




Symposium 2010 • 30th Anniversary
Native Plant Society of Texas
Full Schedule

Thursday, October 7

	midday	Field trips on your way to Denton, Group A (optional; choose one when you register)
Clear Creek Natural Heritage Center	4—7 p	Registration/Check in open
3310 Collins Road Denton	4—8 p	Self-guided walking trails
	6—8 p	Heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine reception Event sponsor: Native Prairies Association of Texas

Friday, October 8 — Texas Woman's University Campus

Hubbard Hall (HH) Pioneer Room	7 a—1:30 p	Registration/Check in open
HH South Foyer	7 a—3 p	Information Desk Open
HH Banquet Room	7:30 a	NPSOT Annual Membership Meeting
Arts & Sciences Building (ASB)	7:30 a	NPAT Annual Membership Meeting
HH Southwest Ballroom (HH SW)	8 a—5 p 10 a—5 p	Vendors and Exhibitors open Silent Auction open Photo Contest open Dried Plant Arrangement Competition open
HH Southeast Ballroom (HH SE)	8:55 a—11:20 a	Friday Plenary Session
HH SE	8:55 a	Brief Announcements
HH SE	9:00 a	Soils Alive: Establishing Underground Soil Communities to Support Native Plants ▶ Betsy Ross,* CEO, Sustainable Growth Texas, LLC
HH SE	9:30 a	Welcoming Remarks Dr. Ann Stuart, TWU Chancellor and President

* Member of the Native Plant Society of Texas

HH SFoyer, HH SW 9:45 a

Morning Break/Refreshments

HH SE 10:30 a

Keynote Address *CS*

Habitat Restoration and the Quality of Life
J. David Bamberger

11:30 a—Noon

Friday Concurrent Session

HH SE 11:30 a—Noon

Texas Seeds of Success: A Partner in Global Conservation
 ▶ Florence M. Oxley, Director of Plant Conservation and Education, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, University of Texas at Austin

HH Banquet 11:30 a—Noon

Rain Gardens: A Cutting Edge Sustainable Landscaping Technic ▶ Carrie Dubberley,* President, Dubberley Landscape, Inc.

ASB 11:30 a—Noon

Prairie Restoration as a Tool for Landscape Scale Conservation in the Blackland Prairie ▶ James A. Eidson, M.S.; The Nature Conservancy of Texas, Adjunct faculty, TAMU–Commerce

ASB 11:30 a—Noon

Using GPS Units for Resource Management ▶ Daniel Dietz, Stewardship Director, Texas Land Conservancy

HH Pioneer and HH Banquet Noon

Boxed Sandwich Lunches

Enjoy lunch in the Banquet room of Hubbard Hall or grab and go to your field trip

Various off-campus locations 1—5 p

Field Trips, Group B

(choose one when you register)

Alternate Idea: On-Your-Own field trips to Benny J. Simpson Memorial Garden at TWU and other local gardens/points of interest

HH Banquet 1—4 p

Homeowners & Gardeners Workshop On Campus

HH Banquet 1 p

Irrigation Efficiency ▶ Dr. Dottie Woodson, Extension Program Specialist-Water Resources; Texas AgriLife Dallas Research and Extension Urban Solutions Center, TAMU System; Sustainable Growth Texas

HH Banquet 1:45 p

Drip Irrigation ▶ Dr. Dottie Woodson

HH SFoyer, HHSW 2:30 p

Afternoon Break/Refreshments

Information Desk closes at 3 p.m.

HH Banquet 3 p

Protecting Pollinators Using Native Plants In Landscape Design ▶ Lisa Lennon,* MLA Candidate, University of Arizona

HH Banquet 3:30 p Texas Smartscape Workshop: A Gardening Tool to Help Protect Water Resources, Save Money, Beautify the Local Environment, and Provide Critical Habitats ▶Erin Blackman, Environment and Development Planner, North Central Texas Council of Governments

4–5 p Visit the Vendors & Exhibitors booths or tour TWU Gardens on your own

HH SW 5 p **Vendors and Exhibitors close for the day**
 Silent Auction closes for the day
 Photo Contest closes for the day
 Dried Plant Arrangement Competition closes for the day

Merritt Buffalo Ranch 6–9 p
 2946 Ganzer Road West
 Denton

A field trip for Everyone!
 Hayrides across a native prairie as you arrive
 Dinner and *great* entertainment

Saturday, October 9 — Texas Woman’s University Campus

HH Pioneer 7–11 a **Registration/Check in open**

HH SFoyer 7 a–4 p Information Desk Open

HH Banquet 7:30 a **NPSOT 4th Quarter Board Meeting**
immediately followed by the
Annual Chapter Leaders Meeting

