

Annual Florence Home and Garden Show to celebrate 20 years

More than 2,000 people attended the 19th Annual Florence Home and Garden Show last year, with even more visitors expected for this year's 20th annual event.

"We base the success of the show on comments about the quality and variety of vendors we receive from those attending and vendor feedback and sales," says Jon Thompson, general manager of KCST Radio, which co-sponsors the event. "We've been told numerous times that our show is one of the best, even in comparison to much larger venues."

Thompson said local businesses are the highest priority, but bringing in out-of-area vendors with products and services that cannot be found in the Florence area is also critical to its success. Custom wood products, kitchenware, hot tubs, spas, skylights and dozens of vendors featuring products and services for both the home and garden will pack the Florence Events Center.

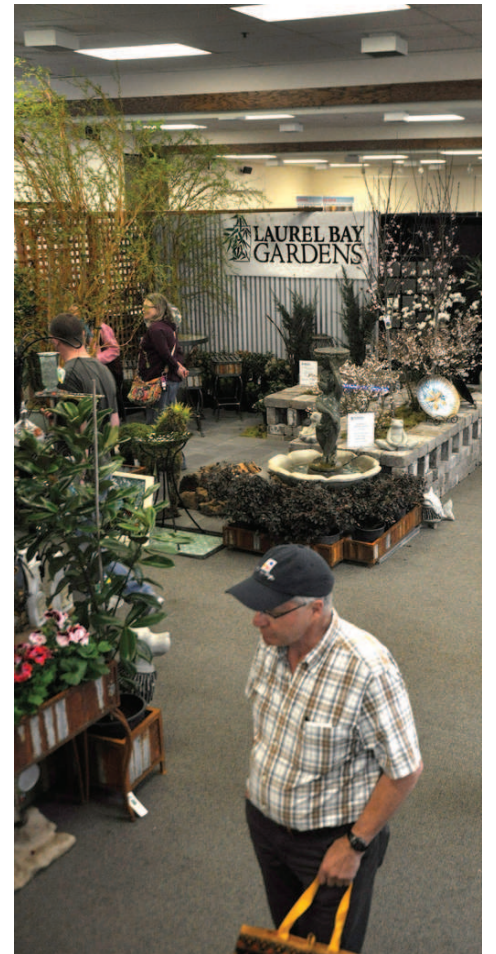
Landscape designs will feature local crafted garden art, including sculptures, plants and glass art. Urban designs will highlight planting ideas to create a haven for wildlife. Low-maintenance and native plant



selections will give homeowners great ideas on enhancing their yards to add color, texture and wildlife habitat.

Show hours are from 2 to 6 p.m. on

Friday, March 4, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 5, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 6.



Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for children 12 and under. Admission is free from 4 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, and half-price coupons will be available at Bi-Mart two weeks prior to the show.



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