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Hosta Potting Party

May 3rd - Begins at 9am

at the home of Kathryn Mohr, 9 Roslyn Dr., Ballston Lake

Come rain or shine!

Please sign up soon if you haven't done so already!

We hope to see you there!

Sub sandwiches will be provided for lunch.

Many hands make light work, invite friends and family

...everyone is welcome!

Garden Alliance Group members can sign-up here

Sign-up.com

to help with the potting of the bare root Hosta.

Please sign-up at your earliest convenience so we can plan accordingly.

You will see we are also asking for a few people to sign-up to help with refreshments to go with our lunch that day

It also asks you to indicate how many babysitter pots of Hosta we will be potting up that day you plan to take home with you to give TLC to until the day of our sale at Faddegon's.

There is also a section on the Sign-up website above where we are asking you to tell us "How many pots of Hosta" you plan to donate from your garden for our sale

from your "Dig and Divide" efforts from your garden divisions in early April.





UNYHS Leadership Message

Greetings fellow Hosta lovers!

If it's true that April showers bring May flowers we are in for a fantastic display of beauty and colors.

Thanks to Marie Handle-Wieboltd for getting us excited to work on our gardens with her excellent presentation **April Showers Bring May Flowers & A New Gardening Season**. As a result, after the meeting I went straight to Robinson's Nursery and Gade Farms. I am the proud owner of three new Hellebores.

We can finally see our green friends peeping out of the ground. It's the perfect time to dig and divide them so they can grow stronger. Please consider doing this and donate some of the divisions to our August sale at Faddegon's. We would prefer more colorful varieties instead of plain green ones. That seems to be what the general public wants. The club is providing

clean soil and pots for this purpose so please reach out to me if you want them.

The potting party is on May 3rd at Kathryn Mohr's. Go to <u>Sign-up.com</u> to help with the potting of the bare root Hostas.

I'm looking forward to David Besozzi's May 17th
My Zen Garden presentation and would love to see a few
Garden Tours scheduled for June and July....

If you would like to invite us to your garden or know of one of interest please let me know.

We would love to visit you!

For now get busy and have a great Spring. Lena Degeneff, UNHYS Interim President



My North American Garden Adventure

The presenter for our May meeting will be **David Besozzi**. David is a retired educator and amateur gardener who has worked diligently since 2009 to build an Asian-inspired Zen garden in his backyard known as **Songni Yuan** (**Pinemud's Garden**).

Since that time the project has evolved to encompass most of his yard by adding additional garden rooms, including a viewing, stroll, as well as a courtyard & bonsai gallery and a "Dragon Spine" garden bed.



When not maintaining Songni Yuan, Dave spends time blogging about the garden's development and his quest to visit 150 Japanese gardens across North America. Here is a link to his blog if you're interested. You can also find a non-audio version of the My North American Garden Adventure he plans to present at the blog site.

Hostas for sale at Faddegon's Garden Center August 9th

With all the warmer than average temperatures we had at the end of last month, it won't be long before our hostas will be poking their pips out the ground and be ready to be dug and divided for you to prepare your donations for our fundraising sale at Faddegon's on August 9th.

Prepared by Dave Jennings, Communications Chair



Pips at their perfect size to be dug and divided

Please...We need everyone

(CHIS, Garden Club of the Capital District and HADS Members too) to get ready to go out to your garden this month as your Hostas are breaking dormancy and decide which of your favorite clumps can be dug and cut in half as the new pips are emerging so you can put the first half of the clump back in your garden and then you can divide the other half up to put in pots to grow on for our sale on August 9th.

As we shared with you in the past, we are taking a pro-active stance to help prevent the spread of Insect and Disease problems. Your Board discussed in detail this concern at previous planning meetings and has mandated that all plants being donated for this year must be grown in new unused pots and sterile growing media.



