



# Growing Great Gardens

A partnership with  
Taylor Conservatory Foundation,  
Taylor Garden Club and  
Wayne County Community College District-Downriver Campus



## Saturday, March 16, 2019 Registration Form

Open to the public—you do not need to be a Master Gardener to attend

### Contact Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City

State

Zip Code

Phone

Email Address

Please circle **ONLY ONE** preferred method to be notified for *next year's event*:    **Email**    **Mail**

**LUNCH**  
circle one



Hickory Ham /Swiss cheese  
on whole wheat  
chips-cookie-water

Smoked Turkey /Colby cheese  
on whole wheat  
chips-cookie-water

Lg. Veggie Salad w/fresh  
berries & Feta cheese  
roll-cookie-water

### Method of Payment

- \$50 Four classes. Early registration until Feb. 23, 2019
- \$60 Five classes, including "Gardening Tools, Beyond the Hoe" by Carol Michel  
*In the Ray Mix room. Limited seating. Sells out quickly!*
- \$65 Late registration after Feb. 23, 2019

Checks payable to: Taylor Conservatory Foundation

Credit (circle):    **Visa**    **MC**    **Discover**    **AMEX**

Mail to: Growing Great Gardens  
12681 Delta Drive  
Taylor, MI 48180  
Phone/Fax: 888-383-4108  
Email: info@taylorconservatory.org

Credit Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV : \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Refunds will be given up to March 8, less a \$10 processing fee. No refunds after March 8. Registrations are transferrable. Please email info@taylorconservatory.org or call 888-383-4108 if you have questions. Thanks!

### Tell Us About Yourself

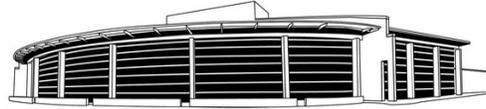
A First Time Attendee?    Yes    No	Years attended?    1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11
Age group: (circle)    Under 18    18-30    30-50    51+	What brings you back? Value, Education hrs    Vendors    Speakers    Atmosphere



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WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
HEINZ C. PRECHTER  
EDUCATIONAL AND *Performing Arts Center*



**Craig LeHoullier**  
Raleigh, NC

### Epic Tomatoes for Midwest Gardens

Time to learn from the Master. Craig will teach you how to select & grow the best tomatoes of your life, along with helpful facts, cool tomato history, good stories, and plenty of growing tips for epic tomato success!



**Jessica Walliser**  
Pittsburgh, PA

### Attracting Beneficial Bugs to Your Garden

After bug-geek Jessica shares her natural approach to pest control, you will never look at bugs the same way again.

### Neglected Annuals

A look at some of the easy-care, old-fashioned gems that have been forgotten in today's garden.



**Carol Michel**  
Indianapolis, IN

### 12 Secrets to Happiness in Your Garden

Too much garden, not enough time? As the keeper of secrets to happiness in your garden, Carol uses a mix of humor and plant knowledge to ease our guilt and love our gardens again.



**Open to the Public-You Do Not Need to Be a Master Gardener**

***Growing Great Gardens* is the best bargain in town!**  
***Master gardeners earn 5 education hours***

### **REGISTRATION OPEN NOW**

**\$50** includes 4 classes, breakfast, lunch, handouts

**\$60** w/extra BONUS Class (5 classes, plus above)

**\$65** after February 23, 2019 (Lunch option will not be available)

**Mail check to:** Growing Great Gardens,  
12681 Delta Drive, Taylor MI 48180

**Online w/credit card:** [www.taylorconservatory.org](http://www.taylorconservatory.org)

### **And...BONUS CLASS!**

**(additional \$10)**

**with Carol Michel**  
**Gardening Tools, Beyond  
the Hoe**



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GARDENMARKET  
Open to the Public  
8 to 4 p.m.**



# 11th Annual Growing Great Gardens

## Class Schedule

**8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Registration, Networking & Shopping** (Coffee, tea, pastries from Tim Horton)

