

# National Gallery of Art

## NEWS RELEASE

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### NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

### FREE SLIDE LECTURE AND BOOK SIGNING

**Sunday, March 12, at 2:00 p.m.**  
**East Building Auditorium, National Gallery of Art**

**Slide Lecture** - "Nationalism in the Garden: The Role of Popular Magazines, 1900-1940," by Virginia Tuttle Clayton, associate curator of old master prints at the National Gallery of Art. The lecture will look at the early 20th-century movement to develop a distinctly American garden style.

**Book Signing** - Following the lecture, Virginia Tuttle Clayton will sign copies of her recently published book, The Once and Future Gardener: Garden Writing from the Golden Age of Magazines 1900-1940. The book, \$40.00 hardcover published by David R. Godine, is available from the Gallery Shops, on the Gallery's Web site at [www.nga.gov](http://www.nga.gov), or by mail order, telephone 1-800-697-9350.

The first four decades of this century provided Americans with not only some of the best magazines ever published in this country, but also — in journals like *Atlantic Monthly*, *Craftsman*, *House and Garden*, and *The Garden Magazine* — some of its most distinguished garden writing. Virginia Tuttle Clayton has selected more than fifty examples of outstanding garden prose and arranged them in chapters covering everything from "Wild Gardens" and "Formal Gardens" to "A Year in the Garden" and "The Philosophical Gardener." The book contains photographs from the original articles, including a color plate section of twenty-one glorious magazine covers.

The National Gallery of Art and Sculpture Garden, located on the National Mall between Third and Ninth Streets at Constitution Avenue, N.W., is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free of charge. For general information, call (202) 737-4215, or the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at (202) 842-6176; or visit the National Gallery of Art's Web site at [www.nga.gov](http://www.nga.gov). To receive the Gallery's free bimonthly Calendar of Events, call (202) 842-6662.

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