HH SW 8 a–5 p **Vendors and Exhibitors open**
 8 a–3 p Silent Auction open
 Photo Contest open
 Dried Plant Arrangement Competition open

HH SE 8:55 a–Noon **Saturday Plenary Session**
 8:55 a Brief Announcements/Welcome
 9 a Creating and Maintaining Healthy, Energy & Water Efficient Roadside Landscapes ▶Tony Lucido, RLA; Design Guidelines Manager, North Texas Tollway Authority

HH SE 9:30 a

Keynote Address ☞

Legacy and Lessons: The Native Plant Society after Thirty Years
Jill Nokes

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Recognition of Founding Members and Past Presidents of the Native Plant Society of Texas

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HH SFoyer and HH SW 10:15 a

Morning Break/Refreshments

HH SE 11 a

Keynote Address ☞

Bringing Nature Home
Dr. Douglas Tallamy

HH Pioneer and HH Banquet/Outdoors Noon

Barbeque Lunch Buffet

Enjoy lunch in the Banquet room or outdoors on the east porch of Hubbard Hall

Arts & Sciences Building (ASB) 1 p—5 p

Saturday Concurrent Session, Group C

Choose your preferences among six groups of presentations and workshops during the afternoon. All sessions are 30 minutes unless otherwise specified.

COLOR KEY:

C-1. General interest

C-2. Gardeners, Homeowners

C-3. Developers, Landscape architects

C-4. Educators

C-5. NPSOT Chapter Development

C-6. Avant-garde

ASB 1 p

Saving North Central Texas, One Landscape at a Time ▶

Gailon Hardin,* Immediate Past President, Native Plant Society of Texas

ASB 1 p

Wildscaping and Wild Cultivation of Native Texas Edible and Medicinal Plants ▶

Nicole Telkes, LMT and Registered Herbalist (AHG), The Wildflower School of Botanical Medicine, Wildflower Botanicals and Bodywork

ASB 1 p

Dallas' Water-Wise Landscaping ▶

Noel Nielson, Program Coordinator, Conservation Division, of Dallas Water Utilities

ASB 1:30 p

The Flower Mound: Protecting a Wild Place Amidst an Increasingly Dense Urban Environment ▶

Alton Bowman, Chairman, The Mound Foundation; Flower Mound, Texas

- ASB** 1:30 p **All Lawn to No Lawn: A 10–year Adventure in Native Plant, Herb, Vegetable, and Xeriscape Gardening in North Texas** ▶ Husband and wife team, Dr. Becca Dickstein,* Professor of Biochemistry, and Dr. Lon Turnbull,* Staff Scientist, University of North Texas
- ASB** 1:30 p **Protection of Natural Habitats on Privately Owned Land in Texas** ▶ R.J. Taylor, Conservation Director, Connemara Conservancy Foundation
- ASB** 1:30 p (1 hour) **Creating Sustainable Outdoor Learning Centers in Elementary Schools** ▶ Cheryl Kesterson,* Retired elementary teacher; Education Chair, Elm Fork Chapter of Texas Master Naturalist
- ASB** 1:30 p **NICE! How does a chapter get started?** ▶ Kathy Saucier,* and Marilyn Blanton,* NICE! Committee Co–chairs, Trinity Forks Chapter of NPSOT
- ASB** 1:30 p **Native Myco–heterotrophic Orchids as Conservation Indicators** ▶ Dr. Marcy Brown Marsden, Department of Biology, University of Dallas
- ASB** 2 p **The Importance of Pollinator Gardens** ▶ Roger Sanderson, Director of Botanic Gardens and Wildlife Biologist, Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary
- ASB** 2 p **Creating Native Aquatic Plant Communities in Constructed Ponds** ▶ Joe Snow, M.S., Research Scientist, University of North Texas; Owner, Joe Snow Aquatic Plants
- ASB** 2 p **Conservation Development Subdivisions: Adding the Human Component to a Natural Habitat** ▶ Carol Feldman,* ASLA, Landscape Architect; Principal, Feldman Design Studios; and Chris Allen, Co–Owner and Project Manager of the Woodson Place
- ASB** 2 p **Saving and Reusing Native Trees on a Large Scale** ▶ Rosa Finsley,* ASLA, Landscape Architect; Principal, Kings Creek Gardens, Inc. and Melissa Gerstle, SASLA, graduate student in landscape architecture, University of Texas, Arlington
- ASB** 2 p **Creating Sustainable Outdoor Learning Centers in Elementary Schools** (continues)
- ASB** 2 p **San Antonio’s Native Landscape Certification Program** ▶ Melissa Miller,* Professional grant writer and nonprofit consultant; Past President, NPSOT

