



Chalet's Winter Seminar Series 2017
Held Fridays at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. and
Saturdays at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M.
Chalet Education Center
3132 Lake Ave., Wilmette, Illinois

Jan. 13 & Jan. 14: Caring for Holiday Gift Plants – “What Do I Do Now?”

Jan. 20 & Jan. 21: Terrarium Workshop with terrarium designer, Laura Mae Noble –
Pre-registration and \$60.00 payment required. Please call 847-256-0561 x230.

Jan. 27 & Jan. 28: Attracting Birds to Your Yard

Feb. 3 & Feb. 4: Air Plants, What Are They, How Do I Care For Them and Use Them?

Feb. 10 & Feb. 11: Orchids with Hermann Pigors

Feb. 17 & Feb. 18: Couples Terrarium Workshop with with terrarium designer, Laura Mae Noble -
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Feb. 24 & Feb. 25: Best Seeds for Vegetable Gardens – Select and buy now, plant later!

Mar. 3 & Mar. 4: Getting Excited About Spring Blooming Bulbs-the Keukenhof Garden
with Ray Vlach

Mar. 10 & Mar. 11: Winter Tree & Shrub Trimming with Lesley & Gil Smith

Mar. 17 & Mar. 18: Spring Garden Care with Tony Fulmer

Mar. 24 & Mar. 25: Amanda Thomsen, author of *Kiss My Aster, A Graphic Guide to Creating a
Fantastic Yard Totally Tailored to You*

Mar. 31 & Apr. 1: Lesley & Gil Smith – Tending to the Bones of the Garden – The Woody Plants

Apr. 7 & Apr. 8: 100 Years of Landscaping History with Nina Kozial

Apr. 14, Apr. 15 & Apr. 16: NO Lectures Good Friday and Easter Weekend

Repotting workshops: Walk-in with maximum 3 plants for \$5.00 each which includes potting mix and
starter fertilizer. Guest provides containers

The time is 2:00PM to 3:00PM upstairs in the Education Center.

Houseplants – Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar 8, (NOT ON April 12 – Jennifer out of town)

Orchids – Jan 25, Feb 22, Mar 22, Apr 26

If you have any questions, please call Jennifer Brennan at 847-256-0561, x225.

Also available at www.chaletnursery.com

(Over for lecture descriptions)

CARING FOR HOLIDAY GIFT PLANTS – If you are asking, “What Do I Do Now?”, when you look at your Poinsettias, Amaryllis, Flowering Paperwhites, Cyclamen and Air Plants, come to the Education Center to learn the correct watering, fertilizing and lighting techniques to use to keep your holiday gift plants alive.

TERRARIUM WORKSHOP – A terrarium is an enclosed, indoor garden, usually small and made of glass so that you can see your collection of plants. Laura Mae Noble, terrarium designer of *Noble Terraria*, will walk you through creating your own living green world to help you escape the winter cold. Enjoy your indoor garden as you wait for your outdoor garden to wake up in the Spring. All materials will be provided, including the container. **Pre-registration and \$60.00 payment required. Please call 847-256-0561x230. Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

ATTRACTING BIRDS TO YOUR YARD – Enjoying and helping birds is one of the best things to do to help them survive Chicago winters. Learn about the 3 most important things that we humans can provide. **Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

AIR PLANTS – Air plants are in the bromeliad family and are so popular because they do not require soil to grow. Learn how to use them and how to care for them from a Chalet expert.

PLANNING FOR THE VEGETABLE GARDEN – BEST SEEDS – The seeds are back at Chalet. Now is the time to learn which varieties taste the best and perform the best. Learn the seeds recommended by Chalet experts. **Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

ORCHIDS with HERMANN PIGORS - Learn about the different orchid varieties from one of the foremost experts in the U.S. Hermann Pigors, has raised orchids for many years and he makes understanding their requirements easy. Learn the secrets of re-potting, light requirements and the best techniques for fertilizing. He will cover the best types of orchids for home culture as well as lesser known varieties to add to your collection. **Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

COUPLES TERRARIUM WORKSHOP – Give your sweetheart the gift of a workshop that you do together. Present the gift on Valentines Day and come to Chalet the week afterward to create a green terrarium landscape together. Laura Mae Noble, terrarium designer of *Noble Terraria*, will walk you through creating your own. All materials will be provided, including the container. **Pre-registration and \$60.00 payment required. Please call 847-256-0561x230. Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

BEST SEEDS FOR VEGETABLE GARDENS – Chalet experts will tell you the best vegetable seeds to select and buy now to get the newest and best of the season. Plant later when the danger of frost is past or plan to start the seeds indoors 8 weeks before the average last frost of the season.

GETTING EXCITED ABOUT SPRING BLOOMING BULBS – Tour the Keukenhof Garden with Ray Vlach, photographer and retired art teacher. See the garden that inspired Chalet Landscape Architect, Michael Blackwell, to plant 19,000 Spring blooming bulbs in the Chalet fenceline garden. March is the best time to get excited about bulbs because the show starts outside at the end of the month.

WINTER TREE AND SHRUB TRIMMING with LESLEY & GIL SMITH - Learn the secret that only certified arborists know, that it is fun and simple to trim your trees and shrubs when their leaves are absent! Through demonstrations, discussion and hands on experience you will learn the basics of tree physiology and how it is affected by trimming; proper practices of trimming during winter months; and, the advantages of winter trimming of certain species for maximum health and plant performance. **Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

SPRING GARDEN CARE - Tony Fulmer, Chalet Chief Horticulture Officer, will continue his seasonal advice for garden care with steps and techniques for Spring. Let Tony be your coach, so you will not miss any "plays" as your garden wakes up. **Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

AMANDA THOMSEN – Meet the author of the book *Kiss My Aster*, and learn how to create your own fantastic yard YOUR way. Amanda is a regular columnist in *Green Profit Magazine* and a social media star. Meet this fun, dynamic and famous landscaper in person and stay afterward to get a copy of her book signed. Learn and laugh with Amanda! **Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

TENDING TO THE BONES OF THE GARDEN – THE WOODY PLANTS – Trees and woody shrubs are the bones of any garden design. We all love the pretty flower displays and lavish our attention there, while often neglecting the needs of the trees that anchor all the rest. This session with Certified Master Arborists, Gilbert and Lesley Smith of Arborsmith, will clarify what we can do to protect, preserve and give trees opportunities for thriving, dispelling the many harmful misconceptions that innocently do damage to our woody friends. Learn critical secrets about tree physiology and care from arborists who have spent their lives correcting easily preventable errors. **Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**

100 YEARS OF LANDSCAPING HISTORY – In honor of Chalet’s 100th Anniversary, Nina Koziol will show us how garden design has changed since the Midwest was first settled. Learn about design evolution, the rise of the suburban lawn movement, foundation plantings, cottage gardens, moon gardens and heirloom plants. Take the best of these design ideas and examine how they can be used in your own garden. A long-time contributor to the *Chicago Tribune’s* “Home & Garden” section and Chicagoland Gardening, Nina has taught classes at the Morton Arboretum for 20 years. Her articles have appeared in *Organic Gardening*, *Fine Gardening*, *Old-House Journal*, *Old-House Interiors* and many others. **Held at 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. both days.**