Recently potted Hostas with 3-4 pips per 1 GL pot

We always need a couple hundred pots from our members to meet the demand for our sale as well as the 200 Bareroot Hostas we are buying wholesale to pot up on Saturday May 3rd at Kathryn Mohr's so please plan to help us out donating some of your divisions and helping out at our "Potting Party" We have a sign-up link in the piece below to let us know how many pots you plan to donate and how many pots you will be able to "Baby Sit" until the Faddegon's Sale when we are done potting up our 200 bareroot plants on March 3rd at Kathryn's

If you have questions, don't hesitate to send an email to us at: UNYHS@aol.com

Faddegon's Nursery is located at 1140 Troy Schenectady Rd Latham, NY 12110



Perfect size to divide



Rinse off soil for easier division



Plants to advanced to divide

Garden Alliance Minutes Martine Male, UNYHS Secretary

Garden Alliance: A decision for the favorite graphic banner design was made by a show of hands. Each was unique and so nicely done by our Newsletter Designer (Arden Lawand)...it was hard to choose. After much discussion the majority chose one that combined the best of all. Dave priced production of a 6' X 3' Outdoor Banner at Staples that came to about \$65. The group then asked Dave to get one banner made with grommets in each corner as long as the price is still reasonable. Look for the Banner Design selected in the next newsletter.

Monthly meetings in the future will try to avoid holiday weekends (like Easter) since many of our members would prefer not to miss a meeting because of a potential conflict.

IRIS Fundraiser at Faddegon's: Kathryn shared that organizers for the Iris event are looking for Iris Donations (Especially Siberian Iris) from members. If you are digging iris for donations, it's recommended you

include 5 fans and provide a picture of the flower in bloom.

NOTE: Membership Dues for the Iris group are being put on hold for now. If you want to make sure you get CHIS email notifications please see Kathryn and she will make sure you are added to her distribution list.

Hosta Potting Party on May 3rd beginning at 9am at the home of Kathryn Mohr (19 Roslyn Dr Ballston Lake). Come rain or shine! Please sign up soon if you haven't done so already! We hope to see you there! Sub sandwiches will be provided for lunch. The link to the sign up is in the current newsletter. Many hands make light work, invite friends and family...everyone is welcome!

Hosta expenses for the upcoming sale at Faddegon's so far includes 200 bare root plants (\$840 plus shipping), Artificial Potting mix and pots (\$425.98). Totaling \$1,265.98. Presently the UNYHS checking account balance is \$2,870.95 after expenses.



Now is the time to dig, divide, clean and pot up hostas.

There were plenty of new pots and potting mix ready for the taking at the April meeting. More volunteers and more Hosta donations are needed to have a really great sale this year.

When digging Hosta for donations, include 3 or more eyes per pot for medium to large Hostas. If you are placing part of the clump back into the ground where they came from, be sure to tag the area where the division was dug. When the remaining plant matures take a picture and Provide the picture with the donated divisions. If the name of your Hosta was lost there are references available or if it looks good it will sell without a tag. Consider variegated, yellow, white, striped and avoid plain green if possible.

Garden Alliance Members and Friends

2025 Mark your calendars

JUNE 21st

Gades visit, new perennials

JULY 19th

Summer Picnic

AUGUST 9th

Hosta & Iris Sale at Faddegon's

AUGUST 16th

Daylily Sale at Faddegon's

SEPTEMBER 20th

OCTOBER 18th

NOVEMBER 15th

DECEMBER 13th

Holiday Party



Our April Presenter was Marie Handle-Wieboldt: **April Showers bring May flowers** & A New Gardening Season

Marie is a Master Gardener Volunteer with Rensselaer County and a member of our Garden Alliance. Her wonderful presentation left us with a renewed excitement for working in our gardens.

The presentation touched on the various aspects of cleaning and preparing the garden for the Spring season.

She talked about cleaning flower beds, garden tools, pest prevention, soil preparation and

amendment, best flowers for specific areas and more. Many beautiful pictures (mostly from her own garden) made this presentation a delight.

Her vast knowledge of all things garden was evident. She answered many questions and welcomed suggestions from the audience for each issue.

It was a great presentation!

Thank you Marie.



