

# *Gardeners' Lecture Series*

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## *"New Perennial Plant Introductions"*

*Chicago Botanical Garden Plant Research Program*

*Thursday, October 29, 2009 7 P.M.*

### *Galen Gates*

As Director of Plant Collections at the Chicago Botanic Garden, Galen Gates oversees a specialized curatorial staff and the Garden's extensive plant collections of nearly 1.8 million trees, shrubs, perennials, bulbs and aquatics. Galen has nearly 30 years of professional experience in horticulture, ranging from curatorial responsibilities and management to involvement in the development and construction of million-dollar display gardens. His background in teaching, plant evaluation, construction and maintenance has made him a consultant to professional industry organizations, publishers, nurserymen, landscape design/build firm and seed companies. Galen is a founding member of the Midwest Plant Collecting Collaborative, a consortium of five major Midwest institutions, which searches the world for valuable plants well suited for this region's climate. He has led several plant expeditions, including three to the former Soviet Union, where a number of plants new to the industry were collected.



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