

Celebrity Gardener, Owen Reeves, celebrates Canadian gardening at VanDusen Botanical Garden

*A special presentation featuring celebrity gardener, Owen Reeves, to be held on
Thursday May 11th to both inspire and celebrate gardening in Canada*

Canadian gardening and its many possibilities will take centre stage in a special presentation featuring outdoor and gardening expert on the Marilyn Denis show, Owen Reeves, on Thursday May 11th (7pm) at VanDusen Botanical Garden. This event, created through a partnership between The Compost Council of Canada and select botanical gardens across the country, promises to both entertain and inspire gardeners – whether first time or seasoned. Tickets are \$20 which also include entry into the Garden as well as 15% off the in-house Truffles Café, and may be ordered in advance by visiting www.compost.org.

“Partnering with the Compost Council of Canada is a meaningful way to recognize the importance of gardening and composting to Canadians,” said Vancouver Park Board Chair Michael Wiebe. “We look forward to this special event with Owen Reeves, as well as having him visit our garden and experience its 50 botanical collections and 7,500 plant species and varieties from around the world.” VanDusen Garden is jointly operated by the Park Board and Vancouver Botanical Garden Association.

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.

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 OWEN REEVES

Date: **Thursday May 11, 2017**
Time: **7pm**
Location: 5251 Oak Street
Vancouver, BC V6M 4H1
Ticket Price: \$20
To Order Tickets, visit: www.compost.org

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