# Event Speakers

#### Paul Allen Smith, Jr.

**Paul Allen Smith, Jr.** is an American television host, garden designer, conservationist, and lifestyle expert. He is the host of three television programs. *P. Allen Smith's Garden Home* and *P. Allen Smith's Garden to Table* are distributed by American Public Television. Smith has also appeared frequently on *The Weather Channel*, the *CBS Early Show*, the *NBC Today Show*, and other national TV programs teaching viewers gardening and design techniques. He has also written several books on gardening and contributes pieces to numerous publications.

Mr. Smith will speak at the **How to Get More from Your Garden** during a morning session and at **Gardening and Flowers for Master Gardeners** in the afternoon.

#### Mr. J. Schwanke -

**Mr. J Schwanke** is the host, creator, and producer of *J Schwanke's Life in Bloom*, seen on public television (PBS) and Create TV stations nationwide. J will be creating flower arrangements for the symposium, during the morning session.

A fourth generation florist, J Schwanke is a flower expert, flower content producer, professional speaker, and is known throughout the floral industry and beyond. He is regarded as one of the most trusted voices in the flower industry. (He actually was born at a flower convention!) His television show, *J Schwanke's Life in Bloom*, and his website, **uBloom.com**, offer flower fans everywhere ways to learn and experience the fun and artistry of flowers and flower arranging.

### Mr. Josh Roggenbuck

Josh Roggenbuck, regional product manager for Walters Gardens, shares everything you need to know about Proven Winners<sup>®</sup> plants and flowers. Walters Gardens began as a small, family run five-acre farm growing perennials for local suppliers. It has since grown to 1,500 acres and more than 500,000 square feet of greenhouses. Walters Gardens' commitment to high-quality product and genetic pioneering have led to an expansive collection of plant introductions, lasting relationships with customers, and a close relationship with Proven Winners<sup>®</sup> as the exclusive home of Proven Winners<sup>®</sup> Perennials. Walters Gardens is a major supplier to the Master Gardeners Plant sale, providing a multitude of our starts. Josh will be presenting during the afternoon session.



# Garden Symposium

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024 OLD NATIONAL EVENTS PLAZA



## Registration

#### **OLD NATIONAL EXHIBIT HALL**

Agenda

- 8 a.m. Doors open. Enjoy morning beverages and light pastries. Shop the large variety of vendors and stroll through the silent auction items
- **9** a.m. Welcome
- **9:15** a.m. Mr. P. Allen Smith
- **10:30** a.m. Break. Visit vendors and book signing
- **11 a.m.** Mr. J Schwanke Floral arrangements and surprise bonus
- Noon Lunch break. Visit vendors and book signing
- **1:15 p.m.** Mr. P. Allen Smith
- **2:15 p.m.** Mr. Josh Roggenbuck, Walters Gardens
- **3:15 p.m.** Break. Final shopping along and silent auction winners
- 4 p.m. Conference ends

#### **TWO WAYS TO REGISTER:**

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