

HOW TO JOIN ACNARGS September 19 Program

This meeting will be our FIRST EVER virtual meeting. We are so excited to be trying this out and appreciate your patience and understanding as we all work together to make this a terrific experience.

IF YOU HAVE NOT USED ZOOM BEFORE: READ THIS

Many of you may already be familiar with using zoom for meetings. If not, here's what is required. First, you need to have access to the Internet and a computer or access to one. The program can also be viewed by smartphone but that is not as preferable. To zoom with a smartphone without using data, consider going to a hot spot (check with your public library) where you can connect to the wifi there.

Your computer does not need to have a camera or microphone to see and hear the program. You as a participant will not be heard or seen by any other participants. We are using a Cornell Zoom account that has extra safeguards for your personal security.

If you are unfamiliar with zoom and are unsure, after reading these instructions, about how to be able to connect to our September 19 meeting, contact Terry Humphries, terryehumphries@gmail.com, for assistance.

TO PARTICIPATE YOU MUST REGISTER

Here is the link to register, if you want to register NOW:

https://cornell.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_JKvXym9rTGSxNKZAf3cTew

Or you can wait until you receive an email inviting to register for the program. The program is free and open to anyone who receives the invitation. You may share your invitation with any of your gardening networks you that think might be interested in the program (in fact, we hope you do!). They will also have to register if they wish to participate. Because we are collaborating with Cornell Botanic Gardens, they will be our Zoom host. Thus we have the capacity for a lot of people to view these presentations. Their membership has been invited to join us.

If you forget to register in advance, you can register even once the program has begun. You will need the registration link to do so, then follow the prompts.

Missed the meeting? The meeting will be recorded and posted. We will send all registrants a link to the recording in a few days following the live presentation.

REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION

You will receive an email confirmation that you have registered. That confirmation will contain the meeting link, meeting ID number and passcode. Keep this information to have it available on September 19th. If you keep an electronic calendar, you can record all this information there.

WHAT TO EXPECT ON SEPTEMBER 19TH

Click on the Zoom link that was provided to you in your email registration confirmation. Take a few minutes before the scheduled time of 1pm on September 19th to prepare, because you may get to download zoom. About 12:55pm, your computer screen will display a visual that confirms the meeting is about to start. The meeting will begin at 1:00pm. Kevin Moss with Cornell Botanic Gardens will be serving as moderator.

With the opening of the meeting Kevin will take a few minutes to review some basic operational details with Zoom such as volume control, how to view in full screen, the Q&A function, etc. If you are having difficulties, you should click on the Q&A at the bottom of your screen and hit return. Kevin will see your comment and try to resolve your issue.

Then Terry Humphries, a familiar ACNARGS face, will provide a brief overview of ACNARGS, since we will have participants beyond our membership.

Kevin will return to provide an overview of Cornell Botanic Gardens for the same reason. Then he will introduce our speakers. The talks will last about 1 hour with a question and answer period to follow. You may ask a question by clicking on the Q&A box and typing into the box that appears.

Questions will be addressed at the end of the presentations. This will end the program portion of the meeting.

ACNARGS BRIEF MEETING FOLLOWING

At the end of Q&A, our Chapter will hold a short meeting conducted by John Gilrein, Chair of the Adirondack Chapter NARGS. He will share with you our plans for future ACNARGS programming in compliance with current restrictions. Any participants not affiliated with our Chapter will have the option to leave the meeting at this point.