

# HAH Happenings May 2019



The Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons

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# HAH Monthly Lecture - Sunday, May 5, 2019 - 2 pm



# New and Exciting Perennials

Jerry Fritz travels the world in search of plant rarities for his clients and nursery, collecting stock from breeders and conducting trials. Always on the lookout for the next breakout garden stars, he experiments with a wide range of exciting new perennials, shrubs and trees in his own gardens, evaluating them for interesting color forms, exceptional hardiness, disease resistance and other traits important to home gardeners. He looks forward to sharing some of his most recent hot finds in his presentation 'New and Exciting Perennials'.

Jerry is president of Jerry Fritz Garden Design, Inc. and Linden Hill Gardens, located in Ottsville, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Since founding his garden design company 29 years ago, Jerry has focused on satisfying his clients' craving for original and innovative concepts and plant material. Linden Hill Gardens was honored by receiving the award from Philadelphia Magazine's "Best of Philly."

Jerry has appeared on Martha Stewart's TV Garden Show 'Martha Stewart Living' multiple times. He has also been a radio talk guest for Martha Stewart's Sirius Garden program as well as Mike McGrath's 'You Bet Your Garden' and Derek Fell's podcast. Learn more about Jerry at <a href="http://www.jerryfritzgardendesign.com/">http://www.jerryfritzgardendesign.com/</a> Jerry will be bringing a selection of his plants along with copies of his book, Lessons from Linden Hill, for sale at the lecture.

### HAH MAY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Saturday, May 4, 10:00 am, HAH Roundtable, in the HAH Library, see page 3 for details. Sunday, May 5, 2:00 pm, HAH Lecture, in the big hall at the Community House, Bridgehampton, see above. Roundtables are free & open to all. Lectures are free for members and \$10 per person for not yet members.

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 6-8 PM, HAH GARDEN FAIR PREVIEW PARTY, \$60 per person at the door SATURDAY, MAY 18, 9 AM - 1 PM, HAH GARDEN FAIR, free admission at the BRIDGEHAMPTON COMMUNITY HOUSE, 2347 Montauk Highway at School Street SEE DETAILS ON PAGES 3-6 IN THIS ISSUE!!

Tuesday, May 28, 10:00 am, FOG, see p. 2

REMINDER: JUNE 10, TRIP TO HUDSON VALLEY GARDENS, SEE APRIL Newsletter to sign up!

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



### Dear Fellow Gardeners,

We are now entering the month where our gardens leap forward at a speed that is hard to manage. After months of hesitant growth, plants - and weeds - grow at an astounding pace. If we are lucky and have a warm May, we'll see lots of peonies and iris in our gardens before Memorial Day. Just two of the many things that are guaranteed to delight a gardener who's been waiting for this rush of fecundity.

We are accelerating preparations for our annual Garden Fair on May 17 and 18, once again to be held within and around the Bridgehampton Community House. Our opening party for many represents a first major social event of the gardener's year – a chance to sip wine while we buy choice plants and bid on spectacular planters. There are lots of details about what we hope to be selling in this issue. We hope that you'll join us even if it rains, as we'll be warm and dry inside the community house where most of the activity will be.

Our newsletter has information about additional HAH events, including a Roundtable that will feature Michael Longacre sharing his expertise about succulents. He's the generous soul who donates a variety of succulent containers to the Garden Fair – this is an opportunity to learn from the Master. You'll also see that we list events of our community partners and friends, such as the Garden Club of East Hampton's plant sale at Mulford Farms and Open Days of the Garden Conservancy on the East End.

Our recent showing of The Gardens of Beatrix Farrand had seventy-five participants – a happy surprise for a Saturday afternoon. That degree of interest has encouraged us to consider a Gardener's Film Festival next winter/early spring, with a number of films at a time of year when we're itching to get outside yet need to hold back a bit. Stay tuned!

Happy Gardening, Alícía

### **HAH 2019**

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Submissions must be received by the 10th of the month prior to publication. Please include NL in the subject line.

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## Friends of the Garden (FOG)

Looking forward to seeing you in the HAH Marie Donnelly Garden. Anyone interested in helping us in the garden is welcome!

Our next meeting will be

Tuesday, May 28 at 10 am

Monthly dates for the season are

June 25, July 23, August 20, Sept 17, October 15 and November 5.

