

Lexington Tree Committee 2006 Lecture Series
Six Views of the Urban Forest

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The Role of Trees in the Urban Forest - January 18, 2006

Peter del Tredici, Senior Research Scientist at the renowned Arnold Arboretum, has a broad interest in urban ecology, botany and horticulture. Also a lecturer at Harvard's Graduate School of Design, his focus is to bridge the gap between botany and horticulture. This provocative speaker will prove how our street trees, often taken for granted, make the human landscape more livable.



Invasive Woody Plants of Lexington's Roadsides - February 15, 2006

Peter Alden lectures frequently on invasive plants. He has written 14 regional nature field guides, including the *National Audubon Field Guide to New England*. He initiated, with Lexington's E.O. Wilson, the world's first 'Biodiversity Days'. Learn why Lexington lacks diversity in its trees and is known by arborists as a 'Norway Maple' town.



Urban Forestry: The Broader Benefits - April 12, 2006

Clarissa Rowe, Landscape Architect, head of the Arlington Land Trust and **Jane Calvin**, director of the Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust will lead a discussion on being 'treecentric'. They will reveal new research on trees and regard Lexington's tree program as a framework for a new approach to urban forestry, especially through its 2001 tree bylaw and Tree Manual, published in Dec. 2003.



In Homage to Wood - Native Trees for the Urban Forest and Garden - May 10, 2006

William Cullina is director for the New England Wildflower Nurseries, now the largest of its kind in N.E. His mission is to sell unusual native plants to gardeners and eventually produce enough genotypes for habitat restoration. His indispensable books illustrate the great diversity and beauty of native plants. Learn about some of the fabulous trees appropriate for both large and small spaces with an emphasis on species that are easy to grow and provide interest throughout the season.



Forests on the Edge - Linking Northeastern Wildlands and the Urban Forest - September 13, 2006

Jad Daley is campaign director for the Northern Forest Alliance, a coalition of groups committed to protecting the vast forests of New England. Conservation work is flourishing across N.E., from easements conserving millions of acres in northern Maine to the establishment of new community forests in suburban areas like Lexington. These efforts appear disconnected but are in fact interconnected. We will hear about the exciting large conservation work occurring across N.E. making important linkages to the greater Boston metro area.



Implementing a Tree Management Program in Lexington - October 18, 2006

Lexington's **David Pinsonneault** wears two hats - Superintendent of Public Grounds and Tree Warden. He will wear them both while discussing the town's 2001 Tree Bylaw, unique in the state. The challenging job of maintaining a tree canopy in times of fiscal and environmental stress is the theme of this lecture.



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