

AMERICAN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S
18th Annual National Children & Youth Garden Symposium Call for Sessions

The Vitality of Gardens: Energizing the Learning Environment

July 22 - 24, 2010
Pasadena, CA

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING SESSION PROPOSALS

Proposals can either be submitted online at www.ahs.org through the youth gardening section of the website or submitted by mail or fax to the address at the end of the form. All proposals for sessions are due by close of business on **December 15th**.

Selection Process: The NCYGS Educational Session Review Panel will meet in January to select the 2010 sessions. By February 5th notifications regarding the status of each proposal will be sent out. Please note the Session Review Panel may accept the proposal under a different format than originally proposed i.e. a lecture proposal may be offered as a poster. The Review Panel may also accept a session pending alterations to the scope, format, or educational objectives.

Keep in mind when writing the proposal that the Review Panel will be making decisions based upon what is presented in the proposal. In order to deliver diverse and high-quality session any changes to the session proposal after acceptance must be authorized by the AHS.

Proposals will be evaluated for 1) Originality; 2) Quality; 3) Significance to Children & Youth Gardening; and 4) Value to Practitioner. The Review Panel also strives to offer a balanced program, with educational sessions speaking to the various intended audiences (pre-K, K-5, Middle School, High School) and the primary areas of focus (Curriculum, Garden Design, Creation, and Maintenance, Administration and Funding, Entrepreneurial Programs, Evaluation, Program Overview, Basic Horticulture/Science, Leadership Development, Literature, Horticulture Therapy.)

Expectations of Presenters of Lectures and Workshops:

Presenters are strongly encouraged to provide hand-outs for their session, to provide attendees with resources and further information to take home. Presenters should also bring their handouts, slide shows or any other presentation material on a USB flash drive, as well as have hard copy.

Financial Considerations:

The presenters will not be compensated for their travel, registration, or material costs. In appreciation of the presenter's time and efforts, presenters will be offered a \$50 discount off either a daily or full-Symposium registration (does not apply to poster session presenters).

Please return completed proposal to:

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