We always meet on Tuesday mornings at 10 am unless it rains. Rain Dates are Thursday of the same week.

Thank you, Cornelia Bostwick

## **Camellia Group Spring Meeting**

It was a lively, friendly small group that met on April 13 to compare notes and bemoan the late blooming of our camellias. As expected our member, Suzuki, was able to bring some camellias that had opened. We ended the meeting deciding to meet again on November 23, hoping the fall bloomers will not disappointing!

Regards, Bridget DeCandido



# HAH Roundtable Program Continues Saturday, May 4, 2019 10 am until Noon



HAH member Michael Longacre will speak on Succulents. Michael has grown many kinds in his greenhouse and often donates an array of them to the HAH Garden Fair each year. Beautiful and expertly grown, they are a specialty found on our Connoisseur Table.

Please join us to learn all about these exciting and extraordinary plants!

Pamela Harwood, moderator

### PLANT DONATIONS FOR THE FAIR

One of the most important contributions you can make is a donation of potted plant material from your own gardens, labeled correctly. Here are some easy guidelines:

Containers – clean clay or plastic, 1 qt. minimum

**Potting** – complete potting at least two weeks prior to sale so plants can acclimate. Make sure there is a strong root system to support the plant.

**Label** – make one label for each variety of plant you bring. We will make more labels on the day of the Fair if necessary. **However, if you have this information prior to May 17, please contact Bettina Benson at <a href="mailto:bettina@optonline.net">bettina@optonline.net</a> with the plant name and quantity and she will make up the labels for you ahead of time. Include the botanical and common names along with the cultivar, growing conditions, mature plant size, and bloom time and color and if deer resistant.** 

Care – Protect your newly potted plants from sun and wind and be sure they do not dry out. Always ask yourself if you would buy these plants yourself or give them as gifts!



Please join us for our annual

# **Garden Fair Preview Party**

Friday, May 17, 2019 6:00 - 8:00 pm

at the Bridgehampton Community House 2347 Montauk Highway at School Street, Bridgehampton

# HAH will honor longtime member and volunteer extraordinaire Charles C. Savage

Enjoy wine & hors d'oeuvres catered by Dreesen's

A raffle - win and you can buy more plants!

A Silent Auction of 50+ beautifully planted containers made by many talented amateur and professional gardeners and designers from all over the East End

AND enjoy getting the first choice of all plants for sale!

Tickets are \$50 ordered online before the event at <a href="hahgarden.org">hahgarden.org</a>
or \$60 at the door on Friday evening

# The Garden Fair PLANT SALE continues on Saturday morning, May 18 from 9 am - 1 pm with free admission for all

- Native plants grown from Vicki Bustamante's locally collected seeds.
- DIGS Home grown perennials dug from HAH members' gardens find unusual varieties in this section rarely found in local nurseries, and bargain prices for those more common, tried and true ones that you know will thrive on the East End.
- Perennials, Annuals, Shrubs, Trees, Roses, Vegetables, Vines, Groundcovers + more all grown by some of the finest professional growers on Long Island and beyond.
- A Connoisseur's collection of select varieties from specialty nurseries or grown by HAH members with specialty interests.
- DEER resistant varieties we seek them out for you and will tell you of our own experience with them look for our signs indicating deer resistance.
- POLLINATORS we all love bees and butterflies and know how important they are in our gardens and we seek them out for you as well.
- ASK US ANYTHING!! Our volunteers at the tables are often the people who procured the plants and are there to help you make decisions. They are knowledgeable gardeners with years of experience growing in our area. There will also be reference books available for you to look up more information on our plants.

ANNUALS We welcome Spring with open arms (and pocketbooks)! It's time to go shopping! Spring is finally here! We've selected fabulous annuals excellent for a wide variety of soils and light conditions from Landcraft Environmentals and Beds and Borders, our superb partners in Horticulture.

Coleus, Phygelius, Agastache, Fuchsia, deer resistant Pentas, Salvia – an embarrassment of riches!

So, do come to our Garden Fair, our one and only yearly fundraiser. We look forward to seeing you there and helping you decide what will be most suitable for your garden.

