

WINDOW BOXES AND CONTAINER GARDENING

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Leader's Guide for Association of
Home & Community Education Clubs

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Guest Speaker: Mark Schultz, Mayfield Nursery / Grower of Hardy Herbaceous
"Green Select" Perennial

I. Objectives

- ◆ Learn basic techniques of container gardening.
- ◆ Learn about plants that grow in containers and window boxes.
- ◆ Use this knowledge to develop a container garden.
- ◆ Have fun with garden humor.

II. Introduction: Start the meeting by sharing a pun or quote about gardening.

III. Activity 1—How members use containers or window boxes for gardens?
Have members share their favorite plants for this purpose.

IV. General Techniques of Window Box and Container Gardening
Mark Schultz—Guest speaker:

A. Suggested plants for containers (creative uses of plants):
(Handout)

B. Types of containers:

C. Soil types

D. Care of container gardens (water, fertilizer, and disease/pest control):

E. Creative arrangements on the patio:

V. Closing—Have members name a new plant they will try in their container garden.
Share more "Garden Humor".