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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 RAINIER ROOM

10:00 AM

A Life in Five Gardens

James Alexander-Sinclair— *2020 Show Judge*; Award-Winning Designer, Writer & TV Star
Join 2020 Show Judge, James Alexander-Sinclair, on a journey through James' thirty-year career as a garden designer in Great Britain. He'll be strolling you through five gardens that he has designed and all the stories—and all the lessons—he has to tell. And, of course, all about the plants. Each garden exemplifies James' life philosophy: "to leave the bits of the world upon which I am let loose a little more beautiful than they were before I arrived."

11:30 AM

Twenty Places, Twenty Plants (OK, Maybe More than Twenty...)

Dan Hinkley— *2020 Show Judge*; Director, Heronswood Garden & author, *The Explorer's Garden*
Dan Hinkley does a deep dive into his travels and all the plants he has discovered along the way. The twenty plants (or maybe a few more...) that made the cut are ones that achieved Dan's highest benchmark: they have changed the way Dan gardens. Discover which plants made Dan's list, why they made the list and why you just might need a few of them for your own garden. (OK, maybe more than a few...)

1:00 PM

Gone to Pot: Integrating Containers as Design Elements in the Garden

Lucy Hardiman—*Educator, garden writer & designer, Perennial Partners*
Since ancient times containers have been an integral part of garden design. Today's gardeners can select from an array of containers and plants as disparate as alpine troughs, hanging baskets, window boxes, vegetable gardens and bold seasonal compositions. Think beyond pots flanking the front porch! Consider a container as a focal point in a garden bed; a vertical accent to frame a view; or a group of pots used to screen a deck. No matter the size of your garden, containers can be colorful, therapeutic, functional and fun.

2:30 PM

GARDEN 101: PERFECT YOUR PRUNING

Pruning ABC's for Healthy Trees and Shrubs

Bess Bronstein—*Educator, horticulture consultant & ISA-Certified Arborist*

The Unkindest Cut: Pruning Myths

Dr. Linda Chalker-Scott—*WSU Asso. Professor & author, Gardening with Native Plants*

How to Prune the Overgrown Garden

Christina Pfeiffer—*Horticulturist, arborist & co-author, Pacific NW Gardening Month-by-Month*
You've bought new tools and are ready to prune! How hard can it be? It's not that hard once you learn pruning techniques and timing guidelines for common trees and shrubs. The results of your labor will be healthy and beautiful plants. **Bess Bronstein** starts off this 3-part series with an overview of pruning techniques and timing guidelines to get you started. **Dr. Linda Chalker-Scott** thinks the whens, wheres, hows, and whys of pruning woody plants is littered with conflicting information and just plain bad advice, so she will focus on the science of pruning. And **Christina Pfeiffer** will show you how to prune an overgrown garden to bring renewed vitality to your garden without having to tear everything out and start over.

4:30 PM

A Year at Brandywine Cottage: Six Seasons of Beauty, Bounty and Blooms

David L. Culp— *2020 Show Judge*; designer, & author, *A Year at Brandywine Cottage*

We think of gardens as having only four seasons, but why stop at four? Designer David Culp believes there are six seasons, or more, if you extend peak bloom periods by curating a wider range of plants. These valuable early spring, late spring, summer, fall, and even early winter blooming plants are sure to boost your garden's interest throughout seasonal changes. By blurring the lines between inside and out you can create a garden with biodiversity and wildlife habitat; a garden from which you can create floral arrangements and food for the table.

6:00 PM



Attracting Birds, Butterflies and Other Backyard Wildlife

David Mizejewski—*Naturalist at NWF & author, Attracting Birds, Butterflies & Other Wildlife*

One of the joys of gardening is creating a beautiful, natural space that you and the backyard wildlife can enjoy. David loves sharing about creating wildlife-friendly gardens. Discover the four components of habitat: food, water, shelter and places to raise young, how to observe and enjoy wildlife and avoid critter-conflicts, the vital role of native plants in the garden, and tips sustainable gardening practices. Learn how to have your garden recognized as an official “Certified Wildlife Habitat.”

HOOD ROOM | WEDNESDAY

9:30 AM



Combating Climate Change in Your Garden

Jessi Bloom—*Owner, N.W. Bloom EcoLogical Services & author, Creating Sanctuary*

Many gardeners are faced with weather and pest related challenges that have simple solutions. Jessi Bloom will share beautiful and inspiring ideas for tackling climate change challenges—from plant choices to simple maintenance tricks and permaculture concepts to implement in your garden for more success in this unpredictable climate.

11:00 AM



Winter is Coming: Help Your Garden Recover from Winter's Disasters

Mary-Kate Mackey—*Award-winning garden writer, speaker & author, Write Better Right Now*

In recent years, snow, ice, and wind have not been kind to Pacific Northwest gardens. Garden writer Mary-Kate Mackey discusses recovery strategies, such as when to prune, when to call an expert, and when to throw in the shovel. And when it comes to replanting, she'll offer practical tips to avoid some common gardening errors, and a sampler of trees and shrubs that can survive nature's abuse—plus a few that won't.

12:30 PM



The Earth in Her (OUR) Hands

Jennifer Jewell—*Creator & Radio host, Cultivating Place & author, The Earth in Her Hands*

Based on her book, *The Earth in Her Hands: 75 Remarkable Women Working in the World of Plants*, Jennifer Jewell explores how women specifically around the world are re-imagining horticulture through innovative horticultural and cultural endeavors—making the many branches of horticulture more creative and viable career paths for a wider diversity of people. They and their work profoundly and positively impact the larger world: environmentally, culturally, economically—making them inspiring role models for all.

2:00 PM



Chasing Eden: Design Inspiration from Hortulus Farm

Jack Staub—*Owner, Hortulus Farm & co-author, Chasing Eden*

Renny Reynolds—*Award-winning designer and lifestyle expert & co-author, Chasing Eden*

Hortulus Farm, one of the most celebrated private gardens in America, is known as for its opulence and evocative mix of classical design and modern sensibilities. In *Chasing Eden*, Jack Staub and Renny Reynolds use their Pennsylvania-based garden to teach home gardeners the principles of garden design. More importantly, how and when to break those rules to create a unique, attention-worthy landscape. You will learn about vistas and focal points; hardscape; garden furnishing and decoration; plant palette and more.