Exciting times and a summer of growing to look forward to! See you at the Fair! Marie DiMonte, Annuals Chair

(left to right) - Fuchsia, Begonia, Coleus, Nicotiana









#### **PERENNIALS**

(clockwise from upper left) Vinca minor 'Gertrude Jekyll,' Epimedium 'Pink Champagne', Allium nutens, Baptisia australis 'Purple Smoke', Autumn Fern 'Brilliance', Iris 'Gerald Darby,' Veronica incana and sedum. All are deer resistant in my garden. Some of these will be in the DIGS and others will be from the fabulous growers at Glover Perennials. Elaine Peterson, Perennials chair.



### PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP at the Garden Fair!

- Sign up at the HAH office or email us at <a href="mailto:hahmember@optonline.net">hahmember@optonline.net</a> or go to the website <a href="mailto:hahmember@optonline.net">hahmember@optonline.net</a> or go to the website <a href="hahmember@optonline.net">hahmember@optonline.net</a> or saturday. There are many kinds of jobs at different times each day.
- It's lots of fun, you'll meet great people who love plants as much as you do and you will learn more about the plants as you work with them!
- Our volunteer coordinator, Bettina Benson, will be in touch to confirm when and where we need your help.

# Member Profile: A Conversation with Lori Barnaby with Sarah Alford

Lori Barnaby has been a long-time HAH member involved in many facets of our programs. She is a familiar face at the Garden Fair, where she offers informed suggestions about plant selections, to help guests make inspired choices for their specific garden needs. She possesses an enthusiastic wealth of plant knowledge. Lori is also spearheading a new initiative: a HAH directory of our professional members.

When did you realize you wanted to turn your love for horticulture into a career?

Lori: It was sort of not a decision in that regard. I was at a point in my decorative painting business where a lot had changed, and my family life had changed as well, and I was really interested in having a larger community around my work so it was less solitary.

How did you first become involved with the HAH?

Lori: I first got involved in the roundtables – I just wanted to talk about plants and gardening, and my husband and son were quite sick of that conversation!



I remember first meeting you at the Garden Fair, because you were so energized and knowledgeable about plants. You seem to enjoy finding the perfect setting for the plants sold at the fair. What do you do for the Garden Fair?

Lori: I'd like to say that I share information and plant knowledge and most of all, enthusiasm! Oh, I drink wine also. I think it helps me perform my other roles!

It's worth noting that you contribute valuable effort behind the scenes too!! You help source unexpected plants from the member digs, both from individuals and professionals. Those plants add an element of surprise to the preview party and fair, as we don't always know what plants will be offered. It adds a unique dimension to the plant sale. Attendees enjoy the opportunity to buy notable plants which may not otherwise be available at local nurseries. How do you contribute to the "dig" plant selection offered at the Garden Fair?

Lori: Well, for better or worse, I've always had a terribly strong back, so I can be counted on to dig up plants! I do love the camaraderie and spirit of working toward a common goal, so participating in the acquisition of the plants is great fun for me. Of course I also work on set up all day of the preview party. That too is a buzzing, high energy effort, but always fun.

You are spearheading a new HAH directory for members who are horticulture and landscape architect professionals. Can you tell us about it?

Lori: We've always been interested, as an organization, in engaging our professionals in a bigger way. The directory will hopefully serve both the professional and the community as a wonderful resource. My goal is for the professionals to profile themselves and their business in as personal and detailed a way as possible. The ideas is that it will result in enhancing the opportunity for a really good fit between customer and horticultural professional.

### MORE LOCAL GARDEN EVENTS May 2019

Thursday, May 9, 6:00 pm - The Making of a Green Oasis in Athens. Reception and illustrated talk by landscape designer (and HAH member) Deborah Nevins. New York School of Interior Design, 170 East 70th Street, New York, NY 10021. \$30 for Garden Conservancy members, \$40 non-members. For more information and to register: <a href="https://www.gardenconservancy.org">https://www.gardenconservancy.org</a>

Saturday, May 11, Garden Conservancy Open Day, see article below for details.

Longhouse Reserve, 133 Hands Creek Road, East Hampton, longhouse.org. Open Wed and Sat. 1-5 pm.

Thursday, May 17, 10am - 5 pm National Public Gardens Day, free admission, 3 pm guided tour, reserve space.

Madoo Conservancy, 618 Sagg Main Street, Sagaponack. www.madoo.org or call (631) 537-8200.

