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2016

YANKEE DISTRICT CONVENTION



**Yankee District 2016 Spring Convention**  
**April 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**The Mainstay Hotel & Conference Center**  
**151 Admiral Kalbfus Rd**  
**Newport, RI 02840**  
**(401)849-9880**

The Rhode Island Rose Society is proud to host the 2016 Yankee District Convention. The Mainstay Hotel is located just minutes from downtown Newport and across from the Newport Grand Casino. This is a great opportunity to learn more about roses and a chance to get together with our rose friends from rose societies throughout New England. On Friday afternoon we will be hosting a Judging Seminar. On Saturday you will have a chance to hear some wonderful speakers lecturing on many different topics. Visit vendors during the breaks. Many of our speakers will have a book signing table. At the end of the afternoon we will have our Raffle Drawing. Bring your best rose photos to enter in our photo contest. Join us Saturday evening for our annual Awards Banquet and Rose Auction with auctioneer Mike Chute.

### **Speakers & Topics**

#### **Stephen Scanniello- "A Rose by Any Name"**

Stephen is the Curator of the Peggy Rockefeller Rose Garden at the NY Botanical Garden. Stephen is the President of the Heritage Rose Foundation and author of six books on roses. His latest book "A Rose by Any Name" was the inspiration for the creation of the Heritage Rose District of NYC.

In 2009 Stephen was the recipient of the Great Rosarians of the World Award. In May of 2013 he received the Jane Righter Rose Medal from the Garden Club of America for his ongoing work in rose preservation and education. In 2015 Stephen was made honorary member of the Garden Club of America. In October 2015, Stephen was honored, with Julie Andrews, by the NY Botanical Garden for his work with roses. Stephen grows many roses in his Barnegat, NJ garden.

#### **Paul Zimmerman- "The Biltmore International Rose Trials"**

Paul is the owner of Paul Zimmerman Roses LLC. Paul is the director of the Biltmore International Rose Trials. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the American Rose Selections Trials. Paul is the author of "Everyday Roses: How to Grow Knockout and Other Modern Garden Roses". He is the host of "Roses are Plants Too" the rose blog on the website of Fine Gardening Magazine and the host, creator and narrator of the "Roses are Plants Too" channel on YouTube.

Paul has written numerous articles for many gardening, nursery, and rose magazines. He has given lectures throughout the country and throughout the world. Paul has also judged in many National and International Rose Trials.

#### **Mike & Angelina Chute- "Twenty-five Fabulous Roses"**

Mike & Angelina are co-owners of RoseSolutions, a landscape consulting company that specializes in roses. They are both certified ARS Master Rosarians and URI Master Gardeners. Mike is an accredited ARS Horticultural Rose Judge. Accomplished garden writers, the Chutes' book "Roses for New England: A Guide to Sustainable Rose Gardening" was published in 2010. Their second book, "Rose Gardening Season by Season: A Journal for Passionate Gardeners" was published in 2015. They have written numerous gardening articles including "Coming Up Roses" in People, Places & Plants magazine. They served as guest editors of the 2008

ARS Annual. They authored the chapter “Roses” in the URI Sustainable Gardening Manual. Mike & Angelina were co-founders & past presidents of the RIRS. They lecture and give workshops throughout New England including the Boston Flower & Garden Show, the Rhode Island Spring Garden & Flower Show, the Connecticut Flower & Garden Show, the Newport Flower Show, and Tower Hill Botanic Garden, as well as numerous garden clubs and horticultural organizations.

Irwin Ehrenreich- “Rose Gardens of Cape Cod”

Irwin is co-owner of The Rose Man, a rose garden design & maintenance service on Cape Cod. He cares for over 2000 roses including 600 in his own garden. He has designed & maintained the rose garden at Heritage Museums & Gardens in Sandwich, MA & the rose gardens at Edaville USA in Carver, MA.

He is an ARS Consulting Rosarian, past Yankee District Coordinator for Roses in Review, Bronze Medal Winner, and past President of the Seaside Rosarians and the Lower Cape Rose Society. He is a Master Gardener with the Cape Cod Cooperative Extension. His rose gardens have been featured in the Boston Globe, Country Garden Magazine, Cape Cod Magazine, Better Homes & Gardens “Rose Gardening”, and C.L. Fornari’s “A Garden Lover’s Cape Cod”. He has appeared on the New England Cable News shows “Good Morning Live” and “New England Dream House”.

He has lectured on rose care & rose garden design throughout New England including the Boston Flower Show. He has given “The Rose Report” on the WXTK radio show “Garden Line”.

Cindy Ehrenreich- “Buck Rose-The Best Roses You’ve Never Heard Of”

Cindy is co-owner of The Rose Man, a rose garden design & maintenance service on Cape Cod. She cares for over 2000 roses including 600 in her own garden. She has designed & maintained the rose garden at Heritage Museums & Gardens in Sandwich, MA & the rose gardens at Edaville USA in Carver, MA. She is an ARS Consulting Rosarian and Bronze Medal Winner.

Cindy’s rose & garden photographs have appeared on The HGTV Garden website and one of her photos has recently won Princess of Show at the ARS National Convention in Syracuse, NY.