3:30 PM



Fresh Ways to See Color in the Garden

Lorene Edwards Forkner—*Seattle Times columnist & author, Handmade Garden Projects*

Color is one of nature's most sophisticated tools engineered to capture the attention of all living creatures. Since early 2018, Lorene has maintained a daily practice of capturing fresh botanicals in simple watercolor gestures and posting the studies to Instagram. Lorene will share her motivation, process and progress in exercising concentration and exploring the garden with fresh eyes. Slow down, discover hidden hues, and enhance your approach to designing with color.

5:00 PM



Selecting Native Plants: A Curated Approach

Dr. Linda Chalker-Scott—*WSU Asso. Professor & author, Gardening with Native Plants*

The Pacific NW has thousands of native plant species—how can gardeners choose those that will succeed in their landscape? This talk will discuss how gardeners can use the newest edition of *Gardening with Native Plants of the Pacific Northwest* to select the most appropriate species. Linda will examine some common home garden scenarios and discuss how to make smart plant choices for those conditions, always with an eye on garden science.

6:30 PM

Changing Times, Changing Gardens

Bess Bronstein—*Educator, horticulture consultant & ISA-Certified Arborist*

As Bob Dylan noted, “the times they are a changin’”. The impacts of climate change are visible in our landscapes. Plants are under stress due to rising temperatures, less typical rainfall, and increased pest and disease problems. It is clear that we need to make modifications in how we garden into the future, including changes in plant selection, irrigation and landscape management. Find out what you can do to make this transition successful in your garden.

DIY STAGE | WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM

Pruning Japanese Maples from an Arborist Point of View

Barry Hoffer—*Arborist & owner, Maples for All Seasons*

Arborist Barry Hoffer will explain the philosophy of pruning and then demonstrate it on actual Japanese Maple trees showing each point as discussed. An Arborist point of view includes proper cuts, soil and the overall health of the tree we are pruning as well as planning for proper future growth. Diseases associated with the Japanese Maples are discussed, including how to repair, remove diseased branches and treatment. He will also discuss root pruning for up-potting of Japanese Maples in containers.

11:45 AM

Nick's Pick's #1: Garden to Table Freshness from Fruit, Veggies and Seeds

Nicholas Staddon—*Horticultural Consultant, former Director of New Plants, Monrovia*

Eating wholesome fresh fruit is not just “trendy” anymore; it’s a cultural shift. Anyone can grow veggies and fruit in the garden, and even containers are great on the patio or balcony. Join horticulturist Nicholas Staddon for his top discoveries from the garden festival’s Plant Market. Indulge yourself in this main course of terrific edibles. Nicholas will also cover partner plants to go with edibles. Finding just what you want is a breeze, as Nicholas provides booth numbers and company names for you to follow up on your favorite choices.

1:30 PM

Contained Bounty: Growing Fruit Bearing Plants in Containers

Theresa Knutsen—*Propagations & Greenhouse Manager, Raintree Nursery*

If you think you don’t have room to grow edible plants, think again! Fruit bearing plants can be grown in containers as successfully as ornamentals, including many varieties suitable for NW gardens. Some types of plants, such as citrus, blueberries, and apples, have specific needs which will be addressed. Container selection, potting mix (or make your own), fertilizing, and how and when to water will be covered, along with helpful techniques for getting started with both potted and bare root plants, and re-potting.

3:15 PM

Foam-Free Florals: Artful Arranging the Old-Fashioned Way

Christin Geall—*Floral designer, writer, gardener & author, Cultivated: Elements of Floral Style*

The shift towards seasonality and foam-free designs is changing how designers work with flowers. Come delve into the pre-plastic period for this floral design demonstration: learn about the history of garden-style design, and how to make a lush romantic centerpiece and statement display.

5:00 PM

Herbal Abundance: Top Tips on Processing, Storing and Using Herbs

Rachael Witt—*Herbalist, ecologist, medicinal plant grower & founder of Wilderness Within*

So your garden is overflowing with herbs, now what? Herbalist Rachael Witt shares tips and tricks on the harvesting and processing of herbs. You gain new insights on when and how to harvest a diversity of herbs, plus how to dry, store, and make fresh infusions to add to your life. Celebrate the abundance of herbs and their many uses by learning the enjoyable benefits of herbs.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

RAINIER ROOM

10:00 AM

Googling Dan's Brain for the Best Trees, Shrubs and Vines for NW Gardens

Dan Hinkley—*2020 Show Judge; Director, Heronswood Garden & author, Explorer's Garden*

When ordinary gardeners go to the nursery or plant sales, it can be overwhelming. So many plants to choose from! The entire world has been Dan Hinkley’s nursery for four decades, so narrowing down the choices is far more involved. What trees, shrubs and vines top the list when Dan “googles” his own brain for the best? He’ll share all when he talks about the many plants that he simply could not live without.

11:30 AM

Making Meadows: Biodiverse Habitats to Support Pollinators and Wildlife

David L. Culp—2020 Show Judge; designer & author, *A Year at Brandywine Cottage*

Sustainable, low grass meadows support many landscape purposes, from lawn alternatives on residential sites to larger scale, ecologically sound models that provide biodiverse habitats for a host of pollinators, birds and mammals. David will discuss practical and aesthetic considerations on how the design, installation and management of meadows complement the sites on which they exist and their many benefits to the environment and wildlife.

1:00 PM

Garden Design Is Not Witchcraft!

James Alexander-Sinclair—2020 Show Judge; Award-Winning Designer, Writer & TV Star

James Alexander-Sinclair uses his years of experience as a U.K. garden designer, columnist, TV and radio broadcaster, blogger, garden judge and more to unravel and explain how good design can change your life. Or, at least, your garden. He will share a few tricks of the trade along with some good case studies. There should be something here for everybody no matter how large or how small your garden or how long you've been digging in the soil.

