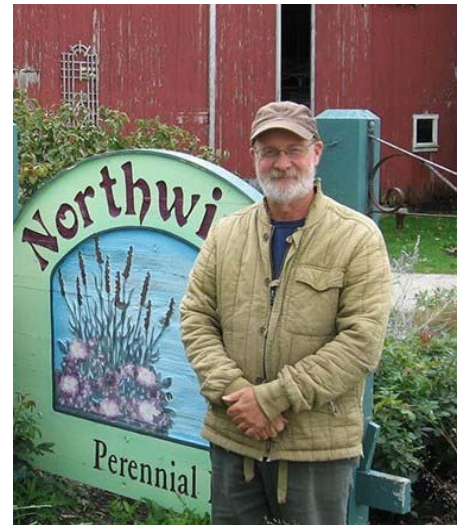
THE KNOW MAINTENANCE™ PERENNIAL GARDEN

ROY DIBLIK, HORTICULTURIST AND DESIGNER,
NORTHWIND PERENNIAL FARM

Combining his 35 years of knowledge growing traditional and Midwest native perennials, Roy Diblik specializes in highly aesthetic, sustainable plant communities for all seasons, while reducing maintenance through design. He believes that gardens should be thoughtful, ecologically directed, emotionally outreaching and yet very personal.

While Diblik's *Know Maintenance* garden system makes a gorgeous perennial garden available to everyone, no matter their skill or the size of their space, it is more than a formula for successful garden design. It is a philosophy and a way of looking at the world that incorporates values of beauty, aesthetics, sense of place, local ecology, and intelligent choices that contribute to physical, mental, and spiritual health.

Roy Diblik is a recognized perennial plant expert, grower, designer, speaker and author of **The Know Maintenance Perennial Garden**, a book that makes a design-magazine-worthy garden achievable at home. Diblik's garden plans combine complementary plants that thrive together and grow as a community. He is the co-owner of Northwind Perennial Farm in Burlington, Wisconsin and was tapped in 2001 to help grow, source, and install plants in the Piet Oudolf-designed Lurie Garden at Millennium Park in Chicago. His Lurie Garden relationship continues today.



PLANT COMMUNITIES AT LURIE GARDEN THAT AMPLIFY ECOLOGICAL IMPACT

LAURA EKASETYA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
LURIE GARDEN AT MILLENIUM PARK CHICAGO

Lurie Garden in Millennium Park, designed by Piet Oudolf and the GGN firm, is in the heart of downtown Chicago. This oasis in a bustling city and located in a park that regularly hosts major cultural events, is meant to inspire visitors to find beauty in a naturalistic-style perennial garden. This talk focuses on beautiful layered plant communities and their natural state of constant change.

Laura Ekasetya joined Lurie Garden in February 2011 as a horticulturist working to maintain the integrity of Piet Oudolf's perennial plant design. She came from Chicago Botanic Garden where she tended to perennials grown under research evaluation. After attending the public opening of Millennium Park in 2004, she became a regular visitor to the garden. Watching the garden grow from little gallon-sized plants into a rangy tapestry of color and texture has been a delight. In early 2017, Laura became the director of Lurie Garden. She enjoys helping out with community gardens throughout the city, hiking the Indiana Dunes and marshes and wild areas in the Forest Preserves of Cook County, and learning to identify the various birds that migrate along the Mississippi Flyway.



THE EVOLUTION OF THE ASLA GREEN ROOF

KEITH SWANN, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

This presentation tracks the evolution of the American Society of Landscape Architects' green roof from original plants at its inception, the design process, and where the green roof is today. Over a decade, many plants have disappeared and methods used to keep the green roof looking robust for each growing season have adapted. The maintenance program and the new design features incorporated in early 2017 at the ASLA headquarters in Washington, DC will be highlighted.

Keith Swann has been with the American Society of Landscape Architects for over a decade and began managing and promoting the ASLA Green Roof Demonstration Project immediately after its dedication. Mr. Swann, who has been monitoring the stormwater runoff for the project, will explain how it is helping the community by retaining stormwater runoff and other benefits associated with having a green roof. He has a master's degree in journalism and has been promoting the green roof's sustainable qualities over the years to well over 5,000 visitors from around the globe who tour the ASLA headquarters.



THE FOODSCAPE REVOLUTION

BRIE ARTHUR, HORTICULTURIST AND GARDEN WRITER

Brie Arthur has fine-tuned her signature design technique of *Foodscaping*, a sustainable landscape practice that embraces beauty and utility. Working with public school systems and suburban developments, she is changing the way green spaces are designed and utilized. Encouraging everyone to "think outside of the box," the lecture teaches how pairing edibles in a traditional ornamental landscape increases bio-diversity and adds purpose to everyday spaces. The best edible and ornamental plants are featured in this lecture to inspire attendees to create purposeful landscapes that engage people of all ages. Organic growing insights are shared to encourage professionals and homeowners to embrace sustainable practices.

Originally from southeastern Michigan, Brie Arthur studied Landscape Design and Horticulture at Purdue University. With more than a decade of experience as a grower and propagator at leading nurseries such as Plant Delights and Camellia Forest, she now combines her passion for plants and sustainable land management by communicating the value of gardening across the US. Brie has been dubbed a revolutionary for her leadership in the suburban Foodscape movement and for her work with public schools across the US. She appears as correspondent on the PBS Television show "Growing A Greener World" and her debut book **The Foodscape Revolution** has become a best seller on Amazon. Brie recently was honored as the first recipient of the The American Horticultural Society's Emerging Horticultural Professional Award.

