



Midwest Native Plant Conference

August 6,7, & 8, 2010
Bergamo Retreat Center
Dayton, Oh

Plant sale open
to the public
Saturday
9-4pm!

Come Ready to Learn - Learn more about the important role of native plants in supporting our natural environment by attending the **2nd Annual Midwest Native Plant Conference**, August 6,7 & 8, 2010 at the Bergamo Retreat Center, located on the beautiful campus of Mount St. John Preserve, in Dayton, Ohio. You will learn from subject experts about native landscaping, wildlife, wetlands, and prairies through lectures and workshops.

There will be a keynote speaker each day of the conference. Friday night speaker, **Wil Hershberger**, author of "The Songs of Insects", will take us on a journey to learn more about the sounds of summer.

At Saturday's banquet, **Julie Zickefoose**, a widely published natural history writer and artist will be the guest speaker. Julie never tires of roaming her 80-acre wildlife sanctuary in Whipple, OH. She has a deep relationship with the land that is the wellspring for her writing and art.

On Sunday morning, **Judy Semroc**, Conservation Specialist for the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, will utilize macrophotography and the incredible natural palette that exists between animals and plants, to convey the important relationships between pollinators and the plants they require.

Saturday sessions provide an opportunity to learn about: plant adaptations, rain gardens, our native goldenrods, butterflies, wildflowers, native plant propagation, rock gardens, and how to add native plants to landscapes.

Be Ready to Shop - Our vendors will offer native plants, books, artwork and other items that will help you in understanding and enjoying the benefits of going native.

Get Ready to Explore - Enjoy informative tours and field trips to a wide variety of habitats to identify native plants, birds, butterflies, insects and other wildlife within easy driving distance of the Dayton area.

Registration opens March 1, 2010.

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Presented by the Midwest Native Plant Society. Call Kathy McDonald at 513.941.6497 or Macy Reynolds at 937.767.2981 for more information. Conference proceeds to benefit the Marianist Environmental Center, The Sunshine Corridor Project in Adams County, and Beaver Creek Wetlands Association.

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