

## Integrating Art, Language and Landscape,

### ***Voices from the Land***

Rutgers Ag Building, Freehold, NJ: May 1 & 2, 2019

The *Voices from the Land* project and this workshop (for educators, gardeners, naturalists, retirees and other adults) is a celebration of oral and written language... of art, natural science, performance and technology. Taught by experienced teachers, participants experience all aspects of a *Voices* project, learning how to connect people of all ages to local landscape and foster love of the natural world. In a *Voices* project, participants use natural materials sourced from fields, forests, community gardens and open spaces. *Voices* is a joyful process where small groups of people:

- use art concepts and skills to create art from found natural materials
- use photography to document and share their art
- use communication skills... oral and written... to create and publish poetry
- develop performance strategies to share their work.
- learn how to design and publish books and posters showcasing their work.



In the *Voices* process, students:

- Generate writing and develop communication skills across multiple content areas.
- Communicate, collaborate, and negotiate as a member of a creative team.
- Embed natural science concepts in everyday experiences.
- Use internet-based applications to document, lay-out and design final products.
- Draw inspiration and learning from team members and the land that sustains us all.

*Voices* projects have been successfully implemented with people of all ages... including preschool through secondary level classrooms... with students of average, gifted or special needs... in the United States, Canada, Mexico, New Zealand, Spain, Italy, Poland, Romania, and Turkey. Examples of student-generated *Voices* books and posters, in multiple languages, will be on display at the workshop.

This workshop is co-sponsored by the Rutgers Master Gardeners of Monmouth County.



## Here is what people are saying:

- *"I was affirmed and further inspired and reminded of how important it is to foster the voice and gifts of each individual."*
- *"I thought MTN's monarch workshop was the best workshop ever but this one blew me away. I am amazed by all that I saw, felt and learned....."*
- *"The workshop broadened my perspective... All of us are artists, poets, performers..."*
- *"A respectful, engaging learning experience. I feel very lucky to have been to this special place... a sacred place."*
- *"I can't wait to get back to the classroom and get my children involved with nature. I loved how the poetry piece ties into the arts and nature."*

## Workshop Details

Dates: Wednesday May 1 & Thursday May 2, 2019

Location: Rutgers Ag Building  
Freehold, NJ

Time: 8:00 - 3:30 both days

Cost: \$99.00

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail (**important**) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (street, city) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Area \_\_\_\_\_

School Name & Address:  
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**The fee for the Workshop is \$99 per person.**

No workshop space will be held until this registration form is received; if paying by Purchase Order, please email this form to us while it is being prepared. Or mail the form & payment to: "Monarch Teacher Network – GCNC", 309 Roosevelt Ave, Pitman, NJ 08071. Registration will be confirmed by e-mail. Monarch Teacher Network is sponsored by GCNC, a NJ non-profit environmental organization with a 69-year history of educating the public about the natural world: [www.gcnatureclub.org](http://www.gcnatureclub.org)

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