



## The *Sunset* Seminar Series

The Northwest Flower & Garden Show is home to the largest seminar series of its kind in the world. This year, it's larger than ever before, with over 100 seminars by leading horticultural and design authorities from around the world, including 37 practical hands-on demonstrations and a new children's seminar series.

### Seminar Passes

Our popular seminar passes allow you to pick up a pass two hours before a seminar in the Rainier or Hood Rooms, then continue to stroll the inspirational Display Gardens or shop the Marketplace before the seminar begins. Every pass holder is guaranteed a seat if they are in line 10 minutes before the seminar starts.

### Highlights

A few of the stars from the gardening world speaking this year include:

- **Laurie Olin**, One of America's most distinguished landscape architects will speak on "Art and the Garden"
- **Timothy Walker**, Director of the University of Oxford Botanic Garden and expert horticulturist
- **Sean Hogan**, Widely respected nurseryman and horticulturist
- **Karen Platt**, Author of 16 books and a visionary leader in the bold use of color in the garden
- **Melinda Myers**, Author, television and radio host, and columnist for the *Milwaukee Journal*
- **Joe Lamp'l**, "Fresh From the Garden" host on DIY Network, radio host and columnist
- **Steve Lorton**, Former Northwest Bureau Chief of *Sunset* magazine
- Oregon-area experts **Lucy Hardiman** and **Maurice Horn**
- **Dan Hinkley**, famous plant explorer and nurseryman
- Leading Puget Sound garden authorities, including **Ciscoe Morris**, **Val Easton**, Mary Robson, Marty Wingate, **Debra Prinzing**, **Marianne Binetti**, **Cass Turnbull**, **Ed Hume** and more

A symposium for new gardeners, the "Get Growing Symposium," will feature:

- "25 Plants I Couldn't Live Without" – Carolyn Jones
- "Getting Started on Organic Gardening" – Ladd Smith
- "Selecting Healthy Nursery Plants" – Dr. Linda Chalker-Scott
- "Dirt Cheap Gardening & Landscaping for Less" – Marianne Binetti

A few exciting topics from the new "Sprouts Stage" children's seminar series include:

- "Going Batty for Bats!" – Kathleen Bander
- "Hands on Horticulture" – Joe Lamp'l
- "Bugs! Eek! Squish! Splat!" – Ciscoe Morris
- "Gardening is FUN! FUN! FUN!" – Ed Hume

Additional highlights of seminar subjects include designing garden sanctuaries, edible gardens, small space gardening, natural gardens with style, pruning, garden gear and gadgets, worm composting and much more. Following their seminars, authors will be signing books available for purchase at a table near the seminar rooms.