## Dive into the World of Rhododendrons:

## **Rhodo Rendezvous:**



"Lee Gardens" Elizabeth Hasegawa Agresta https://ehastudios.com

**Sunday, May 19**<sup>th</sup> **Join us for a captivating exploration of rhododendron wonders.** 

10:30 - 11:45 am: Panel Discussion at Carriage Barn Art Center, New Canaan, CT

\$ 20

Get inspired by expert insights in our engaging panel discussion, featuring:

- Moderator: Sara Bailey, UConn Master Gardener Program
- American Rhododendron Society Panelists:

**Richard A Flavell, PhD** Yale University scientist and immunologist is renowned for his hybridization of "big leaf" rhododendrons with hardy varieties, resulting in numerous hardy and attractive plants. **Ron Rabideau**, former president of the Greater Philadelphia Chapter, brings expertise in plant hybridization, including the introduction of 'Absolute Citron' and 'Jersey Mammoth', and has a broad interest in various plants, with extensive experience in propagation and plant collection expeditions to Asia.

11:45 am - 12:45 pm: Box Lunch Option:

\$ 20

Enjoy a delightful lunch after the panel to fuel your exploration.

1:00 - 4:00 pm:

**Optional Garden Tours** 

panel + box lunch = \$40

Embark on an optional tour of two stunning gardens: panel + box lunch \$10 = \$50

- the Mehlquist Garden at Bartlett Arboretum & Gardens, Stamford, CT Home to a diverse array of rhododendrons, azaleas, and more.
- \* Blau House & Gardens, Westport, CT:

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Experience a theatrical masterpiece where rhododendrons play a leading role.

Immerse yourself in the beauty of rhododendrons as plein air painters capture their splendor at each garden. Don't miss this enchanting journey into the world of rhododendrons!

<u>Register now</u> and be part of this unforgettable experience. Follow this link or QR code below: Rhodo Rendezvous RSVP (google.com)

In partnership with the Carriage Barn Arts Center, Bartlett Arboretum & Gardens, and Blau House & Gardens, University of Connecticut Master Gardener Program, American Rhododendron Society (Connecticut and Valley Forge Chapters), The Connecticut Horticultural Society, Fairfield County Plein Air Painters\

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