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**40<sup>th</sup> Annual Lane County Home & Garden Show - March 7-10 in Eugene**  
Lane Events Center, Fairgrounds – Eugene, Oregon



**Home Show Celebrity Speaker:**

**Don Engebretson - The Renegade Gardener™**

HGTV & PBS Landscape Authority, Garden Author & Writer

Speaking all Four Days ! DIY Landscaping, Embracing Shade Gardens, Garden Myths & Mayhem they Cause, and Top Ten Gardening & Landscaping Blunders.

**MEDIA:**

***Pre-Show Call In & At-Show or In-Studio Interviews Invited.***

*Available onsite for interviews Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 3pm-6pm. Available for in studio or onsite: beginning 3pm at the Show Opening through Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup>.*

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Don Engebretson The Renegade Gardener will be headlining the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Lane County Home & Garden Show March 7-10 in Eugene. During the four-day event The Renegade Gardener will be sharing his passion for gardening in seven entertaining seminars Don preaches that the joy of gardening comes from experimentation, and that a passion for gardening comes only from failing, laughing, succeeding, and learning. Don Engebretson, the Renegade Gardener, is fast becoming one of America's best-known gardening authorities with his television appearances as a landscape design expert on HGTV and PBS-TV.

His humorous, opinionated work as a garden writer for regional and national publications such as *Better Homes and Gardens*, *Midwest Living*, *Mpls.St.Paul Magazine*, *Garden, Deck & Landscape*, *The Chicago Tribune*, *New York Times Online*, *The Seattle Times* and others is also garnering national attention; Don recently won his sixth national writing award from the Garden Writers Association of America. He is also the author of five gardening books. Don maintains a popular garden Q&A website [www.RenegadeGardener.com](http://www.RenegadeGardener.com).

The Renegade Gardener is speaking in the MAIN STAGE during the March 7-10 – 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Lane County Home & Garden Show in Eugene. The four seminars he will present are:

Learn how to re-invent or create your own beautiful garden **“Yes, You Can! Landscape Design for Homeowners”**. Perfect for anyone re-inventing a snow damaged landscape or creating a new landscape design. Don will share the “Do’s & Don’ts” for laying out beautiful outdoor living spaces with form, function and WOW! Saturday 11:00 am & Sunday 2:00 pm.

Don't miss Don's hilarious talk on **“Avoiding the Top 10 Landscape Horrors & Garden Blunders”**. This witty seminar will send people rushing home to grab their shovels to correct their landscape faux pas! Friday 6:00 pm & Sunday 2:00 pm.

Learn how to create gorgeous shade gardens at **“Embrace your Shade: Plants and Design Tips for Shady Spaces.”** Garden long enough and you’ll be a shade gardener. Don’t fret! Gardening in shade unleashes a whole new world of fabulous perennials, shrubs, and, yes, even trees. Saturday 2:00 pm.

Discover the **“Common Garden Myths & the Mayhem they Cause!”** In this fast-paced primer, Don dispenses the false notions created by common gardening myths by replacing error with the truth about fertilizers, wood mulch, landscape fabric, chemical products, lawn mower settings, planting procedures, soil amendments, and many more. Friday 6:00 pm & Sunday 11:00 am.

**What’s the basis for the buzz?** Show goers of all ages and degrees of experience respond with passion to Don’s witty and insightful take on the state of gardening in America today. Don had been there and butchered that, and sprinkles in plenty of irreverent opinion whenever he relates the tips and techniques homeowners need to know in order to create beautiful yards and gardens.

**What is Renegade Gardening?** It’s a smile from doing things right combined with a stern, suspicious glance at a gardening industry that tries to sell unsuspecting homeowners the line that gardening is quick and easy, that plants are foolproof, that plastic rocks make for attractive edging, and that design need not be learned, it can be purchased from a catalogue. As Don says, “Design is design, gardening is gardening, dumb is dumb, and truth conquers all!”

Don preaches that the joy of gardening comes from experimentation, and that a passion for gardening comes only from failing, laughing, succeeding, and learning. Truth is, gardening isn’t always easy, says Don, but mind your back, and the process is guaranteed to be a hoot.

Don has been a featured speaker at flower shows, home & garden shows, university extension service conferences and nursery trade symposia across the United States and in Canada. In summer months Don operates Renegade Gardener Landscaping, specializing in landscape renovations and custom stonework in and around the Twin Cities of Minnesota.

### **Meet the Renegade Gardener at the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Lane County Home & Garden Show**

**Show Dates:** March 7-10, 2019 - Fairgrounds, Eugene, Oregon.

**Show Hours:** Thursday & Friday 5-9pm, Saturday 10am-9pm, Sunday 10am-5pm

**Cost:** Admission & Parking are Free, suggested donation of canned food for FOOD for Lane County

**Full Event Details:** [EugeneHomeShow.com](http://EugeneHomeShow.com)

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