

## **RUTGERS MASTER GARDENERS OF OCEAN COUNTY SPEAKERS' BUREAU HORTICULTURAL TOPICS LIST OF 2025**

### **ANNUALS & PERENNIALS**

Annuals: Putting the "WOW" in Your Garden  
Pretty Perfect Perennials  
Shade Gardens: Plants for Sun Starved Gardens

### **SHRUBS**

Hydrangeas- When, Why & How  
Shrubs for Ocean County

### **INDOOR & HOUSEPLANTS**

The Dirt on Houseplants  
Plant-astic Succulents & Cacti  
Outrageous Orchids

### **NATIVE PLANTS**

Gardening Down the Shore  
Native Plants of Ocean County  
Native Plants: Environmental Impact

### **VEGETABLE GARDENING**

Pest management (IPM) for Vegetable Gardens  
Starting a Vegetable Garden: Let's Pro-Seed  
Starting a Raised Bed Vegetable Garden: Let's Pro-Seed

### **CONTAINER GARDENING**

Container Gardening- Flowers or Vegetables  
Herb Gardening in Containers  
Terrariums

### **INSECTS & DISEASES**

Love That Bug – Beneficial Insects  
Tick Talk Safety- Time to Learn about Ticks  
What's Bugging You?

### **GARDEN TOPICS**

Butterflies & Hummingbirds in Your Garden  
Deer Resistant Plants  
"Dirty" Secrets of Invasive Plants  
Early Spring Pruning  
Edible Flowers: Color, Flavor & Fun  
Fall: Putting Your Garden to Bed  
Growing Garlic- Fall Topic  
Landscaping with Ornamental Grasses  
Landscaping for Winter Interest  
Long Seasons of Color in Your Garden  
Planting Bulbs for All Seasons  
Spring has Sprung: Get Your Garden Growing  
Thyme to Learn About Herbs  
Winter Seed Sowing

### **YOUTH/ ADULT PROGRAMS**

All About Sunflowers  
Seeds: Sow What ?  
Worms & Other Decomposers  
Pass the Plants, Please -parts of plants we eat  
Where Does Your Candy Come From?  
Worm Composting

### **DEMONSTRATIONS**

**These topics can be lecture or interactive.**  
**Interactive programs may require the host to supply materials for make & take demos.**

Bulbs in Containers  
Butterfly Puddlers  
Container Gardening  
Seed Starting  
Terrariums  
Winter Sowing

Please Note: Rutgers Master Gardeners of Ocean County offers speakers to community groups, free of charge, as part of their outreach programs. However, the organization will gladly accept an honorarium to help us in our horticultural education efforts.

**Honorarium should be made payable to "Rutgers, The State University of NJ" with Speakers Bureau written in memo area.**