

2024 Newfields Fall Horticulture Forum Speaker

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Born and raised in Wilmington, Delaware, the son of a thirdgeneration retail florist and cut flower grower and a pioneer in the DIY home center movement after the second world war.

I find myself equally at home in either the greenhouse or the woodshop.

Having finished my studies at the University of Delaware, I went to work at Mt. Cuba Center, The onto Nursery sales at Imperial Nurseries, then finally the opportunity to join the team at Chanticleer in the formative era.

Now in my 31st year in the garden I have stepped back from most of my garden responsibilities. This is a good thing as I am developing the woodshop at chanticleer as a year-round teaching shop. Engaging interns and sharing a skill that they will take with them in their career.



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I lecture frequently across the US and internationally. I'm on the teaching staff at Longwood Gardens and conduct Chair building workshops. Several webinars a season in conjunction with Garden Design keeps me active. With the time I have left I garden with my wife Peggy Anne Montgomery in northern Delaware. Our garden has been featured recently in American Roots (McCollough) and The New Naturalism (Norris)



Presenting *Design Principals of the Pro for Home Landscapes*

This talk will give the beginner and advanced gardeners tips from the pros to help freshen up their own gardens at home. It will provide something to think about while contemplating their own beds, pots and combinations next season.