2:30 PM

GARDEN 101: PROTECTING POLLINATORS

Restoring Urban Habitats for Pollinators

Eric Lee-Mäder—Pollinator Conservation Co-Dir. Xerces Society & owner, NW Meadowscapes

Mason Bees: Our Super Native Pollinator

James Ullrich—Owner, Knox Cellars Mason Bees

Saving Pollinators One Garden at a Time

David Mizejewski—Naturalist at NWF & author, *Attracting Birds, Butterflies & Other Wildlife*

Bees, butterflies and other pollinators are on the decline worldwide, but you can make a difference for them right in your own garden. This 3-part seminar provides an accessible, easy to understand science-based framework for reversing the decline of pollinators. First, **Eric Lee-Mäder** will do an overview of native pollinators and the habitat systems that support them, including specific plant selection. **James Ullrich** will share information about what makes our native mason bees such super pollinators, and how to support these important bees in your yard. Finally, **David Mizejewski** will discuss the reasons behind pollinator decline, engage the audience with a fun, interactive quiz on bees, and give instructions on how to make your own garden pollinator-friendly.

90 minutes

4:30 PM

It's Time to Edit: How to Look at Your Garden with Fresh Eyes

Lucy Hardiman—Educator, garden writer & designer, *Perennial Partners*

In the life of any garden there are moments when the Goddess Flora dictates that it is time renew, restore, renovate or remake the space. There are myriad reasons to edit our gardens: unchecked plant lust so we run out of room; "life" interferes with our usual maintenance plan; a home remodel requires new hardscapes; or plants have grown to maturity and there's now more shade. Gardeners are also known to change and suddenly decide out with the old and in with the new. Here's how to plan for change.

6:00 PM

Understanding Native Bee Biology to Support Pollinators

Eric Lee-Mäder—Pollinator Conservation Co-Dir. Xerces Society & owner, NW Meadowscapes

When people think of pollinators, too often they only think of the honeybee. But there are actually many native bees that are better pollinators than honeybees. Join Eric as he covers the important basics of understanding how to best support our overlooked native bees. He will present an overview of the basic groups, diversity, life cycles, and habitat needs of bumble bees, mining, long-horn and sweat bees, leafcutter bees, and more.

9:30 AM

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The Art of The Potager

Jack Staub—Owner, Hortulus Farm & author, *75 Exciting Vegetables for Your Garden*

Focusing on the most growable vegetables, herbs, and fruits for the greatest number of people, horticulturist Jack Staub tells the stories of their origins and apprises the home gardener on ways to use them, from the table to remedies and potions. Up-to-the-minute cultivation and culinary advice are delivered with accessibility and wit. This delicious seminar will sure whet your appetite to grow more and different kinds of edibles in your garden.

9:30 AM



11:00 AM

English Inspirations in the Garden

Renny Reynolds—Award-winning designer, lifestyle expert & co-author, *Chasing Eden*

Celebrated lifestyle expert and landscape designer Renny Reynolds draws inspiration from all over the world for his extravagant events and luscious landscapes. In this colorful seminar he shares the many ways that gardens from the U.K. can serve as a source of vision for NW gardens. Renny will give an overview of classic British garden tenets and how to apply them to any garden situation. Take an armchair tour of many British gardens at their finest.



12:30 PM

Women at Work: Making a Living while Following Your Plant Passion

Jennifer Jewell—Creator and Radio host, *Cultivating Place* & author, *The Earth in Her Hands*

In writing *The Earth in Her Hands*, Jennifer Jewell learned how the women profiled creatively navigated the challenging ideal of work-life balance. The main lesson? Balance is not a destination but an ongoing and highly dynamic process. In this conversation, Jennifer will map common challenges, coping mechanisms, and solutions through the womens' careers, and then chat with B.C. designer and author **Christin Geall**, of *Cultivated*; **Lorene Edwards Forkner**, author, artist, and *Seattle Times* garden columnist; and **Debra Prinzing**, founder of *SlowFlowers.com* and the Slow Flowers Podcast.



2:00 PM

Serenity by Design: Simplicity, Sanctuary and Delight in the Garden

Jan Johnsen—Principal, *Johnsen Landscapes* & author, *The Spirit of Stone & Gardentopia*

In this engaging talk, designer and author Jan Johnsen draws on ancient site planning traditions for creating serene outdoor settings that 'feel good'. She describes how to identify a 'power spot' in a property and highlights the unique role that cardinal direction, shapes and color play in our outdoor spaces. Her seminar is a treat to look at and an interactive presentation that is a lot of fun.



3:30 PM

Amazing and Easy DIY Garden Projects from Pallets

Lisa Steele—TV host and best-selling author, *Fresh Eggs Daily* & *101 Chicken Keeping Hacks*

Simple DIY projects built from free wooden pallets are fun and inexpensive. You don't need to be a master builder to make things like compost bins, an herb garden, picket fencing, a step stool, or even flower boxes and shutters for your potting shed from discarded pallets. Learn how to choose which pallets are best to use, how to disassemble a pallet safely and easily, and receive simple instructions for building a project or two!



5:00 PM

When to Break the Rules (And How to Get Away With It)

Rebecca Sweet—Designer, *Harmony in the Garden* & author, *Refresh Your Garden Design*

Rebels wanted! A well-designed garden is so much more than following a prescribed set of garden 'rules.' Instead, a truly memorable garden contains counterintuitive concepts resulting in "Wow—I've never thought of that!" moments. To achieve this, sometimes you just need to be a rebel and break a few rules. Let landscape designer Rebecca Sweet walk you through when and how to break the rules to achieve true garden glory for a one-of-a-kind garden that fits your unique style.



6:30 PM

Color Theory for Floral Designers and Gardeners

Christin Geall—Floral designer, writer, gardener & author, *Cultivated: Elements of Floral Style*

The nineteenth century changed how we see color in flowers, gardens, and art. This seminar will explore the ideas of the painters, chemists, gardeners, and floral designers of the age Impressionism and beyond, in order to lend shape to a discussion of color theory. Learn how to use tints, tones and shades for pleasing designs; what colors to place where; and how colors interact with one another in the garden or the vase.

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10:00 AM

Nick's Pick's #2: A Mixed Bag of Bulbs, Perennials and Tubers

Nicholas Staddon—Horticultural Consultant, former Director of New Plants, *Monrovia*

Gardeners' passion for seasonal perennials, bulbs, tubers and more shows no sign of letting up. Join horticulturist Nicholas Staddon as he cultivates his way through some of his dazzling finds from the garden show Plant Market. He will also show you a few other companion plants to go with his selections, and provide booth numbers and company names so you can easily find your favorite choices. Nicholas has done the leg work, so you don't have to!

