Summary Report of the Guelph Trial Garden’s 2013 activities at the Guelph Turfgrass Institute

Open Houses and Tours

- All America Selections Summer Summit tour on Wednesday, August 14, 2013 (approximately 60 visitors). This tour group was composed of: AAS judges, seed company reps, and garden writers.
- Industry Open House on Friday, August 16, 2013 (1-3:00 pm). This was an open house aimed at professional gardeners and landscapers. The day was held jointly with the industry day at the trial garden in Milton (at the Landscape Ontario office). Visitors toured the Milton site and in the morning and the Guelph site in the afternoon. Approximately 40 industry professionals came to the Guelph site.
- Public Open House on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 (noon-8:00pm). The Waterloo Wellington Master Gardeners assisted in hosting this event at the GTI. Between 200 and 300 visitors attended that day.
- UofG courses – HORT*3010, HORT*1130, DTM*1400, used the trial garden for teaching purposes in September of 2013

Popular trial entries compiled from the 2013 voting results by the public and the industry at open houses in Milton and Guelph.
(Note: Voting took place during the mid to late August time period)

| Echinacea ‘Sombrero Salsa Red’ Ball Horticulture | Capsicum ‘NuMex Easter’ University of New Mexico | Gomphrena ‘Pinball Purple’ Sakata | Amaranthus ‘Elephant Head’ Genesis Seed | Petunia ‘Flash Mob Bluerific’ Burpee HG |