



Millie Ross is a professional horticulturalist, garden designer, writer, broadcaster, and passionate home gardener. An innovative gardener with an unconventional approach, Millie specialises in creative construction, sourcing local, low-cost materials and using plants in unusual ways. Author of 'The Thrifty Gardener', a practical guide to building the garden you want with whatever you've got, Millie aims to get everyone growing! Millie began her career studying horticulture in the Gippsland region, in South-East Victoria. A move to Melbourne saw her work for one of Australia's premier independent garden centres. In recognition of her passion for both plants and people she became the nursery's media representative. Over the last decade she has contributed regularly to this program, as well as ABC Local Radio and RN, and community radio RRR and 3CR. Millie joined the Gardening Australia team behind the scenes, as a researcher and writer in 2009, a role she continues to this day. In 2018 she joined the on-screen presenting team, alongside her rescue dog Squid, featuring her own small garden around an 1890's cottage in Victoria's Central Highlands. Millie is passionate about all garden paths and those who walk them and is sure to bring her enthusiasm, knowledge and sense of fun to Leafmore Winter Garden School in 2019.



Russell Young is an most engaging and entertaining speaker who loves to encourage everyone in all matters horticultural and happily imparts his knowledge. He lives and breathes horticulture. With more than 28 years within the industry Russell is well known as a 'plantsman' and has an extensive knowledge of all types of plants, pests and diseases, propagation techniques, plant media, pruning as well as great garden design. Rare and unusual plants are a passion

of Russell's. He hosts the Pine Rivers Garden and Plant Fair on the last weekend in April to help promote the local horticultural industry.



Shirley Dance is an energetic and caring person who developed a love of roses from an early age. Shirley follows in the footsteps of her grandmothers and mother. She and her husband grow approximately 250 roses, ranging from Floribundas and Hybrid Ts to climbing roses and standards. Shirley enjoys the challenge of striking roses and watching them grow and then giving them as gifts to family and friends. She appreciates others who have a passion for growing roses and assists wherever she can so that they succeed with their hobby.



Andrew Biggs is a soil scientist with 30 years of experience. He is a nationally recognised expert in describing soils and understanding their properties and how they form. He has spent much of his career helping people understand why soils are so important, whether it be in the garden, on the farm or elsewhere. He is a keen gardener and comes from a long line of gardeners going back to the early 1900s.



Mike Wells has turned a lifelong passion for plants and gardening into a horticultural career spanning over 25 years. His passion for plants and all things gardening has seen Mike manage a retail and wholesale plant nursery and small crops farm, as well as running a successful garden establishment and maintenance business. He has also managed and provided technical support in Queensland for a well-known Australian garden product business. Intent on helping to spread the word

that gardening is good for the soul as well as the planet, Mike turned his love for plants into a career as a TAFE horticultural educator over the last 18 years. He also contributes a widely-read weekly gardening article in the Toowoomba Chronicle, having done so since 2013, as well as numerous gardening publications. Mike is in demand as a garden judge, a speaker for regional gardening clubs and interest groups, and loves to help solve gardeners' problems on ABC Southern Queensland every second Saturday morning. He also operates a horticultural consultancy, Wellsley Horticulture, specialising in garden design, plant selection, soil improvement, plant nutrition, and efficient irrigation. Mike is passionate about helping homeowners turn any bare soil into a productive patch. In his spare time Mike loves to garden (what else!) and sings lead and tenor in local cappella groups.



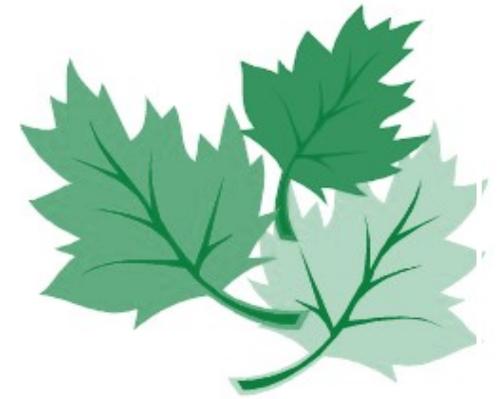
Adam Woodhams With a life-long love of the garden and the great outdoors, Adam is dedicated to sharing his passions for the garden, outdoor lifestyle, horticulture, sustainability and DIY in enjoyable and approachable ways. With over 25 years of industry experience Adam is a specialist writer, photographer, magazine editor, TV, video & radio presenter and video producer. If you've leafed through any of Australia's leading garden and lifestyle magazines - Better Homes & Gardens,