11:45 AM

Tillandsias—the Easiest Houseplants Ever!

JJ De Sousa—Garden and interior designer & owner, *Digs Inside & Out*, Portland

Tillandsias, or air plants, are all the rage for people in apartments or condos, and for good reason! Learn about all the cool things you can do with a tillandsia. Since they don't require soil to grow, they are able to live in ways and places that few other plants can. From aeriums to terrariums, grape wood plantings to wall hangings, discover how to create living sculptures, miniature living worlds and hanging vertical gardens, and how to take care of them for years of enjoyment.

1:30 PM



Prune Like the Pros

Charlie Nardozzi—Radio, TV host & author, *Gardening Complete & Foodscaping*

Pruning your trees, shrubs and vines can be an intimidating process for many gardeners. But fear not! You can prune like the pros with some guidance and confidence. In this demo, Charlie will show the basics of pruning trees, shrubs and vines, and the different types of pruning tools needed. He will cover various types of pruning cuts, how to prune a young tree, how to renovate an overgrown shrub and when to prune different plants so your plants have beautiful flowers and fruits.

3:15 PM



The Herb Lovers Garden: Making the Most from Herbs

Sue Goetz—Designer & owner, *Creative Gardener*, & author, *A Taste for Herbs*

Grow this, make that! Learn the nurturing, flavorful attributes of the herbs already growing in your garden and those you should be growing! Join Sue for a show-and-tell journey through the herb garden as she demonstrates how to blend delicious and healthful tea mixes, create flavorful seasoning salts, nurture skin with salt scrubs and healing salves. Learn attributes of herbs you can easily grow in your garden along with easy recipes to try.

5:00 PM

Cure for the Common Table: Creating Unique and Fun Tablesapes

Gina Thresher, AIFD, CFD—Owner & designer, *From the Ground Up Floral*

Have you tried to create fine floral arrangements like you see in magazines, only to throw your hands up in despair? Floral designer Gina Thresher helps you take the guesswork and frustration from your floral woes. Gina will talk prep, materials and products and design principles along with creating a classic dining table centerpiece, fun and artful arrangements for your coffee table, and an entryway or mantle focal piece. You'll be inspired to create arrangements to wow your friends at your next gathering.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

RAINIER ROOM

10:00 AM



Gardentopia: Design Basics for Creating Beautiful Outdoor Spaces

Jan Johnsen—Principal, *Johnsen Landscapes & author, The Spirit of Stone & Gardentopia*

Garden lovers revel in being in an outdoor space where the feeling of well-being descends upon you. So how can you transform your backyard into a place where this happens? What changes can you make to create a 'gardentopia'? This seminar shares intriguing design ideas that can be adapted for any garden. Learn the 'Principle of Three Depths', 'The Power of the Portal' and 'Hide and Reveal' among many others.

11:30 AM



The Art of the Meadow: Design, Installation and Management

Eric Lee-Mäder—Pollinator Conservation Co-Dir. *Xerces Society* and owner, *NW Meadows*

Native meadows are the most biologically-rich landscapes in the Northwest, hosting rare pollinators, grassland songbirds, and stunning wildflowers such as camas, in an otherwise heavily forested region. However, less than 1% of these unique landscapes remain. Eric will explore the natural history of meadows along with their design, installation, and management; highlight some of the notable plants and animals of these critical ecosystems; and showcase examples of meadows as landscaping, including the half-acre meadow garden he recently installed at the Gates Foundation.

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1:00 PM



Growing a Garden for Your Personal Health and Wellness

Dr. JJ Pursell, ND—Owner, Herb Shoppe & author, *Herbal Apothecary & Woman's Apothecary*

Having a medicinal garden at your fingertips can prove invaluable when you don't feel well. This seminar will be fully inclusive of the array of medicinal plants that one can grow for your well-being, as well as understanding how to use them. Dr. JJ, a certified naturopathic physician, has been fascinated by the healing power of herbs for over 20 years. She will help you discover how you can grow, process and turn herbs into helpful healing medicine.

2:30 PM



GARDEN 101: TREES FOR NORTHWEST GARDENS

Great Understory Trees

Laura Watson—Master Gardener, Master Pruner, 'Clematic' & blogger, *ClematisinSeattle.com*

Risk Assessment: Should You Worry?

Allen Taylor—Founder & Lead Arborist, *Conservation Tree Care*

Larger Trees for Landscapes and Streets

Keith Warren—Former Dir. Product Development, Frank Schmidt & co-author, *The Tree Book*

In the Pacific Northwest, we can grow a large variety of trees, from colossal conifers to diminutive weeping maples. Trees are the bones of the landscape. They frame the residence, create the environment that is the neighborhood, and can turn bare lanes of concrete into lush avenues of green. **Laura Watson** starts off with a review of smaller trees that make lovely additions to our gardens, acting as middlemen between tall trees and the garden, particularly those on Great Plant Picks. Next, **Allen Taylor** will demystify the risk associated with living around large trees and what goes into the professional tree risk assessment. Finally, **Keith Warren** will share the best of the time-tested favorite species of larger trees, as well as the latest and greatest in new tree introductions.

90 minutes

4:30 PM

The Fascinating Connection Between Plants, People and the Environment

Brian Minter—Co-owner & president, *Minter Country Garden Store, B.C.*

There's a revolutionary new understanding of the relationship and connection between plants, the environment and the many health and wellness benefits for both people and wildlife. Designing gardens to be more sensory and pollinator and bird friendly, especially in urban environments, is the way of the future. This presentation looks at the key elements of more environmentally friendly and healthy garden spaces.

6:00 PM



Grow a Better Garden That Supports Pollinators with Companion Plants

Emily Murphy—Designer, author, *Grow What You Love* & blogger, *PassthePistil.com*

Thoughtful planting can lead to big change. In this inspiring seminar, you'll discover a host of methods for pairing flowers with vegetables. In the process, you'll also discover simple solutions for supporting the health of your garden while supporting pollinators and other wildlife. Emily Murphy shares companion planting techniques, discusses edible garden planting design, how to choose the best plants for you, and offers thoughtful insight on how you too can make a difference.

