Breakout Sessions by NC Gardening Experts

- Ecology and Natural Remedies
- Using the 3 Rs for Sustainable Gardening
- Out of the Sandbox, Into the Garden
- Weathering Our Changeable Weather
- A Gardener Saved Tolkien’s World
- Return of the Natives
- Create a Pollinator Paradise
- Composting with (Squirmy) Friends
- The Ecology of Better Backyards for Birds
- Write Your Way to a Thriving Garden

Basket Raffle
Door Prizes
Food
Hotel Room Discount
Silent Auction
T-Shirts
Used Book Sale
Vendors

For More Information and to Register Go to ncmastergardeners.org

Conference Venue
Embassy Suites
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Gardeners: Stewards Of the Environment
The NC Extension Master Gardener Volunteer Association was formed in 1991 to aid in improving the effectiveness of its members as volunteers in the Extension Master Gardener Program of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension.

Since 1979, North Carolina Extension Master Gardeners have been guiding homeowners in making environmentally sound decisions in their gardens.

To learn more about becoming an Extension Master Gardener, go to ncstatetgardening.org.

The Conference is open to all who garden!

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Paul James will be our Monday Night Banquet Keynote Speaker.

Paul is a master gardener from Tulsa, Oklahoma. Known at “The Gardener Guy,” he has been host of the HGTV show, Gardening By The Yard since 1996. He is the creator, writer and senior producer and shot almost the entire show in his own backyard.

James’ show explored topics familiar to the average home gardener, such as lawn care, growing vegetables, pruning trees, and instilling an interest in gardening in young people, in an informative yet light and irreverent style. Nearly all of his pre-2000 shows were filmed on his Tulsa property and he produced most of the show’s content himself. 2009 was the last year of Gardening By The Yard.

Paul James became a master gardener in 1983. He is a married father of three.

In addition to his work on Gardening By The Yard, James has hosted numerous HGTV specials, including a Rose Bowl Parade, as well as a cooking show, Paul James’ Homegrown Cooking, from 1998 to 2000.

In 2004, in an interview with Canadian Gardening magazine, Paul James stated his favorite mythical creature is a phoenix because it represents growth and rebirth of life, which plays an important part in gardening.

Dr. Damon Waitt is our Opening Speaker and the New Director of the NC Botanical Gardens in Chapel Hill, coming to us from the Lady Bird Johnston Wildflower Center in Austin, Texas.

Adrienne Roethling is our Closing Speaker, the popular Garden Curator at the Paul J. Ciener Botanical Garden in Kernersville NC.