

Garden Enthusiasts
Don't Miss The
Early Bird Symposium
Saturday, February 16, 2008
8:00 a.m. — 12:30 p.m. CST
The Silver Palace
1719 State Street
La Porte, Indiana



Great Vendor Booths
Featuring
Spring Garden
Needs!

Fantastic Program!

Symposium Agenda

Note: All Times Central Standard Time

- 8:00 a.m. Registration/Vendors**
- 8:30 a.m. Native Trees**
- 9:30 a.m. New Plants for 2008**
- 10:30 a.m. Color in Shade Gardens:
9 Months of Natives in Bloom**
- 11:30 a.m. Shopping & Networking**



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Early Bird Symposium
Guest Speakers

James Hitz

“Native Trees for the Landscape”

Jim has been Executive Director of Taltree Arboretum and Gardens in Valparaiso since its inception in 1997. He previously taught high school horticulture and agriculture and has many years of work experience in agribusiness. In his presentation, Jim will highlight various trees native to Indiana that are suitable for the home landscape.

Ryan Baker

“What’s New for 2008”

Ryan is owner of Country View Greenhouse in South Whitley, Indiana. His family-run, retail business specializes in growing new and rare perennials and specialty annuals. Ryan studies and reads extensively to keep on top of what is new, rare and exciting in the market and is in continual search for sources of these plants. After working a 14-hour day in the greenhouse, Ryan finds relaxation by reading a horticulture book.

Gene Bush

“Color in the Shade Garden:

“Nine Months of Natives in Bloom”

Gene and his wife JoAn own and operate Munchkin Nursery and Gardens in southern Indiana. Their 2008 catalog features “native and non-native, rare & unusual shade perennials.” Gene’s credits are many and varied. He not only grows plants, but he is a writer, photographer, and lecturer, with many of his works being published in leading national magazines. With a speaking style that is both warm and down-to-earth, Gene will share firsthand information garnered from his experience in testing plants in his own display gardens. This presentation will change how you see our native woodland perennials. Check out his web site at:
www.munchkinnursery.com

Registration Form
2008 Early Bird Symposium

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