

## NATIVE PLANT CLUB MEETING NOTES

February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024  
Rowe Woods Visitor Center  
7-8:30pm

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### Education Spotlight (20 min.):

#### Site Assessment with Robin Green:

Determining Soil Texture

- <https://ahdb.org.uk/knowledge-library/how-to-determine-soil-texture>

- <https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/soil-constraints/soil-texture-estimating-hand>

### Group Discussions (40 min):

- What issues with your own property have you had? What are some ongoing issues?
- Invasive plant removal techniques/methods
- What plants do you have growing naturally on your property?

### Action & Advocacy (10 min):

- March 1<sup>st</sup>, "Garden Tour: Noteworthy Natives" go on sale
  - o <https://cincynature.org/things-to-do/garden-tour-noteworthy-natives/>
- Facebook group for club in process
- March 11<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> annual kickoff of tree/shrub seedling giveaway at Xavier University Parish,
  - o contact JoAnne Allen via e-mail for further details

## Education/Resources (10min):

### Book Sharing:

- “Zen and the Art of Saving the Planet” - Thich Nhat Hahn
- “ Wildflowers of Tennessee, the Ohio Valley and the Southern Appalachians” - Horn; Cathcart; Hemmerly and Duhl
- “Bringing Nature Home” - Doug Tallamy
- “Nature’s Best Hope” - Doug Tallamy
- “The Nature of Oaks” - Doug Tallamy
- “Native Plants of the Midwest: A Comprehensive Guide to the Best 500 Species for the Garden” - Branhagen
- “Gardening Guide to Prairie Plants” - Diboll and Cox

### Events/Programs Going on Elsewhere:

- Civic Garden Center of Cincinnati; "Seed Starting", Saturday February 10 from 10AM to 12PM
  - [https://civiggardencenter.networkforgood.com/events/66600-seed-starting?utm\\_campaign=dms\\_email\\_blast\\_3102326](https://civiggardencenter.networkforgood.com/events/66600-seed-starting?utm_campaign=dms_email_blast_3102326)
- Civic Garden Center of Cincinnati; "Native Plants for Wet Spaces", Saturday February 10 from 1:00-2:30pm;
  - <https://www.civiggardencenter.org/events/natives-for-wet-spaces-2024>
- Midwest Native Plant Society; "Gardening for Wildlife Workshop", Saturday February 10 from 9:30am to 4:30pm;
  - <https://midwestnativeplants.org/other-events/>
- Civic Garden Center of Cincinnati; "Native Spring Ephemerals", Tuesday March 19, from 6:00PM – 7:30PM Eastern Time
  - [https://civiggardencenter.networkforgood.com/events/57953-native-spring-ephemerals?utm\\_campaign=dms\\_email\\_blast\\_3102326](https://civiggardencenter.networkforgood.com/events/57953-native-spring-ephemerals?utm_campaign=dms_email_blast_3102326)
- Homegrown National Park , Get On the Map
  - <https://homegrownnationalpark.org>

Looking Ahead:

- Next Native Plant Club meeting, March 7<sup>th</sup> 7-8:30p at Rowe Visitor Center
- Native Plant Club Walkabout, March 16<sup>th</sup> 1-2:30p, Rowe Woods Greenhouse Tour and short hike around Groesbeck Estate