

# GREAT DIXTER AT THE DIXON

The Dixon Gallery and Gardens invites you to attend a special Symposium welcoming Great Dixter's Fergus Garrett.

Thursday, October 15th & Friday,  
October 16th

\$145 Dixon members; \$175 non-members. Registration after September 1st: \$170 members; \$200 non-members. Reservations are limited. Call (901)761-5250 to register now.

Besides his love of English gardening, Fergus Garrett is committed to educating future gardeners. Garrett is driven by his passion for preserving the artistry of gardening for generations to come.

## WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Observe and learn from seasoned, passionate gardeners • Network and swap stories with gardeners from all over
  - Refine your skills in design and execution
  - Enhance your eye for garden design and trends
  - Expand your vocabulary, and become accustomed to a larger repertoire of plants
- Wednesday, October 14th OPENING Cocktail Reception, The Dixon residence South Porch 5:30 in the evening Come mingle and pick up your Symposium packet.

## AGENDA:

### Thursday, October 15th

8 – 8:45 a.m. Registration & Light Breakfast

8:45 – 9 a.m. Welcome & Introductions: Dale Skaggs, Dixon Director of Horticulture

9 – 10:30 a.m. Great Dixter, the House & the Lloyd Family: Aaron Bertelsen, House Manager of Great Dixter and Vegetable Gardener

10:30 – 10:50 a.m. refreshment break

10:50 a.m. – Noon Designing with Plants at Great Dixter: Fergus Garrett, Head Gardener & CEO of The Great Dixter Charitable Trust

Noon – 12:45 p.m. lunch (provided)

12:45 – 2:15 p.m. Artistry with Plants: Succession Planting Fergus Garrett

2:15 – 2:35 p.m. break

2:35 – 4 p.m. A View from the Vegetable Garden at Great Dixter: Aaron Bertelsen

4 – 4:45 p.m. Tea Time at Hughes Pavilion

5:30 p.m. Dixon's Event: Art after Dark: Free admission & 2 drink tickets included

•• ENJOY a night out on the town ••

## Friday, October 16th

8 – 8:45 a.m. Light Breakfast

8:45 a.m. Welcome & Updates with Dale Skaggs

9:15 – 11:15 a.m. Rotating Morning

Workshops Topics include:

- Garden Building: Bringing Design to Life
- Graphic Symbols & Plant Labels
- Phenology, Blooms & Beyond
- Size Estimation, Tree Canopy & Acclimation
- Color Notation
- Texture & Plant Selection

11:30 a.m. Lunch: Visit Dixon's Food Truck Friday in Garrott Court or explore the Memphis food scene

Noon – 4 p.m. AFTERNOON ACTIVITY OPTIONS:

A. Workshops: Preregistration and \$30 fee is required for each workshop. Each workshop includes a take-home kit.

Session 1: 1 – 1:30 Flower Pressing with Celia Chastain

1:45 – 2:15 Biennials & Self-Sewing Annual Seeds with Kim Rucker

Session 2: 2:30 – 3 Designing Winter Patio Pots with Deborah Mason

3:15 – 3:45 Fig Propagation with Suzy Askew

B. Exclusive access to the Dixon Plant Sale

C. Off-site private open gardens

2 – 4 p.m. Tea Time available Hughes Pavilion

4 p.m. Farewell Hughes Pavilion