

Presentation Abstract**Dan Carroll, Great Lakes Horticulture**

Ecology and Horticulture: Integrating basic ecological principles into the horticultural landscape.

Biography for Dan Carroll, Great Lakes Horticulture

Dan Carroll has been involved in the profession of horticulture for over 20 years. Since receiving his degree from Alfred State College in 1983, he has acquired a broad base of knowledge in many areas of the profession: including interior landscaping, education, retailing, nursery and landscape production and for the last 8 years as owner of Great Lakes Horticulture. Dan's company has won several awards at the Syracuse Home and Garden show and is at the forefront of integrating native plants into the home landscape. He is a NYS Certified Nursery Professional, achieving that designation in 1997. Additionally, he has worked with several local school districts and municipalities to help initiate sustainable design and maintenance practices into their grounds care regimes.

Dan is one of the founding members of the Central New York Habitat Gardening Club, and has been a constant advocate for the increased use and awareness of native plants.