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Learn to Landscape for Life March 1 and 2 at Adkins Arboretum

Conventional gardens often work against nature. They can damage the environment's ability to

clean air and water, reduce flooding, combat climate change, and provide all the other benefits that support life on earth—including us. The good news is that even one home garden can begin to repair the web of life. Learn how to harness nature's power to create a healthy, beautiful home landscape when Adkins Arboretum offers Landscape for Life on March 1 and 2.

Landscape for Life shows how to work with nature in your garden—no matter where you live—whether you



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garden on a city or suburban lot, a 20-acre farm or the common area of your condominium. Join landscape designer and native plant enthusiast Chris Pax and Arboretum docent Julianna Pax for this two-day workshop and a field trip. Receive instruction and coaching to put your master plan on paper, learn about soil types, discover the role native plants play in the landscape, and choose materials for paths and patios that are less harmful to the environment.

Based on the principles of the Sustainable Sites Initiative, an interdisciplinary effort to create voluntary national guidelines and performance benchmarks for sustainable land design, construction and maintenance practices, Landscape for Life is offered Sat., March 1 and Sun., March 2 from 1 to 4 p.m. The program fee is \$85 for Arboretum members, \$110 for non-membership. Register online at adkinsarboretum.org or call 410.634.2847, ext. 0.

Through its <u>Campaign to Build a Green Legacy</u>, it will build the <u>W. Flaccus and Ruth B. Stifel Center at Adkins Arboretum</u> and a "green" entranceway to broaden educational offerings and research initiatives promoting best practices in conservation and land stewardship. For additional information about Arboretum programs, visit <u>www.adkinsarboretum.org</u> or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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