



New Zealand Gardens Trust Conference 2020 13 – 15 March Palmerston North



We are delighted to announce that our 2020 conference will be held in the Manawatu

The date is earlier than usual as we need to accommodate our guest speaker, Dan Benarcik, from America. Conference will be centred on the Distinction Coachman Hotel which is conveniently situated near the CBD and offers excellent accommodation. Reasonable rates are offered and there is no cancellation charge more than 48 hours prior. There are other hotel / motel options nearby.

Please book directly with this link [Distinction Hotels Coachman](https://www.distinctionhotelscoachman.co.nz/NZGT2020), or copy the following link www.distinctionhotelscoachman.co.nz/NZGT2020

This Conference will be held over three days. The focus will be on gardens and gardening including visits to historic homes and gardens in the Rangitikei and Manawatu, some of which are not normally open to the public.

Programme

We are pleased to welcome our guest speaker Dan Benarcik from Chanticleer Garden, Philadelphia.

Friday March 13

Visit: Paloma Gardens***** at Fordell
Westoe at Bulls
Conference opening at Caccia Birch House, Palmerston North

Saturday March 14

Visit: Lansdale, an historic Buxton Garden near Palmerston North
Victoria Esplanade**** including the National Rose Trial Grounds and Wildbase Recovery Centre
Greenhaugh Garden***** and Nursery
Container planting demonstration with *Dan Benarcik* at Greenhaugh Garden
Plant auction at Greenhaugh Garden
Conference Dinner at The Chalet on the Lagoon, with guest speaker, *Dan Benarcik*.

Sunday March 15

Morning session: Distinction Coachman Hotel
Speaker *Gordon Collier*
Photo competition results
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Proceedings will conclude after lunch

A full programme and costs will be advised nearer the time.

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