

**The Society for Ecological Restoration (SER) Mid-Atlantic Chapter
9th Annual Conference: March 20-22, 2014**

"Ecological Restoration: How Well Does It Work?"

Temple University, Dept. of Landscape Architecture & Horticulture, Ambler, PA

Program Overview

**Thursday March 20, 8:45 – 4:30: Pre-Conference Workshop
[Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve, New Hope, PA]**

"Tools to Evaluate the Ecological Integrity of Native Plant Communities: Plant Stewardship Index (PSI) and Floristic Quality Assessment (FQA)"

**Friday March 21, 8:30 – 6:00: Conference & Poster Pub
[Temple University, Ambler Campus]**

8:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 Welcome & Opening Remarks

9:40 Sessions I and II – Plenary Speakers

12:30 Lunch and SER-MA Chapter Meeting (open to all)

1:45 Session III – Concurrent Contributed Papers on Assorted Topics (4 talks per session)

Room A: *Forest Restoration Outcomes: Seeing the Forest Through the i-Trees*

Room B: *Expanding the vision: Restoration in different forms*

Room C: *Case Studies of Unique Restoration Projects*

3:30 Session IV – Plenary Speakers

4:30 Poster Pub – Research Posters and Wine & Cheese Networking Reception

6:00 Adjourn

**Saturday March 22, 9:15 – 3:45: Field Trips (Choose one; details on separate sheet.)
[Starting & ending point: Temple University, Ambler Campus]**

- (1) Tour of Four Restoration Projects in the Wissahickon Valley of Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, PA
- (2) Community-Based Restoration Projects in Montgomery County, Including Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust
- (3) Tour of the Barker's Brook 150-Acre Wetlands and Riparian Zone Mitigation Project and Pinelands Native Plant Nursery, New Jersey