

# AUGUST EVENTS



## Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>

8:00—9:00 am      **Early Bird Sale** Coffee and a free \$5 gift card for those who make a purchase of \$20 or more before 9 am.

### 10:00—11:00 am      **Unusual Edibles for the Connecticut Landscape**

Learn about various types of unusual fruit and berries that grow well in Connecticut. Dan Furman will focus on the landscape/ecological place filled by these plants in addition to the interesting fruit. The lecture includes information on figs, pawpaws, persimmons, quince, Asian pears, and elderberries to name a few.

Dan Furman is co-owner of Cricket Hill Garden, a second generation specialty nursery and forest farm, in Thomaston, CT. Since joining the business in 2010, he has worked to expand the peony production program at the nursery, as well as diversify the stock grown to include unusual landscape and forest edibles. Nancy calls him “The Figman”- he is our CT expert.

## Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>

### 10:00—11:00 am      **Shade Stroll with Nancy**

It’s August and the one place that you want to be is in the shade. Join Nancy for an unscripted stroll through the Natureworks shade gardens and learn what’s in bloom, what plants have fabulous summer foliage, and how we keep our shade gardens thriving and happy. Herbal iced tea will be served after the walk under the teaching tent.

## Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

### 10:00—11:00 am      **Edible Flowers and Herbal Iced Teas**

Kick back on a summer day and learn how to grow and harvest all kinds of herbs and edible flowers. Enjoy various refreshing beverages and snacks and expand your culinary creativity.

**Registration** in advance is required. FEE: \$5. Visit [naturework.com/events](http://naturework.com/events) or call 203-484-2748.

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**Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup> 10:00—11:00 am**

## **CT Horticultural Society Event: All About the Monarch Butterfly**

*The CT Horticultural Society (CHS) is sponsoring this FREE workshop.*

**Registration is required** and is open to CHS members as well as the general public.

Register by contacting Mary Anna at the CHS office, [\(860\) 529-8713](tel:8605298713)

or via email at [connhort@gmail.com](mailto:connhort@gmail.com) The registration limit is 30.

Natureworks is a safe house for all butterflies, especially the beautiful orange Monarch. In 2016 we raised and released over 700 Monarchs in our store. We are raising them again this year.

- Learn how to recognize the monarch eggs and the caterpillars and then how to collect and raise them.
- Learn how to tag and release the butterflies for Monarch Watch.
- Learn about the different types of Asclepias (milkweed and their ornamental relatives) plants and the flowers that provide important nectar as they grow and get ready to migrate to Mexico.

In CT we raise the final generation of Monarchs that make the long journey to Mexico where they overwinter. Our work is critical in assuring that we provide a safe, organic, flower-filled oasis for these precious creatures. You will get to take a close look at monarch eggs and a chrysalis.

The plight of the Monarch butterfly is well known, and received a lot of attention in the media lately. Learn what YOU can do to help the monarch and their habitats.



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