Local Societies, Groups, Organizations:-

Capital Hudson Iris Society (CHIS) https://www.aisregion2.org/region2 007.htm

Central Park Rose Garden, Schenectady To Volunteer: https://schenectadyrose.org/

Cornell Cooperative Extension Albany County NY Gardening page: https://albany.cce.cornell.edu/gardening

Cornell Cooperative Extension Rensselaer County NY Horticulture page:

https://rensselaer.cce.cornell.edu/horticulture

Cornell Cooperative Extension Saratoga County NY Gardening and Landscape page:

https://ccesaratoga.org/gardening-landscape

Cornell Cooperative Extension Schenectady County NY Gardening page:

https://schenectady.cce.cornell.edu/gardening

Friends of the Central Park Greenhouse

Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/CentralParkGreenhouses/

Friends of the Woodlawn Preserve

Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/FWPSchenectady/

Hudson Adirondack Daylily Society (HADS) http://hudsonadirondackdaylilysociety.org/

Upstate New York Hosta Society (UNYHS)

Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/168265013509911

Wild Ones Capital Region NY Chapter

https://capitalregionny.wildones.org/

CHIS Leadership Message

Kathryn Mohr, President Capital-Hudson Iris Society







'Sylvanshine' (Clarence Mahan and Carol Warner 1997)

'Elsa Sass' (Hans Peter Sass, 1938)

Irises with purple-based foliage

I found it! I didn't record the location of my new border bearded iris 'Boy Scout' (Helen Reynolds El Dorado Garden 1968) and I've been searching for it for two weeks. It's planted in my Sass bed. Of course that's where it's planted!

Helen Graham Reynolds grew many of their seedlings after the Sass brothers deaths and introduced Sass/Reynolds cultivars. Swapping for 'Boy Scout' was exciting. I used to drive by El Dorado Gardens with my grandparents when we went fishing. Seeing that many irises in bloom was awe-inspiring

Every September my record-keeping skills begin to suffer. It's the end of the growing season, plants are being moved to new spots, swapped iris are arriving in the mail. My excuse for last year's lapse is a new driveway. I moved over 100 rare iris to pots to keep them safe, but didn't write down the location of 'Boy Scout's new home.

May is iris month. Spend time out in your iris beds, observe, make notes, map and enjoy.

Visit **historiciris.org** to learn about the Historic Iris Preservation Society's programs. HIPS is building a database of irises that have purple coloration on various parts of the plant.



2025 Garden Alliance Monthly Meetings

MAY 17th - My North American Garden Adventure

JUNE 21st - Gades visit, new perennials

JULY 19th - Summer Picnic

AUGUST 9th - Hosta & Iris Sale at Faddegon's

AUGUST 16th - Daylily Sale at Faddegon's

SEPTEMBER 20th OCTOBER 18th

NOVEMBER 15th

DECEMBER 13th Holiday Party



The Weeping Cherry trees in full bloom near Central Park in Schenectady on the corner of Ashmore Ave.and Eastern Parkway. They didn't disappoint again this year.



Garden Alliance Meetings

usually run from 10:00 am to about
1:30 pm and are held at the
Cornell Cooperative Extension
Albany County Office at 24 Martin Road
in Voorheesville, NY.

You are encouraged to bring a gardening friend that might be interested in becoming a member.

We need a few people to arrive at 9:45 am to help us set up tables and set out chairs as well as stay a few minutes after to help us put them away. Our brief Business Meeting starts at 10:15 am with our guest speaker's presentation beginning at 11:00 am and lasting for about an hour.

Our infamous "Dish to Pass" luncheon to be served at 12:00 noon.

This truly is a "Pot Luck" meal so we encourage you to bring whatever moves you such as main entrees, appetizers, salads, fruits, vegetables or your favorite desserts. We supply the beverages and place settings. You are also encouraged to bring a garden themed Door Prize to donate to make our meeting more fun!



PART II

How to Select and Grow Gorgeous, Delicious Edible Ornamental Plants in Your Garden

Reviewed and edited by Dave Jennings, Master Gardener Volunteer for Cornell Cooperative Extension of Saratoga County.

Original Source provided as an educational/inspirational service of the National Garden Bureau

Kale Along with Swiss chard, kale creates pretty texture and color in the garden, while adding nutrients to smoothies, salads, and recipes. While ornamental kale and cabbage are popular choices for fall container gardens, they were only considered



decorative—not delicious—until a variety called Rainbow Candy Crush arrived. A vibrant pink kale with bright green edges and an upright growth habit, you'll love the mildly sweet flavor and thick, tender leaves, excellent for kale chips. Color varies with temperature, from pink to magenta to purple, beautiful for ornamental use. Now, you can enjoy pretty kale—and eat it, too!



Sweet Potatoes

You might not think that sweet potatoes add much value as an ornamental edible. After all, the tubers grow beneath the soil. And if you've ever added ornamental sweet potato vines to your window boxes or containers, we're pretty sure you've not been tempted to eat them. Until now that is.

