## GARDEN FEVER 2025 REGISTRATION

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\$50/person through March 21 (mailed by 3/17) \$55/person Late reg, online only, closes 3/27 \*We cannot guarantee walk-in registration availability.

Price includes lunch, speaker sessions, silent auction, vendor fair, and door prizes. Lunch accommodates gluten free and vegetarian diet restrictions.

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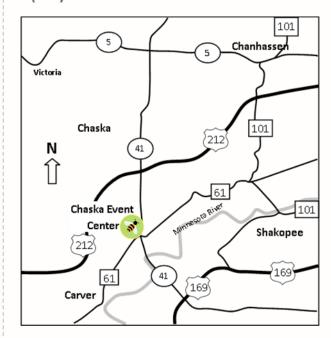
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Attn: Garden Fever 11360 Hwy 212 W, Ste 4 Cologne, MN 55322

Registration refunds deduct a \$5 administrative fee. After March 27, 2024, no refunds will be issued.

### **CHASKA Event Center**

3210 Chaska Blvd Chaska, MN 55318 (952) 227-7912



### Who are the Master Gardeners?

The mission of the Master Gardener Volunteer Program is to use research-based horticultural knowledge and practices to deliver educational outreach and project-based efforts that inspire change and promote healthy people, healthy communities, and a healthy planet.

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MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

# Carver-Scott Master Gardeners



April 12, 2025 8:45am - 3:30pm

Chaska Event Center Chaska, MN

### The Garden and Beyond

Gardening has no boundaries. Whether or not you have a traditional garden, this event will bring new knowledge to see the possibilities that await you. Kick off the gardening season with us at Garden Fever.



**8:45 AM** Registration Opens

9:30 AM Welcome

**Opening Remarks** 

### 9:45 AM Thea Evans Native Plants for Pollinators

Minnesota is home to over 500 native bee species! Learn how to create habitat for these important pollinators in your garden. This presentation will focus on choosing native plants that will thrive in your soil conditions while providing food and nesting habitat for bees throughout the year.

10:30 AM Break: Silent Auction, Vendor Fair

### 11:00 AM Tim Clemens The Forager's Garden

Did you know the first gardeners were foragers? Foraging is the ancient human story of finding food on the landscape and that practice is alive and well today. In this presentation, Tim Clemens of Ironwood Foraging Co., will help you learn about edible native shade plants, native mushrooms, pollinators, and how to reconnect with Nature's garden.

12:00 PM Lunch: Silent Auction, Vendor Fair

### 1:00 PM Jennifer Knutson Adding a Vertical Element to the Garden with Vines

Climbing vines have a special charm that goes beyond adding vertical interest to a garden. They can have a softening effect on a fence, add beauty to garden structures, or act as a screen. Their lush leaves and appealing flowers decorate the landscape with color and texture. Some provide edible or ornamental fruit, late-season decorative seed pods, colorful fall foliage, or fragrance. Popular perennial and annual vines will be discussed in this presentation.

1:45 PM Break: Silent Auction, Vendor Fair2:00 PM Silent Auction Bidding Closes

### 2:15 PM Stan Tekiela

Shockingly why "YOU" are not like a bird. People often compare our human bodies and human senses to other creatures in nature. In this fun, yet in-depth presentation, Stan walks us through why we are almost always wrong when we compare ourselves to the birds. His extensive knowledge of the biology of birds is presented with his usual humorous and understandable way.

3:15 PM Closing Remarks, Door Prizes Silent Auction Pick-Up

### **About Thea Evans**

Thea Evans is the project coordinator for the MN Bee Atlas, a statewide citizen science project studying wood-nesting bees in Minnesota. Prior to working in research, Thea worked in the native plant landscaping industry. She currently coordinates maintenance of the pollinator garden at the University of Minnesota Bee Lab, developing the garden as an educational tool to demonstrate best practices for pollinator conservation.

#### **About Tim Clemens**

Tim Clemens is a Consulting Mycologist for the Minnesota Regional Poison System and the Past President of the Minnesota Mycological Society. Born and raised in Minneapolis, Tim founded Ironwood Foraging Co. to create profound connections between people, plants, and mushrooms. Find Tim online at IronwoodForaging.com and @ironwoodforaging on Instagram and FB.

#### **About Jennifer Knutson**

Jennifer Knutson is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin – Madison. She has been a University of Minnesota Extension Master Gardener since 2007. Jennifer is a member of the Minnesota Horticultural Society and North Star Lily Society. She has been writing a popular garden column that is published in the *Brainerd Dispatch* since 2008.

### **About Stan Tekiela**

Naturalist, wildlife photographer and author/writer Stan Tekiela, has authored more than 200 field guides, nature appreciation books and wildlife audio CDs for nearly every state in the nation, presenting on many species of birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians, trees, wildflowers and cacti. His syndicated column appears in over 20 newspapers and his wildlife programs are broadcast on Midwest radio stations.