

# 2019 TURNING A NEW LEAF CONFERENCE

December 6

Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel, Harrisburg, PA



The Turning A New Leaf conference focuses on innovative practices to improve the Chesapeake Bay through conservation landscaping.

Educational Sessions • Eco-Marketplace  
Networking Opportunities



**EARLY REGISTRATION SEPT 15 - OCT 25**

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## Schedule of Events



Spicebush swallowtail butterfly (Photo courtesy Chesapeake Bay Program)

### 2019 Turning a New Leaf Conference

#### TRACKS:

- A: Streams and Surrounding Landscapes
- B: Landscapes in a Changing Climate
- C: Designing with Plant Communities

#### SCHEDULE:

8:00 am - 9:00 am Registration

Eco-Marketplace, non-profit & sponsor displays, book sale

9:00 am - 9:30 am

Welcome and Introductory Remarks

9:30 am - 10:30 am

Keynote: Rebuilding Abundance: Planting Strategies for more Colorful, Biodiverse, and Lower Input Landscapes - Thomas Rainer (Principal, Phyto Studio, ASLA)

10:45 am - 11:45 am Session 1

**Track A** Stream Restoration Panel - Kelly Gutshall (President, Landstudies Inc.); Ryan Davis (PA Forest Program Manager, Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay; Jimmy Dick (Business Development Manager, Environmental Quality Resources, LLC)

**Track B** Designing for Resiliency - Tim Stromberg (Principal, Stromberg/Garrigan & Associates, Inc.)

**Track C** Native Plants in the Landscape - Amy Highland (Director of Collections, Mt. Cuba Center)

11:45 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch

Eco-marketplace, non-profit and sponsor displays, book sale Lunch Presentation- Chesapeake Bay Program Update for Conservation Landscaping- Jim Edward (Deputy Director, Chesapeake Bay Program, US EPA)

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm Session 2

**Track A** Ecology of Streams and Importance of Streamside Trees - Dave Wise (Watershed Restoration Manager, Stroud Water Research Center)

**Track B** Ecological Underpinnings of Design - Fred Steiner (Dean and Paley Professor, University of Pennsylvania Stuart Weitzman School of Design)

**Track C** Local Plants in Highly Disturbed Urban Sites - Lauren Wheeler (Principal Designer, Natural Resources Design, Inc.)

1:45 pm - 2:45 pm Session 3

**Track A** Repairing Backyard Streams: Plants or Permits? - Jennifer Fetter (Water Resources Extension Education, Penn State Extension)

**Track B** Climate, CO<sub>2</sub> and Invasive Species - Lewis Ziska (Research Plant Physiologist, USDA-ARS)

**Track C** Native Fruiting Plants for Migratory Bird Nutrition - Susan Smith Pagano (Associate Professor of Biology, School of Life Sciences, Rochester Institute of Technology)

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Session 4

**Track A** Riparian Buffers Install and Maintenance - Successes and Challenges - Robin Anglemeyer (Senior Landscape Designer/Project Coordinator, Strauser Natures Helpers)

**Track B** The Landscape of Urban Streams: Opportunities Born of Disaster - Tom McGilloway (Principal, Mahan Rykiel Associates)

**Track C** Rain Garden Design for Maintenance Panel - Darlene Robbins (RainScapes Planner, Montgomery Co. Dept. of Environmental Protection); Lauren Wheeler (Principal Designer, Natural Resources Design, Inc.); Tim Stromberg (Principal, Stromberg/Garrigan & Associates, Inc.)

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Closing Plenary

Creating Outdoor Spaces that Connect Children to the Natural World - Nancy Striniste (Principal, EarlySpace)



For more detailed information on presentations, please visit:  
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## SPEAKERS

### Keynote: Thomas Rainer

#### Rebuilding Abundance: Planting Strategies for more Colorful, Biodiverse, and Lower Input Landscapes

How do we balance biodiversity with beauty in our designed landscapes? Join landscape architect Thomas Rainer to explore strategies for designing multi-layered, colorful, and resilient plantings. Learn tips about how to tailor plants to your soils, reduce weed pressure, and get more flowers into your planting beds. Listen to real world case studies from Phyto Studio's practice that can be used in your own home landscape. A practical and inspiring focus on an expanded vision of the role of planting design for the future.

### Closing Plenary: Nancy Striniste

#### Creating Outdoor Spaces that Connect Children to the Natural World

Nature play can awaken children's senses, challenge their bodies, inspire their imaginations and build self-confidence. To grow up healthy and happy, children need abundant, unstructured time to play and explore the natural world. Well-designed nature play spaces are inviting and endlessly engaging for children AND good for the planet. Nancy Striniste explains why and how to bring the beauty, adventure, and sustainability of nature play to backyards, schoolyards, churchyards, neighborhood parks, early childhood settings, and more.



Birch tree (Photo courtesy Chesapeake Bay Program)

## JOIN US BEFORE THE CONFERENCE

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

#### Pre-Conference Field Trips

##### Stream Restoration Tour • 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM

A bus tour of stream restoration projects in the Lititz area with the environmental consulting firm, LandStudies, Inc. Participants will see various restoration methods and learn the importance of plant communities in the long-term management of these practices.

##### Meadows in the Residential Landscape • 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Explore two meadow projects, developed using very different approaches. We will discuss plant selection, design considerations, seed mixes and landscaping plugs, managing invasive species and more. Led by Tim Hoover who has been working with warm season grass meadow establishment, diversification and maintenance for over 20 years.

#### Welcome Dinner

Thursday, December 5 • 6:00 PM

Join us for a pre-conference dinner and network with fellow landscape professionals. CCLC will award its Marcy Damon Conservation Landscaping Award to a deserving individual who has worked to advance CCLC's goals of promoting environmental stewardship and conservation landscaping practices in the Chesapeake Bay region.

#### Dinner Presentation

##### **Landscape sustainability at Penn State Hershey: Steve Furmanski**

Get an inside look at how Penn State Hershey is focusing its efforts to create and maintain a sustainable landscape at a health care facility. Hear about the transition into native type landscapes, along with the successes and challenges. The education of staff, maintenance workers, and public was important in blending the activities completed at Penn State Hershey to promote healthy living for staff, visitors, and the community.



Narrow-leaved sunflower (Photo courtesy Chesapeake Bay Program)

## Registration

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#### Join CCLC!

Become a CCLC member to support our conservation landscaping efforts and receive discounted conference registration rates!

**CCLC Membership** (\$40 individual / \$75 business)

#### Thursday, December 5, 2019:

Field Trips: \$40

Pre-conference Dinner: \$55 (cash bar available)

#### Friday, December 6, 2019:

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#### Conference Registration Fees

Early (\$100 members / \$120 non-members)

After Oct 25 (\$120 members / \$140 non-members)

Students \$65

Special lodging rate available at the Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel if reserved **by November 13, 2019** (must identify as part of Chesapeake Conservation Landscaping group). Visit Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey Hotel's [reservation link](#) or call 717-564-5511 to reserve lodging.

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