Treasure Island Sweet Potatoes are the perfect edible ornamental. Beautiful, trailing leaves add gorgeous color to your containers and window boxes all summer—but with a bonus. At season's end, you'll enjoy a harvest of robust, delicious sweet potatoes. A true superfood, these are rich in vitamins, beta-carotene, and other antioxidants, not to mention fiber. Even the leaves are tasty, similar to spinach in flavor. Pretty, trailing vines, tasty tubers for roasting—what's not to love?

Figs

You might think that a fig tree will overwhelm your garden. After all, many fig trees require plenty of space to grow and produce fruit. If you love the flavor of figs but garden in a smaller space, you'll appreciate the dwarf introductions available that grow politely in pots or smaller-space gardens. The uniquely shaped leaves and adorable fruit make figs a great choice to add interest to garden spaces. Little Miss Figgy is an excellent ornamental and fruit-bearing landscape plant. With a dwarf, compact habit, the plant is smaller and more cold-hardy than comparable figs, yet bears large and more prolific fruits in spring and fall. Likewise, Fignomenal is a dwarf fig cultivar that packs everything lovely about fig trees into a tiny package-growing only two to three feet tall. Packed with flavor, the fruits appear on compact branches, perfect for patio or balcony growing. If you're looking for a larger specimen to add charm to a big backyard, consider Kadota Fig. An attractive deciduous garden tree with intriguing branching that provides excellent winter character, this fig produces a reliable fall harvest of especially sweet, greenish-yellow fruit. Highly adaptable, Kadota Fig is often root hardy and prolific in zones 5 and 6 if planted in a sheltered location. The tree grows 15 to 25 feet tall, so give it ample space.







Little Miss Figgy

Fignomenal

Kadota Fig

Fragrant, Flavorful Flowers and Herbs for Culinary Creations - and Delightful Gardenscapes

Roses and Lavender: A Perfect Pair

Beautiful blooms are a no-brainer for creating a gorgeous land-scape. But when those pretty petals also taste delicious, it's a fantastic bonus. When creating an edible ornamental garden, you'll love the addition of Flavorette® Honey-Apricot Rose. Bred for reliable landscape performance and excellent flavor, you'll enjoy luscious bowl-shaped, petal-filled blooms continuously throughout the summer. Plus, this low-maintenance rose offers great disease resistance and reblooms all summer long—even without deadheading.

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Flavorette Honey Apricot Rose Phenomenal Lavender Ellagance Lavender







Baby Gold Nasturtium Pineapple Sage Celebration Sage

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Because roses and lavender make such a lovely pairing in the garden and a vase, it makes sense that they also work well together in the kitchen. From beverages to desserts, both blooms look beautiful and taste delicious.

And while lavender can be a little temperamental in some growing zones, two new varieties make growing it easy: Phenomenal® Lavender, a variety that's exceptionally tolerant of both high heat and harsh winters, performing well even in humid areas; and Ellagance Lavender, an award-winning English lavender that flowers the first year from seed. Bushy, uniform plants look lovely along a border, with silvery-green foliage and spires of fragrant, deep purple blooms.

More Herbs and Blooms for Beauty and Flavor

As one of the easiest edible ornamental plants to grow, we couldn't ignore Nasturtium. Not only are the flowers adorable, but the leaves look lovely—and the plant adds a peppery flavor to culinary creations. AAS winner Baby Gold Nasturtium makes a great choice for containers. Petite flowers on a mounding plant contrast beautifully with healthy, dark foliage, making this compact beauty ideal for small space gardens.

Along with nasturtium, Pineapple Sage adds a gorgeous pop of color to the landscape—while also attracting hummingbirds and pollinators to the garden. Chartreuse green leaves glow with lipstick-red spikes of flowers late in the season. Use the leaves like you would garden sage—muddled in drinks, flavoring roasts, or garnishing garden-to-table meals.

For a pretty variegated variety that glows in the garden, try Celebration Sage. The fragrant, golden variegated leaves make an excellent culinary addition, as well as a colorful ornamental perennial. Plus, the plant thrives in heat and drought once established.

Are you ready now to create a beautiful edible ornamental garden filled with f abulous fresh food, flowers, and herbs? You'll adore harvesting delicious homegrown ingredients for garden-to-table meals in your lovely edible ornamental garden.



