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Presentations are a minimum of 20 minutes, though most topics can be modified to fill longer time periods. There is no cost, except when noted for a workshop materials. Upon request presentations can be virtual.

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# Speaker Series

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## Birds, Butterflies & Bees

### *Create a Monarch Habitat*

Monarchs, the official state insect of Illinois, are in serious decline for a variety of reasons. Learn how we each can do our part to provide them with milkweed and nectar-rich flowers so they thrive once again.



### *Designing Pots for Pollinators*

Do you want to plant a pollinator garden but don't have the room in your yard? Learn how to make your patio or porch a haven for butterflies, bees, hummingbirds, and other beneficial pollinators with pollinator-friendly pots.



### *Plant a Pollinator Garden*

Many insects play a role in pollination. This presentation will discuss different ways to make your landscape attractive to them.



## Flowering Plants

### *All in for Alliums*

Alliums are showstoppers, bringing stunning color and unique form to every garden in every season. The session will focus on selection, planting, and care for alliums, as well as creative uses for the flower heads.



### *High on Hydrangeas*

There is a hydrangea (or 2!) for every garden. Explore the various types of hydrangeas and learn more growing information and pruning tips for this beloved plant. This presentation just may answer the often-asked question, "Why doesn't my hydrangea bloom?"

### *Wildflower Treasures*

Want to enjoy the beauty of wildflowers? Want to learn how to identify them? With plant identification tools, you can create an inventory of the plants and flowers you see in any landscape. Identifying and finding native wildflowers helps preserve natural habitat for the benefit of pollinators and all creatures.

## Gardening Practices

### *Growing Vegetables Isn't Work – It's Fun*

Discover a new way to garden that is fun and productive. Vegetable gardening in raised beds reduces your gardening burden and offers a canvas to display your gardening personality. Enjoy whimsy and fun in a production garden!



### *Herb Gardening*

Herbs are versatile plants used for fragrances, cooking, or spicing up a landscape. Learn to grow, preserve, and use a variety of culinary herbs. Make them accessible and useful.

### *Tree Pruning*

Overcome your fear of pruning! Grow healthy and attractive trees by learning the importance of pruning: what to prune, when to prune, and how to prune.



### **Other Topics Available:**

- *Language of Flowers*
- *Seed Starting in the Spring*
- *Succulents*
- *Tips for Growing Irises in Summer*
- *Tomato Troubles*