

Central Shenandoah Valley Master Gardener Association

Central Shenandoah Valley Garden Symposium



“GOING NATIVE”

Saturday, October 27, 2018

8:00 A.M. — 3:00 P.M.

MEET OUR SPEAKERS

Doug Tallamy

Doug Tallamy is a professor in the Department of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware, where he has authored 89 research publications and has taught Insect Taxonomy, Behavioral Ecology, Humans and Nature, Insect Ecology, and other courses for 37 years. Chief among his research goals is to better understand the many ways insects interact with plants and how such interactions determine the diversity of animal communities. His book *Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens* was published by Timber Press in 2007 and was awarded the 2008 Silver Medal by the Garden Writers' Association. *The Living Landscape*, co-authored with Rick Darke, was published in 2014. Doug is also a regular columnist for *Garden Design* magazine. Doug is a Lifetime Honorary Director of Wild Ones and has won the Garden Club of America Margaret Douglas Medal for Conservation, the Tom Dodd, Jr. Award of Excellence, and the 2018 AHS 2018 B.Y. Morrison Communication Award.

Jim Hurley

Jim Hurley is a member of the Blue Ridge PRISM's volunteer leadership team. He has been working on invasive plants for over fifteen years, beginning with townhouse communities and public parks in Northern Virginia, and for the last five years on the 156-acre property he owns with Susan Roth at the base of the Blue Ridge in Greene County. In his work with Blue Ridge PRISM he has brought knowledge, expertise and resources to landowners at the regional level, and has helped change the Noxious Weed Law and Regulations at the state level.

Ian Caton

Ian Caton is the owner/operator of Wood Thrush Native Plant Nursery, specializing in native plants of the Appalachian region including West Virginia, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and North Carolina. A focus of the nursery is the introduction of new and rare native plants which are little known or underappreciated in the nursery trade. Previously Ian was an employee of Larry Weaner Landscape Associates, a landscape firm specializing in the use and promotion of native plants in landscaping. He graduated Delaware Valley College with a BS in Ornamental Horticulture and Environmental Design. He has an extensive knowledge of native plants, natural communities, and their incorporation into the human environment. Ian's numerous professional speaking engagements include Bowman's Hill Wildflower reserve, New York Botanical Gardens, and Brooklyn Botanic Gardens.