

## The Charlotte Garden Club 2015 - 2016 Speaker Schedule

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**September 21, 2015**

### **BLENDING HORTICULTURE WITH HARDSCAPE USING HERITAGE PLANTS IN NEW WAYS**

Dabney Peebles is lead designer for JDP Studios. He has designed gardens throughout the southeast. He is Chairman of the Board South Carolina Botanical Garden at Clemson.

*JDP, established by James Dabney Peebles in 1986, makes its home in beautiful upstate South Carolina, drawing its inspiration for landscape and garden design from traditional Southern and European design principles. Featured in publications such as Southern Living, Better Homes and Gardens, and Greenville's Talk, J. Dabney Peebles Design Associates, Inc. has consistently found favor with those who appreciate the beauty of artful and thoughtful garden design.*

#### **Dabney Peebles, Lead Designer**



A native of Mississippi and graduate of the Landscape Architecture program at Mississippi State University, Dabney Peebles began his landscape design career in Birmingham, Alabama with Nimrod Long and Associates. Subsequently, Dabney worked with Edward Daugherty in Atlanta, Georgia before starting his own garden and landscape design firm in Easley, SC. Dabney has become locally renowned for his ability to adapt historically accepted design principles to fit the contemporary lifestyles of his clients, and he has enjoyed teaching about garden design at Furman University for over 20 years.

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**October 19, 2015**

### **DEEP ROOTED WISDOM**

Jenks Farmer is a garden designer and plantsman whose work includes for a number of public gardens in South Carolina - The Riverbanks Zoo Garden, Moore Farms and the Columbia Historic District Gardens. His latest book, Deep Rooted Wisdom, was released to much critical acclaim.

## Jenks Farmer, Plantsman



Augustus Jenkins Farmer III is a renaissance plantsman. He fell in love with the natural world while growing up in a family of artists, musicians, and farmers. Jenks went on to get a more formal education in plant sciences at Clemson University and then botanical garden design at the University of Washington.

He is the former director of Riverbanks Botanical Garden and founding horticulturist of Moore Farms Garden. His designs for homes, museums, and businesses have received recognition and awards and have delighted hundreds of thousands of visitors with the joyful, easy exuberance of hand-crafted gardens.

An engaging storyteller and teacher, Jenks has a real talent for getting people of all ages and from all walks of life to go outside and get their hands dirty. He's also presented lectures for groups as varied as the North Carolina State Agricultural faculty, the Smithsonian, Wave Hill, Master Gardener clubs, and, of course, his grandmother's Allendale Ladies Afternoon Reading Club.

His writing has been published in scientific journals and popular magazines like *Organic Gardening* and *Horticulture*. He is the author of the quarterly publication *Gardening with Crinum Lilies* and *Deep Rooted Wisdom: Lessons Learned from Generations of Gardeners*, published by Timber Press in 2014.

[www.jenksfarmer.com](http://www.jenksfarmer.com)

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**November 16, 2015**

### **THE TRUTH ABOUT GARDEN REMEDIES**

Jeff Gillman, PhD, is Director of UNCC Botanical Gardens. His recent books include *Decoding Gardening Advice*, *The Truth about Garden Remedies* and *The Truth about Organic Gardening*.

[Click here for Jeff's Amazon page](#).

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***December 7, 2015***

**CREATING HOLIDAY ARRANGEMENTS**

Please join us at the Mint Randolph at 7 pm. for special holiday refreshments. Our program begins at 7:30 pm.

We are so fortunate to have Jeffrey Drum as our speaker! Jeffrey will create holiday arrangements using flowers, greenery and other natural materials. Jeffrey has tended to many of the finest public and private gardens in Charlotte for over 30 years, and loves to bring the garden's natural beauty indoors.

Learn to make something creative for your front door, mantle or holiday table. The arrangements will be auctioned off to the highest bidder, so bring your checkbook! This program is a popular and fun holiday tradition of the Charlotte Garden Club. Guests are welcome!

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***January 25, 2016***

**GARDENING TOOL TALK AND TIMELY ADVICE**

Pat Linton is the owner of Living Color in Waxhaw, NC. She designs and maintains many of Charlotte's finest gardens. She also maintains and enhances the gardens for Mint Museum Randolph. Come and gain some garden wisdom!

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***February 15, 2016***

**HORTICULTURE IN THE PARKS AND GREENWAYS**



Tim Turton, Horticultural Team Manager  
Mecklenburg County Parks and Recreation Department

Join us as this 20-year veteran of Park and Recreation and current Supervisor of the Horticulture Team shares with us about working with a fine group of people embellishing the parks, greenways and recreation centers in Mecklenburg County.

Tim possesses an Associates Degree in Landscape Design from Ohio State University. He previously owned and operated a small landscape company for twelve years.

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**March 21, 2016**

**FOODSCAPING: PAIRING VEGETABLES WITH TRADITIONAL ORNAMENTAL GARDENS**



Brie Arthur  
Propagator & Horticulturalist

Find out how to create and maintain edible landscapes, and learn everyday recipes that will bring your garden into the kitchen.

Brie Arthur's signature design technique is Foodscaping, a landscape practice that pairs edibles with traditional landscapes. Her work with public school systems, retirement communities and suburban developments is changing the way green spaces are designed and used.

Brie studied landscape design at Purdue University and has worked in many aspects of horticulture, including estate gardening at Montrose Gardens in Hillsborough, NC, and nursery production at Plant Delights in Raleigh and Camellia Forest Nursery in Chapel Hill. She is a regular on the PBS TV show, *Growing a Greener World*.

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**April 18, 2016**

**GROW YOUR OWN MEDICINE CABINET**

Joe Graedon is a pharmacologist and Terry Graedon, PhD is a medical anthropologist. Together they write The People's Pharmacy newspaper columns and books. They host The People's Pharmacy on public radio.

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**April 23-24 2016**

**ART IN THE GARDEN TOUR**

The Charlotte Garden Club is pleased to present an outstanding weekend of gardens, art and festivities. Relying upon the beauty of spring gardens, artists will set up their easels and paint "*en plein air*," capturing on canvas the serene beauty of the unique Southern garden. Following the two days of relaxed garden strolling, join the celebratory Party and Plein Air art display on Sunday afternoon at the Mint Museum Randolph (casual attire).

Your ticket includes the garden tour and the event on Sunday afternoon

**Dates:**

*Sat. April 23, 10 am - 4 pm*

*Sun. April 24, 1 - 4 pm*

*Mint after- party, Sun. April 24, 4 - 6 pm*

Tickets on sale March, 2016