HOOD ROOM | FRIDAY

9:30 AM



What the Quack?! Guide to Living with Happy Healthy Ducks

Lisa Steele—TV host & best-selling author, *Fresh Eggs Daily* & *101 Chicken Keeping Hacks*

Backyard chickens are all the rage these days, but ducks are actually far better suited to the wet Northwest climate. Learn the basics of raising backyard ducks and how to get them working in your garden to help eradicate bugs and weeds, aerate the soil, and of course provide natural fertilizer. Also included are suggestions on which crops to plant for your ducks and what they shouldn't eat. And don't forget those delicious duck eggs!

11:00 AM



Garden for Life: Integrating Adaptive Gardening into Garden Routines

Toni Gattone—Author, *The Lifelong Gardener*, Master Gardener, Speaker & Writer

Adaptive Gardening gives gardeners of all ages and abilities unique strategies enabling them to continue gardening, even when their bodies say "no!" That's when their new normal kicks in and some might think they have to give up their favorite hobby. Well, don't throw in your towel just yet! Toni delivers solutions-oriented thinking to help gardeners of all ages and abilities modify and adapt for greater comfort, safety and prevention.

12:30 PM



Latest Raised Bed Innovations for Veggies, Flowers and Herbs

Charlie Nardozi—Radio, TV host & author, *Gardening Complete & Foodscaping*

Discover how to enjoy the benefits of raised bed gardening, including less weeding, watering, fertilizing and more productive vegetables, herbs and flowers! Techniques for raising the soil up have been improved, with new materials and solutions to make them attractive. Charlie will review the various materials used for making raised beds, matching various plants and garden situations with these materials. Discover innovative, raised bed designs, such as lasagna gardening, Hugelkultur, straw bale gardening and polyculture beds.

2:00 PM



Seven Sins of Garden Design (And How to Easily Fix Them)

Rebecca Sweet—Designer, *Harmony in the Garden* & author, *Refresh Your Garden Design*

After decades of meeting with frustrated gardeners, designer Rebecca Sweet has broken down the primary causes of headaches into 7 main categories. Mistakes such as Tiny Gardens-Tiny Plants, Clashing Color Combos, and One-of-Everything (to name just a few) can often derail the best of intentions. Using photos and solutions that are inspiring, informative, and easy to put into practice, you'll soon be on your way to a glorious garden. Discover which of the 'Seven Sins' you might have committed, and how to remedy them.

3:30 PM



A Gardener's Tour of Paris in the Spring

Robin Haglund—Garden coach, speaker, writer & president, *Garden Mentors® Inc.*

If you've always dreamed of visiting Paris, this armchair photo journey is for you! Robin will guide you through an array of Paris gardens, from the grandest to the tiniest. You'll traverse ancient Roman ruins, stroll before-their-time lofty designs, uncover sunken escapes, gawk at architectural masterpieces, savor a peaceful picnic along the Seine and even explore a countryside hamlet fit for a queen. Get tips to avoid Paris garden faux pas—dangereuse and otherwise.

5:00 PM



No Excuses: Anyone Can Grow Beautiful Houseplants!

Ellen Zachos—Horticulturist, educator & author, *Backyard Foraging* & *The Wildcrafted Cocktail*

If you can follow a recipe you can grow houseplants. It's as simple as understanding what a plant needs, and what kind of growing conditions you have. Combine that knowledge with a desire for lush, indoor greenery, and you'll be able to create your own indoor garden in no time. Learn how to choose the right plants for your indoor space, and how to care for those plants to keep them healthy for years. Ellen will share professional tips and tricks, and bust a few of houseplant myths too.

6:30 PM



Organic Solutions and Great Plants for a Bountiful Vegetable Garden

C. L. Fornari—Author, *Coffee for Roses* & *The Cocktail Garden Hour* & co-host, *Plantrama Podcast*

One of the great delights of gardening is to walk into the vegetable patch at 5 PM and ask, "What's for dinner?" In order to have the largest yields and successful harvests, however, vegetable growers need to have a few tools in their shed and tricks up their sleeves. Learn how to cope with fungi, insects, animals, and "operator error" organically and effectively. Come plan your edible garden for this season by discovering varieties that produce and are tasty, along with problem-solving strategies.

DIY STAGE | FRIDAY

10:00 AM



Nick' Pick's #3: Trees, Shrubs and Surprises for the Long Haul

Nicholas Staddon—Horticultural Consultant, former Director of New Plants, Monrovia

Many of the plants used in the luscious gardens at the Festival can be purchased from nurseries in the Plant Market. Nicholas has visited with nursery staff to find the hidden gems that are for sale. He will introduce his top picks from the conifer, tree and shrub categories available at the show. These plants tend to be longer lived in our gardens, so the selection process is all the more important. Nicholas has done the work, so you don't have to!

11:45 AM



Make Your Own Charming Birdhouse Succulent Planters

Becky Sell—Succulent expert & nursery owner, *Sedum Chicks*, Salem, Oregon

When is a birdhouse more than a birdhouse? When it's a planter too! Succulent expert Becky Sell shows you how to create a charming birdhouse succulent planter. You will love them so much you'll want to make more than one. Becky will show you how to create a beautiful roof garden on the top of a usable birdhouse. With birdhouses being so popular in the Northwest this idea of 2-in-1 works amazingly.

1:30 PM

Take Your Miniature Garden from Ordinary to Extraordinary

Hillary Lee & Robin Tomasi—Owners, *Garden of Mini Delights*

Any deliberate pairing of small plantings with small accessories constitutes a miniature garden, but how do you take yours from ordinary to extraordinary? Discover critical steps to successful container selection, preparation, and set up, and keys to designing an engaging garden. Get tips and techniques on set-up, composition, maintenance and more as Robin and Hillary explain specific aspects of miniature gardening, from concept to execution, that will help you create the “Wow!” factor in your own miniature garden.

3:15 PM

No Garden Required! Discover Your Inner Orchid Expert

Joe Grienauer—Orchid expert & owner, *Emerald City Orchids & 2020 Show Garden Co-Creator*

Joe will help you get orchids that you treasure with this great hands-on demonstration. He'll cover basic orchid background, care, fertilization, and pest/disease control. He'll review greenhouse vs. window vs. artificial light growing techniques, how to initiate flowers on a healthy plant, and which orchids are best for newbies. He'll also demo the all-important orchid repotting. Even brown thumbs can grow orchids if you learn the basic techniques, and Joe is just the person to get you started!

