



# SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

*Where passionate gardeners meet to share knowledge and learn from each other.*

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NEWSLETTER

February 2022

## OUR NEXT VIRTUAL MEETING

**Thursday, February 10**

Announcements at 7:10 p.m.

Plant Forum at 7:15 p.m.

**Webinar at 7:30 p.m.**



Visit: [www.socalhort.org](http://www.socalhort.org)  
for registration info.

## SCHS WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

*The new year arrived in January and brought along these gardening friends:*

Pamela Brief	Ann Masterson
Joan Chakshvej	Susie McDaniel
Nada Chatwell	and Dean Scheibel
Lea Corkidi	Roy Okamura
Christine Hoey	Debra O'Leary
June Johnson	Sherry Taylor
Patricia Lowry	Aaron Thompson



Visit website for all membership options.

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**NOTE: PENDING ONGOING DEVELOPMENTS WITH COVID VARIANTS  
ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

## RUTH BORUN LECTURE SERIES with guest speaker Suzanne Simard

*On Thursday, February 10, the SCHS is pleased to welcome Dr. Suzanne Simard as this year's speaker in the Ruth Borun Lecture Series.*  
**Register to watch this special presentation at [www.socalhort.org](http://www.socalhort.org).**

Suzanne Simard is a Professor of Forest Ecology at the University of British Columbia and the leader of The Mother Tree Project, which researches forest renewal practices that protect biodiversity against climate change.

Dr. Simard's work has been published widely, with over 170 scientific articles in peer-reviewed journals, including *Nature*, *Ecology*, and *Global Biology*. She is also co-author of the book *Climate Change and Variability*. Her latest book, *Finding the Mother Tree*, brings us

into the intimate world of trees, exploring the ways in which trees learn and adapt their behaviors, remember the past, demonstrate agency over the future, and cooperate with a sophistication typically ascribed to humans.

Dr. Simard's research has been communicated broadly through TED Talks and TED Experiences, as well as articles and interviews in *The New Yorker*, *National Geographic*, *The Globe and Mail*, NPR, CNN, CBC, and many more.



FINDING THE  
MOTHER TREE  
Discovering the  
Wisdom of the Forest  
SUZANNE SIMARD



Photo credit: Diana Markosian

**Click here to purchase *Finding The Mother Tree*.**

For more information on this speaker, please visit [prhspeakers.com](http://prhspeakers.com).

**PLEASE NOTE:** This webinar will begin promptly at 7:30 pm and will not be recorded for subsequent viewing on our YouTube channel.

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

### COFFEE IN THE GARDEN MARCH EVENT

Currently in the planning stages is our first Coffee in The Garden event of 2022, to be held on a Saturday in late March. We will be touring both the Pierce College Arboretum AND the Mark Taper Garden on the Pierce campus - a first for the SCHS! Attendance is free and there will be refreshments, so stay tuned for details coming soon - online and in the March newsletter.



### HORTICULTURAL YARD SALE - SPRING EDITION

If you missed our first Horticultural Yard Sale in December, you'll get another chance to experience this fun event on April 2. We will be returning to Baker's Acres in Tarzana where you can shop for plants and other garden-related items or just enjoy strolling the beautiful grounds of the nursery on a spring day - either way, we'd love to see you there! Mark your calendars - as details are finalized they will be posted online and in the next newsletter.



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On January 13, Arleen Ferrara, landscape designer and owner of Satori Garden Design in Los Angeles, presented a program on horticultural therapy. During her 14 years in business, Ferrara served on the board of the L.A. chapter of the Association of Professional Landscape Designers, was certified in permaculture, and also became a horticultural therapy practitioner.

The practice of HT is defined by the American Horticultural Therapy Association (AHTA) as “the use of a garden setting and/or plant-based activities to achieve specific goals within an established treatment, rehabilitation or vocational plan for an individual requiring services.” Ferrara explained that HT works because when people interact with and nurture plants, they in turn are nurtured with a sense of calm, empathy and competence. The process itself is considered the therapeutic activity rather than the end product. HT is used by occupational health services, master gardeners, educators, activists and others. It is performed in public and community gardens, shelters, food deserts, on urban farms, in nursing homes, rehab facilities, special needs schools, and even prisons.

