



The 1164th meeting of the New England Botanical Club, Inc. will be held **Saturday, 3 December 2022, at 7:00 PM** in Haller Lecture Hall (room 102), Geological Museum, 24 Oxford St., Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, **and via Zoom.**



**“Wild Seed Project: Grassroots Seed Propagation
of New England Native Plants”**

By

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PLEASE READ:

1) PRESENTATIONS & MEETINGS WILL BE IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL THIS YEAR:

This meeting will be **in-person** at Harvard University, but it will also be a **hybrid presentation using Zoom** and will be recorded. The link to join our Zoom Monthly Meetings will be reoccurring and is below. Also below is information on the free parking arrangements we have made for our members who plan to attend in-person.

- December, March, and April will be in-person at Harvard University and via Zoom.
- February will be virtual only via Zoom.
- January will be in-person only - our traditional potluck, raffle, and show & tell.

2) HEATHER McCARGO’S ABSTRACT: In 2014 Wild Seed Project, a Maine based 501c3 non-profit organization, was founded to demystify native seed propagation and encourage a grassroots movement to get more native plants grown from genetically diverse wild type native seeds back into our human dominated landscapes. The seeds of New England native plants have different germination requirements than the seeds of domesticated horticultural plants. This talk will discuss the different types of strategies needed to collect and sow northeastern wildflowers, ferns, shrubs, and trees with an emphasis on outdoor seed sowing in pots or growing beds using organic nursery practices. Learn about Wild Seed Projects journey as a young organization to inspire a wide range of citizens to participate in increasing native plant populations with seed grown native plants.

3) VIDEOS of PAST PRESENTATIONS: Please see [Past Meetings](#) for videos of past lectures, including Dudu Meireles presentation in November.

- 4) **PARKING LOCATION:** Our designated FREE parking lot is **the 52 Oxford St. Garage, near the intersection of Everett St. and Oxford St.** Parking in any other lot will likely lead to towing. Please find the Oxford Garage (52OX) in the Northeast corner of the [Printable Map](#) (PDF). At the booth at the entrance to the underground garage, please tell the attendant that you are with the New England Botanical Club. The [Interactive Harvard Campus Map](#) is useful for navigating around campus.
- 5) **SATURDAY PARKING ARRANGEMENTS:** Free parking for attendees will be from 5 PM to 9 PM on the Saturday of the meeting.
- 6) **NEXT NEBC MEETING:** On Saturday, January 14, 2023, we will have our members' "show and tell," raffle, and potluck dinner at Division of Fisheries and Wildlife's Cronin Building, 1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA. Start making your slide and food preparations for the **"23rd Botany Bash is Back: Bevy of Buffet, Booty, and Biological Bragging."** Donations of botanical books and other botanical items for the raffle are appreciated.
- 7) **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF NEBS:** This week we announced that **Sara Helm-Wallace**, who has been our Association Manager since 2020, will now serve as a part-time Executive Director, continuing to be responsible for all aspects of memberships, but also ensuring the success of our journal *Rhodora*, leading outreach initiatives that promote NEBS, and working with Council and an Executive Committee to further support activities that promote our [Mission and Vision](#) and [Strategic Goals](#). If you missed the email about Sara, please see the [What's New](#) webpage for more details. Please watch for her upcoming email to facilitate your 2023 membership renewal.
- 8) **MEMBERSHIPS:** [Renew or Join for 2023 Here!](#) If you know of others who might be interested in our organization, please forward this link.
- 9) **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES OPEN 1 DECEMBER 2022- 1 FEBRUARY 2023):**
 - **NEBC JUNIOR FACULTY AWARD ON THE FLORA OF NEW ENGLAND** – Applications are accepted from early-career, tenure-track faculty at any college or university in New England. Full requirements and application instructions can be found on the [Junior Faculty Award on the Flora of New England](#) web page.
 - **NEBC LES MEHRHOFF BOTANICAL RESEARCH AWARD(S)** – Full details for project requirements and application instructions can be found on the [Les Mehrhoff Botanical Research Award](#) web page. Summaries of past funded projects and a button for donations to the fund can be found on the same web page.
 - **NEBC GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD(S)** – Each year NEBC awards several thousands of dollars in support of botanical research conducted by graduate students. Full details for proposals and supporting letters can be found on the [Graduate Student Research Award](#) web page. Abstracts for previous recipients can also be found on this web page.

The next Council meeting will be 30 November 2022 from 6:00-7:30 PM via Zoom.

ZOOM INVITATION FOR NEBC MONTHLY MEETINGS

Topic: NEBC Monthly Meeting

Date and Time: First Saturday of the month at 7:00 PM Eastern Time

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