



## 2009 MIDWEST REGIONAL HOSTA SOCIETY CONVENTION

Hosted by  
Illinois Prairie Hosta Society  
June 11-13, 2009

I Hotel and Conference Center  
1900 South First Street Champaign, IL 61820

### SPEAKER SCHEDULE & TOPICS

*(As of March 12, 2009 -- Subject To Change)*

#### Thursday, June 11th

6:45 PM      Dennis Kovar      Floral Arrangements from the Garden

#### Friday, June 12th

8:30 AM      Sandy Mason      Gardening Smarter Not Harder  
Start the day with your personal trainer, Sandy, and exercise your brain before you exercise your back. This 'workout' explores tools and techniques that make gardening easier, or at least more fun!

9:30 AM      Mary Ann Metz      The Shady Side of Peonies  
Learn all about peonies from an authority on the subject, including which peonies play well with hosta. Mary Ann's presentation reflects her 30+ years experience and great appreciation for the genera.

10:30 AM      James Bier      Japanese Garden Design  
James has studied, designed and built Japanese gardens, beginning with his home and garden in 1966. Through slides and lecture, James will walk you through the principles of Japanese garden design.

1:00 PM      Glenn Herold      My 25 Favorite Plants  
More goes into making a plant a favorite than what meets the eye. Based on 35 years of plant experience, Glenn picks his favorite trees, shrubs, conifers, herbaceous perennials, and, of course, hosta!

2:00 PM      Mike Shadrack      Hostas In The English Garden  
No passport needed for this English garden tour. Mike, a renowned British hosta gardener, author and photographer, will lead your visit of several English gardens and look at the horticultural hobby in the UK.

3:00 PM      Mike Tiffany      Viruses In Ornamentals and HVX Demo  
This presentation will describe viral disease problems in ornamental crops, especially HVX in hosta. Mike will also demonstrate how to use the Agdia HVX Immuno Strip test.

#### Saturday, June 13th

7:30 PM      Mike Shadrack      Dinner Speaker