

PLANTING NATIVE FOR HEALTHY WATERS

Exploring the interrelationships
between native plants and the
abundant waters of Michigan.



37th Annual Michigan Native Plant Conference

Sunday, March 3, 2024

Kellogg Center, East Lansing Michigan



Dr. Lynne Heasley

Presenting our keynote speaker, Dr. Lynne Heasley, an environmental historian within the School of Environment, Geography, and Sustainability at Western Michigan University. The topic of the presentation is "Local

Ecological Knowledge as Storytelling and its Fundamental Role in Biodiversity Conservation in the Great Lakes."

Dr. Heasley illustrates that storytelling is fundamental to repairing our relationships with the natural world, including biodiversity, climate change and water crises.

OUR THREE BREAKOUT SESSIONS FEATURE PRESENTATIONS FROM SPECIALISTS IN THEIR FIELDS INCLUDING:

- Lakeshore conservation
- Vernal pools
- Gardening to protect waterways
- Rarely seen aquatic plants and more

LEARN HOW TO DESIGN AND MAINTAIN INDIVIDUAL NATIVE PLANT GARDENS FROM OUR EXPERT PANEL:

- Bill Schneider, Wildtype Nursery
- Esther Durnwald, Michigan Wildflower Farm
- Amy Heilman, The Living Garden

To encourage year long learning, all registrants will receive invitations to watch **four webinars featuring professional presentations** on the relationships between native plant ecosystems and the water that sustains them.

LEARN. CONNECT. SHARE.

Join us for a full day filled with learning, connecting, and sharing valuable, actionable solutions.

This conference, including the webinar series, is \$100 for the general public, \$80 for WAM members and \$25 for students. A delicious lunch and light breakfast are included.

For more information and to register for this exceptional conference and webinar series, go to <https://shorturl.at/lmSV8>.

