



2020 ABG Spring Garden Conference



Call for Presenters

Benny Benson Secondary School

Anchorage, AK

February 22nd, 2020

ABG is seeking engaging and knowledgeable presenters for our 2020 Spring Garden Conference. Do you have an area of expertise you would love to share with the larger gardening community? We welcome lecture and workshop style presentations (60 minutes) and shorter 15-minute sessions that can be included in “downtime” during or after the Conference. Our conference reaches a wide audience of long-time garden enthusiasts to the first-time gardeners. Proposals must be submitted by **December 20th, 2019** to ABG’s Program Director at stacey.shriner@alaskabg.org

Proposals in these areas (but not limited to) are welcomed:

- Pest Control- indoor and outdoor
- Greenhouse gardening
- Gardening with art in mind
- Maintaining an aging garden
- Soils
- Gardening for Wildlife
- Gardening for climate change
- Hydroponic gardening
- Gardening Year-round
- Companion planting
- Gardening for small spaces
- Photography in the garden
- Aging gracefully in the Garden
- Permaculture design
- Plants and pollinators

-Proposals need to be sent to stacey.shriner@alaskabg.org (please use the provided form)

-Due no later than December 20th, 2019

-Proposal needs to include the following:

- Speaker Name
- Presentation type (lecture, workshop style or short 15-minute session)
- Presentation level: Beginner, intermediate, advanced
- Lecture Title
- Lecture summary (50 words or less)
- Bio (100 words or less)- be sure to include relevant background information related to your topic of choice
- Abstract (200 words or less) for a 60min presentation; or 100 words or less if submitting for a short session
- Technology needed: laptop, projector, microphone

For questions or further information email stacey.shriner@alaskabg.org or call (907) 770-3692

2020 Alaska Botanical Garden Speaker Proposal

Speaker Name: Tamás Deák

Presentation type: lecture

Presentation level: advanced

Lecture Title: Designing Landscapes in the Changing Climate and Urban Forest in Anchorage

Lecture summary (49 words):

The urban forest is a realm where changing climactic conditions are as relevant as in any other ecosystem. The lecture investigates the challenges, opportunities and trends affecting the urban landscape from the perspective of site development in Anchorage relying on more than a quarter century of first-hand professional experience.

Bio (99 words):

Tamás Deák is the landscape architect of record at KPB Architects in Anchorage. His studies and thesis focused on green architecture and design in the early nineties and his practice has focused on implementing green infrastructural concepts into site development ever since.

The majority of his projects has been completed in Anchorage in urban or suburban environments with their associated urban forest. His portfolio provides a unique perspective on how accelerated change in our climate requires ever changing strategies to build more resilient, sustainable and yet socially meaningful and beautiful places in our city while enhancing our urban forest.

Abstract (136):

Climate change's effects on Anchorage's urban forest manifest themselves in subtle and in much less subtle ways everywhere we look. Changes in species composition; adjustments in the effective ranges of the limiting factors for species survival; changes that result in increased pressure and stress on various tree species; imbalance from infestations by otherwise naturally occurring pests of the ecosystem or from exotic species are all components that directly or indirectly affect how we design resilient and sustainable places. The presentation will explore a list of the various factors through the case studies of designed and built urban environments for public and private projects in Anchorage. The goal of the presentation will be to discover what we have and what we still have to learn to create more resilient, sustainable and memorable urban environments for our city.

Technology needed: laptop, projector, microphone:

Microphone, ability to connect computer or ability to project presentation from ppt format. Access to the Internet will also be desired.