

GRAND ISLAND NATURE ALLIANCE PRESENTS

Native Plant Event

Friday, May 19, 5:30 – 7:30 PM

Grand Island Community Center at the Nike Base, 3278 Whitehaven Road



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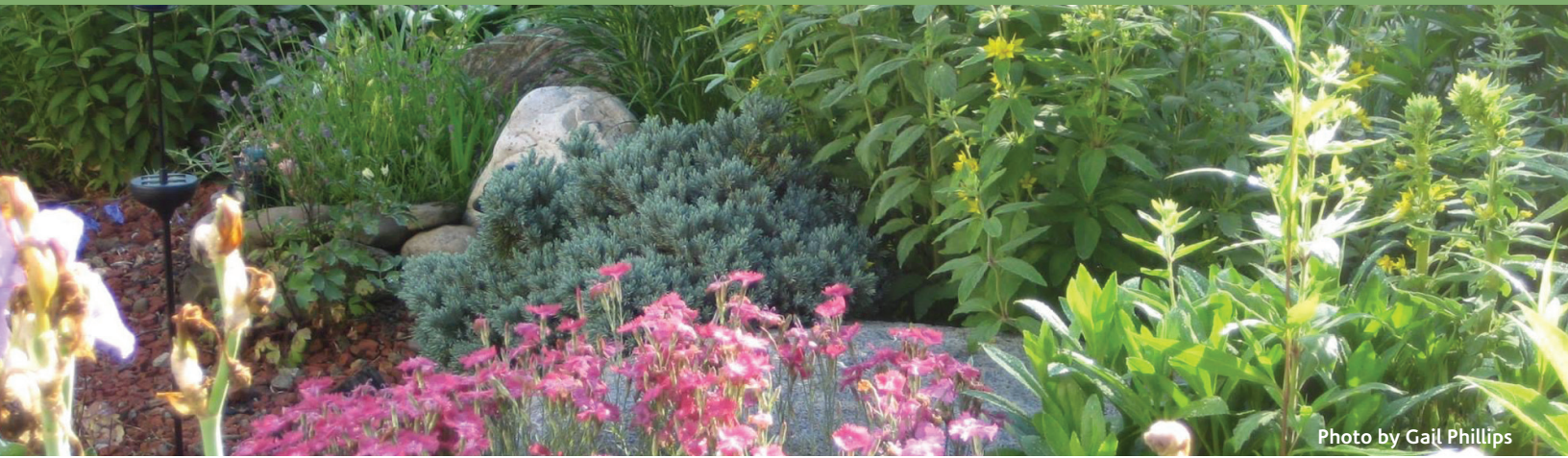


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Transform your garden or lawn into a native plant paradise, with talks led by helpful experts, and a hands-on workshop! **You'll leave with a plan.**

Meet Our Experts!

Kathy Contrino promotes the use of native plants in residential gardens in order to improve ecological diversity. She has been growing native plants and designing native plant gardens since 1997. A member of the Western New York Plant Collaborative as well as owner/operator of the CW Native Plant Farm, Kathy is recreating the Great Lakes ecosystem on her 10 acres in Akron, NY.

Ken Parker is a horticulture industry champion, and a passionate Indigenous horticulturalist. As a New York State Certified Nursery Landscape Professional, and a National Certified Green Infrastructure Program Trainer, he offers extensive and diverse experience in horticultural systems, plant cultivation, propagation protocols, plant production procedures and integrated pest management.

Learn!

- The importance of native species to the environment
- The problem with turf grass
- Native vs non-native plants
- First steps

This event is free, but please RSVP with this code:



Or call 716-774-8268 to register, and number attending.

Design your garden!

Our experts will help attendees sketch out their native plant garden.

How it'll work:

- Bring your lawn or garden dimensions, sunlight and soil conditions, and moisture levels
- We'll provide graph paper, colored pencils, rulers, compasses, and circle stencils, so you can get creative!

Native plants for sale too!

- North Tonawanda Botanical Gardens
- CW Native Plant Farm
- Ken Parker

Optional hike of the Nike Base trail at 7:00, weather permitting. Wear appropriate footwear.

