## Become an Extension Master Gardener Volunteer!

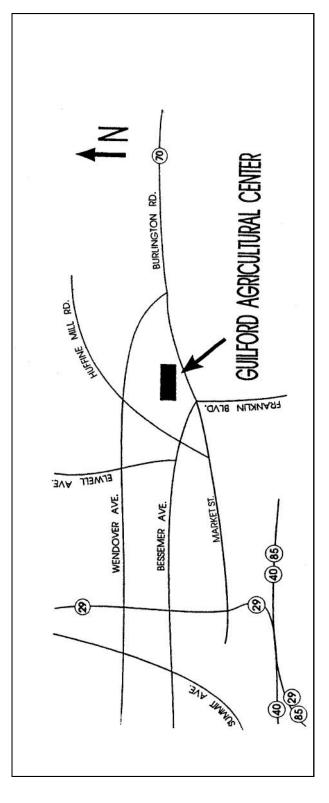
Are you interested in becoming an Extension Master Gardener Volunteer? Applications are taken throughout the year for classes starting each January.

Volunteers receive more than 45 hours of intensive gardening education in exchange for 50 hours of volunteer time during the first year of the program. Ten hours of continuing education and 30 hours of volunteer service are program requirements during subsequent years.

The Master Gardener curriculum provides the volunteer with information and training on subjects such as botany, soil management, integrated pest management, and more. Upon completion of the course, Master Gardeners volunteer their time as Volunteer Educators, in coordination with plans developed by Extension Faculty. Extension Master Gardener Volunteers are involved in various community-centered activities such as staffing a phone-in hotline for home gardeners, offering public education workshops, serving as mentors to both school and community gardens, and maintaining a demonstration garden at the Guilford County Agricultural Center.

Contact Linda Brandon at the Guilford County Cooperative Extension Office at 336-641-2414 for more information or to request an application, or stop by the office at 3309 Burlington Road in Greensboro.





# About the 13th Annual Gardening Gala and Seminar

This special day is devoted to exploring gardening practices that are helpful to Piedmont gardeners. Our focus will be on "Pocket Gardens: Containers and Small Spaces.

What's in Your Pocket?"

This seminar offers educational enrichment and continuing education for Extension Master Gardener Volunteers from several counties, and education for the public. Please invite your friends and neighbors. Please join us for this unique opportunity on September 11 to explore landscape design principles, gardening practices, and plant selection for small garden spaces, provided by experienced professionals.

Public registration begins July 1.

Please register by September 4!

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## 13th Annual

# Gardening Gala and Seminar

"Pocket Gardens: Containers and Small Spaces. What's in Your Pocket?"

Thursday, September 11, 2014 8:30 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.



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## The Gardening Gala And Seminar Program

Thursday, September 11, 2014

8:30 am Registration, Refreshments, Shopping – Arrive early!

9:00 am Welcome and Important Information

9:15 am **Michelle Wallace** 

"Container Gardening — Pockets Full of Color and Fun"

10:15 am. Break and Shopping

10:45 am **Bryce H. Lane** 

"Landscaping in Small Spaces — Big Ideas for Little Gardens"

11:45 am Lunch and Shopping

1:15 pm **Breakout Seminars** 

#### A. Michelle Wallace

"Small Spaces — Maximizing Plant Placement"

#### B. Bryce H. Lane

"Garden Art: Using Ornaments to Accent Your Garden"

#### C. Heather Callahan

"Succulents and Other Treasures — A 'How-To' for your Pocket"

2:15 pm Break and Shopping

2:40 pm Heather Callahan

"Jewels for your Pockets — Lessons

from Proven Winners"

3:40 pm Door Prizes and Evaluation

4:00 pm See you next year!!

### *About the Speakers*

Michelle Wallace had early life experiences that ignited her love of all things green, beautiful and nourishing. Her family moved to Israel to live in a Kibbutz when she was a young teenager, so her early gardening experiences were in orchards and a kiwi vineyard. Following a year as a service volunteer in an economically depressed desert community, she spent two years in the Israeli Defense Forces. Then Michelle returned to the USA for college, where she earned a BS in Horticulture and a Master of Landscape Architecture, both from NC State. She has worked for the NC Cooperative Extension Service for over 9 years, currently as the Durham County Horticulture Agent. In addition, she has 10 years of Landscape Design experience in the private sector.

Bryce H. Lane is a lecturer, Undergraduate Coordinator and Alumni Distinguished Undergraduate Professor, in the Department of Horticultural Science at NC State University (just retired July 1). He is also the host and producer of 2-time Emmy winning "In the Garden With Bryce Lane", a television program produced by the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at NC State University, and aired on North Carolina PBS channel, UNC TV. Bryce is also a NC Green Industry Council's "Waterwise Works" spokesperson on TV and radio, and has been a frequent local and national horticulture workshop and symposium speaker. Bryce has a BS in Plant Science from the University of Massachusetts and an MS, Ornamental Horticulture from The Ohio State University.

Heather Callahan is a self-described plant-geek with widespread industry experience as a grower, retailer and broker. Her career includes several years representing the Proven Winners brand in Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia and Colorado. Heather is a horticulturist and an avid gardener who enjoys growing just about any kind of plant with the possible exception of algae. She passionately promotes the use of plants and flowers to improve the quality of our lives through beauty, creativity and playing in the dirt. For more information about Proven Winners, visit their website online at www.provenwinners.com.

# Garden-Themed Vendors and Artisans

Bring your birthday and holiday money for early gift purchases!

In addition to our featured speakers and breakout seminars, participants can take this opportunity to visit garden-inspired vendors and artisans, located in the Barn Arena. Please patronize these outstanding vendors and artists\* who have made a special effort to bring their plants and gifts together for your shopping enjoyment! Plus... door prizes throughout the day from multiple vendors and community contributors ensure great fun!

David Baker ~ Planters and Frames

Moose River Trading ~ Outdoor Art

Barnyard Nursery and Produce ~ Fall

Veggies, Natives and Herbs

**Longnecker** Tools

A B Seed ~ Container Water Gardens and Fairy Gardens

**Cure Nursery** ~ Native Plants

**Green Hill Farm** ~ Hostas

**Ruthanne Brame** ~ Mosaic Planters

**Silver Palate Bird Feeders** 

\*As of print date.



## Gardening Gala Registration

The nonrefundable \$40.00 fee for registration includes refreshments and lunch. Seating is limited; register early. Registration will be confirmed by email; we do not mail tickets. For additional information, please contact Rose Foster at 336-255-2990 or email rfoster25@triad.rr.com. Only one participant per registration form; photocopy form if necessary. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone — Email — Address — State \_\_\_\_\_Zip \_\_\_\_ Indicate lunch choice: Regular chicken or turkey (circle one) ☐ Vegetarian Gluten-free Indicate your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices for Breakout Seminar: —— Wallace \_\_\_\_Lane \_\_\_\_ Callahan Make check payable to **NC Extension** MGV. Mail this portion of the form and your check to: Gardening Gala & Seminar **EMGV** Treasurer for Gala Guilford County Extension Office 3309 Burlington Road Greensboro, NC 27405