



Canadian Gardening to be celebrated at Fundraiser for Food-Growing & Sharing Programs of Ottawa Food Bank & Debra Dynes Family House

Special Event & Presentation featuring Celebrity Gardener, Albert Mondor, to be held on Tuesday May 9th to both Inspire and Celebrate Gardening in Canada

Canadian gardening and its many possibilities will be featured in a special presentation by well-known gardening expert, Albert Mondor, on Tuesday May 9th (7pm) to support the great food-growing & sharing programs of the Ottawa Food Bank and the Debra Dynes Family House. This event, created through a partnership between The Compost Council of Canada and select gardening programs across the country, promises to both entertain and inspire gardeners – whether first time or seasoned. Tickets are \$20 and may be ordered in advance by visiting www.compost.org. Proceeds from the event will be jointly shared by the Ottawa Food Bank and the Debra Dynes Family House.

The presentation kicks off *International Compost Awareness Week* (May 7 – 13), an annual event for the past 23 years which brings awareness to the important role that organics recycling and compost use plays to address a broad range of environmental and local job issues including waste diversion, greenhouse gas reductions, water conservation and healthy, productive soils.

"We are so delighted to be partnering with Compost Council of Canada to celebrate the joys of Canadian gardening in this way," said Maggie Rose, Event Coordinator, Ottawa Food Bank. "As we grow fruits and vegetables on our own farm, we understand the necessity of healthy soil and its importance in the role of growing nutritious food for people in need."

"In this milestone anniversary year of Canada's 150th, this event connects gardening across Canada as well as helps us provide a very inspiring event for our local gardeners to enjoy," said Barbara Carroll, Debra Dynes Family House. "We look forward to Albert Mondor being with us again, having enjoyed his past visit to our food-growing gardens."

The tour is being supported by Premier Tech and BIOMAX® CQA-certified compost. Along with admission to the presentation, each attendee will receive a reusable bag courtesy of CQA-Certified BIOMAX as well as a magazine from HARROWSMITH.

CELEBRATE CANADIAN GARDENING featuring ALBERT MONDOR

Date: **Tuesday May 9, 2017**

Time: **7pm**

Location: **Jean Pigott Place @**
Ottawa City Hall
110 Laurier Avenue West,
Ottawa, ON K1P 1J1

Ticket Price: **\$20**

To Order Tickets, visit: **www.compost.org**

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