

THE GARDENERS' GUILD
in cooperation with
THE NATURE CONSERVANCY and WILD ONES
presents

INVASIVES 101: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

- Invasive plants are the outlaws of the horticultural world
- Learn about Michigan's most notorious invasives and how to eradicate them
- Learn how they could change our forests and fields forever
- Learn what gardeners, in particular, can do to win this battle

April 28, 2007 • 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Registration and Coffee at 8:00 AM • Program begins at 9:00 AM

Lunch 11:45 - 12:45 • Adjournment 3:00 PM

Garden Shop offering specially selected plants, tools and handout

THE PROGRAM

■ INTRODUCTION FOR THE NATURE CONSERVANCY

Doug Pearsall, PhD, is the East Michigan Science and Planning Director for the Nature Conservancy in Michigan. He coordinates research and monitoring of ecological systems throughout the state and serves on the Michigan Invasive Plant Council. Doug holds degrees in Natural Resources and Forest Biology.

■ INVASIVE PLANTS: SAVING BIODIVERSITY STARTING IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD

Valerie Vartanian is the Horticultural Liaison for the Nature Conservancy's Invasive Species Initiative. She works with the horticulture industry to remove invasive plants from sale. Valerie created a program called No Invasives in My Back Yard (NIMBY) to help homeowners remove invasive species. She has degrees in Biogeography, Outdoor Recreation and Natural Resources Management.

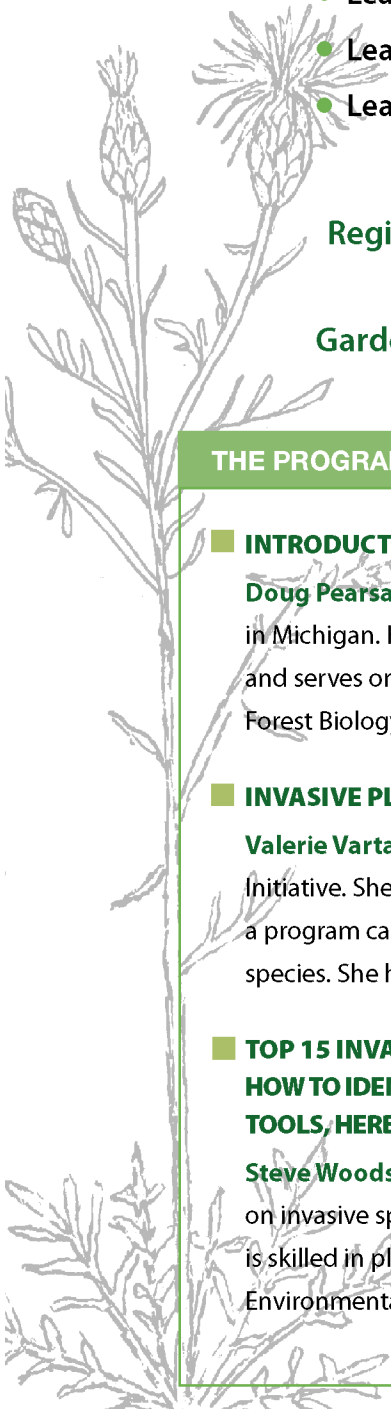
■ TOP 15 INVASIVES IN MICHIGAN 2 presentations

HOW TO IDENTIFY THEM IN ALL SEASONS and **TOOLS, HERBICIDES, TECHNIQUES FOR ERADICATION**

Steve Woods is the East Michigan Land Steward for the Nature Conservancy. He has presented seminars on invasive species and control techniques to many organizations. He conducts ecological field studies, is skilled in plant identification, fire management and restoration planning. Steve holds degrees in Environmental Science and Forestry.

and more

The Nature
Conservancy. 
SAVING THE LAST GREAT PLACES ON EARTH



MICHIGAN'S NATURAL PLANT HERITAGE: OUR DEPARTING TREASURES

Tony Reznicek, PhD, is the Curator of Herbarium at the University of Michigan. Trained as a botanist, he studies Great Lakes plants and their reaction to changing climates. He is a world authority on sedges and maintains a fine garden of rare native and rock garden plants. He recently completed a six year term on The Nature Conservancy's Michigan Board of Trustees. He holds three degrees in Botany.

*The spread of invasive species is now considered the second largest—
and likely the fastest growing—threat to biodiversity after habitat destruction.*
—The Nature Conservancy—

Symposium Garden Shop: A quality selection of plants, tools, books and relevant printed materials will be available before, during and after the program.

Register today. Seating is limited.

The registration fee of \$55 includes a coffee break, lunch in the dining room and relevant printed materials.

**Mail check or send credit card information with this registration form to:
The Gardeners' Guild, 1371 Pembroke, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304**

To register online go to: www.for-wild.org/gardenersguild

For further information please call: Colleen Traylor (248) 627-6872 or Sylvia Paddy (248) 646-7675

Location: The Michigan State University Management Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, Troy, Michigan, 48098, is easily accessible via I-75 (Crooks Road, Exit 72). (248) 879-2456 There is ample free parking.



Garlic mustard

REGISTRATION FORM

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Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone _____

Lunch Preference: Regular Vegetarian

Credit card number _____ Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

The Gardeners' Guild is an organization of Michigan gardeners dedicated to bringing new ideas and the latest horticultural information to the local gardening community.

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