Ferrara outlined the various steps required to become a registered HT practitioner through programs available at community colleges, universities and master gardener programs. She pursued her own educational training in HT through Colorado State University, and in 2013 began an internship at Vista Del Mar Child and Family Services. In her time there, Ferrara designed and developed two large gardens and the horticultural therapy program that serves children and young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. She showed pictures of the site (before and after), of selected plants growing there, teachers and students interacting through HT activities and some garden “successes.”

Ferrara is also a member of the California Horticultural Therapy Network (CHTN) and shared a few of the HT programs run by members. These included an inpatient eating disorder clinic, a stroke and disabilities learning center, the Adventures To Dream community project in Long Beach and a garden program at Avenal State Prison.

For more information on Ferrara, visit her website at [satoridesigns.net](http://satoridesigns.net). She also provided a list of books, organizations and links with more information on HT, which can be found on the SCHS website.

✿ Sabine Steinmetz

*Click link below to view entire program including Q&A:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mgJECzM9Vng>

## SCHS MONTHLY GARDEN SHARE

*February is all about watching, waiting and anticipating!*

- Finish up any final rose pruning.
- Start planting cool season annuals and veggies – and mulch well!
- Pay attention to Santa Ana wind predictions and water beforehand so plants don't dry out.
- Schedule feeding for citrus and azaleas regularly until June.
- Look for seasonal weeds and remove now to slow their spread.
- Check tools for any maintenance they might need ahead of spring!

✿ Sabine Steinmetz

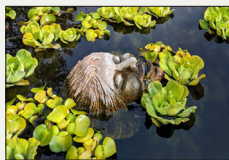
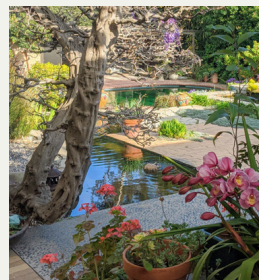
## ABOUT THE SCHS RUTH BORUN LECTURE SERIES

In 2020 the Southern California Horticultural Society received a very generous endowment from the Anna and Harry Borun Foundation to fund a horticultural speaker series in memory of Ruth Borun, a longtime SCHS member. The Ruth Borun Lecture Series was established to honor Ruth's gardening legacy by presenting significant horticulture speakers to fellow and future members of our society.

Ruth Borun inherited the gardening gene from her mother and as an adult she engaged landscape designer Chris Rosmini (SCHS Horticulturist of the Year, 1992) to create her home garden. Through Borun's collaboration with Rosmini over the years, it became a highly regarded garden that was featured in *Sunset* magazine, the *Los Angeles Times* and in Christopher Lloyd's book, *Other People's Gardens*. More recently, the Borun family commissioned noted garden photographer Saxon Holt to work on the production of the new book *Ruth's Garden*, completed in late 2021.

Presently, the care of the garden is overseen by Nancy, one of Ruth's daughters, who is working on bringing it back to the way it was originally conceived. The photos seen here were contributed by SCHS Board President John Schoustra and show various aspects of the current garden.

Today and into the future, the Ruth Borun Lecture Series is creating new memories for SCHS members while at the same time keeping those of Ruth and her garden alive.



REGISTER FOR THE 2022 RBLs EVENT AT: [WWW.SOCALHORT.ORG](http://WWW.SOCALHORT.ORG)

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## FEBRUARY HORTICULTURAL HAPPENINGS

### COVID RESTRICTIONS ARE STILL IN PLACE FOR OUR MEETINGS & MANY OTHER VENUES

Venues open at press time are marked  and  for those that are online only.

Organizations and venues are offering events and classes, both online and in person, while maintaining safety protocols, limited attendance and hours.

**Please continue to check with your favorites for updated info if you are planning a visit.**

#### ARLINGTON GARDEN

275 Arlington Drive, Pasadena 91105  
626-578-5434  
www.arlingtongardenpasadena.com

#### CALIFORNIA BOTANIC GARDEN

(formerly RANCHO SANTA ANA)  
1500 N. College Ave., Claremont 91711  
909.625.8767 www.calbg.org

#### CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS CHAPTER

1750 N. Altadena Dr., Pasadena 91107  
818.398.5420 www.cnps-sgm.org

#### CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

L.A./Sta Monica Mtns Chapter / Sepulveda Garden Ctr  
16633 Magnolia Blvd., Encino 91436  
818-782-9346 www.lasmmcnps.org