ASB 2 p

Conserving Ferns & Lycophytes of Texas: Surprises in Diversity, Distribution, and Ecology ▶ Dr. George M Diggs, Jr.,* Professor of Biology, Austin College; Research Associate, Botanical Research Institute of Texas

HH SFoyer 2:30—3:30 p

Afternoon Break/Refreshments
Information Desk closes at 3 p.m.
Dried Plant Arrangement Competition on display

HH SW

3 p sharp!
3 p sharp!

Vendors and Exhibitors Booths open until 5 p
Bidding Closes on the Silent Auction
Voting Ends in the Photo Contest

HH SW 3:10 p—5 p

Pick up Silent Auction Items

ASB 3:30—5 p

Saturday Concurrent Session *continues*

ASB 3:30 p
(1 hour)

Making the Soil Food Web work with your Native Plant Areas: A Guide ▶ Betsy Ross,* CEO, Sustainable Growth Texas, LLC

ASB 3:30 p

Keeping Texas Looking Like Texas, A Grower Initiative ▶ Douglas Temple

ASB 3:30 p

Sustainability by Design ▶ Nan Booth Simpson, MLA, Texas registered landscape architect; author, *Texas Gardening for the 21st Century*

ASB 3:30 p
(1 hour)

Conservation Development Design Charrette ▶ Jared Martin,* Environmental Review Analyst, Environmental Services Department, Town of Flower Mound (limit 30)

ASB 3:30 p

Frito Lay Corporate Landscape ▶ Steve Trotter, Soil agronomist; Landscape Consultant to Frito Lay, Plano

ASB 3:30 p

The Pollinator Garden at Mesquite Creek Wildlife Habitat Area ▶ John Siemssen,* Past President, Lindheimer Chapter of NPSOT (Comal County) and certified Texas Master Naturalist

ASB 3:30 p

How to Start a New NPSOT Chapter ▶ Belinda McCoy McLaughlin,* Professional writer; Past President, NPSOT

ASB 3:30 p

Determining a Pure Live Seeding Rate for Harrison germplasm *Florida paspalum* ▶ Melinda Brakie, Soil Conservationist, USDA, NRCS East Texas Plant Materials Center

ASB 4 p

Dried by Design: Gathering and Preserving Native Plants for Floral Designs ▶ Maggie Livings,* Floral designer, assists in floral designs and teaches classes at LadyBird Johnson Wildflower Center

- ASB** 4 p **Monarchs Ask: Where Is My Garden?** ▶ Dr. Ridlon (Kip) Kiphart,* Retired cardio–vascular surgeon turned Texas Master Naturalist, Monarch Larval Monitoring Project trainer
- ASB** 4 p **Reconnected: Understanding the Landscape Through Ecological Assessment** ▶ Steve Shelton,* MLA, ASLA, Principal, Ecotopes: Landscape + Living Systems
- ASB** 4 p **Nature Nights: Effective Family Collaborative Programs** ▶ Stephen Brueggerhoff,* Outreach Program Coordinator, Environmental Science Institute, The University of Texas at Austin
- ASB** 4 p **Using LeaderWeb** ▶ Bill Hopkins,* NPSOT Webmaster; Pam Middleton,* NPSOT State Coordinator
- ASB** 4 p **Eastern Gamagrass Cultivar Improvement for Conservations Plantings and Commercial Seed Production** ▶ R. Alan Shadow, USDA NRCS Soil Conservationist, East Texas Plant Materials Center
- ASB** 4:30 p **Kansas State University, Seaton Hall Green Roof Research Project** ▶ Lee R. Skabelund, ASLA, MLA; Assistant Professor of Landscape Architecture, Kansas State University

HH SW 5 p **Vendors and Exhibitors close**



- HH SFoyer** 6–7 p *Social Hour with Fruit and Cheese Trays
Beer/Wine/Soft Drinks*
- HH Pioneer** 7 p *Buffet service for Awards Banquet*
- HH SE** 7–10 p *Awards Banquet
followed by Presentation of Awards*

Sunday, October 10— Texas Woman’s University Campus

- TWU Gardens** 7:30–10 a **Fond Goodbyes**
- Glass Greenhouse** 8–9 a *Breakfast in the Garden*
- Time varies **Field trips on your way home, Group D (optional; choose one when you register)**