

What to Expect...

Sullivan Renaissance's annual **Winter Conference and Expo** will launch the 2010 season of grant programs and announce new initiatives for this year. The day will bloom with spring flowers, inspiration, and the tools and resources you will need to make a difference in your community. Workshops on a wide variety of topics, an expo including gardening, landscape and other exhibitors, and presentation of the 14th annual **Sullivan First Achievement Awards** will be featured. Sullivan Renaissance 2010 grant applications will also be available.

NEW THIS YEAR!

- More emphasis on the **showing of flowers** with an award up to \$5,000 for best overall flowers and four \$1,000 "Judges Choice" awards
- The addition of "**flower dollars**" to purchase annuals at participating garden centers and nurseries
- Community Development Grants
- Expanded Environmental Initiatives including a new category for **community vegetable gardens**

Please remember that space is limited and pre-registration is required!

There are four ways to pre-register:

- Call 845-295-2445
- Fax registration form to 845-295-2746
- E-mail sgonzalez@sullivanrenaissance.org
- Mail registration form to:
Sullivan Renaissance
c/o Gerry Foundation
PO Box 311, Liberty, NY 12754

Conference Schedule

8:00 CONFERENCE & EXPO OPEN

*Registration
Coffee Bar ~ Light Breakfast*

9:00 PROGRAM BEGINS

Welcome ~ Sandra Gerry

What's New for 2010

~ Glenn Pontier, Program Director

Presentation of Sullivan
First Achievement Awards

9:30 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

C.L. Fornari

Also known as "the garden lady," C.L. Fornari is a gardening expert, author, radio host and professional speaker. She believes that whether your thumbs are green or black, gardening is one of the most life-affirming things we can do. The author of several books and articles on gardening, C.L. is a dynamic speaker who speaks enthusiastically about a wide variety of subjects including garden design, plant selection, problem solving, low-maintenance landscaping, and much more.

10:45 WORKSHOP SESSION I

11:45 WORKSHOP SESSION II

12:45 CLOSING REMARKS DOOR PRIZE DRAWINGS

Expo will remain open throughout the day!

New this year:

Visit our "buy local" marketplace!



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2010 WINTER CONFERENCE & EXPO



*Joining together to celebrate
ten years of beautifying
Sullivan County*

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 20, 2010
CVI Building ♦ Ferndale, NY
8am - 1pm

WORKSHOP SESSION I

Time: 10:45 - 11:35

WORKSHOP SESSION II

Time: 11:45 - 12:35

A. Creating & Managing a Successful Project

Learn the secrets of how to successfully manage a project from idea to implementation. Topics to be covered include defining tasks, delegation, using committees effectively, how to stay on track, and avoiding volunteer burn out. Includes a fun role-playing session with a fictitious project.

Presenter: Helen Budrock

A. Painless Permits & Permissions

In this workshop, participants will learn what types of projects might trigger the need to obtain a building permit, highway permit, or other permits/permissions from various local, county and state agencies. A panel of experts will share their tips for how to painlessly navigate the permitting process.

Presenters: Allen Frishman, Marcia Fink, Glenn Gidaly

B. Ask the Experts: Gardening with Nurseries

We put together a panel of experts from right in your own backyard: your neighborhood garden centers and nurseries! Come prepared to stump the panel with questions about getting started in the garden, the use of native plants, dealing with pests, incorporating hardscaping, or other topics.

Presenters: Renee Davis, Will Foster, Tom Manza

B. Moving from Inspiration to Installation

We are inspired when we visit beautiful gardens or see photos of lovely landscapes, but how can we go beyond our feelings of envy and admiration, and apply what we see in our own landscapes? This talk is about analyzing why we are inspired, and how to use that information in our own gardens.

Presenter: C.L. Fornari

C. Cultivating Kids

This inspiring and entertaining talk focuses on how to encourage children to become involved in the garden, including what adults can do to create future gardeners. Topics to be covered include children's gardens, fun projects, engaging plants and other ways to engage youth.

Presenter: C.L. Fornari

C. YOUth Can Make a Difference

Sullivan County youth are invited to learn about ways that they have and can continue to make change in their communities. From understanding critical local issues to participating in community projects, you are the future leaders! All are welcome to hear more about scholarships, community service and internship opportunities.

Presenters: Denise Frangipane, Laura Quigley

D. Capturing Rain in Gardens & Barrels

Outdoor spaces can be used very effectively to address the extremes of water availability. We will explore two easy ways to capture rain water that will help create beautiful landscapes while keeping our waterways clean, and peak storm levels down.

Presenter: Heather Jacksy, Robert Hayes

D. The ABCs of Community Vegetable Gardens

Community gardens can create a beautiful public space and also grow healthy food for you and your neighbors! Learn the basics of starting a community garden, including planning, recruiting volunteers, and organizing usage.

Anyone considering applying for a Sullivan Renaissance grant for a community garden is encouraged to attend.
Presenter: Challey Comer

E. My Sullivan County: Mountains of Opportunity

Sullivan County stakeholders recently gathered to brainstorm about our common economic future. This session will serve as a focus group to review the recommendations and get additional feedback. This is a great opportunity to be directly involved in our future.

Presenter: Luiz Aragon, Commissioner of Planning

E. My Sullivan County (Repeat Session)

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Presenter: Luiz Aragon, Commissioner of Planning

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WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

Please indicate your 1st, 2nd and 3rd workshop preference for each session by writing the number in the blanks below. Workshops will fill up on a first come, first served basis.

Workshop Session I 10:45-11:35

- A. Creating & Managing a Successful Project
- B. Ask the Experts
- C. Cultivating Kids
- D. Capturing Rain in Gardens & Barrels
- E. My Sullivan County

Workshop Session II 11:45-12:35

- A. Painless Permits & Permissions
- B. Moving from Inspiration to Installation
- C. YOUth Can Make a Difference
- D. The ABCs of Community Gardens
- E. My Sullivan County (Repeat Session)

Name: _____

Community: _____

Phone: _____

Mobile: _____

E-mail: _____

**Please complete and return this form to us
by February 15, 2010!**

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