5:00 PM

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Patrick Ryan—Garden writer, radio host & education specialist, *Alaska Botanical Garden*

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29

RAINIER ROOM

10:00 AM



A Woman's Garden: Medicinal Plants to Support a Woman's Health

Dr. JJ Pursell, ND—Owner, *The Herb Shoppe & author, Herbal Apothecary & Woman's Apothecary*

Join certified naturopathic physician Dr. JJ Pursell, owner of the acclaimed Portland apothecary, The Herb Shoppe. Dr. JJ will share many easy-to-grow medicinal herbs that you can use to support a woman's body. In this seminar she will discuss medicinal plants, harvesting techniques and how to make home remedies to naturally support a woman's body as it changes over time.

11:30 AM



Regenerative Gardening: Key Principles for Plant (and Human) Health

Anne Biklé—Biologist & co-author, *The Hidden Half of Nature*

Whether seasoned pro, or just starting out, every gardener wants answers and secrets for how to cultivate a thriving, beautiful garden. The key lies within your hands—in how your gardening practices influence the soil microbiome. Regenerative practices boost and maintain the soil microbiome, and thereby overall soil health. And not only does a solid foundation of soil health lead to thriving plants, the garden as a whole will be more resilient in the longer, hotter summers that have become common in the Pacific Northwest.

1:00 PM



8 Key Steps to Designing a Fence-free, Deer-Resistant Garden

Karen Chapman—Designer, *Le Jardinnet & author, Deer Resistant Design*

Deer can quickly turn a vibrant garden into a sea of chomped stems and damaged tree trunks. Unfortunately, the most common suggestions for managing deer include pungent chemicals or unattractive fencing. Learn strategies, tips, and design tips including how to design your garden by re-routing the deer, distracting the eye from their indiscriminate taste-testing, creating innovative focal points, and layering deer-resistant plants in ways that are artistic yet practical.

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90 minutes

GARDEN 101: FACING THE FUTURE

Gardening in A Changing Climate

Dr. Linda Chalker-Scott—*WSU Asso. Professor & author, Gardening with Native Plants*

Sequestering Carbon in the Garden

Emily Murphy—*Designer & author, Grow What You Love & blogger, PassthePistil.com*

Great Plant Picks: Plants for a Better Planet

Richie Steffen—*Executive Dir. Miller Botanical Garden & co-author, Plant Lover's Guide to Ferns*

Gardeners know that the climate is changing—they can see evidence in their own gardens and landscapes. Drier, hotter summers and unpredictable swings in weather throughout the year are challenging plant survival and soil health. This 3-part seminar will provide management strategies and plant selection that can help your garden “weather the weather.” **Dr. Linda Chalker-Scott** will review basic strategies to help you make changes in your garden in anticipation of hotter, drier climate. **Emily Murphy** shares the basic principles for sequestering carbon in flower beds, vegetable gardens, and backyards, utilizing regenerative organics concepts. Last, **Richie Steffen** covers some of the best and most reliable plants that use water wisely and provide an attractive habitat for pollinators. Some of our most garden-worthy natives will be featured as well and eye-catching trees, shrubs and perennials that will add color and interest all year long.

4:30 PM



Garden Jeopardy Game Show Round 2: The Rematch!

Ciscoe Morris—*Radio, TV host, columnist & author, Ask Ciscoe & Oh La La!*

ANSWER: An outrageously fun time! QUESTION: What is “Garden Jeopardy?” Jeopardy fans rejoice! Back by popular acclaim, Ciscoe Morris is taking your favorite game show to a whole new level with “Garden Jeopardy Round 2,” live and only on the NWFGF seminar stage! He’ll be challenging two teams with three knowledgeable plant geeks, to answer garden-related questions in “Jeopardy” format. So be prepared for Ciscoe’s usual hijinks as he tries to stump local garden luminaries **Lorene Edwards Forkner, Sue Goetz, Marianne Binetti, Greg Butler, Jim Fox** and **Karen Chapman**, and learn about gardening at the same time!

6:00 PM

Lessons from Mediterranean Landscape Design: It's All About Plants!

Phillip Waite—*Designer, Omorpha Design Studio and university educator in Landscape Architecture*

A Mediterranean Climate Model (“MCM”) has very defined characteristics. The parts of the Northwest that currently experience an MCM are expanding due to the impacts of climate change. This seminar looks at the design characteristics of landscapes in an MCM, characteristics of plants common to an MCM, and the lessons and implications for Pacific Northwest gardens. Adapting your garden to one aligned with an MCM will create a more resilient garden.

HOOD ROOM | SATURDAY

9:30 AM



Grow What You Love: Grow a Food Garden That's Right for You

Emily Murphy—*Designer & author, Grow What You Love & blogger, PassthePistil.com*

When you take time to grow what you love, wonderful things happen. But where to begin and what to plant? Emily Murphy shows how to select, grow, and harvest the right plants for you, starting with 12 sets of seasonal ingredients that are both the gardener’s and chef’s choice along with inspiration from garden-to-table recipes.

11:00 AM



Good Fit: Small Trees for Today's Smaller Northwest Gardens

Keith Warren—*Former Dir. of Product Development, Frank Schmidt & co-author, The Tree Book*

Small tree species abound, but with residential lots shrinking in size, few really fit the new landscape reality. Look past the flowers and foliage. Form makes fit. The tree’s form, structure, and size should be the top criteria when choosing a tree for a site, especially a small one. Many small tree species and cultivars will be featured, including new cultivars, that will not only fit the small residential lot, but benefit residents, human as well as the feathered and furry.

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12:30 PM

Bring Paradise Home: Create Your Own Lush Jungles and Deserts

Bryon Jones—*Horticulturist, Arborist, & Landscape Designer, Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium*

So you never want that vacation to end? Then bring it back home! From 'Jungles' to 'Desert' landscapes, Bryon Jones, Zoo Horticulturist, will take you on a tantalizing visual journey of iconic plants to choose from to create your own vacation garden. Explore palm trees, bamboos, hardy bananas, cacti, succulents, and a multitude of flowering perennials. Learn expert tricks, strategies, and design tips to help you create a unique, magical destination of your own.