Thursday, May 17, 11am guided tour, National Public Garden Day

**Peconic Land Trust events.** For more information and to reserve space: **peconiclandtrust.org or email events@peconiclandtrust.org or call (631) 283-3195.** 

Bridge Gardens, 36 Mitchell Lane, Bridgehampton, free for BG members, \$5 non-members. Open daily.

Tuesdays, May 14, 21 & 28, 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm - Paul Wagner Lawn Care Advice. FREE.

Saturday, May 4, 9:00 am to 10:30 am - Small Tool Sharpening and Repair Workshop with Jackson Dodds.

Reservations requested. Free for BG members, \$5 non-members. Rain or shine.

**Saturday, May 11, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm - Square Foot Gardening Workshop.** Reservations required. \$5 for BG members, \$10 non-members. Rain or shine.

**Saturday, May 18, 10:00 am to 11:30 am - Spring Flower Tour.** Reservations required. Free for BG members, \$10 non-members. Heavy rain cancels.

Marders Garden Lecture Series. All lectures start at 10:00 am. FREE. 120 Snake Hollow Road, Bridgehampton, NY

11932. More info: marders.com

**Sunday, May 5**: Deer, Moles & Voles (Paige Patterson)

**Sunday, May 12:** Succulents and Cactus (Denise Kelly)

Sunday, May 19: Vegetable Gardening (Elizabeth Cossman

The Garden Club of East Hampton, Mulford Farm,

Friday, May 24, 6-8 pm, Garden Party and Plant Sale, \$50 at the door or online at gceasthampton.org

## THE GARDEN CONSERVANCY OPEN DAY - SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019 - 10 am to 4 pm.

Admission at each garden is \$10 per person (children 12 and under are free) or one Open Days ticket (purchased in advance online) per person. Members of the Conservancy can purchase a book of 6 tickets for \$30. Nonmembers can purchase a book of 6 tickets for \$50. More info: <a href="https://www.gardenconservancy.org/open-days">www.gardenconservancy.org/open-days</a>

### Biercuk and Luckey Garden, 18 Sayres Path, East Hampton HAH member garden

A four-season woodland garden under a high oak canopy shelters a collection of rhododendrons, azaleas, Kalmia, Pieris, understory trees, perennials, bulbs, and tropicals in season. A mostly sunny, rear corner contains a pool designed as a pond with a waterfall and is surrounded with plantings that peak mid-July through October. Winding paths and stone walls enhance a sense of depth and elevation change on a mostly flat acre. There is something in bloom every season.

Directions: From Montauk Highway/Route 27 turn right onto Sayre's Path. House is first driveway on right. Please park along road.

### Glade Garden - Abby Jane Brody, 44 Glade Road, East Hampton HAH member garden

Rare and unusual (and some not so) ornamental trees and shrubs and shade-loving perennials form the understory and groundcover in this niche carved in native woodland over a 35-year period. This is a playground for an ardent gardener and plant collector, and plants that do not meet high standards of performance quickly give way to others waiting in the wings. Planted for year-round interest, in midspring camellias that rise above carpets of hellebores, woodland phlox, wood anemones, and minor bulbs capture the most attention, and are succeeded by Epimedium, Daphne, fragrant Rhododendrons, species Peonies, and more. **PLUS plant sale**!

Directions: From Route 27/Montauk Highway, turn left at traffic light in East Hampton. Pass town pond, go through village, and turn left at windmill. Pass under railroad bridge and turn right at fork to Springs Fireplace Road. In about 3 miles, turn left onto Woodbine and take an immediate right onto Glade Road.

Please park along road, not on grass.

### HAH 2019 SUNDAY MONTHLY LECTURES - 2 PM - BH Community House

All lectures are free to members, \$10 for not-yetmembers. Memberships start at \$45. Please join us!

May 5 Jerry Fritz – New & Exciting Perennials

June 9 – Karen Bussolini – Gardening with Kids:

Opening Eyes & Doors

Please note there are no lectures in July or August

**September 8** Lee Buttala – Twenty Heirloom Varieties, Their Stories and Why they Belong in Your Garden

**October 20** Renee Marsh – Groundcover Plants – Beyond Pachysandra

November 10 Ian Ross – The Essence of Flower Photography

**December 8** Annie Novak – Grow Up! Rooftop Farming

# For many more local events in May 2019 please turn to page 7.





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