

## Ninth Annual **FREE** Home Gardening Program Registration Form *(Sorry, no telephone registrations)*

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Please provide your phone numbers in case we need to contact you.

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I wish to register for the following programs (check those you plan to attend):

- ☐ New and Interesting Perennials, **KLN 01** Saturday, April 4, 1–3 p.m. *(please note time)*
- ☐ Soil Sense, **KLN 02** Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- ☐ Natural Gardening, **KLN 03** Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- ☐ Healthy Houseplants, **KLN 04** Saturday, May 2, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.



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Four Saturdays, April 4–May 2, 2009

Mail or fax your registration form today!

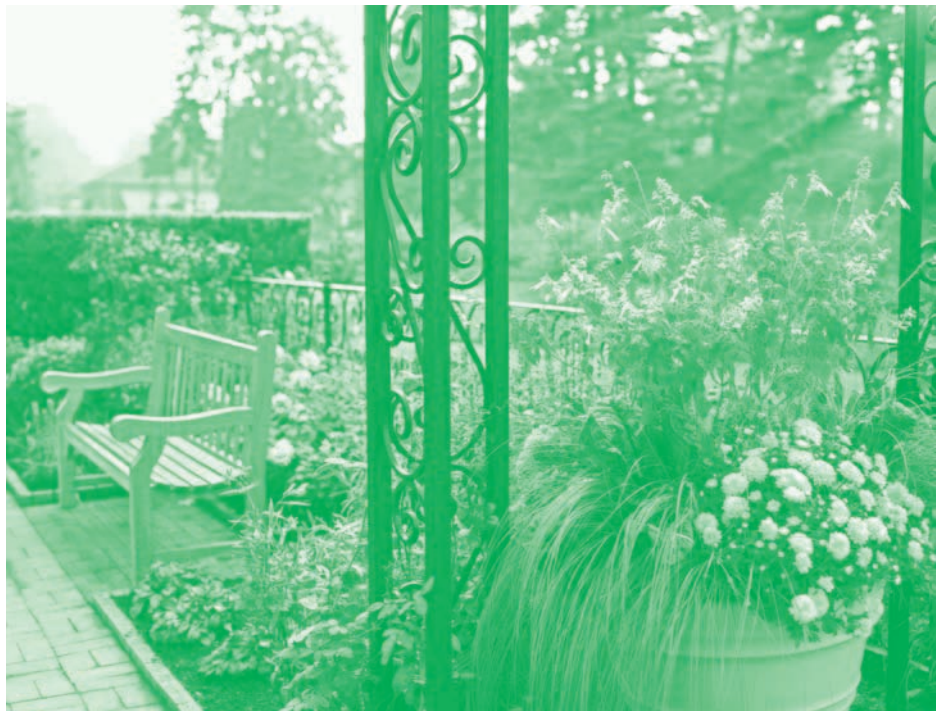
### NINTH ANNUAL

### **FREE** Home Gardening Program for New York State's 34th Senatorial District

at The New York Botanical Garden



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# THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

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*We are lucky to have the renowned Botanical Garden within our district.  
Gardening has been proven to be therapeutic, improve property values, and add to the beauty of our  
communities. That's why I have ensured that this free program be made available  
to my constituents in the 34th Senatorial District. —Senator Jeff Klein*

## Beautify the Bronx and Westchester—Get gardening this spring!

Don't miss this special opportunity—free for residents of New York State's 34th Senatorial District only:

- Attend an educational program to learn simple gardening techniques.
- Receive a complimentary packet of seeds, and participate in the summer sunflower contest.

Attend one or all of these free Saturday morning programs, and take home a free packet of seeds. Door prizes will be awarded.

### New and Interesting Perennials

Long gone are the common orange daylilies, white peonies, and bearded irises of years past. Today there is a mind-boggling array of perennials for a wide range of garden conditions. Thanks to modern horticultural science, discover new and noteworthy perennials currently on the market that can enhance your garden.

**Michael Ruggiero**, former Senior Curator in Horticulture at the Botanical Garden, is a horticulturist at Matterhorn Nursery.

**KLN 01:** April 4, 1–3 p.m. (please note time)

### Soil Sense

Understand how great soils make for great gardens. Learn about pH, organic matter, drainage, organisms, soil types, and how they affect fertility and composting. Discover how to identify your soil type and ways to improve it. For indoor gardeners, learn about the components of potting soils and what works best for tropical houseplants, cacti, and herbs.

**Mobee Weinstein** is Foreman of Gardeners at the Botanical Garden.

**KLN 02:** April 18, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

### Natural Gardening

Discover the latest innovations in natural gardening backed by three decades of research on herbaceous and woody plants. Learn how you can apply the latest natural horticultural techniques to achieve healthy and beautiful landscapes and gardens. The importance of site analysis, plant selection, integrated pest management, as well as seasonal gardening practices, biostimulants, and more will be discussed.

**Brad Roeller** is Manager of the Display Gardens at the Institute for Ecosystem Studies in Millbrook, N.Y.

**KLN 03:** April 25, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

### Healthy Houseplants

Whether caring for a prized African violet from the local supermarket or an inherited behemoth of a palm, indoor gardening is a satisfying outlet for apartment dwellers and homeowners alike. Learn the best methods for choosing and caring for your houseplants, including potting, fertilizing, watering, pruning, and pest control to ensure healthy, long-lived plants.

**Joan Kram** has taught "Tropical Houseplant Identification and Care" for the Garden's Horticultural Therapy Certificate Program.

**KLN 04:** May 2, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

*Registration is required.* Space is limited; programs are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you do not receive a confirmation letter after registering, please call 718.817.8747.

## Summer Sunflower Contest

Add a little sunshine to your garden! State Senator Jeff Klein is offering free sunflower seeds to residents of New York State's 34th Senatorial District. Seeds are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

To receive your free packet of seeds, mail a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: *Continuing Education, The New York Botanical Garden, 200th St. and Kazimiroff Blvd., Bronx, New York, 10458-5126* Attention: Sunflowers.

A prize will be given to the grower of the sunflower with the largest diameter head. Details will be included with the seeds.

**To register, complete and return the form on the reverse.  
For more information, call 718.817.8747.**