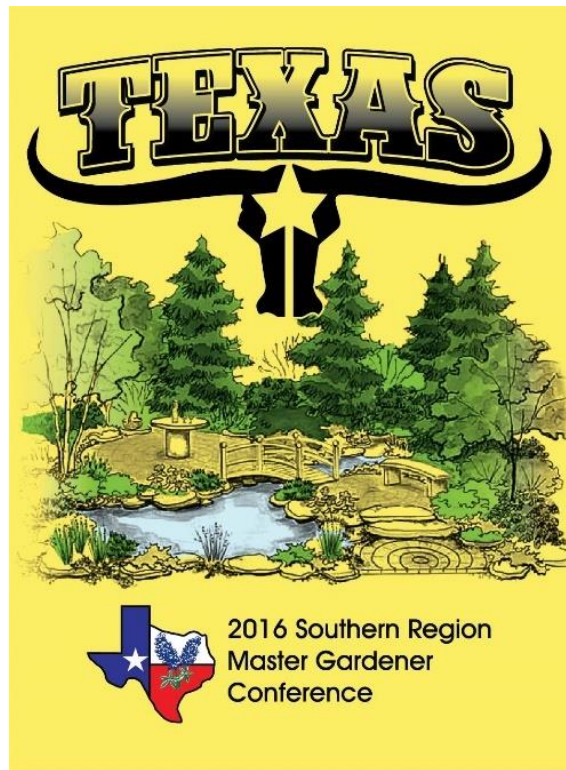


Southern Region Master Gardener Conference November 1-4, 2016



Welcome to Arlington, Texas! We would like to extend a warm Texas greeting to all of our attendees! We hope you enjoy the conference.

~ The Tarrant County Master Gardeners ~

Tuesday, November 1, 2016

12:00pm-5:00pm

Registration

12:00pm-5:00pm

Southern Garden Marketplace Open

6:00pm-8:00pm

Master Gardener Reception with Local Food Trucks such as [Hook and Ladder Pizza Co.](#)

7:00am-9:00am	Continental Breakfast Buffet
7:00am-3:00pm	Registration
10:00am-6:00pm	Southern Garden Marketplace Open
9:00am-9:15am	Welcome – Dr. Douglas Steele, Director of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services
9:15am-10:30am	Keynote Session #1 <u>That Tree</u> Mark Hirsch, Photojournalist, Artist and Naturalist
10:30am-11:00am	Break
11:00am-12:00pm	Keynote Session #2 <u>State Coordinator Panel</u> Lelia Kelly-Mississippi, Natalie Bumgarner- Tennessee, Sheri Dorn- Georgia and Janet Carson- Arkansas
12:00pm-1:30pm	Luncheon Buffet
1:00pm-5:00pm	Tours (Registration required)
1:30pm-2:30pm	<u>Breakout Session Group 1 (Registration required)</u> Community Gardening: It takes a Village; and a Good Plan Bob Byers, Director of Fort Worth Botanic Garden Sharing The Common Pool: Water Rights in Everyday Life Charles Porter, Author and Assistant Professor at St. Edward’s University in Austin, TX The Art of Diagnosis Dr. Kevin Ong, Associate Professor and Director of the Texas Plant Disease Diagnostic Laboratory Landscape Renovations Janet Carson, Horticulture Specialist, Arkansas State University Extension Services Empress of the Garden Mike Shoup, Owner of Antique Rose Emporium
2:30pm-3:00pm	Break
3:00pm-4:00pm	<u>Breakout Session Group 2 (Registration required)</u> The Art of a Great Garden Bob Byers, Director of Fort Worth Botanic Garden What Makes a Good Sample for a Plant Disease Diagnosis? Dr. Kevin Ong, Associate Professor and Director of The Texas Plant Disease Diagnostic Laboratory Join the Herbin’ League Lelia Kelly, Horticulture Specialist, Mississippi State University Extension Services Getting Started with the JMG Program in Your Community! Lisa Whittlesley, Extension Program Specialist, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and International Junior Master Gardener Director Landscape Renovations Janet Carson, Horticulture Specialist, Arkansas State University Extension Services
6:30pm-9:00pm	<u>The Cowboy Experience (Registration required)</u> Alternately, you may opt for dinner on your own (see About the Area menu on website for options near the Sheraton Arlington)

Thursday, November 3, 2016

7:00am-9:00am	Continental Breakfast Buffet
8:00am-12:00pm	Registration
10:00am-6:00pm	Southern Garden Marketplace Open
9:00am-10:15am	Keynote Session #3 <u>Kids in the Garden – It IS a Good Thing!</u> Lisa Whittlesey, Extension Program Specialist, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and International Junior Master Gardener Director
10:15am-10:45am	Break
10:45am-12:00pm	Keynote Session #4 <u>Gardening: Facts, Fun and Fabulous!</u> Neil Sperry, Author and Broadcaster
12:00pm-1:30pm	Luncheon Buffet
1:00pm-5:00pm	Tours (Registration required)
1:30pm-2:30pm	<u>Breakout Session Group 3 (Registration required)</u> Genetically Modified Organisms/Genetic Engineering Justin Scheiner, Assistant Professor and Extension Viticulture Specialist and Department of Horticultural Sciences at Texas A&M University Dynamic Soils Dr. Sam Feagley, Professor and State Soil Environment Specialist, Dept. of Soil and Crop Sciences, Texas A&M University Creating Your Perfect Garden Room Steven Chamblee, Horticulturalist at Chandor Gardens Using JMG's LGEG Curricula in Your Community Lisa Whittlesey, Extension Program Specialist, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and International Junior Master Gardener Director Landscaping with Limited Time Janet Carson, Horticulture Specialist, Arkansas State University Extension Services
2:30pm-3:00pm	Break
3:00pm-4:00pm	<u>Breakout Session Group 4 (Registration required)</u> Texas Rose Rustlers Bill Welch, Professor and Texas AgriLife Extension Service Horticulturist Foodscaping - Edible Ornamentals Laura Miller, Texas AgriLife Commercial Horticulture Extension Agent, Tarrant County, Texas Great Garden Ideas – Transcend the Everyday Garden Steven Chamblee, Horticulturalist at Chandor Gardens Introduction to the Earth-Kind® Program: Landscaping for Beauty and the Environment Tim Hartmann, Extension Program Specialist, Earth-Kind®, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services
6:30pm-9:00pm	Banquet

Friday, November 4, 2016

7:00am-8:30am	Continental Breakfast Buffet
8:00am-12:00pm	Southern Garden Marketplace Open
8:30am-10:00am	Capstone Speaker <u>Growing up in Texas</u>
	Barry Corbin, Actor and Personality
10:30am-4:00pm	Tours (Registration required)