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Native Plant Trust Announces Fall/Winter Program Registration Open Now

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(Framingham, MA) Native Plant Trust, the nation's first plant conservation organization and the only one solely focused on New England's native plants, opens registration for its renowned educational programs to the public for the Fall 2022/Winter 2023 season effective immediately, with programs offered both in person and online. Register now at www.NativePlantTrust.org/education. Program highlights include:

November 2-3, 2022 - Symposium: Need for Seed: A Strategy for the Northeast

Native Plant Trust plans to serve as a New England seed hub by coordinating a regional native seed network focused on the management of the region's seed resources. From seed collection to storage to use, the two day live virtual symposium will establish a network of seed users and producers. Registration is free thanks to financial support from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

February 25, 2023 - Tales from the Field: Stories of Botany

Join Native Plant Trust for an evening of storytelling with some of the world's top botanists, horticulturists, and fellow plant enthusiasts as they share their most memorable, harrowing and hilarious experiences

March 10, 2023 - Native Plants and Placemaking: Matthew Cunningham

Landscape architect Matthew Cunningham is well-known for his plant-focused residential landscapes throughout the Northeast. His gardens feature ecologically-minded planting schemes that evoke an authentic sense of place. His award-winning firm, MCLD, LCC, has been featured in *Architectural Digest*, *Garden Design*, and *New England Home*, among others.

March 31, 2023 - An Evening with Uli Lorimer and Rebecca McMackin

Uli Lorimer, Director of Horticulture at Native Plant Trust and author of *The Northeast Native Plant Primer- 235 Plants for an Earth-Friendly Garden* (Timber Press) and Rebecca McMackin, Loeb Fellow, Harvard School of Design and former Director of Horticulture, Brooklyn Bridge Park will provide an evening of no-holds-barred discussion about native plants in horticulture. The evening will be moderated by Barbara Moran of WBUR.

Many programs are eligible for continuing education credits for professionals in conservation, horticulture, landscape, and arboriculture. For more information and to register for programs, visit www.NativePlantTrust.org/education.

ABOUT NATIVE PLANT TRUST

Native Plant Trust is the nation's first plant conservation organization and the only one solely focused on New England's native plants. We save native plants in the wild, grow them for gardens and restorations, and educate others on their value and use. We are based at Garden in the Woods, a renowned native plant botanic garden that attracts visitors from all over the world. From this flagship property in Framingham, Massachusetts, 25 staff and many of our 1,500 trained volunteers work throughout New England each year to monitor and protect rare and endangered plants, collect and preserve seeds to ensure biological diversity, detect and control invasive species, conduct research, and offer a range of educational programs. Native Plant Trust also operates a nursery at Nasami Farm in western Massachusetts and manages six sanctuaries in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont that are open to the public. Native Plant Trust is among the first organizations worldwide to receive Advanced Conservation Practitioner accreditation by London-based Botanic Gardens Conservation International (BGCI), which included an endorsement by an International Advisory Council representing six continents. Please visit www.NativePlantTrust.org.

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