

Utah Native Plant Society 4<sup>th</sup> Annual

# Penstemon Festival

June 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> 2012

Sevier County Fair Grounds

400 East 200 South - Richfield, Utah

**What is a Penstemon?** A family of flowering plants that belong in the Figwort family, the genus penstemon with 280 species is found only in North America. It includes some of our most beautiful wildflowers. Penstemons can be found in a wide variety of habitats ranging from the mountains to the deserts. Utah is privileged to be the home of 76 different species of Penstemons ranging in size from one inch to five feet tall and coming in all colors of the rainbow.

**The Penstemon Festival** is not the every day ‘Garden Variety’ festival. If you are a discriminating homeowner who craves a unique landscape, that is spectacular year-round *and* water-wise, this is the festival for you. You’ll enjoy an afternoon and evening with instructors who are the top experts in their fields. They will teach you the basic groundwork of plant selection and designing a water-wise, native plant landscape. With the information you gain, you will be able to create a landscape that reflects the natural beauty of the Mountain West in your own yard.

### Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> Afternoon Activities

1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Native Plant Sale  
Gardeners Market, Featuring Garden Art, Seeds,  
Books, Postcards and much more  
1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Guest Speakers  
6:00 p.m. Social Hour  
7:00 p.m. Keynote Speaker

### Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup> Morning Activities

8:00 – 12:00 p.m. Guided Hikes  
Easy, Intermediate, Advanced  
8:00 – 12:00 p.m. Self- Guided Garden  
Tours

### 7:00 pm Keynote Speaker

#### David Salman *Dispelling the Native Plant Myth*

Acclaimed Waterwise Educator Founder & Chief Horticulturist at High Country Gardens, David has spent over 26 years in pursuit of better plants for eco-friendly landscapes. He is a recognized expert in the field of waterwise gardening and xeriscaping and a sought-after speaker on these subjects throughout the United States.

David is a distinguished recipient of the American Horticultural Society 2008 Great American Gardeners Award and writes the award-winning [High Country Gardens Catalog](#), which has won four silver awards and one gold award for “Best Gardening Catalog” by *Catalog Age Magazine*.



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Registration Form ✕

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-registration per person \$17

Method of Payment

Check or money order enclosed (please, no cash)  
Mail checks payable to Fremont Chapter UNPS and mail to P.O. Box 104, Elsinore, Utah 84724

PayPal (credit/debit card or e-check) – visit  
<http://www.unps.org> and click on the Buy Now link under Penstemon 2012 festival on the main page (this form does not need to be submitted). Mobile devices: see last page or go to  
<http://www.unps.org/mobile.html>.

Area hotels ask for Penstemon Rates

**Camping sites are available at Sam Stowe Campground located at Fremont Indian State Park 800-322-3770**

Comfort Inn 435-893-0119  
Days Inn 800-225-3297  
Quality Inn 435-896-5465

Holiday Inn Express 435-896-8552  
Best Western 800-780-7234  
Fairfield Inn 435-896-9191



## Distinguished Guest Speakers



### 1:00 p.m. *Landscaping with Native Plants*

**Dr. Stephen Love** is a University of Idaho Extension consumer horticulture specialist at the Aberdeen Research and Extension Center. He earned his B.S. in horticulture at Brigham Young University and his Ph.D. in horticulture and plant physiology at Clemson University. Dr. Love is an avid native plant enthusiast. He has collected, grown, and/or evaluated over 900 species of Intermountain native wildflowers and shrubs, including 156 species of penstemons. He is currently the president of the Intermountain Native Plant Growers Association, president of the Eriogonum Society, and Editor of the American Penstemon Society Bulletin. In addition to his native plant interests, Dr. Love delivers homeowner education in topics related to horticulture and is Webmaster of the Idaho Landscapes and Gardens web site.

### 2:00 p.m. *Water-Efficient Landscaping in the Intermountain West*

**Heidi Kratsch PhD. C.H.** is the state Horticulture Specialist with the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension in Reno. She has a long-standing interest in promoting native plants for use in water-conserving landscapes. Heidi has also conducted landscape trials with a number of species for their beauty and tolerance to landscape conditions. Her instructive book, *Water-Efficient Landscaping in the Intermountain West*, answers the need for professional information that addresses both the growing awareness of the necessity for water conservation and the desire for beautiful, healthy yards.



### 3:00 p.m. *Woody Plants of Utah*

**Dr. Renee Van Buren** is coauthor of *Woody Plants of Utah: Field Guide and Key to Native and Naturalized Trees, Shrubs and Vines*. She earned her B.S. from Brigham Young University in Botany, her M.S. from Brigham Young University also in Botany and her PhD in Botany from Arizona State University. She is a professor of Biology at Utah Valley University where she teaches Utah Flora, Wildland Shrubs, Introduction to Grasses, Conservation Biology, Ecology, and Introductory Biology. Her research includes rare plants of Utah, particularly the Dwarf Bear Claw Poppy. Her other professional responsibilities at UVU include Advisor for the UVU Botany Club, Director of the Harper Botany Endowment at UVU and she is the Director of the Capitol Reef Field Station. She enjoys bird watching, music and hiking through Utah Deserts! Renee currently resides in Woodland Hills, Utah.



### 4:00 p.m. **Tim Clarke & Allysia Angus** *Xeriscape 101*

**Tim Clarke** trained as an Architect and a Landscape Architect in the United Kingdom and has lived in Utah since 1979, first in Boulder, Utah and now in Kanab, where he is a freelance designer. His native plant designs include the Native Plant Heritage Garden in Boulder, Utah and the design for the Boulder town park. Other designs include the Visitor Centers for the Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument in Escalante, Cannonville and Big Water. He has designed many native plant gardens in Utah. Tim has received the *Garden Design Magazine* 'Golden Trowel Award' for a private garden design in the San Francisco Bay area. He is currently a member of the Utah Native Plant Society.



**Allysia Angus** holds a BA in Communications and Art from the University of Tennessee and an MLA in Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning from Utah State University. She is the Landscape Architect/Land Use Planner for Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. Allysia is one of the very few landscape architects within BLM nationally, and is also on the Utah State University Department of Landscape Architect and Environmental Planning Advisory Board. She is on the Foundation Executive Committee for the Scenic Byway12 and in her spare time, she wanders around the canyons and plateaus of southern Utah with her dog and camera.



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