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## **CELEBRATE SPRING WITH MELINDA MYERS AT DISCOVERY WORLD** *NATIONALLY KNOWN GARDEN EXPERT KICKS OFF GARDEN SERIES ON APRIL 7*

**Milwaukee, WI** - It's time to think spring! And what better way to prepare for this year's growing season than spending time with nationally known TV host, author and columnist Melinda Myers - Wisconsin's own Plant Doctor. Explore some wonderful gardening topics during five, in-depth sessions April 7 – May 19 at Discovery World that will inspire new ideas and enhance your gardening skills.

Beginning on April 7<sup>th</sup>, Melinda Myers brings her horticulture skills to Discovery World for a five-part series on gardening. Whether your garden is a half acre in Waukesha, a small plot in Wauwatosa or a 50 square foot terrace in the Third Ward, there's something here for you. You can sign up for one or all of the sessions.

The first session on **April 7<sup>th</sup>**, entitled "**Year Round Garden-tainment,**" explores ways to make container gardening work throughout the year, even in Wisconsin winters.

On **April 14<sup>th</sup>**, Melinda shows how you can "**Grow Your Favorite Recipe**". She will share tips on growing the most popular and useful vegetables in your garden. Bring a favorite recipe and Melinda will find ways to help grow the ingredients.

**"Kitchen Scraps to Gardener's Gold" on April 28<sup>th</sup>** helps us turn off the garbage disposer and put the red worms to work by showing how easy it is to start a worm farm. Whether in an apartment or a large backyard, there is always room for a worm bin.

**"Creative Containers"** will be the topic of discussion on **May 5<sup>th</sup>**. From the traditional to the unique, Melinda will share ways to create a container garden to fit anyone's gardening style. The step-by-step instructions are sure to result in beauty and success.

If you build it, they will come -- birds, butterflies and beneficial insects, that is. During **"Create Your Own Wildlife Sanctuary" on May 19<sup>th</sup>**, Melinda will provide tips on creating a garden for attracting colorful wildlife and beneficial insects. And, Melinda will also explore ways to manage those unwelcome visitors that show up uninvited.

The Melinda Myers Gardening Series will be held in **Discovery World's beautiful Pilot House, 500 N. Harbor Drive, Milwaukee**. Shows begin at 6:30 p.m. and conclude around 8:00 p.m. along with a casual discussion period afterwards. Admission for each session is \$12/\$10 Discovery World Members. Admission price for multiple sessions is \$10/\$8 Discovery World Members per session.

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**Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling Discovery World at 414-765-8625.** Visit [discoveryworld.org](http://discoveryworld.org) for more information.

“I’m incredibly excited about this series because it will allow me to cover more ground,” explained Myers. “I’m a teacher at heart and I can’t wait to cover these topics more in-depth with the attendees. I hope people will leave inspired, enthusiastic and carry that back into their gardens.”

The Discovery World Spring Garden Series is sponsored by [Milorganite](#).

#### About Melinda Myers

Nationally known gardening expert Melinda Myers has more than 25 years of horticulture experience and has written over 20 gardening books, including *Can’t Miss Small Space Gardening*. She hosts the nationally syndicated “Melinda’s Garden Moment” segments and “Great Lakes Gardener” seen on PBS stations. She is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and hosted “The Plant Doctor” radio program for over 20 years. Myer’s web site is [www.melindamyers.com](http://www.melindamyers.com)

#### About Discovery World

Discovery World connects innovation, science, technology and the environment with exploration and learning through interactive exhibits and experiential learning programs for all ages. Discovery World opened to the public in September, 2006. Key features in the 120,000 square foot facility include interactive science, technology and freshwater exhibits, learning labs, theaters, television and audio studios as well as fresh and saltwater aquariums. Discovery World is also home to Wisconsin’s Flagship the *S/V Denis Sullivan*. The *S/V Denis Sullivan* is a 137-foot replica of a 19<sup>th</sup> century Great Lakes schooner that provides education and conservation programs, day sails and private receptions. Discovery World is open Tuesday through Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. To register for Discovery World labs, studios, programs, expeditions or to find out more call (414) 765-9966 or visit [www.discoveryworld.org](http://www.discoveryworld.org).

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