# **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**



MEGAN CAIN is setting out to create a legion of gardening addicts who successfully and passionately grow their own food. Through her gardening education business, The Creative Vegetable Gardener, she helps people get more from their gardens by first mastering the essentials and then indulging in the colorful details that make gardening not just a favorite pastime, but a lifestyle. She's published two books, *Super Easy Food Preserving* and *Smart Start Garden Planner*, and teaches seasonal online and in-person classes. She lives and gardens in Madison, WI.

# ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS

#### JOHN MARIANI RLA, ASLA

LandServe, LLC Owner

Having grown up working in the landscape contracting and nursery business, John added his design and marketing skills to launch Mariani Landscape. He has authored many articles on landscape design, hosted multiple speaking engagements, and, with his team, has been honored for design projects. His unique design approach creates environmentally responsible landscapes as enduring legacies standing the test of time.

#### ELAINE ANDERSON, BSN, RN, HNB-BC

Founder of Red Tortoise Feng Shui

A professional Feng Shui practitioner since 1998, Elaine is certified in both contemporary style "Black Sect" Feng Shui and traditional "Compass School" Feng Shui. She is a founding board member and President Emerita of the Feng Shui Institute of the Midwest and a former faculty member of the Wind and Water School of Feng Shui. An avid gardener, she provides consultations, classes and customized workshops on using Feng Shui in the home, garden and landscape, as well as in business, educational and healing settings. The mother of adult identical twin sons and the grandmother of two adorable grandsons, Elaine lives in Plymouth, MN, with her husband, Marc, and tuxedo cat, Dunkel.

#### ZACH STEENO

Head Grower at CBD Farmacy - hemp cultivation facility Zach has a B.S. in Horticulture from UW-River Falls. As a horticulturist, he has been awarded the Rising Star Award from the American Rose Society and the 40 under 40 award in horticulture from Greenhouse Product News for his work in hybridizing landscape plants at Rose Innovations, LLC, the home of the Knock Out® family of roses. He has plant health care experience from a year-long internship at Longwood Gardens and from working at the Minnesota Plant Disease Clinic. He has spoken on numerous occasions on topics such as cannabis & hemp cultivation, roses, landscape design, and other horticultural subjects.

# **GARDEN CONFERENCE**

April 4, 2020

Liberty Hall • Kimberly, WI



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#### Liberty Hall • 800 Eisenhower Dr • Kimberly, WI

A full day of learning, fun and friends. Plus vendors, door prizes, great food and more!

- 8 8:30 am Registration with Continental Breakfast Vendors Open
- 8:30 8:45 am Welcome and Opening Remarks
- 8:45 9:45 am John Mariani Saving Our Natural Heritage . . . and the Planet Designing with Native Plants John will present a simple, yet effective, way to save our natural heritage of plants and wildlife and the importance of immediate action. He will provide recommendations for simple and gratifying ways of doing that: gardening and landscaping with locally resourced materials and native plants.
- 9:45 10 am BREAK

#### 10 - 11 am Megan Cain - 10 Mistakes I've Made in My Garden

If you're not getting real results from your garden, then gardening isn't as rewarding of a pastime as it could be. Although trial and error is often a part of the gardening experience, you can skip over some of the beginner mistakes and move straight to the more advanced ones! Megan will share the top ten mistakes she's made in her (and others') gardens, so you can avoid them in your own and have lots more fun and success each season.

#### 11 - 12 pm Elaine Anderson - A Natural Harmony: Feng Shui in the Garden and Landscape

When we hear about Feng Shui, it is often in relation to home and business interiors, but the ancient Chinese method of living in harmony with one's environment actually originated in the landscape. This introduction to Feng Shui will focus on applying these principles to your own gardening style, helping you to create your landscape to be a reflection of who you are. Feng Shui can provide your gardening efforts, whether large or small in scale, with meaning and intention to positively impact your life. Principles of chi (energy) flow, Yin/Yang, use of color, Feng Shui plants and their meanings, and the significance of water in the garden will be included, illustrated by photos of gardens and homes.

NOON BUFFET LUNCH

#### 1 - 2 pm Megan Cain - Design Inspiration for a Creative Vegetable Garden

Tap into your creative spirit by adding simple and fun elements to showcase your garden's beauty. This interactive workshop will share fresh ideas to elevate an ordinary garden to an extraordinary one, with plenty of photos to get the creative juices flowing. Learn how to design a garden that inspires joy, tips for adding artistic touches, and favorite colorful and unique varieties to grow.

2 - 2:30 pm BREAK

#### 2:30 - 3:15 pm Zach Steeno - *Phytocannabinoid Rich (PBR) Hemp Cultivation and Health Benefits*

Come to learn the growth cycle of phytocannabinoid rich hemp and the options presented at each stage of the cycle. Zach will discuss how the Wisconsin climate has it's own effect on the production and how to overcome any hurdles it throws your way. He will cover a few of the cannabinoids and their medical benefits, as well as a short summary of our endocannabinoid system within each of our bodies.

3:15 pm Closing Remarks

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