



## **GWA Region VII Meeting at Canada Blooms Saturday March 15, 2008**

Region VII's traditional winter meeting is being held at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre in Toronto, Ontario during Canada Blooms, The Toronto Flower & Garden Show.

Canada Blooms is the largest flower and garden show in Canada. The event runs March 12 - 16, 2008. Covering over six acres, Canada Blooms offers spectacular display gardens, over 200 vendors, plus hours of demonstrations, seminars, lectures and workshops. For more information about Canada Blooms visit [www.canadablooms.com](http://www.canadablooms.com).

Our guest speaker this year is our own Sonia Day. Her talk, is entitled "*From Monet to Malak: tulip lovers around the world.*" Sonia is the author of four books including, *Tulips: Facts and Folklore about The World's Most Planted Flower* for which she won a "Best Writing" Garden Globe Award from the Garden Writers' Association. Sonia writes regularly for the Toronto Star and is the humour columnist for Canadian Gardening magazine. Her column, *Down To Earth*, appears in every issue. Sonia is also an acclaimed artist in the Toronto area, well known for her bold and beautiful watercolours.

GWA members are invited to attend an early morning guided tour of Canada Blooms on Saturday, March 15th before the show officially opens its doors to the public. After the tour relax in the media room or explore the show on your own. Then, get together with other members for lunch and the Region VII meeting.

**\* Please note:** Only accredited media will have access to complimentary entrance to Canada Blooms. For accreditation, fill in the Media Registration Form at the Canada Blooms website, ([http://canadablooms.com/Code/Public\\_Folder/Media\\_Form.aspx](http://canadablooms.com/Code/Public_Folder/Media_Form.aspx)). You need to do this in addition to registering for the Region VII meeting.

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## **Region VII GWA Meeting Agenda March 15, 2008**

- 8:20 am Meet tour guides at the 600 level.  
Canada Blooms does not open to the public until 10:00 am, so a media badge is required to pass through security at the escalator on the 600 level.  
GWA Members registered for the Canada Blooms meeting must be accredited through Canada Blooms.
- 8:25 am At 8:25 am sharp our Canada Bloom guides will escort us to the 800 level and our group will have a private tour of the feature gardens and displays. The guides will point out highlights of the show, provide background information and answer questions. This is by far the best time to see the show.
- 10:00 am The media room (713B) opens where you can pick up press kits and enjoy some refreshments. Then, return to the show and browse at your leisure.
- 12:00 pm Region VII luncheon and annual meeting.



**Registration Form**  
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Please complete the registration form below.

**Note: Registration must be received before February 15, 2008. Space is limited.**  
(A minimum of 21 registrants is required)

Mail registration form and a cheque made payable to Veronica Sliva for \$15.00 to:

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

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I plan to take the March 15th early morning tour      Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

I plan to join the group for lunch on March 15th      Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_