2:00 PM



Join the Plantrama Podcast: Flower Power and the Cocktail Hour

C. L. Fornari—*Author, Coffee for Roses & The Cocktail Garden Hour & co-host, Plantrama Podcast*

Ellen Zachos—*Horticulturist, educator & author, Backyard Foraging & The Wildcrafted Cocktail*

From dawn until nightfall, flowers make us happy. Join the "Plantrama" podcast team (plant geeks C.L. Fornari and Ellen Zachos) as they talk about great flowers to know and grow. From foraging to farming, Ellen and C.L. present flowers for cutting, cooking and cocktails. Bring your garden questions and stay for some great giveaway products at the end of the talk.

3:30 PM



Garden Therapy: The Power and Beauty of Creating Garden Art

Stephanie Rose—*Author, Garden Made & Garden Alchemy & blogger, GardenTherapy.ca*

Looking for artistic ideas to add something fabulous to your garden? Get ready for some plant eye candy! Gorgeous containers, clever garden art, and showstopping outdoor décor is just some of what you will see. These projects are easy and accessible with no fancy tools or skills needed. You don't even need much time as many of these ideas can be done in an hour. Stephanie will open up the creative vault that will make it simple to include a little Garden Therapy in your busy days.

5:00 PM



The Ease and Joy of Growing Edibles in Containers

Toni Gattone—*Author, The Lifelong Gardener & Master Gardener, Speaker & Writer*

Whether you're downsizing or want to raise your gardens up for greater comfort, you'll love growing nutritious edibles in containers. Learn how to combine them with edible flowers for color and contrast. Think outside the pot with interesting containers to give your garden beds, patios, and balconies instant visual punch. Move them to catch the sun as the seasons change. Your body will love container gardening because you can maintain and harvest your bounty without bending over.

6:30 PM



Growing and Using Lavender for Health and Beauty

Janice Cox—*Author, Natural Beauty from the Garden & Natural Beauty at Home*

The fresh clean scent of lavender has been used in cosmetics and skin care products since ancient times. Lavender smells good, improves your circulation, attracts pollinators to your yard, and helps you sleep, to name just a few reasons the popularity of this fragrant plant has never been higher. Learn how to start a new plant from cuttings, air-dry flowers for year-round use, and create your own DIY body care products that can be used for hair care, skin care, and in the bath.

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Snow – Moon – Flower: The Serenity of Ikebana

Headmaster Hiroki Ohara—*Headmaster, Ohara School of Ikebana, Japan*

Manyoshu is Japan's oldest anthology of classical Japanese poetry, compiled around the 7th century. In the following poem, that can be found in that collection, the poet Otomo no Tabito likens plum blossom petals scattering in his garden to snow that flutters from the distant skies.

Waga sono ni (In my arbor now)

Ume no hana chiru (Petals scatter from the plum)

Hisakata no (Or is it snow)

11:45 AM

*Ame yori yuki no (That floats down drifting over us)**Nagarekuru ka mo (From the boundless sky?)*

Drawing inspiration from this verse, Headmaster Ohara will create ikebana arrangements that will be serene and imaginative, using floral materials that convey the changing of seasons from winter to spring.

1:30 PM



Flowering Shrubs: Pruning to Maximize Bloom and Beauty

Christina Pfeiffer—*Horticulturist, arborist & co-author, Pacific NW Gardening Month-by-Month*

It can be more than disappointing when flowering shrubs don't bloom as we expect them to. In many cases, well intentioned pruning gone awry may be the culprit. Pruning too severely, pruning at the wrong time of year or not pruning enough can all lead to poor bloom performance. This demonstration offers some simple techniques that can help take that confusion out of maintenance pruning for established flowering shrubs.

3:15 PM

Backyard Fruit Growing for the Beginner

Theresa Knutsen—*Propagations & Greenhouse Manager, Raintree Nursery*

Before you can harvest fruit from your own garden you have to know what you want to grow, where to put it, how to plant it, and how to take care of it so it will happily grow. This invaluable demonstration will show you planting techniques for both sandy and clay soils, how to select a quality plant at the nursery, and provide you with enough background information to get you well on your way to enjoying the fruits of your labor!

5:00 PM

Herbalicious DIY: Homegrown, Foraged and Homemade

Robin Haglund—*Garden coach, speaker, writer & president, Garden Mentors® Inc.*

In this seminar, herbalist Robin Haglund will demonstrate crafting an array of herbalicious wonders from the garden. Using common, drought-tolerant "cooking" herbs, scented blooms & erstwhile weeds, she'll show you how easy and cost-effective it is to make your own healing balms, tasty teas, flower-essence sippables and more using minimal ingredients. You'll come away empowered to forage, grow, harvest, preserve and craft your own handmade goods and gifts right from your garden.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

RAINIER ROOM

11:00 AM



Garden Alchemy: Natural Organic Recipes FOR Your Garden's Health

Stephanie Rose—*Author, Garden Made & Garden Alchemy & blogger, GardenTherapy.ca*

Calling all do-it-yourself gardeners who want to grow a better garden, naturally—with recipes FOR your garden (not FROM your garden). You will see how to make your own organic fertilizers, build healthy soil without spending a fortune, and the easiest way to manage pest and disease problems. Recipes for weed tea, garden smoothies, potting mixes, vermicompost, and a better fly trap are among some of the many ideas that will nourish your garden and comfort your pocketbook.

12:30 AM



Mystery Solved: Diagnosing Problems in the Rose Garden

Dr. Gary A. Ritchie—*Biologist, research scientist, consulting Rosarian & author, The Rose Doctor*

If you grow roses you have no doubt encountered pests, diseases and other problems that mar the beauty of your beloved roses. Before you can address the real problem, you have to know what it is. "The Rose Doctor" will help you in a step-by-step process of elimination that will empower you to correctly diagnose rose problems. The process, called a diagnostic key, works and will be photo-illustrated with common and not so common rose problems.

