

Celebrate the Kick-off of Lyme Pollinator Pathway and Earth Day

To Kick-off Lyme Pollinator Pathway and in honor of Earth Day 2021, we are offering a very special Earth Day program in two parts: 1) A showing of the environmental documentary *Hometown Habitat*, and 2) an in-person interview with the producer/director Catherine Zimmerman.

Lyme Pollinator Pathway Kick-off Part One! Hometown Habitat - Stories of Bringing Nature Home

Date: Fri April 16, 2021 thru Sun April 18, 2021

Time: View anytime

Place: Free online streaming

Contact Email: Lymepollinator@gmail.com

Stream the inspiring movie *Hometown Habitat – Stories of Bringing Nature Home*, at your convenience. Participants can access and re-access the film throughout the three days from Friday, April 16 through Sunday, April 18. Through its profile of 7 hometown habitat heroes, this 90-minute film shows how we can save our vital pollinators, such as bees, birds, and others. The narrative thread of this 8-chapter documentary is provided by renowned entomologist Douglas Tallamy, Ph.D. whose research, books, and lectures about increasing the use of native plants in landscaping, and other actions, provide solutions for habitat and species loss. Tallamy challenges the notion that humans are here and nature is someplace else.

Lyme Pollinator Pathway Kick-off Part Two! Presentation by Filmmaker Catherine Zimmerman

Date: Mon April 19, 2021

Time: 7:00 pm

Place: Zoom Presentation

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Join us for part 2 of an Earth Day kick-off of Lyme Pollinator Pathway! A live zoom presentation with producer/director Catherine Zimmerman. For two years, she and her film crew traveled around the country to create *Hometown Habitat – Stories of Bringing Nature Home*. They filmed inspiring stories of community commitment to protect the landscape and habitat of pollinators. Zimmerman shares these success stories and works in-progress that re-awaken and re-define our relationship with nature. The message will inspire you – all of us have the power to support habitat for wildlife and bring natural beauty to our patch of the Earth.

Sue Cope will moderate the April 19 program and explain the Lyme Pollinator Pathway (LPP), which was established February 4, 2021. As part of a national effort, LPP aims to help Lyme neighbors and friends create and connect pollinator-friendly habitats with food sources for bees, butterflies, birds, and other pollinators. We wish to encourage as many people as possible to plant patches, big or small, of native pollinator-friendly vegetation. If we can grow enough patches, they will connect like steppingstones to create a pollinator pathway of nutrition and protection. Even the smallest patch or planter can create a sense of satisfaction for your participation in this vital community project.

REGISTER for one or both of the events: Lymepollinator@gmail.com. In the email let us know if you are registering for the 1) Hometown Habitat film 2) the Zimmerman presentation, or both. You will be sent the links a few days before the programs.

Lyme Pollinator Pathway (LPP) is an initiative of the Lyme [SustainableCT](#) Committee, which is appointed by the Lyme Board of Selectmen. Sponsors of the event are LPP, the Lyme Land Trust, the Lyme Garden Club, the Lyme Public Library and Friends of the Lyme Public Library. The programs are funded by the Lyme Land Trust through a gift from the Pleasant Valley Association.