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# Native Plants in Gardens & Landscapes: Hardy Plants Helping Pollinators

Saturday, April 1, 2017

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Presenters

**Dr. Ed Spevak** is the Curator of Invertebrates at the Saint Louis Zoo. Dr. Spevak has dedicated the last 37 years of his career to the conservation of invertebrates and vertebrates, working in zoos and aquariums as a zoo curator and small population biologist.

**Alan Branhagen** is Director of Horticulture at Powell Gardens (Kansas City's Botanical Garden) since 1996. He is a naturalist and plantsman specializing in botany, butterflies and birds, and utilizes this background in garden design and management. Branhagen is the author of *Native Plants of the Midwest* published by Timber Press.

**Bill Ruppert** is the manager and owner of the St. Louis office of National Nursery Products (NNP), a horticultural sales, marketing and consulting company representing regional and national wholesale growers of ornamental and environmental landscape plants.

**Dan Getman** is a PhD chemist who worked in research and development for the pharmaceutical industry for 30 years and is currently a consultant. He is a Master Gardener and amateur bird and butterfly photographer. He and his wife Kathy are creating habitat for birds, bees and butterflies at their home in Kirksville, Missouri.

**Claire Peckosh** owned Sugar Creek Nursery in Kirksville with her husband Jim from 1974 to 1989. After a second career as an instructor at Truman, she has returned to the nursery business, now focusing on native plants, perennials, cut flowers, peppers, and whatever else she finds interesting. You can find her at the Farmers Market most Saturdays or on Facebook at Claire's Garden.

**John Murphy** is a Private Land Conservationist for the Missouri Department of Conservation, covering Adair and Sullivan Counties, and works out of the Northeast Regional Office in Kirksville. MDC's Private Land Division provides technical assistance to landowners to help enhance fish, forest and wildlife conservation.

## Agenda

9:00–9:30 a.m.	Registration, light breakfast and coffee, view exhibits
9:30–9:45 a.m.	Welcome and introductions
9:45–10:45 a.m.	Ed Spevak: <i>Native Pollinators: Who are they? Why should we care? How can we help?</i>
10:45–11:00 a.m.	Break, view exhibits
11:00–12:00 p.m.	Alan Branhagen: <i>Midwestern Native Small Trees and Large Shrubs</i>
12:00–1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00–1:45 p.m.	Dan Getman: <i>Become a Citizen Scientist and Help Save Monarchs</i> Claire Peckosh: <i>Germination and Propagation of Native Seeds</i> John Murphy: <i>Native Plants in the Landscape—on Your Acreage or Farm</i>
1:45–2:00 p.m.	Break, view exhibits
2:00–3:00 p.m.	Bill Ruppert: <i>Using Native Plants in a Designed Landscape Setting</i>
3:00 p.m.	Workshop ends



**Host and Workshop Location:**  
Missouri Department of Conservation  
Northeast Regional Office  
3500 S. Baltimore St., Kirksville, MO 63501



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This workshop is for home gardeners and other landscape enthusiasts, college & high school students, wildlife habitat professionals, landscape contractors, land care professionals, growers, garden centers, forest managers, arborists, landscape architects and designers, engineers, sustainability managers, Master Naturalists, and Master Gardeners.

## Registration Form

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee** includes workshop, lunch and light breakfast, and handouts.

\$30 for Missouri Prairie Foundation and Grow Native! members

\$40 for nonmembers

**To register**, submit one registration form and payment for each attendee.

Make checks payable to **Missouri Prairie Foundation** and mail by

**Friday, March 25** to:

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Columbia, MO 65205

You may also register and pay by credit card at [grownative.org](http://grownative.org).

**Please contact us by March 25 if you have special dietary needs.**

### During this workshop, participants will learn:

- the diversity and importance of pollinators in the lower Midwest
- which small trees and large shrubs to plant for beauty and ecological benefits
- how to become a citizen scientist to contribute to the monarch recovery effort
- how to germinate and propagate native seeds
- the benefits of planting native plants on your acreage or farm
- ways to incorporate native plants in a designed landscape setting

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