2:00 PM



GARDEN 101: THE POWER OF HERBS

Discover the Best Herbs for Northwest Gardens

Sue Goetz—*Designer & owner, Creative Gardener & author, A Taste for Herbs*

Integrate Native Herbs into Your Garden

Rachael Witt—*Herbalist, ecologist, medicinal plant grower & founder, Wilderness Within*

Grow Natural Beauty Remedies in Your Own Garden

Janice Cox—*Author, Natural Beauty from the Garden & Natural Beauty at Home*

Get to know the best herbs to use in your landscape, including ones that add architecture and color for all seasons; plus, ways to mingle and combine herbs beautifully with other ornamental landscape plants. Designer and author **Sue**

90 minutes

Goetz starts off with herbs that are low maintenance, water misers, pollinator attraction, big bloomers and fantastic foliage. Next Wilderness Within herbalist **Rachael Witt** will share how to integrate native plant medicine into your garden to make it healthy and beautiful while optimizing your well-being. Finally, *Natural Beauty* author **Janice Cox** will help you discover new healthy uses for some of your favorite common garden plants, along with favorite useful herbs and flowers for home beauty recipes and treatments.

4:00 PM

The Benefits and Beauty of Landscaping with Native Plants

Jacobus Saperstein—Senior Research Specialist, King Conservation District

Ashley Allan—Urban Aquatic Area Program Coordinator, King Conservation District

Do you want to try using native plants in your garden but are not sure which ones to use? King Conservation District resource specialists will help you discover how to best use native plants and their many benefits. Explore how to make the best decisions for your landscape and reduce plant mortality, save money, and improve your landscape's aesthetic and wildlife habitat. Special focus will be given to planting with native bareroot plant stock and plant selection to support pollinators and salmon recovery.

HOOD ROOM | SUNDAY

10:30 AM



Berrylicious: How to Prune and Maintain Backyard Berries

Tara Austen Weaver—Author, *Growing Berries & Fruit Trees in the Pacific Northwest*

Summer berries are a relatively low-maintenance crop, but how do you make sure your berries stay healthy and productive over time? This seminar will cover how to tend and prune strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, and blueberries for abundant and ongoing harvests. How do you renovate your strawberry plants? Why is raspberry pruning so complicated? What are easy ways to make sure your blueberries get the acidic soil they need? Learn all this and more for a bountiful harvest come summer!

12:00 PM

Soil Health 101: Evaluating & Managing Your Soil for Healthier Plants

Jay Mirro—Senior Resource Planner, King Conservation District

Megan Weldon—Resource Planner, King Conservation District

What's the difference between healthy soil and just so-so soil? King Conservation District staff will discuss the physical, biological and chemical indicators of soil health, including the role of soil structure, soil organisms, plant essential nutrients and pH. They will also cover management factors that impact soil health, and actions you can take to improve you soil's health. Discover how you can assess your own garden's soil with the segment on taking, submitting, and interpreting soil test results.

1:30 PM

After the Sun Sets: What You Need to Know to Illuminate Your Garden

Robert Hobart—Electrician & owner, Britescape

Northwest gardens are as diverse and dynamic as anywhere in the world. By November, darkness sets in by 5pm eliminating the opportunity to enjoy your garden for half of the year! This seminar explores various ways to light up every aspect of your property including structures, trees, decks, docks, water and unique aspects of your garden. Discover how to approach a garden with illumination at the forefront through development of an effective and beautiful plan—all while observing the Dark Skies Initiative.

3:00 PM

Bling on the Wing: 12 Months of Flowers for Hummingbirds

Greg Butler, BLA, ATA—Designer, educator & owner, *Design of the Times*

Everybody loves hummers. They've got the dance moves of those overly choreographed gangs from West Side Story and sport more bling than a limo full of bar-hopping drag queens. Taking advantage of our mild maritime climate makes it possible to turn your garden into a year-round hummingbird feeder just by choosing the right plants. You'll also get tips on life cycles, behavior, enhancing habitat, and more. Discover how you can accessorize your garden with tiny flying jewelry all year round!

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10 Steps to Your Best Tomato Year Yet

Bill Thorness—*Author, Cool Season Gardener & Edible Heirlooms*

Do you spend a lot of time and money growing tomatoes and then have disappointing results? The Holy Grail of the kitchen garden, tomatoes have a reputation as being the most challenging hot-season crop to grow in our short-summer maritime climate, but help is here! You'll learn step-by-step techniques about indoor starts, season extension, fertilizing, watering, pruning, trellising and more, including suggested varieties and where to get them.

DIY STAGE | SUNDAY

10:00 AM

Container Gardening with Japanese Maples

Barry Hoffer—*Arborist & owner, Maples for All Seasons, Idaho*

We are moving into homes with smaller gardens, but that doesn't mean we cannot have a beautiful garden with Japanese Maples. With proper care, Japanese Maples can live for years in a container on a patio. Barry will discuss picking the proper container, the best kind of Japanese Maple for containers, the best soils for best results and the importance of root pruning.

11:45 AM

Do's & Don'ts for Successful Succulents

Becky Sell—*Succulent expert & nursery owner, Sedum Chicks, Salem, Oregon*

Succulents are enormously popular these days and for good reason. They come in many different sizes, shapes and colors but all have low water needs, are great for pollinators, and are low maintenance. Succulent expert Becky Sell will show you how to work with, take care of and divide up succulents. Along the way she will be putting together a beautiful centerpiece of succulents to show how easy they are to handle and use for indoor décor.

1:30 PM

The Right Start: Structural Pruning of Young Trees

Allen Taylor—*Founder & Lead Arborist, Conservation Tree Care*

The goal of structural pruning is to remove or suppress tree parts which will potentially cause problems later on. Trees grow their best when we anticipate what the future will bring and prepare our trees as best we can for it. This process can start as soon as a tree has become established and be continued for the entire life of the tree. By suppressing or removing undesirable parts we can improve tree architecture so our trees may bring us benefits for many years to come.

3:15 PM

Branching Out: Using Your Garden for Ikebana Design Inspiration

Nobuko Reilnick—*Instructor, Sogetsu School of Ikebana, Seattle*

When you create ikebana, or "Japanese Floral Arrangement," you use live plant materials. Most florists do not carry branch materials, which are very important structural elements in ikebana. Learn how to observe your own garden and how to notice the abundance of plant materials in the Northwest. This demonstration will show the kinds of plant materials that are most suited for ikebana, and how they work together with floral stems for a beautiful ikebana arrangement.

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