Everyone enjoys world-class food, fantastic flowers and plants; really interesting people and doing something for a great cause. You will find all of those things and more on Saturday, June 21, 2014, at the Kentucky Governor's Mansion. As a part of the yearlong celebration for the 100th anniversary of the Mansion, we are having a daylong event on the Summer Solstice to showcase the most beautiful executive residence gardens in the south. During the day, that includes breakfast and lunch you will hear eight world class speakers talk about how you can make your own garden more enjoyable, your entertaining more jaw-dropping and your meals more amazing. Come join us to celebrate the gardens at the Governor's Mansion.



The Summer Solstice Garden Celebration is part of the Governor's Mansion Centennial Celebration, the purpose of which is to raise funding for preservation of the Governor's Mansion. A portion of the ticket price for this event is tax-deductible as a contribution to the Kentucky Executive Mansions Foundation, Inc. KEMFI is a Section 501(c)(3) organization.

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Roiann Ridley

Inspiring Floral Designs for Every Occasion

10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

SESSIONS

Jon Carloftis, Pat Siebel, and Sandy Perkins

History of the Governor's Mansion Gardens (Garden Tour)

Katy Moss Warner

How Horticultural Tourism Can Bring Your Town Revenue

L.V. Harkness & Co., Lexington, Kentucky

Creating Beautiful "Tablescapes" for Summer Entertaining

Stacey Hirvela

Edible Spots and Pots

Longshadow Planters

Containers as Art in the Garden

Beth Sebastian

Bringing the Garden Indoors

11:15 - 12 noon

SESSIONS (repeat)

Noon - 1:15 p.m.

LUNCH

Christopher Hirscheimer and Melissa Hamilton

Canal House Cooks Everyday!

1:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

SESSIONS (repeat)

2:30 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. SESSIONS (repeat)















GARDEN CELEBRATION

















Celebrate the Centennial of the Governor's Mansion and the Summer Solstice by spending a day in the garden. Enjoy hearing experts from around the country share their wisdom about gardening, entertaining and culinary delights.

SESSIONS

Attendees may choose any session. Each session repeats four times.

Jon Carloftis

Jon Carloftis Fine Gardens;

Pat Siebel

Four Star Greenhouses and Proven Winners; and

Sandy Perkins

Governor's Mansion Landscaping

Inside Story and History of the Governor's Mansion Gardens

A walking tour with Jon, Pat and Sandy. Would you like to know what varieties of plants are helping the First Lady welcome visitors from around the corner and around the world to the Kentucky Governor's Mansion? Here is a tour where you can learn plants varieties; see a showcase of the garden design and hear the stories about how they have changed. The behind-the-scenes look continues with how they were restored and how the tight timeline for planting installation before the derby is an art.

Katy Moss Warner

President Emeritus of the American Horticultural Society

How Horticultural Tourism Can Bring Your Town Revenue

City Managers will find that this session could be the answer to one of your town'sproblems. Hear the point of view of an international speaker who has seen the best ways to use plant-based community beautification programs to increase civic pride, business spirit and reduce crime. As a national judge for America in Blooms, Katy visits hundreds of cities each year and has learned what works and how to use it to your advantage.

L.V. Harkness & Co., Lexington, Kentucky

John Morris, Director of Visual Display and Buyer

Creating Beautiful "Tablescapes" for Summer Entertaining

Nothing says proper entertaining better than a well-dressed table that includes attention to details such as color, placement, centerpieces and a bit of imagination. John Morris has spent years refining his formula for what makes a breath-taking table setting. This session is for those who want to know his secrets to help you give the party of the season.

Stacey Hirvela

Marketing Specialist for Spring Meadow Nursery

Edible Spots and Pots

According to *Organic Gardening* magazine, "It's time to grow down a deliciously pretty new path—no matter how little space or time you have! Your patio, balcony, rooftop, walkway, front porch steps—even your driveway—is a bushel basket of fresh, delectable food waiting to happen! And now, with the breakthrough techniques, inspiring projects, and clever tips in **Edible Spots & Pots**, you can have the gorgeous displays and bumper-crop yields of traditional gardeners — without all the time and work!"

SESSIONS (continued)

Longshadow Planters

Classic Garden Ornaments, Ltd.

Containers as Art in the Garden

Longshadow Garden Ornaments are the finest reproduction limestone garden ornaments in the United States. Owners Daniel and Charlotte Ward have traveled the world searching for the most beautiful designs to compliment their expanding collection. Three Longshadow planters, generously donated by Charlotte and Daniel, will be installed as the centerpiece of the Governor's Manson's formal garden. Learn why these designs made sense for this project. Learn even more why garden ornamentation is important, and what designs are right for your garden project, large or small. Dale Fisher from Jon Carloftis Fine Gardens will also be on hand to discuss recent garden designs and installations incorporating Longshadow planters, fountains and statues.

Beth Sebastian

Kentucky Governor's Mansion Floral Designer

Bringing the Garden Indoors

From the Beaux Arts-period furniture to the carpets and drapes, the Kentucky Governor's Mansion is a place that citizens are proud to call its executive residence. The one single element that makes the classic styling's of the interiors, fresh and clean, is the intense use of fresh cut floral arrangements in each setting. Beth Sebastian is the creative force behind the over-the-top masterpieces that one sees in photos of the interior rooms of the Governor's Mansion.

BREAKFAST SPEAKER

Roiann Ridley

Floral Designer

Inspiring Floral Designs for Every Occasion

Have you ever seen a beautiful centerpiece floral arrangement and been amazed at how the artist has used every day items to make an extraordinary thing of beauty? In this session you will hear from one of the most requested floral designers in Kentucky, who was a 2014 Best of the Hill award winner. Learn how the simplest of things that are in front of you in nature, on the farm and in the field, can make your guests at any event feel inspired to see what is around them.

LUNCH SPEAKER

Christopher Hirscheimer and Melissa Hamilton

2013 James Beard Award Winning Chefs

Canal House Cooks Everyday!

It takes a lot to make an award winning meal. From recipe selection, taste profiles and beverage paring, serving a James Beard winning recipe will delight your family and amaze your friends. Learn about national and regional food trends including the new southern style of cooking (think ham). Whether sizzling in a pan or on a plate these tips will make even the simplest meal seem special.



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