



**THE ONTARIO HOSTA SOCIETY**  
*In conjunction with*  
**THE ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS**  
 (680 Plains Rd. W. Burlington)

PRESENTS  
**HOSTA FORUM**

Sunday, April 1st, 2012 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 pm

**Registration begins at 8:30**

**\$60.00**

Includes 4 fabulous speakers, Live Auction, a light lunch/  
 beverages/home baking! Prizes! Great Friends!

8:30 am - 9:00 am	<b>H O S T A F O R U M</b>	Registration
9:00 am - 9:15 am		Welcome & Opening Announcements
9:15 am - 10:15 pm		<b>Hostas - The Diamond of the Garden:</b> Have you ever noticed how many different types of hostas there are? This presentation is chock full of photographs and will cover many of the wonderful characteristics that make the hosta such a popular and versatile plant. It will also exhibit a wide range of landscape uses, companion plants and why many people consider the hosta 'the diamond of the garden'. <i>Kathie Sisson</i>
10:15 am - 10:45 am		Break & Prize Draw
10:45 am - 11:45 am		<b>Dealing with Hosta Pests – Naturally:</b> Martin is well-known for his segments on the Canadian TV series Harrowsmith Country Life and was also the host of The Secret World of Gardens. He will present an interesting look those pesky critters in our hosta gardens. <i>Martin Galloway</i>
11:45 am - 1:00 pm		Lunch Break & Prize Draw
1:00 pm - 1:45 pm		<b>Photographing Gardens:</b> Rule #1 'Be There'; Rule #2 'Understand your camera'. Trish will delight us with her fabulous tips on taking photos. <i>Trish Symons</i>
1:45 pm - 3:15 pm		<b>Are Our Hostas Going to the Dogs?</b> A comparison of how dogs have become so diversified, all coming from the Grey Wolf, to where hostas can go. Knowing there are 40 species of hostas and only one species of dogs, who knows how far hybridizers can go. You will have to attend his talk to find out! <i>Ron Livingston</i>
3:15 pm - 3:30 pm		Break
3:30 pm - 4:00 pm		Live Auction – Featuring newly introduced hostas from Ron Livingston and Kathie Sisson plus a few other hot new hostas!
4:00 pm - 4:10 pm		Closing Remarks/Evaluations

**REGISTER:** Send your \$60.00 cheque payable to Ontario Hosta Society to Vanessa Chaborek, 69 Strachan Street, Port Hope, Ontario L1A 1H8. Your tickets will be mailed to you. Be sure to include your phone number and email address. Vanessa can be reached thru email at [vanessa.chaborek@gmail.com](mailto:vanessa.chaborek@gmail.com). If you do not have email, leave your message for her at 905-269-2430 and she will return your call. **Last year tickets sold out quickly.**

**NOTE:** We can only accept cash or cheques for all purchases at the Hosta Forum.

**NOTE:** Biographies for the speakers can be found on the OHS Website [www.ontariohostasociety.com](http://www.ontariohostasociety.com)