



# Native Plant Society of Texas

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## Meeting of the Tyler Chapter Business Meeting & Guest Speaker

Monday, September 9, 2024

2:00 PM at the

Tyler Nature Center  
11942 FM 848, Tyler

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The mission of the Native Plant Society of Texas is to promote conservation, research and utilization of native plants and plant habitats of Texas through education, outreach, and example.

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## Pollinator Paradise: Insights on Creating Demonstration Pollinator Gardens

**Kay Jenkins, Environmental Education Program Coordinator  
for the SFA Gardens**

Kay's experiences with designing, implementing, and maintaining public-demonstration pollinator gardens have taught her many lessons that she will share with us in this presentation.

### ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Kay earned a BS and MS in Forestry from Stephen F. Austin State University (SFA) and minored in Agriculture. She also earned an MS in Environmental Science from Texas A&M Corpus Christi. In her 18-year career with Texas Parks and Wildlife, she worked on resource management and habitat restoration projects on public lands.

Kay is a Master Naturalist and is the director of Master Naturalist training in East Texas in the fall of 2024. She joined the Tyler Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas in 2009. She was awarded NPSOT's President's Award in 2016, and in 2017 she was presented with the Nancy Benedict Memorial Award for her leadership of a project to design and install monarch butterfly waystations at four TxDOT rest areas on IH-35 between Austin and Dallas.



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### DIRECTIONS

Tyler Nature Center,  
11942 FM 848

Located southeast of central Tyler.  
Take Loop 323 to University Blvd (SH 248).  
Go east on SH 248 past the UT Tyler Campus to FM 848 (about 3 miles).  
Turn right on FM 848 and travel about 0.7 mile.  
Turn right at 11942 FM 848.  
The meeting is in the first building on the right, next to the pond.

