

THE (VIRTUAL) HAH ROUNDTABLE PROGRAM CONTINUES

Join Us on Zoom

Saturday, January 8, 2022 at 10am - 11:30am

Propagating Your Own Plants from Seeds Indoors and Outdoors During the Winter and Early Spring

Moderated by Pamela Harwood

Growing your own plants from seeds can be one of the most rewarding as well as economical ways to add annuals and perennials to your garden. And what better time to do this than during the winter days that you are otherwise only daydreaming about when you will next be able to work in your garden again? I recall when, as a beginning gardener, I plunged in and started a variety of plants from seeds, and those became the backbone of my perennial herb garden, still thriving today. I still look at those herbs, and other perennials that I grew from seeds started indoors, with more pride than many of the other plants I purchased. In January and February each year I direct sow poppy and other annual plant seeds outdoors (amongst the most admired plants in my garden), and in early spring some annual and biennial herbs. And with advice and tips from our fellow gardeners, we can all start our gardening new year by giving this a try.

That is why I am pleased to announce that one of our own HAH members will help us do just that at our next Roundtable.

Dr. Jane Corrarino, who gardens in Setauket, NY, enjoyed a 40-year career in public health. After retiring, and with the pandemic altering her life, she decided to expand her gardening knowledge and skill set, which she has loved since childhood. Jane earned a Master Gardener certificate from Cornell, and is now a happy volunteer for them. Her volunteer action project for the Master Gardener program was to recreate a historically accurate colonial kitchen garden at the Ketcham Inn, a restored 1695 Inn/Museum in Center Moriches and on the National Register of Historic Places (Thomas Jefferson and James Madison stayed there in 1791). There are 3 gardens on site, including the kitchen garden, which contains herbs, vegetables and flowers all germinated from seed. In addition, they are restoring a boxwood garden and community garden on the site. And since Jane has said she welcomes anyone interested to visit the inn's gardens, I hope this will be one of our in-person Garden Tour destinations later this year.



So please join the Zoom Roundtable on January 8th, and if you have experiences of your own to share, or any other gardening questions, we welcome your input. A link will be emailed to you the week of the event.