

# Junior Master Gardener®

National Leader Training Conference 2024

## Day 1 General Session

12:00 pm (CT) Opening Session

1 pm Eastern/11 am Mountain/10 am Pacific

### JMG Program and NLT Overview

Lisa Whittlesey and Randy Seagraves

## Opening Keynote Speaker

Vikram Baliga, Planthropology & In the Grow Podcaster

## 1:45 pm (CT) Featured Spotlights and Field Trip

2:45 pm Eastern/12:45pm Mountain/11:45am Pacific

### JMG Featured Spotlights

Houston, Texas

Leticia Rodriquez

Orlando, Florida

Melinda Souers

San Diego, California

Jessica Eves

Madison, Mississippi

Melinda Stringer

## 3:15 pm (CT) Keynote Speaker

4:15 pm Eastern/2:15 pm Mountain/1:15 pm Pacific

Ariun Ishdorj, Borlaug Institute for

International Agriculture

## 4:15 pm (CT) Conference Closing Keynote

5:15 pm Eastern/3:15 pm Mountain/2:15 pm Pacific

### Closing Keynote

Sara Dykman, Bicycling with Butterflies

### Closing Session: NLT Day 2 Overview

Lisa Whittlesey

## Day 2 General Session

8:30 am (CT) Opening Session

9:30 am Eastern/7:30 am Mountain/6:30 am Pacific

### JMG Program and NLT Overview

Lisa Whittlesey and Randy Seagraves

## Concurrent Sessions

Session A 9:00-10:00 am (CT)

10am Eastern/8am Mountain/7am Pacific

### 1. JMG Core Curriculum

Randy Seagraves

### 2. The Importance of Family Mealtime- Reclaiming the Classic Family Dinner

Odessa Keenan

### 3. A Garden for Every Child- Adaptive Gardening Strategies

Michele Scaife

### 4. Seed to Plate Nutrition: Empowering, Teaching and Inspiring Healthy Eating from Seed to Plate with Gardening and Cooking Education Intertwined

Ashly Tamayo

Session B 10:30-11:30 am (CT)

11:30am Eastern/9:30am Mountain/8:30am Pacific

### 1. Learn, Grow, Eat, & Go!

Randy Seagraves

### 2. 20 years of Integrating JMG and Mental Wellness with Youth & Adults

Kevin Laughin

### 3. Implementing Learn, Grow, Eat and Go within the School System

Lucy Timbs

### 4. Community Restoration: Urban/Ag Empowerment for the Youth and Elderly

Damon Bazziel and David Bazziel

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### Session C 12:30-1:30 pm (CT)

1:30pm Eastern/11:30am Mountain/10:30am Pacific

- 1. Early Childhood Learn, Grow, Eat & Go**  
Randy Seagraves and Julie Boyle
- 2. Coming to Our Senses: Fun & Easy Ways to Use Gardens and Greenspaces to Enrich Sensory Integration**  
Em Shipman and Amy Wagenfeld
- 3. Celebrating Culture in the Garden**  
Noel Nicholas
- 4. Demystifying High Impact Proposal Writing for Success in Partnerships, Evaluation & Sustainability**  
Dr. Shandra Williams

### Session D 2:00-3:00 pm (CT)

3:00pm Eastern/1:00pm Mountain/12:00pm Pacific

- 1. Literature in the Garden/Wildlife Gardener**  
Lisa Whittlesey
- 2. Growing a Healthy Gardening and Nutrition Education Program on SNAP-Ed Funds**  
Renda Nelson
- 3. Harmonizing Growth: Collaborative Implementation of the Early Childhood LGEG Curriculum**  
Paula Butler, Brianna Lugo, Wendy Pollette, Lindsey Turner, Tami Putnam
- 4. Effectively Recruiting & Supporting volunteers to Grow Sustainable Programs**  
Jayla Fry

### Session E 3:30-4:45 pm (CT)

4:30pm Eastern/2:30pm Mountain/1:30pm Pacific

- 1. JMG Level Two with Operation Thistle & Operation W.A.T.E.R.**  
Lisa Whittlesey
- 2. Sow, Grow, and Munch: Cultivating Health in Early Childhood Care and Education**  
Jodi Nerren
- 3. Using JMG in Charter School Setting**  
Jessica Eves
- 4. Let's Grow!... A Sustainable Culture of Health in Your School**  
Luisa Gonzales-Colin and Angelica Sifuentes-Pena

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the 2024 JMG NLT!

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