

# NC Native Plant Society 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Statewide Celebration

## Event Schedule

### Friday, Sept. 25

6:00-9:00 PM: **Gathering at “The Plant”** - a food and beverage campus in Pittsboro - to meet and socialize. (220 Lorax Lane, Pittsboro, NC)

### Saturday, Sept. 26

*All events on Saturday except for Field Trips will occur at the Chatham County Agriculture & Conference Center – 1192 U.S. Hwy 64 West Business, Pittsboro, NC*

9:00a – 1:30p Check-in open at the CCACC (no new registrations accepted on site)

9:00a – 1:30p **Native Plant Sale** on East Lawn open

#### Morning Events:

Option 1: **Field Trips** - Start times and meeting locations vary, see list below and Field Trips tab

Option 2: **Workshops** - Times and topics listed below and in the Workshops tab.

11:45a – 1:00p *Enjoy lunch and celebratory cake, browse history and chapter exhibits, and shop the exclusive attendee native plant sale*

12:15p-1:00p **Conversations & Panel Discussions:** *NCNPS History and Western NC Restoration*

1:00p – 1:35p **Welcome Ken Bridle/ NCNPS Legacy and Futures - Jean Woods**

1:35p – 2:30p **Keynote Address by Patrick McMillan** - *“Hope lives when we all work together - triumphs and challenges for our native biodiversity”*

2:30p – 2:45p BREAK

2:45p – 3:15p **NCDOT Native Plant Usage and Invasive Species Management**  
Presented by **Jeremy Goodwin, Kevin Clemmer & Kyle Cooper** of NCDOT

3:15p – 4:15p **Panel – Keys to Success Increasing Use of Native Plants**

**Matt Archibald**, Leaf & Limb

**Sharon Day**, Mellow Marsh Farm

**Barbara Driscoll**, New Hope Bird Alliance

**Lauren Freudenberger**, Raleigh City Horticulturalist

**Debbie Roos**, NC Extension Service

4:15p – 4:30p BREAK

4:30p – 5:00p **75 More Years: The Next Generation of Plant Conservation - Brandon Wheeler**

5:00p – 5:30p **Looking Forward – A Community Conversation**, moderated by **Julie Moore**

Saturday Evening: *Meet one another to eat at venues around Pittsboro (Location suggestions will be accessible using a free chat app called “BAND”. We’ll send you details on “how it works” and links too.)*

### Sunday, Sept. 27

9:30a – 12:00p **Field Trips** (meet at sites)

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Saturday Field trips:</u></b></p> <p><i>See Field Trips tab for meeting places</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) 8:30a – Saxapahaw Lake Paddle, Graham</li> <li>2) 8:30a – White Pines Nature Preserve, Sanford</li> <li>3) 9:00a – Mellow Marsh Farm, Siler City</li> <li>4) 9:00a - Pollinator Paradise Garden, Pittsboro</li> <li>5) 9:00a – Rachel’s Native Plants Nursery and “The Plant” Garden Tours, Pittsboro</li> <li>6) 9:00a – Private native garden &amp; grassland, Siler City</li> </ol> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Saturday Workshops:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>9:30a Workshop Sessions:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1A) Invasive Plants, A Call to Action</li> <li>2A) Landscape Design for Connection</li> <li>3A) Tools for Learning NC’s Diverse Flora</li> <li>4A) Botanical Art, Watercolor Techniques</li> <li>5A) Propagation, A Hands-on Workshop</li> </ol> <p><b>10:30 BREAK</b></p> <p><b><u>10:45a Workshop Sessions:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1B) Advocacy, Influencing Plant Policy</li> <li>2B) Landscape Design for Connection</li> <li>3B) Tools for Learning NC’s Diverse Flora</li> <li>4B) Botanical Art, Watercolor Techniques</li> <li>5B) Propagation, A Hands-on Workshop</li> </ol> |
| <p><b><u>Sunday Field Trips:</u></b></p> <p><i>All Sunday Field Trips begin at 9:30 on site</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A) Cane Creek Mountains, Snow Camp (Full)</li> <li>B) Carolina Habitats Nursery Tour, Chapel Hill (Full)</li> <li>C) North Carolina Botanical Gardens Tour, Chapel Hill</li> <li>D) White Pines Nature Preserve, Sanford</li> <li>E) Bluestem Conservation Cemetery, Cedar Grove</li> </ol>                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |