

## Herbarium to Present Guest Lecture on Medicinal Plants

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Delaware State University's Claude E. Phillips Herbarium will host a guest lecture by Dr. James Duke on "Some Medicinal Plants of the Eastern U.S." at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7 in the Longwood Auditorium, Bank of America Building on campus.

The event is free and open to the public.

Dr. Duke is a distinguished herbal lecturer with the Tai Sophia Hearing Institute in Laurel, Md., and has written more than 30 books on medicinal plants. A retired 30-year ecologist/botanist with the USDA, Dr. Duke grows hundreds of interesting plants on his six-acre farmette in Maryland. He currently serves as a senior science advisor to Nature's Herbs and AllHerbs.com.

During the event, an overview of the Claude E. Phillips Herbarium will be presented by Dr. Arthur Tucker, herbarium director, and Dr. Susan Yost, herbarium educator. Following the lecture, there will be a reception and tour at the Herbarium.

During the reception there will also be a book signing by Dr. Duke, as well as by D. Tucker and Mr. Francesco DeBaggio of their *Encyclopedia of Herbs*. Dr. Duke's wife Peggy will also display some of her botanical art.

To attend the free guest lecture, please register online to reserve your seat at <http://herbarium.desu.edu> <sup>[1]</sup>; or by phone by calling Ms. Sandy Jacobsen at (302) 857-6415.

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