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# Designed Plant Communities

2025 NNLA WINTER WORKSHOP

Wednesday, January 29, 2025  
UNL East Campus  
Keim Hall, Room 150  
Lincoln, NE

This workshop will explore the beauty of arranging plant materials with both ecology and aesthetics in mind. Topics will include a quick review of planting design elements, then dive into advanced planting models, then we'll explore designed plant communities. Some basic graphics of plant symbols, drawing techniques for showing plant layers, plus a bit about drawing in elevation will also be covered. This is a hands-on workshop, so please come prepared to learn, draw, design and have fun.

## LISA NUNAMAKER

*Award-winning designer, artist and educator, Lisa Nunamaker is the creator of the company, Paper Garden Workshop, a spirited place to learn garden design and landscape graphics. Lisa uses her illustration skills to teach these beautiful topics to budding designers around the world. Lisa also holds degrees in landscape architecture, is registered in the state of Iowa, taught landscape design at Iowa State University for over 12 years and currently serves on the Association of Professional Landscape Designers National Board of Directors.*



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# AGENDA

**Wednesday, January 29, 2025**

9:00 – 9:15 AM – Introductions

9:15 – 9:45 AM – Planting Design Basics Review

- *Spatial Design vs. Planting Design*
- *Elements of Planting Design: Form, Texture, Color*

9:45 – 10:30 AM – Planting Models + Designers

10:30–10:45 AM – Break

10:45 – 11:30 AM – Designed Plant Communities + 5 Guidelines

- *Based on Book: Planting in a Post-Wild World by West and Rainer*

11:30 – 12:15 – Lunch

12:15 – 1:00 PM – Vertical layers: Matrix, Seasonal, Structure

1:00 – 1:30 PM – Landscape Archetypes/Plant Communities

1:30 – 2:00 PM – Choosing plants: Matrix + Seasonal + Structure

2:00 – 2:15 PM – Break

2:15 – 3:15 PM – Drawing your design

3:15 – 3:30 PM – Conclusion

## **PLEASE BRING:**

- Pencils + Pens (like microns)
- Circle templates
- Architect scale ruler (though I'll also provide graph paper as another option)
- Roll of tracing paper
- A laptop, iPad and or books (to look up plants)

*Education sessions, meals and breaks are included in the registration price.*

## **LOCATION AND PARKING DETAILS**

The workshop will be held at the UNL East Campus, Keim Hall, Room 150, Lincoln Park in the A/C Judging Pavilion Lot (entrance on Fair St.). Once parked go to Keim Hall Room 150, you will be given a parking pass to place in your vehicle for the day. A map of the parking lots will be emailed to participants a week prior to the event.

## **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

If you cancel on or before January 17, you will be granted a full refund. After January 17, the workshop fee minus a \$25 processing fee will be refunded.

**Questions about the workshop?** Contact the NNLA office at (402) 381-7154 or email [jennifer@youraam.com](mailto:jennifer@youraam.com). View more information at [www.nnla.org](http://www.nnla.org).

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