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Matt Warnock Turner Speaks on Botanical Landscapes

New Braunfels, TX – The Westside Community Center and Comal Master Gardeners are teaming up again to bring the first garden presentation of 2018. On February 20th, Matt Warnock Turner Ph.D., author of *Remarkable Plants of Texas: Uncommon Accounts of Our Common Natives*, is returning to discuss the archaeological, historical, material, medicinal, culinary, cultural meanings and benefits behind our everyday botanical landscape. Dr. Turner is a naturalist, teacher, and free-lance writer who works for the University of Texas McCombs School of Business.

The presentation will be held in the Westside Community Center lunchroom from 11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be available, and registrants are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch. The presentation is free and open to the public.

“We are looking forward to our first presenter in the 2018 garden series at Westside Community Center,” stated Outreach Coordinator Jennifer Hernandez. “Dr. Turner has spoken at the library in the past; he also leads nature walks at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center and appears as a guest on PBS’s Central Texas Gardener.”

“A big thank you goes out to the Comal Master Gardener, Carmen Butts, and Westside Community Center librarian, Alix Samuels for their assistance with this program,” Hernandez said.

Copies of Mr. Turner’s book, *Remarkable Plants of Texas*, will be available for purchase and there will be a book signing at the conclusion of the presentation.

To register for this special program, visit the online library calendar at nbtexas.org/library or call 830-221-4630.

The Westside Community Center is located at 2932 S. IH 35, New Braunfels, TX 78130.

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