

Rye Driftwood Garden Club

RDGC Looks Forward to Outstanding New Season of Professional Garden Speakers

RDGC Offers a Wide Range of Topics to Help Local Gardeners Become More Successful

Rye Driftwood Garden Club is pleased to announce its schedule of professional speakers for the Club's upcoming 2021-2022 season. After more than a year away, the Club is excited about getting back together again for learning, laughter and fun. As always, RDGC welcomes everyone to its monthly meetings and requests just a small donation to help the Club support its speaker programs, community gardens, landscape grants and scholarships. All speaker programs take place at the Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye NH.

This season kicks off on September 21st with speaker Christie Higgenbottom, who focuses on *"Tips from the Past for the Modern Gardener"*. Christie is an expert on historic gardens and their interpretation, antique plants, and herb use. Her talk will focus on what we can learn from the past for our own kitchen gardens of today.

In addition, RDGC's 2021-2022 speaker roster includes:

- *October 19, 2021: "Gardening and Weather Heading into Winter and Thinking Spring"*
Professional meteorologist David Epstein will explore the relationship between weather and gardens through the winter into spring season.
- *November 16, 2021: "The Magic of the Winter Garden"*
Well-known Garden professional Jana Milbocker explores how to maintain your garden magic even in winter.
- *January 18, 2022: "Ikebana, Japanese Art of Flower Arranging"*
An expert in Ikebana, Elaina Hatisis will demonstrate the different styles of Japanese flower arranging and how they have evolved over the centuries.
- *February 15, 2022: Harvesting Sap & Producing Syrup from Maples, Birches, Walnuts and Other Species"*
Join UNH PhD candidate David Moore for a fun discussion of all the different ways syrup can be produced.
- *March 15, 2022: "Garden Procedures which Mimic How Plants Thrive in Nature"*
Master Gardener Vince Cirasole explores how we can use nature's processes to create healthy, happy gardens.

- *April 19, 2022: - "Lavender – The History & Magic"*

Julie Scaramella will provide a lively tour through the remarkable history of lavender.

As Rye Driftwood Garden Club restarts its yearly programs after the pandemic lockdown, the Club invites everyone to enjoy these presentations. Non-club members are welcome for a suggested donation of \$5. Before the presentations which start at 10 am, the Club has an enjoyable coffee half hour at 9:30 which is a great opportunity to get to know the RDGC members. For more information, visit the RDGC website at: www.ryehgardenclub.org.



