



Margaret Roach



March 9, 2017
1:30 p.m.

Margaret Roach, after 15 years at Martha Stewart Living and a decade each at Newsday and The New York Times, now writes the nationally acclaimed blog A Way to Garden (dot com) and creates the weekly public-radio show and podcast by the same name. She is author of the 2011 corporate-dropout memoir, “And I Shall Have Some Peace There,” about walking away from “success” for a quieter life lived closer to nature. Her newest book, “The Backyard Parables” (January 2013) blends garden memoir and how-to advice.

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*“UNLOCKING SEED SECRETS:
FROM POLITICS TO THE
PRACTICAL”*

Want to grow your best vegetable garden ever in 2017? It all starts with a seed—and choosing the right varieties, from sources that match your garden conditions, which is much harder than you might think. Margaret will demystify the politics and the practical “aha’s”—many of which will be quite surprising—to get you growing with confidence.

We’ll cover topics like these, and more:

- Where does the seed in catalogs come from, anyhow?
- Does buying organic seed matter? Is it worth the extra money?
- Are hybrids OK? Are heirlooms better in some way? (And how do I avoid GMOs?)
- How do I make a calendar for what to sow when? (Go home with one that will be among the helpful handouts.)
- My seedlings were spindly (or germinated fine, but then pooped out). Why?
- How come my harvest didn’t look like the photo in the catalog?
- What annual flowers can I rely on, that also help my garden?
- How can I solve my tomato troubles, or other pest issues?
- What easy tactics can I use for putting up the harvest for year-round use?

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\$6.00 Non-Member Charge

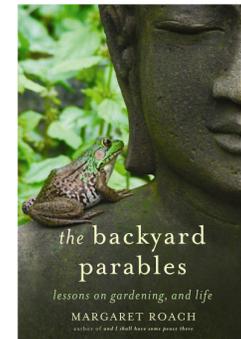
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Do not miss this opportunity for 'horticultural how-to and woo-woo' from Margaret Roach, a highly-regarded source of organic gardening inspiration.

Refreshments will be served.

For additional information please contact

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The Watertown Garden Club

was established in 1967, at

which time Mr. Gordon

Madge was elected President.

The Club was formed with

the goals of encouraging the

interest of gardening among

amateurs; to promote better

horticulture practices; to aid

in the protection of wild

flowers, trees and birds and

to encourage planting and

beautification of properties.

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2017

Program Highlights

*March 9—”Unlocking Seed Secrets: From Politics to the Practical” with Margaret Roach

April 13—”Summer Wildflowers of CT” with Peter and Barbara Rzasas

May 11—”Color in the Garden” with Leslie Wharton and Sally Kuslis

October 12—”Native Wildlife Plantings” with Peter Picone, DEEP

November 9—”Growing Backyard Fruit” with Dan Furman from Cricket Hill Garden

12 Noon—Light Lunch

12:30—Business Meeting

1:30—Program

*Guests are encouraged to attend 2017 programs at no charge except this fund-raising event.

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