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School for Commercial Greenhouse, Nursery & Landscape Professionals Offered

The 2007 Hudson Valley Nursery and Greenhouse Growers School, presented by Cornell Cooperative Extension of the Hudson Valley, on Monday, January 8, 2007 at the BOCES Conference Center in New Paltz features a full day of educational classes for commercial greenhouse growers, landscapers and others in the commercial horticulture industry. The program covers growing and pest control methods for a wide variety of ornamental crops including: perennials; shrubs and bedding plants; and greenhouse and high tunnel vegetable production. Teri Smith, of Smith's Acres in Connecticut, will address business and marketing issues by sharing how she is bucking the national trend and attracting younger people to gardening. She promises to share her secrets to keeping existing customers happy too. Elizabeth Lamb, New York State IPM Ornamentals Coordinator, will help growers understand the "I" in Integrated Pest Management, and there will be sessions covering worker protection standards, licensing, inspection and quarantine procedures. The program is from 9 am to 4 pm. The fee is \$45 if registered by Jan. 2nd and includes a continental breakfast, lunch, all conference material and a mini trade show; \$50 after or at the door subject to availability. 4 NYS DEC pesticide recertification credits in categories 1a, 3a, 3c, 10, 24, and 25 are available. To register or to receive more information, please contact Teresa Rusinek, Commercial Horticulture Extension Educator, at 845-340-3990 or visit <http://cce.cornell.edu/ulster>.

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