Garden Alliance members Dues are due now...

For most of us, it's time to pay our Membership dues for this year. Dues are a crucial aspect of sustaining the operations and activities of our organizations. These financial contributions from members not only aid in covering miscellaneous expenses but also fund various programs and initiatives that benefit us all. Please use the Forms below to mail in your check(s) for payment of your dues ASAP. If possible, please pay for three years in order to make it easier for our Membership Chair and Treasurer. If you don't know if you are paid for this year, just send in a new form with your check and we will extend your membership accordingly if you are already up to date with your dues.

The Purpose of Membership Dues

Membership dues serve multiple purposes but they primarily provide a steady stream of revenue that ensures the organization can function effectively.

This includes covering costs related to:

- Event planning and execution
- Facility/Room rentals
- Member services and support
- · Advocacy and outreach programs

In addition to sustaining the organization, membership dues also enable the enhancement of member experiences.

They fund educational programs, professional development opportunities, networking events, and other initiatives that add value to our associations.

New Memberships

At our January meeting we decided to reward all new memberships with a \$10 Voucher to be used at our annual fundraising plant sales at Faddegon's Garden Center in August. That should encourage more new members or serve as an incentive to give friends a Gift Membership that will cover the cost of a new Iris, Daylily or Hosta Plant.

Use one membership forms in this newsletter to renew your membership(s)

or to give a friend or family member a Membership in UNYHS, CHIS, AIS or HADS. UNYHS MEMBERSHIP FORM -Please return this Form to: Penny Salemme, Membership Chair, 11 Woodhall Lane, Clifton Park, NY 12065 (This information is used to send you our newsletter, periodic emails and include you in our membership directory) Name(s) Address City State Zip Phone E-mail (Required to receive Newsletters) Enclosed are my/our \$10.00 annual dues. Please send dues for 3 years if possible, to help keep administrative time to a minimum. Amount Paid _____ Check #____ Please make checks payable to UNYHS I would like to volunteer to help serve on the following committees: ☐ Revising By-Laws ☐ Plant Acquisition ☐ Other (Indicate below) ☐ Assisting with Hospitality ☐ Recruiting Guest Speakers ☐ Maintaining our Library ☐ Organizing Summer Tours ☐ Serve as an Officer ☐ Recruiting Membership ☐ Writing Newsletter Articles ☐ Send out Emails & Eblasts



We welcome you to Join us!

HUDSON ADIRONDACK DAYLILY SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please return to: Michelle Young, 3 Staffords Xing, Slingerlands, NY 12159 michelle.young@socialscience.net

We are currently charging a \$5.00 fee per year for membership dues.

(This information will be used in our membership roster unless you specifically request we omit certain segments.)

Name	
Address	
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State Zip Code	
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Enclosed are my/our \$5.00 annual subscription. Please make check payable to HADS.	
I would like to volunteer to serve on the following committees: HospitalityNewsletterProgramsSummer ToursPlant Sales	O41



Garden Club of the Capital District and Gardeners of America MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

2025 Dues

Rensselaer NY 12144

Please Make Check for \$20.00 Payable to "Garden Club of the Capital District" and mail to:
Russ Greenman, Treasurer
25 Worthman Lane

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Please include your choice(s):	Amount paid \$		
\$10 Local membership (Garden Club of the Capital District)			
\$10 National membership (The Gardeners Of America)			
plus \$7.50 Additional family members (The Gardeners Of America) Member Name			
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Member Email			
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Family member name			

Scholarships

Garden Club of the Capital District - Joe Herman Scholarship

The Scholarship Committee is currently accepting applications from college students for a \$500 scholarship to be awarded by our club. The scholarship is available to a full-time student currently enrolled, or accepted to begin a college program, with the intent to pursue studies in a horticultural-related field; such as landscaping, agriculture, environmental studies, ecology, forestry or natural resources management. It is open to both male or female applicants of any age, preferably with home residency in the seven-county area of the Capital Region. Perhaps you have a relative, neighbor or know someone in your circle of friends, that would deserve to be given this stipend. The committee will recognize those candidates that have a direct connection to our club, and whom also meet all the application qualifications.

