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Award winning, published, earth- friendly, designer offers programs to stimulate and expand ideas about your landscapes and gardens.

Maria offers color slide power point lectures using images from her design practice and of gardens visited throughout the US and abroad.

Garden clubs and conferences—from Fine Gardening Regional Conference, Blythewood, ELA, Master Gardeners to Sudbury Garden Club have offered her lectures and workshops. Lectures reflect 30 years of design & horticultural success creating beautiful and functional earth-friendly gardens.

- **New! Plants Bunnies and Groundhogs Don't Eat: Choice Pollinators to Add to Your Own Garden.** The Bunny experiment is still in process. I share with you my researched and tested list of animal resistant plants. The featured plants start with May blooming and progress each month so you know what blooms when. The handout lists the plants with Sun/shade, spacing and height of each. The selections will guide your choices.

- **Creating the Winter Garden & Beyond: Using The Art of Lay-out Design** You'll learn how to create the bones of the 4 Season Landscape while creating a Winter Garden. Diagrams of the winter plantings, and the nuts & bolts of drifts and masses show you how. Learn out to create winter gardens that delight and inspire. Images from Tower Hill's *Winter Garden*, Mass Hort's *Bressingham Garden*, *Decordova Museum*, & the author's designs will help you reimagine your gardens.

- **Expand Your Bloom with Flowering Trees and Shrubs.** Looking for plants to “rewild” your gardens? Native shrubs & trees are showcased. Flowering trees and shrubs distinguish older landscapes from modern ones. While some people plant spring flowering, few plant summer flowering. Many are fragrant, native, and need little care. They add beauty and special value to your landscape. Native plant borders flowering/berrying plants create a wildlife corridor to attract birds, butterflies.

- **Color Gardens: Beautiful Perennial Combinations from Spring thru Frost.** You'll learn Color Pairing, the first step to create a stunning combination for wilder or tamer garden styles. Graphics introduce color theory and texture as design tools easy to use to create your own beautiful combinations in seasonal sequence. Image examples shown for both sunny and shady flower combinations blooming from spring through fall you can use right away. Or inspire you to create your own. Examples from gardens in New England, the US, and abroad. **OR A two hour hands-on Workshop** designed to teach color techniques to create waves of plant combinations and sequence of bloom. Participants will create a personal garden color pallet and learn Maria's system for creating bloom succession.

- **Wilding Your Perennial Gardens: Creating a Naturalistic Garden Using Pollinators and Natives. (Choice Plants & Combinations and Lay-out).** Plants that attract beneficial pollinators help our bird populations feed their young. This lecture explores using native plants in an ornamental way to create dynamic, stunning natural looking gardens. Lay-out techniques echo the way plants communities intermingle will make your flowering planned meadowlike naturalistic garden look cohesive and natural. Choice plants will be highlighted and listed in your handout.

- **Classic Vertical Gardening: Vines that Flower Up and Around.** Highlights vines and their structures and explores their use as walls of outdoor rooms. Featured ornamental vines includes perennial, annual, and edible. Vines add texture, flowers, berries, and fragrance to any structure. Slides show examples of vertical gardening from historic gardens, today's, and choice examples of individual plants hardy here. A section on living “green walls” shows this recent trend.

Detailed handouts accompany all lectures.

Lectures are available from mid-October through early April.

Consider Zoom lectures in January & February with Small Groups with Lg Flatscreen Smart TV.

Garden Clubs: Virtual Lecture Fee \$375 & In-Person Fee \$400. (Workshop \$475-\$575 depending on group size & location). Conferences & Symposium \$850. **IN PERSON Lecture available to towns surrounding Sudbury, MA.** Additional: travel expenses (mileage \$.655) & handout costs (based on number of attendees). Fees are payable on lecture date.

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