



## FESTIVAL EVENTS AT FLAXMERE GARDEN

Fantastic, informative and affordable workshops at [Flaxmere Garden](#) over the [Hurunui Garden Festival](#) 1,2,3 Nov. 2019

### **Naturalistic Summer plantings - the theory and the reality**

**Delivered by Robyn Kilty and Penny Zino**

**Times:** Daily at 11 am in the Flaxmere Barn. 1,2,3 Nov.

Over the years Robyn and Penny have travelled a lot together the first trip being to a workshop with Piet Oudolf and Noel Kingsbury at Piet's home in Hummelo in Holland, with a tour of the northern Dutch Provincial gardens included. It offered a new way of thinking not seen here in New Zealand.

Since then there have been many other ventures together and the last to Spain again with Noel Kingsbury. Every time what has interested us the most is how adaptable this way of gardening is to our climate particularly here in Canterbury.

We would like to share those experiences, and help others to see the benefits of merging gardens into a landscape

There are some pitfalls and by seeing what Penny has created as a result we hope will benefit others

**Cost \$10 plus garden entry of \$10**

Tea and coffee provided

Bookings essential email [zino@flaxmeregarden.co.nz](mailto:zino@flaxmeregarden.co.nz) ph 03 3144504 or 027 2100 958



## Low on H2O

Delivered by Jo Wakelin

Time: 2 pm at the Flaxmere barn on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov.

Jo lectures at the Otago Poly Technical School which has a branch in Cromwell.

Her knowledge as to what will survive the harsh conditions of Central Otago with little to no water over the summer months is an eye opener with her use of both native and exotic plants.

Her garden is amazing, so soft and subtle, blending perfectly with the surrounding landscape. It is a garden that made a huge impression on me and will always be a garden that will be forever in my mind.

Come and learn from Jo, you will not be disappointed!

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## 20 years of seed harvesting

Delivered by Steve Newall

Time: 2 pm at the Flaxmere barn on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov.

Steve is an amateur botanist whose interest in the plant world began while living in Fiordland National Park, roaming the mountains learning about plants in their natural habitat.

He began a seed collecting business supplying seed to individuals in the UK and Europe when New Zealand plants were being decimated by polar blasts. When approached by Jelitto Standensamen a seed wholesaler in Germany, he turned his hobby into a commercial enterprise!

Steve collects seed from the wild and also grows flower crops for seed production.

He is an extremely gifted speaker infusing an enthusiasm which is rare to see, with his wealth of knowledge of plants and seeds.

Don't miss this it is infectious!

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