

Presentation Abstract

Propagating Native Plants, Jim Engel, White Oak Nursery

The propagation of plants has been shrouded in mystery and mystique. The public generally assumes that it is difficult to grow trees, shrubs and forbs from seed. This talk will demystify the process and show that it is actually quite easy. The traditional practice of purchasing bareroot seedlings for planting is outdated and cost prohibitive. Plants can easily be produced on-site by collecting the seed and planting it directly in the soil. Whether growing a few plants for the home or thousands for a restoration project, direct seeding is the way of the future.