

EMPLOYMENT

Monarch Gardens – 2011-present

Owner of a native prairie plant coaching business for individuals and schools in Lincoln, Nebraska. Work with homeowners to select site-appropriate plants, share maintenance techniques, and plan organic care methods. Visit nurseries with clients and select plants, then place plants in the landscape. Create plant and care lists with web links for horticultural information.

CONSERVATION WORK

Wachiska Audubon Society – 2013-present

Board member for a Nebraskan prairie and wildlife conservation group. Wachiska owns and maintains several prairie habitats, and has easements granted for several more. Work with local and regional organizations in educational and state legislative outreach to preserve the habitats of native wildlife and prairie in Nebraska. Manage social media accounts and increase visibility of organization during its 40th anniversary year (2013).

BOOK CONTRIBUTIONS

Northern Plains Regional Plant Recommendations, *Lawn Gone! Low-Maintenance, Sustainable, Attractive Alternatives For Your Yard*. Pam Penick. Ten Speed Press (2013).

WRITING

Houzz.com – Columnist – September 2012-present

Great Plains regional garden expert, monthly garden guide and design column in addition to native plant profiles such as mountain mint, liatris, milkweed, joe pye weed, culver's root, and side oats grama. Houzz is a leading home design idea website receiving over seven million visits a month.

Native Plants and Wildlife Gardens – Columnist – June 2011 to present

Write a monthly post on gardening with native plants. Environmental issues concerning flora and fauna in the Great Plains. NPWG is a team blog of nearly thirty writers from around the country who are sustainably-centered garden advocates.

Wilder Quarterly – Summer 2012

Freelance article on the white lined sphinx moth with author-provided photos.

Timber Press – March 16, 2012

Invited guest blog post on hosting a garden tour.

Garden Bloggers – August 19, 2011

Invited guest post on turning a blog / garden journal into a book.

Garden Rant – September 10, 2010

Invited guest blog post against flag poles in the home landscape.

INTERNET & RADIO APPEARANCES

How's It Growing – October 2012 and January 2013

Invited guest on KZUM's program discussing native plant gardening and design.

Garden Chat – September 2011

Guest host for the weekly Twitter gathering of international gardeners.

SPEAKING & TEACHING APPEARANCES

Finke Gardens & Nursery – March 23, 2013

Benefit presentation on native Nebraska wildflower for Friends of Wilderness Park. Invited speaker.

Husker Lawn & Leisure Show – March 16, 2013

Presentation on butterfly gardening. Invited speaker.

Southeast Community College – February 11, 2013

Class on organic gardening with native prairie plants.

Wichita Organic Gardening Club – July 24, 2012

Presentation and discussion on native prairie wildflowers and my garden. Invited speaker.

Finke Gardens and Nursery – June 2012

Gardening with prairie flowers. Invited speaker.

Spring Affair – April 2012

The Midwest's largest plant sale. Sold plants, seeds, native bee houses, and books as part of Monarch Gardens.

Lincoln Earth Day – April 2012

All day environmental celebration. Sold plants, seeds, native bee houses, and books as part of Monarch Gardens.

Finke Gardens and Nursery – March 2012

Gala season opening celebration with presentation on native prairie wildflowers. Invited speaker.