Your Garden, Gardening Australia, Burke's Backyard, Handyman and more - in the last 15-years then chances are you've read Adam's articles and seen his multi-award winning photography. Adam works across all media and spent many years presenting on radio and television. Today his self-produced videos have had over 4-million views on his popular YouTube channel. You can find Adam's videos at <https://www.youtube.com/user/AGardenersClippings>



Linda Brennan is a Queensland author, eco-educator and organic horticulturist. After practising for many years as a midwife and running her own catering business, Linda studied horticulture, environmental education, urban planning, permaculture and organic farming. Linda is now a prominent public figure, writing for a number of magazines and is devoted to health and vitality through nurturing life, people and the environment. Her childhood was spent planting vegies and wandering the bush with her parents, picking

wild foods, harvesting honey and growing vegies and fruit in the family garden. This helped to sow the seeds of a love of nature and the potential for productive gardens. When Linda is not appearing at Leafmore Garden Society Winter Garden School, you'll find her teaching her Science in the Garden Curriculum through schools, lecturing, or exploring organics world-wide and running workshops through Ecobotanica. Linda's latest book 'A Delicious Bunch - growing and cooking with edible flowers' is a unique and gorgeous book packed with the 'How-to' of growing edible flowers, brimming with glorious images, recipes and essential information.



LEAFMORE Garden Society Toowoomba

Winter Garden School

Wed 12 - Thurs 13 June 2019

President's Room
City Golf Club
254 South Street
Toowoomba 4350

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LEAFMORE WINTER GARDEN SCHOOL 2019 PROGRAM

ALL DAY COFFEE/TEA IN EAGLE ROOM
MULTI DRAW RAFFLES : MAJOR RAFFLE : GARDEN RELATED STALLS

DAY 1 WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE 2019

8.00am	Registration
8.45am	Welcome and Opening
9.00am-10.00am	Shirley Dance <i>Successful growing of roses</i>
10.00am-10.30am	Morning Tea (included)
10.30am-11.30am	Russell Young <i>Giving your garden the wow factor</i>
11.30am-11.40am	Multi Draw Raffles
11.40am-12.40pm	Linda Brennan <i>Eating pretty petals - growing and cooking edible flowers</i>
12.40pm-1.40pm	Lunch (included)
1.40pm-2.40pm	Millie Ross <i>Great Gardens - how to make one anywhere with anything</i>
2.40pm-2.50pm	Multi Draw Raffles
2.50pm-3.50pm	Adam Woodhams <i>Perfect Picture - how to capture perfect garden and plant photos</i>

DAY 2 THURSDAY 13 JUNE 2019

8.00am	Registration
9.00am-10.00am	Andrew Biggs <i>Understanding your garden soil - what is in it and why it is important</i>
10.00am-10.30am	Morning Tea (included)
10.30am-10.40am	Multi Draw Raffles
10.40am-11.40am	Adam Woodhams <i>The simplicity of sustainability</i>
11.40am-12.40pm	Millie Ross <i>Small solutions on a big planet - great gardening ideas from around</i>
12.40pm-1.40pm	Lunch (included)
1.40pm-2.00pm	Major Draw and Multi Draw Raffles
2.00pm-3.00pm	Mike Wells <i>Improving water efficiency in your garden</i>
3.00pm-3.15pm	Review and Closing Remarks

Dinner 6.30pm for 7.00pm

The City Golf Club

SPEAKER

Millie Ross

Drawing of Dinner Raffle

The program is correct at time of publication and is subject to change at the discretion of the organising committee or where a speaker becomes unavailable.

All ENQUIRIES TO

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Note: The Garden School might coincide with other events so please book early.