You are invited: On a Bus Trip to the Botanical Gardens in Montreal

The Master Gardener Volunteers of Cornell Cooperative Extension are pleased to invite you to join us on a bus tour to see a remarkable exhibit on September 25, 2013.

Headlining the summer program at the Botanical Gardens in Montreal is a spectacular exhibit of living sculptures that make up Mosaicultures Internationales. This international competition is held every three years in a city chosen by the International Committee, which also chooses a theme to inspire the participating countries. The theme for 2013 is Land of Hope and emphasizes the importance of protecting the biodiversity of the planet.

Mosaiculture is a horticultural art form that creates living artwork from plants. As opposed to topiary, which involves pruning shrubs into various shapes, mosaiculture uses living plants, usually annuals, to create 3-dimensional sculpture. These huge botanical sculptures have been created by mosaiculture artists from around the world. Montreal last hosted this larger-than-life exhibit ten years ago.

**BONUS!!!** We have timed our trip to allow our participants to enjoy the Gardens of Light event as an added bonus. At dusk the Japanese Garden will be enhanced with a fine and subtle lighting design and the Chinese Garden with its traditional colored lanterns and lit pathways will make a lasting impression to further enhance our garden experience.

**SPACE IS LIMITED SO REGISTER EARLY!**

The last day for registration is September 10th.

Your pre-paid registration fee of $63 covers Round-trip transportation, admission to the Botanical Gardens, the Mosaiculture Internationales, the Garden of Light, the greenhouses and pavilions, and the Insectarium.

**Note:** This tour will take place rain or shine. Your registration fee is non-refundable unless we are forced to cancel this event. **You must have a passport or enhanced driver’s license to board the bus and cross the border.**

For more information or to register contact Cornell Cooperative Extension Clinton County at 561-7450 or Jolene Wallace at [jmw442@cornell.edu](mailto:jmw442@cornell.edu)

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