

## REGISTRATION FORM

**Environmental School**  
**April 24 and 25, 2018**

**Garden Club members \*\*\* - \$70.00**  
**Non-Garden Club members - \$80.00**

Make check payable to:

**The Garden Clubs of Illinois**

Mail registration form and check to:

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**Streamwood, IL 60107**  
**(630) 213-2249**  
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\*\*\* Garden club members are required to subscribe to *The National Gardener* magazine. To subscribe, see “**Recommended Readings**” on reverse side.

## SCHEDULE

### **Tuesday - April 24, 2018**

9:00 – 9:30 Registration and Welcome  
9:30 – 10:30 Environmental Science  
Instructor: Shamili Ajgaonkar  
10:30 – 10:45 Break  
10:45 – 11:45 Environmental Issues  
Instructor: Shamili Ajgaonkar  
11:45 – 12:15 Lunch  
**Bring your own lunch!**  
12:15 – 1:15 Sustainability  
Instructor: Shannon Burns  
1:15 – 1:30 Break  
1:30 – 2:30 Networking and Outreach  
Instructor: Adam Kessel  
2:30 – 3:30 Field Trip  
Hiking trails – Part 1

### **Wednesday – April 25, 2018**

9:00 – 10:00 Historic Environmental Actions & Leaders  
Instructor: John Elliott  
10:00 – 10:15 Break  
10:15 – 11:15 Plants - Biodiversity  
Instructor: Jim Rowan  
11:15 – 12:00 Lunch  
**Bring your own lunch!**  
12:00 – 1:00 Ecology  
Instructor: Susan Ask  
1:00 – 1:15 Break  
1:15 – 2:15 Ecology – Backyard Wildlife Habitat  
Instructor: Irene Flebbe  
2:15 – 2:30 Break  
2:30 – 3:30 Field Trip  
Hiking trails – Part 2  
3:30 Open book exam

**Please Note:** All test questions will be covered in class and on the instructor outlines.

**Beverages and light snacks will be provided.**  
**Please bring your own lunch and reusable mug/cup.**

## COURSE INSTRUCTORS:

**Shamili Ajgaonkar** – Professor, Biology and Field Studies, College of DuPage

**Susan Ask** - Director, Animalia Project

**Shannon Burns** – Community Engagement Specialist, Community Services & Education, Forest Preserve District of DuPage County

**John Elliott** – Story Teller, Chicago Park District & Forest Preserve District of Cook County

**Irene Flebbe** – Naturalist II, Forest Preserve District of Cook County

**Adam Kessel** – Forest Preserve District of Cook County

**Jim Rowan** – Owner, James P. Rowan, Photography

## **Course location:**

**Trailside Museum of Natural History**  
738 Thatcher Ave.  
River Forest, IL 60305  
708-366-6530

## **Field Trip location:**

**Hiking trails surrounding Trailside Museum**

## ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOOL

**Course 1, Series IX  
The Living Earth  
April 24 and 25, 2018**

All gardeners will find something of interest as we explore the importance of plant biodiversity and learn how to create a backyard wildlife habitat.

Our field trip will take us to the Trailside Museum of Natural History in River Forest where we will take a nature hike through the surrounding Forest Preserve to view the colorful wildflowers in this beautiful oak woodlands and floodplain forest.

### **RECOMMENDED READINGS:**

#### **The National Gardener**

Subscription is required by members seeking consultant status and refreshing consultants.

This publication can be ordered from:

National Garden Clubs, Inc.  
4401 Magnolia Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63110  
Phone: (314)776-7574

#### **The Text Book is “Living in the Environment” by G. Tyler Miller, Jr.**

The textbook has many editions, a listing of the suggested chapters to be read will be provided after registering. This text book can be ordered online or from the National Garden Clubs, Inc.

## **National Garden Clubs, Inc.**

### **The Living Earth**

#### **Environmental School**

#### **Mission Statement:**

To teach environmental literacy, to cherish, protect and conserve the living earth.

#### **School Description:**

The Living Earth Environmental School is composed of a minimum of forty hours of study of specific units divided into four courses of ten hours each which includes a two-hour field trip. The courses investigate AIR, LAND, and WATER. The units are divided into Ecology and Environmental Science, Life on Earth and Earth Stewardship.

Optional exams are offered for those wishing to become NGC Accredited Environmental Consultants.

After passing two courses, a student may become a Provisional Consultant and join the Environmental Consultants Council, a group that provides programs and tours that further the education of the members. Those members completing all four courses receive a Consultant Certification Card, which is recognized as a special achievement among NGC members, but does not convey professional status. (The courses can be taken in any order.)

**Environmental Schools are open to everyone, whether or not they are garden club members.**



**GARDEN CLUBS OF ILLINOIS, INC.**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOOL COURSE 1, SERIES IX**

An educational program of  
The National Garden Clubs, Inc.

**April 24 and 25, 2018**

#### **Presented by:**

The Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc.  
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