

# 12th Annual Fall Gardening Festival

Presented by Virginia Beach Master Gardeners

## *Water, water everywhere, so let's take care*



### **The do's and don'ts of water-wise gardening**

## Saturday, Sept. 10, 2011

10:00 AM to 3:00 PM *Free Admission, Free Parking*

Hampton Roads Agricultural Research and Extension Center  
1444 Diamond Springs Road, Virginia Beach.  
(From I-64, take exit 282 to Northampton Blvd. Turn left onto Diamond Springs Rd, then look for posted signs)

### **Learn from expert speakers**

10:30 **Good To The Last Drop** --- *How To Make Every Rainfall Count*

11:30 **Right Plant, Right Place** --- *Learn to Make Better Choices*

12:30 **Life On The Edge** --- *Living Shorelines: Protecting Coastal Property and Wildlife*

1:30 **The Careful Gardener** --- *Gardening Practices To Improve Water Quality*

**Marie Butler**, Horticulturist, Virginia Zoo, Norfolk

**Linda Pinkham**, Horticulturist, former owner of Smithfield Gardens

**Kevin DuBois**, PWS, PWD, Environmental Engineer, City of Norfolk

**Karen Forget**  
Lynnhaven River Now, executive director

### **A wealth of information for beginners and for green thumbs**

• Plants to attract and feed butterflies, bees and birds • The secret to compost piles • The do's and don't of mulching • Learn what herbs grow best in Tidewater and where to grow them • Find the right tree in our arboretums • Purchase plants including natives, daylilies, and indoor varieties • Basic tree pruning • When to and when not to prune your shrubs • Where to find easy-to-use online gardening sites • What blooms best in a drought • Connect with local environmental groups • Hunt for our remarkable trees • Get referrals for buying local produce • Crepe myrtle pruning • Speak to experts on African Violets, Iris, and many others • Selecting native wetland and buffer plants • Get great ideas from 4 acres of display gardens and arboretums tended by Master Gardeners • And much, much more.

• **Bring your troubled plant to our Plant and Tree Doctors for a diagnosis.**

• **Displays and demonstrations by Master Gardeners from Chesapeake, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk and Virginia Beach**

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