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Volunteers Wanted: Native Plant Garden Makeover

This summer, Meibohm Fine Arts in East Aurora is hosting a benefit exhibition called “The Art of Native Plants” that supports the Western New York Land Conservancy. To fully embrace the importance of native plants and the contributions each landowner can make to our local ecosystems, the gallery is giving their landscaping a makeover using locally sourced native plants, including butterfly weed, coneflower, bee balm, and more. This event is a unique opportunity for all area residents who are interested to learn more about native plant gardening.

The garden makeover will take place on Friday, June 16, 2017 from 5:30 to 7:00 PM, at Meibohm Fine Arts on Main Street, East Aurora. It will begin with a presentation by Buffalo's own "Plant Lady," Sally Cunningham, about the importance of native plants. Participants will then add new native plants to the gallery's landscaping. Participants will also be invited to view The Art of Native Plants Exhibition in the gallery. Delicious summer refreshments will be provided by Dailys Catering in East Aurora.

Advanced registration is required at meibohmmakeover.eventbrite.com. Space is limited, and there is a \$20 registration fee. For more information, please call the Western New York Land Conservancy at (716) 687-1225.

The Western New York Land Conservancy is a regional, not-for-profit land trust that permanently protects land with significant conservation value in Western New York for future generations. The Land Conservancy envisions a future in which meadows, forests, farmlands, wildlife habitat, and scenic beauty are cherished and protected as part of the landscape and character of Western New York. The Land Conservancy is accredited by the Land Trust Accreditation Commission and is one of 1,700 land trusts nationwide, including 90 in New York State. Land trusts have protected 40 million acres over the last 20 years. For more information on upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, or the mission of the Western New York Land Conservancy, please call (716) 687-1225 or visit www.wnyc.org.

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