#### DESCANSO GARDENS

1418 Descanso Drive, La Canada 91011  
818.949.7980 www.descansogardens.org

#### EATON CANYON NATURE CENTER

1750 N. Altadena Dr., Pasadena 91107  
626.398.5420 www.ecnca.org

#### FULLERTON ARBORETUM

1900 Associated Road, Fullerton 92831  
657.278.3407 www.fullertonarboretum.org

#### HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS

1151 Oxford Road, San Marino 91108  
626.405.2100 www.huntington.org

#### LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARBORETUM

301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia 91007  
626.821.4623 www.arboretum.org

#### NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM OF L.A.

900 Exposition Blvd., Los Angeles 90007  
213.763.3466 www.nhm.org

#### RANCHO LOS ALAMITOS

6400 E. Bixby Hill Rd., Long Beach 90815  
562.431.3541 www.rancholosalamitos.org

#### RANCHO LOS CERRITOS

4600 Virginia Road, Long Beach 90807  
562.206.2040 www.rancholoscerritos.org

#### SAN DIEGO BOTANIC GARDEN

230 Quail Gardens Dr., Encinitas 92024  
760.436.3036 www.sdbgarden.org

#### SOUTH COAST BOTANIC GARDEN

26300 Crenshaw Blvd., Palos Verdes 90274  
310.544.1948  
www.southcoastbotanicgarden.org

#### THEODORE PAYNE FOUNDATION

10459 Tuxford St., Sun Valley 91352  
818.768.1802 www.theodorepayne.org

#### UC RIVERSIDE BOTANIC GARDENS

900 University Ave., Riverside 92521  
951-784-6962 www.gardens.ucr.edu

 Yvonne Savio

See more events as they're posted at:  
www.gardeninginla.net/submit-your-garden-events.

## SCHS RUTH BORUN LECTURE SERIES - 2022 PROGRAM

*The SCHS invites you to join us for a webinar presentation by*

### SUZANNE SIMARD

Professor of Forest Ecology at the University of British Columbia  
and author of the book

### *Finding the Mother Tree*


Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 7:30 pm

REGISTER TO WATCH AT: [WWW.SOCALHORT.ORG](http://WWW.SOCALHORT.ORG)

**PLEASE NOTE:** This live webinar will NOT be recorded for repeat viewing on our YouTube channel, so only registered guests will be able to watch.





When we are able to resume in-person meetings they will be held at Friendship Auditorium, 3201 Riverside Drive, Los Angeles CA 90027. (Hybrids will be shown simultaneously online via Zoom and Facebook Live.)

 February 10 - SCHS presents RUTH BORUN LECTURE SERIES  
LIVE WEBINAR featuring Suzanne Simard (Details on Pages 1 & 3)  
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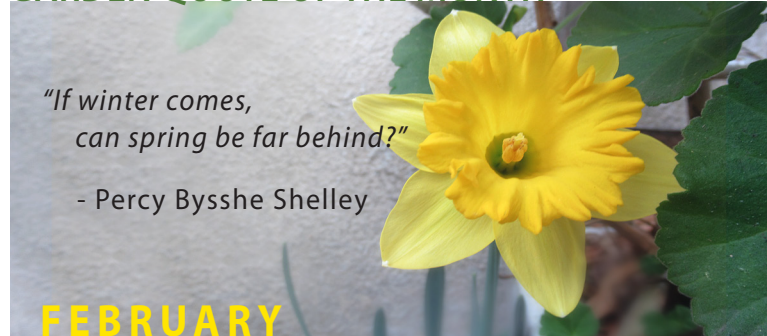
 March 10 - Steve List, agriculture teacher and garden guru of Sylmar Charter High School talks tomatoes!  
WEBINAR

 March TBA - Coffee In The Garden - 2 campus garden tours at Pierce College - *DETAILS COMING SOON* -  
LIVE EVENT

 April 2 - Horticultural Yard Sale, Part 2 - at Baker's Acres  
LIVE EVENT - *DETAILS COMING SOON* -

 April 14 - Frédérique Lavoipierre, formerly of SBBG and PHS, will be talking about her book *Garden Allies*  
WEBINAR

## GARDEN QUOTE OF THE MONTH



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**John Schoustra** - President, Field-Trip and Finance Committees, Plant Raffle, Plant Sales (at meetings) and RBLS Chair  
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Next deadline: Monday, February 14 (for March newsletter)  
Please contribute an article or information of interest.