

BROOKLIN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY JUNE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY JUNE 12 | THE IRIS AND PEONY SHOW



Guest Speaker: **William Grainger**
Topic: ***Geraniums & Pelagoriums***

William Grainger attended the University of Toronto, initially headed towards a career in medicine, or research in infectious diseases. After taking a detour into teaching, he decided that is where his heart was, helping teenagers learn biology, horticulture, and life skills in general. He created locally developed courses in horticulture before the Ontario government had even begun penning the 'Green

Industries' curriculum, and was blessed in having his school board build him a large greenhouses so his program could grow. Over the years William has hosted gardening radios shows, given several seminars on pelargoniums, and even created his own TV show, 'Growing with Grainger'. William grew pelargoniums in his early 20s, but began obsessively collecting them around 10 years ago. He has hybridized dozens of new varieties, some of which can be found in many countries around the globe. Six years ago, Mr Grainger began hybridizing children with his wife Tanya, and now they live in Bowmanville with three beautiful girls.

WEDNESDAY JUNE 26 | THE ROSE SHOW



Guest Speaker: **Cathy Hooper**
Topic: ***Edible Landscaping***

Cathy Hooper is certified as an Organic Master Gardener and Permaculture Designer. Cathy is interested in teaching others to grow food so that we can all contribute to a sustainable food system. She also recognizes that edible plants can be incorporated beautifully into a landscape design or individual garden. Cathy has recently taught a series of workshops to install an edible garden for children's programs at Camp Kawartha's environment centre, near Trent University. In the past she has been a CSA and market gardener and is currently homesteading with her family on five acres in Warsaw. ***Edible Landscaping*** is using edible plants to create form, colour and beauty in the garden while also providing the functional aspect of feeding ourselves.

The presentation will introduce the topics of permaculture, and biointensive gardening. We will focus mostly on perennial edible plants but will also provide examples of using annual edibles within the garden design.

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NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO JOIN!

Meeting starts at 7:30 pm at Brooklin United Church, 19 Cassels Road E.

Draw tickets and refreshments will be available at the meeting.

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