For more information, or if you would like to request an application, please contact **Russ Greenman**, Chair of the **Joe Herman Scholarship Committee**. **Call Russ** at 518-477-8321, or contact him by email at WB2LXC@verizon.net. The application deadline is June 1, 2025

The Gardeners of America

The application deadline is June 1, 2025

In our commitment to education and research, The Gardeners of America annually awards \$1,000 scholarships.

Eligible applicants are majoring in horticulture or floriculture at accredited community colleges, universities or colleges.

Recipients hail from Ohio to Texas to New York to Missouri – sponsored by their local TGOA clubs and regions across the nation. They attend Ohio State, Minnesota State, Kansas State, University of Missouri, Texas A & M, Hennepin Tech, University of Nebraska, North Carolina State, Cornell, Farmingdale State, Richland College ... you get the idea.

Application details are available from your local TGOA garden club, in this online *Scholarship Application Guidelines*, or from our national office at <u>tgoa.org@gmail.com</u> or 330-814-0068.

The cost of EMembership for the

American Hosta Society

has been reduced! Previously \$20.00

Join as an EMember for one year now for only \$12.00.

EMembership in the American Hosta Society will unlock the following benefits:

- Full-color issue of The Hosta Journal available to read online twice each year
 - Unique digital edition of The Hosta Journal emailed once each year
 - Access to "Members Only" section of the website
 - Eligibility to purchase a member-only hosta every year
- Exclusive invitation to exhibit hostas and compete for recognition in AHS-sanctioned Hosta Shows
 - Updates on speaker programs, events, awards, plant auctions, news, and more!

FIRST-TIME MEMBERS ALSO RECEIVE

- \$15 voucher for use at participating nurseries
- Hosta Adventure—A Grower's Guide, a primer on hostas outlining what every gardener should know
 - Hosta of the Year Booklet, a full-color publication featuring the American Hosta Growers Association Hostas of the year

To join the American Hosta Society as an EMember, please go to the AHS Website.

Visit our website to get more information.

Hosta.org

American Hosta Society | P O Box 7407 | VILLA PARK, IL, IL 60181-7407 US Or call 309-678-4119 to speak with the Membership Secretary.



The World's Largest Hosta Gathering!

2025 AHS/MRHS Convention

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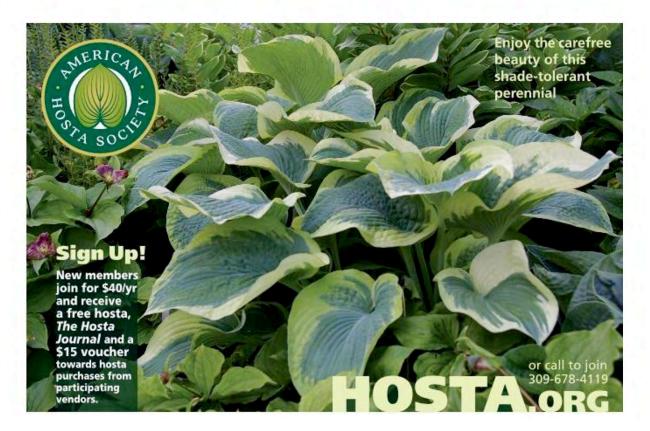


Optional Thursday evening at Hornbaker Gardens Garden Center – Arboretum – Botanic Garden

Register soon at HostaConvention.org

since the cut-off will be at 350 participants

Membership is preferred but you do not need to be a member to attend.



ADDITIONAL BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE AMERICAN HOSTA SOCIETY

- Receive two print issues per year of our popular publication, *The Hosta Journal*. This 84-page publication is filled with color photos and current information regarding Hostas.
- Receive a copy of The Hosta Adventure, Third Edition A Growers Guide and the Hosta of the Year booklet, both filled with color photographs and a wealth of information.
- Receive access to the members-only section of the website to read our Online Hosta
 Journal and access other publications and our member directory.
- Attend national and regional meetings where specialty vendors offer the most recently introduced *Hostas* and companion plants and where a live auction offers rare and distinctive *Hostas* and other garden items.
- Enjoy garden tours open only to AHS members.
- Exhibit your favorite Hostas and compete for recognition in various AHS national and regional cut-leaf shows.
- Vote on the most popular Hostas with our popularity poll.
- Enjoy the camaraderie of fellow Hosta enthusiasts.

For more information or to join go to hosta.org or call 309-678-4119.