**9:15-10:30 a.m. Jessica Walliser, Author, Speaker, Gardener and Bug-Lover**

**Attracting Beneficial Bugs to Your Garden: A Natural Approach to Pest Control** Concern about the loss of our pollinators (and insects in general) is at an all-time high. Jessica will shine some light on the methods needed to attract beneficial insects to the garden – and keep them there to bring your garden into a more natural balance. She'll present ground-breaking research regarding the intricate connection between plants and insects. You'll never look at bugs the same way again! *Jessica is a graduate of Penn State University, co-host of "The Organic Gardeners" on KDKA-Radio in Pittsburg, writes a column for the Pittsburg Tribune-Review and is a regular contributor to Fine Gardening, and other horticultural magazines. She has authored five gardening books, and lectures nationwide.*

**10:30-10:45 a.m. Break and Shopping**

**10:45-11:45 a.m. Craig LeHoullier, Author of "Epic Tomatoes" and "Straw-Bale Gardening"**

**Growing Epic Tomatoes for Our Midwest Gardens** Have you ever wanted to grow that perfect tomato with the taste you remember from your childhood? Well, now you can. Tomato expert and author of *Epic Tomatoes: How to Select & Grow the Best Varieties of All Time*, Craig LeHoullier shares his top growing recommendations and tips for varieties that thrive in our Midwestern climate. *Craig is an award-winning, fun-loving, research based, certified plant geek with a particular passion for tomatoes. A former scientist, Craig treats his yard as his laboratory. He loves to share his knowledge about all things "T", earning him the title of NC Tomatoman, and is a go-to advisor for many in the plant industry. He is also co-founder of the Dwarf Tomato project. Craig can be seen and heard on his popular You Tube channel, as well shows like Growing a Greener World, The Splendid Table, and A Way to Garden.*

**11:45 -1:00 p.m. Lunch** (provided by Frank n Dean's Catering) & Shopping

**11:45-12:45\*p.m. Carol Michel, Author, Horticulturist (Bonus Class, additional \$10)**

**Garden Tools Beyond the Hoe** As the owner of arguably the world's largest hoe collection, Carol still has many tools in her gardening 'toolbox' that she uses to create her garden paradise. She will show us many time saving tips and tricks to make garden chores less taxing, more efficient and more fun!

*\*Note: This presentation is available for an additional \$10 and is open only to participants who have pre-paid in advance. Space is limited and first come, first served. The presentation is in the Ray Mix Room, where you'll pick up your box lunch as well.*

**1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Carol Michel, Author, Horticulturist**

**12 Secrets to Happiness in Your Garden** Are you getting the most out of your garden? Do you leave your garden feeling refreshed or do you leave it feeling frustrated and ready to quit? Does your garden make you happy? Carol shares the secrets to happiness in your garden with her own tips and tricks to remind you how to have fun while gardening. *Carol is a graduate of the Purdue University School of Agriculture with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Horticulture Production, and a degree in computer technology. She is the author of several award-winning gardening books, Potted and Pruned: Living a Gardening Life, Homegrown and Handpicked: A Year in a Gardening Life, and her latest work, The Christmas Cottontail: A Story for Gardeners of All Ages.*

**2:00 - 2:30 p.m. Break and Shopping**

**2:30 - 3:45 p.m. Jessica Walliser, Author, Speaker, Gardener and Bug-Lover**

**Neglected Annuals in the Garden** Looking for an easy way to add pizzazz to your garden? Old-fashioned and often self-sowing annuals should be some of the shining stars of our gardens – but instead, they're often found only in the pages of specialty catalogs. Learn about some of the loveliest, easiest plants around and how to bring them into your garden. From snow-on-the-mountain to the corn marigold, slides will illustrate their proper and well-deserved place in the garden.

**3:45 - 4:00 p.m. Shopping, Door Prizes and Wrap Up**