## **Green Solutions Series:**

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## *Plant a Pollinator Garden for Earth Day!* Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 7:00 PM

Celebrate Earth Day with us! Rutgers Master Gardeners Lourdes Osorio and Cathy Pariser will help you make the right plant choices for your landscape.

Learn about Earth Day, and discover the benefits of pollinator gardens, native plants and how to use them to beautify our yards and benefit the environment.



## **BIOGRAPHY: Lourdes Osorio**

Lourdes has been a passionate gardener for close to 30 years. She enjoys gardening not only for beauty but to provide an ecofriendly sanctuary for butterflies, bees, and other pollinators. Lourdes is a member of the Board of Directors for Laurelwood Arboretum in Wayne and curator of its native plant garden. She is a Rutgers Certified Master Gardener and the creator of Native Plant Channel on YouTube and Facebook, an educational channel that produces videos that help gardeners grow native plants. This channel helps educate gardeners by offering free information on many native plants and virtual tours of both public and private gardens so that viewers better understand the plants and how they benefit our ecosystems.

## **BIOGRAPHY: Cathy Pariser**

Cathy is a long-time Wayne resident who is an active Rutgers Master Gardener. She has overseen the Preakness Healthcare Center pollinator garden, participated in horticultural therapy for seniors, and volunteered at Laurelwood Arboretum and Garret Mountain Reservation. She has completed the Rutgers Green Infrastructure and Rutgers Environmental Stewards programs. Cathy collaborated with Wayne Township's Environmental Commission to secure an NJ Association of Environmental Commission (ANJEC) open space grant for a rain garden. She has a keen interest in the benefits of gardening with native plants for a healthy ecosystem.

<u>Register online to receive the Zoom invitation for this program</u>: https://waynepubliclibrary.evanced.info/signup

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