

**Mississippi Native Plant Society Spring Meeting**  
Mississippi Museum of Natural Science  
Jackson, Mississippi  
Saturday, May 13, 2023

There is no charge for the meeting, but attendees will pay for admission to the museum: Adults: \$8; Seniors 60 and over: \$7; Youth (ages 3-18): \$6. We will meet in the museum's Rotwein Theater. If you have native plants to share, please bring them along for our **native plant swap-and-give-away!**

**Agenda**

- 9:30 – 10:00     Registration
- 10:00 – 10:05     Welcome: Toby Gray, MNPS President
- 10:05 – 10:30     Nadine Phillips – “Native Plants add Heart to your Habitat!”  
*Nadine is a lifelong gardener and lover of native wildflowers whose interests revolve around nature and promoting biodiversity to support the interconnected Web of Life. She serves as Vice President of the Mississippi Native Plant Society, historian for the Cullowhee Native Plant Conference, and is a longtime volunteer at The Crosby Arboretum.*
- 10:30 – 11:20     Robert Poore – “Natural Processes and Patterns: An Approach to Planting Design”  
*Robert is landscape architect and founder of Native Habitats, Inc, which has been involved in many public and private projects that seek to weave ecological processes with art, science, human and cultural needs. The firm has won numerous awards related to landscape architecture, art, and conservation on both the state and national levels.*
- 11:20 – 11:35     Break
- 11:35 – 12:00     Society news and updates
- 12:00 – 1:30     Lunch on your own at one of the many nearby restaurants, or bring your own picnic.
- 1:30 – 2:00     Business meeting and election of officers. All are welcome to attend the business meeting (or explore the museum if you prefer).
- 2:00 – 2:50     Felder Rushing – “Stumperies, Vignettes, and Flower Lawns: accessories and garden-quality native plants that won't honk off the neighbors”  
*Felder is an 11<sup>th</sup> generation American gardener, graduate horticulturist and professor, columnist, speaker, author or co-author of 33 gardening books including several national award-winners, and host of the popular public radio program, the Gestalt Gardener. He has twice served as President of the Mississippi Native Plant Society.*
- 2:50 – 3:15     Break
- 3:15 – 4:15     Nature walk on the trails.

The Mississippi Museum of Natural Science is located at 2148 Riverside Drive in LeFleur's Bluff State Park just off I-55 North at the Lakeland Drive Exit in Jackson. [www.mdwfp.com/museum](http://www.mdwfp.com/museum)