

Perennial Culture: Home Gardeners Class

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Classification : annual, biennial, tender perennial,

herbaceous perennial

shrubs and trees

Bloom time : juvenile vs. mature

-day length

-light

-soil and air temperatures

-water

Synchronous bloom

Phenology

Sun / Shade exposure

Garden Clean –up

Division

Mulching

Staking

Pruning

Water

Fertilizer

Choosing Cultivars -design elements

-wildlife concerns

-special situations

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(Phenology and indicator plants, weather, pest problems and insect emergence, GDD)

Books:

The Well Tended Perennial Garden ; Planting and Pruning Techniques by Tracy DiSabato Aust

When Perennials Bloom by Tomasz Anisko

Understanding Perennials by William Cullina

The Perennial Gardener's Design Primer by Stephanie Cohen and Nancy J. Ondra

American Horticultural Society Smart Garden Regional Guide: Northeast

Magazines :

The English Gardener and Gardens Illustrated both published in the UK

Useful websites

Plant Delights Nursery www.plantdelights.com

Nan Ondra www.hayefield.com

Garden Designers Roundtable <http://gdrt.wordpress.com>

