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A Day for Stewardship: Workshops and Nature Walks, and “A Sense of Wonder”

Bryant Homestead, Cummington, MA., Sunday, September 11, 2016, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CHANGE

	HAY MOW (Red Barn)	MAIN TENT	GROUNDS (Bryant Road)
10 am.	10-5 pm: ART EXHIBIT. Watercolors by Walt Cudnohufsky. “The Many Moods of New England Landscapes”	9:45 am: Welcome (David Perkins) 10:00-10:30: INTRODUCTIONS: WORKSHOP LEADERS Robert Leverett, forest researcher; Walt Cudnohufsky, landscape design and planner, Ashfield; Jim McSweeney, horticulturalist-arborist, Chesterfield; Jeffrey Ritterson, Forest Bird Conservation Fellow, Mass Audubon; Mark Richardson, chief horticulturist, N.C. Wildflower Society; Tom Sullivan, landscape designer and bee specialist; Thomas Tynning, naturalist, professor, Berkshire Community College; Michael Mauri, forester; Aimee Gelinas, naturalist, Tamarack Hollow Nature Preserve, Windsor, MA.; Blanche Derby, naturalist; Ryan Wicks, UMASS graduate student, Dept. of Environmental Conservation. 10:45-11:45: WORKSHOPS, PART ONE Walt Cudnohufsky on “Designing with Nature in Mind.” (walkabout) Blanche Derby, “Wild Fall Edibles” (Small Tent) Jeffrey Ritterson, “Birds and Climate Change” (Apple Shed) Aimee Gelinas, “How to Create Your Own Nature Preserve--from the Ground Up” (Big Tent) NOON-1 pm: WORKSHOPS, PART TWO Mark Richardson, “Gardening with Native Plants” (Main Tent) Michael Mauri, “The Forest Around Us: Encouraging Diversity and Complexity ” (Apple Shed) Jim McSweeney, “Practical Permaculture.” (Small Tent) Thomas Tynning, “Changing Patterns in Wildlife” (Hay Mow) 1:40-2:40 pm: WORKSHOPS, PART THREE Tom Sullivan, “Native Bees and Other Pollinators: Why We Need Them” (Small Tent); Michael Mauri, “The Forest Around Us: Encouraging Diversity and Complexity ” (Apple Shed); Walt Cudnohufsky, “Designing with Nature in Mind.” (walkabout); Ryan Wicks, UMASS graduate student, Dept. of Environmental Conservation, “The Future of Drones in Conservation,” w. demo with. (Hay Mow and Field). PERFORMANCE 3:15-4:30 p.m, DRAMA: “A SENSE OF WONDER,” with Kaiulani Lee. Miss Lee’s one-woman play on the life of environmental pioneer Rachel Carson, author of <i>Silent Spring</i> .	10-4 pm, TABLES AND BOOTHS. Small presses, NGOs, schools, garden groups, etc. 9:30-10:30 am: Guided tours of Bryant Homestead by Trustees of Reservations docents. (Extra charge.) 10:45-11:45 GUIDED NATURE WALK I: “Connections - Exploring the World of Nature,” with Ted Watt, Hitchcock Center for the Environment, Amherst 1-1:40 pm BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC LUNCH. Sandwiches available at the Old Creamery on Rte. 9, below the Homestead. NOON-1:30 pm, GUIDED NATURE WALK II, OLD GROWTH FOREST, in the Bryant Homestead’s old growth forest, with Robert Leverett, forest researcher, and Joan Maloof. (Hour and a half.) Meet at the Rivulet Trail entrance. 1:15-1:35: DANCE: “We are all this,” directed by Whitney Wilson and Will Shields and performed by members of the Earthdance community. In the fields.

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