

Garden Event

5-9-25, 7:30pm, Live and Online Webinar, The Tree Collectors – Tales of Arboreal Obsession with Amy Stewart, Los Angeles 90027

Description = The Southern California Horticultural Society's Ruth Borun Lecture Series is pleased to welcome New York Times best-selling author Amy Stewart as our guest lecturer for 2025. Her popular non-fiction titles about the natural world include *The Drunken Botanist* and *Wicked Plants*, as well as her latest book; *The Tree Collectors: Tales of Arboreal Obsession*, which will be her featured topic for this program. While doing research for her new book, Stewart discovered a community of tree collectors, and expected to meet horticultural fanatics driven to plant every species of oak or maple. Instead, what was revealed to her was that the urge to collect trees springs from something deeper and more profound, whether it is a longing for community, a vision for the future, or a path to healing and reconciliation. In *The Tree Collectors* Stewart brings us 50 vignettes of remarkable people whose lives have been transformed by their obsessive passion for trees. You are invited to join us for this in-person talk with popular author Amy Stewart as she takes us through her fascinating new book. Stewart's book will be available for purchase plus signing before & after the presentation.

Cost = Free for SCHS Members, and \$15 for Non-Members (Entry fee is applicable to all non-members, including guests of SCHS members and those who are live-streaming.)
Online Attendees: A Zoom link will be provided upon registration. A confirmation will be emailed to the address used during registration.

Registration will close at 5 pm PDT on Sunday, May 4, 2025. Register at <https://www.socalhort.org/event-6088931>

Location = Witherbee Auditorium at the Los Angeles Zoo, 5333 Zoo Dr, Los Angeles 90027.
Doors open at 6:30 pm. Lecture at 7:30 pm.

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