

# The Watering Can

West Carleton Garden Club & Horticultural Society

## 'Virtual' Plant Sale

Our annual plant sale which normally is held at the Carp Farmers' Market is the major fundraiser for our society. With fewer paid memberships this year, we still have expenses to cover, so we will be holding an online order/curb-side pickup event. See page 2 for more details.

## Photo Competition

Don't forget, this month's photo competition is: "Spring Blossoms" – a close-up of tree blossoms; a single blossom or cluster. Please send your digital pictures to [gaygardening@mail.com](mailto:gaygardening@mail.com) with the month and your name in the subject line of the digital entry

## Checking In

Just hoping that you are all well and enjoying this mild early spring which has allowed us to get out into our gardens ahead of time this year it seems. Soon, the garden centres will be stocked up and ready to provide us with our container annuals. Can't wait!



## "Five Easy-to-Grow Cut Flowers for Home Gardeners"

Join us for our upcoming virtual meeting:

**Tuesday, May 11th at 7:30 pm**

With **Sylvia Van Oort**

from **Sylvia's 4th Line Florals** in Perth.

The Zoom-based webinar is free and again pre-registration is required by sending your name and email address to [presentation@wcgc.ca](mailto:presentation@wcgc.ca) prior to the meeting.

The composite picture of lovely flowers above was composed from pics from Sylvia's website at: <https://www.sylvias4thlineflorals.ca>



## Annual Plant Sale

The current restrictions due to the ongoing Pandemic mean that once again we cannot hold our traditional Plant Sale in May. We will however be holding a virtual Plant Sale this year. This is the major fundraiser for our society. We would very much appreciate your support.

Here is how it will work:

- an email is being sent out to our members requesting notification of intended plant donations by email to [plantsale@wcgc.ca](mailto:plantsale@wcgc.ca) by May 13th;
- A list of available plants for purchase will then be compiled, sent to members and posted on our website at [www.wcgc.ca](http://www.wcgc.ca) ;
- The sale will take place between May 15th and 22nd (first come, first served basis);
- Arrangements will be made for plant drop off and pick up by email;
- Payment can be made by cash, cheque or email transfer to [treasurer@wcgc.ca](mailto:treasurer@wcgc.ca) .

## Our June Meeting...

Again, because of current restrictions, our June meeting will be held virtually. We are very pleased to announce that our guest speaker will be **Sean James**, a very popular presenter on the horticultural circuit, a Master Gardener and owner of Sean James Consulting and Design. (<http://www.seanjames-consulting.ca> )

Sean's topic will be "Bringing Back the Nearly Dead: Renovating an Existing Landscape."

Named by Landscape Ontario as 2020 and 2021's Garden Communicator of the Year, gardening has been Sean James' hobby and profession for almost 40 years. A graduate of Niagara Parks School of Horticulture, a Master Gardener, writer, and teacher, Sean focuses on eco-gardening techniques.

More information will be sent out in our next newsletter, emails, Facebook and Instagram. Sean is a very engaging and knowledgeable speaker, don't miss it!

(Pictures of spring blooms in their gardens by Johanna Cutts, above, and Gay MacQuarrie, below.)

