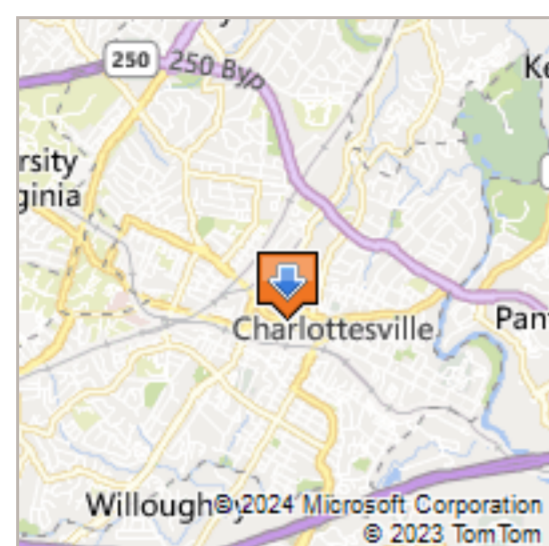




### Where

The Paramount Theater  
215 East Main Street  
Charlottesville, VA 22902



[Driving Directions](#)

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[Recommended Restaurants on or near the Charlottesville Mall](#)

### When

Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM EDT

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### Accommodations

[OMNI Charlottesville](#)  
212 Ridge McIntire Road  
Charlottesville, VA 22903  
(434) 971-5500  
GCV has a discounted [group rate](#). Reserve before Sept. 24, 2018

[The Graduate](#)  
1309 W Main St.  
Charlottesville, VA 22903  
(434) 295-4333

[Hampton Inn and Suites](#)  
900 W Main St.  
Charlottesville, VA 22903  
(434) 923-8600

### Garden Club of Virginia

The Garden Club of Virginia is an active association of forty-seven garden clubs, whose members collectively form a group of more than 3,300 civic leaders from around the Commonwealth.

The Garden Club of Virginia exists to celebrate the beauty of the land, to conserve the gifts of nature and to challenge future generations to build on this heritage. Our mission is to restore historic gardens and landscapes, conserve Virginia's natural resources, inspire a love of gardening and provide education for our members and the general public.

[Learn more about the Garden Club of Virginia.](#)

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### Looking for Something Fun to do in and Around Charlottesville?

**Garden Club of Virginia restorations:**  
**Kitchen Road**, the GCV's recent restoration project at [Thomas Jefferson's Monticello](#).  
[University of Virginia's Pavilion Gardens](#) and north forecourt of the **Rotunda**.

The **Downtown Mall** features more than 120 shops and 30 restaurants (many with outdoor cafes) housed in the historic buildings on and around old Main Street.

**October 25, 2018**

**9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**The Paramount Theater  
215 East Main Street  
Charlottesville, VA 22902  
Open to the Public**

**\$30 per person (includes continental breakfast)  
Student admission is free.**

**Online Registration is Closed. Walk-ins are Welcome!**

Join the Conservation and Beautification Committee of the Garden Club of Virginia to hear the latest research on the impact of pesticides on pollinators, the environment and our health. Learn alternative sustainable garden practices that can be implemented in your own backyard.

**8:15-8:45 a.m. Check in and Light Breakfast**

**9 a.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
**Jean Gilpin, President, Garden Club of Virginia**

**Carrie Dorsey, Chairman, Garden Club of Virginia Conservation and Beautification Committee**

**9:15 a.m. Guest Speakers**  
**Rick Felker**

**Mattawoman Creek Farms**  
The importance of soil and growing conditions on health.

**Russ Britton**  
**CEO, Mirimichi Green**

Innovative practices and latest advancements in sustainable green spaces including biostimulants and reduced watering needs

**Pete Myers**  
**Founder and chief scientist of Environmental Health Sciences**

The dangers of pesticides - even in low doses - to the health of wildlife and people. Endocrine disrupting pesticides and how the EPA may improve its risk assessment will also be covered.

**Rick Fell**  
**Professor Emeritus of Entomology, Virginia Tech**  
Importance of pollinators and the threats they are facing

**11:30 a.m. Panel and Questions from the Audience**

**Noon Presentations of the Dugdale Award for Meritorious Achievement in Conservation and the GCV Conservation Educator Award**

**12:30 p.m.**  
**Adjournment**

**Lunch on your own. [Recommended restaurants nearby.](#)**

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