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2016 Farwest Show Pre-Show Tours Include Track At Premier Retail Garden Centers

Wilsonville, Oregon (June 29, 2016) - The 2016 Farwest Show, August 25-27, in Portland, OR, is announcing the addition of a retail garden center tour as one of three pre-show tour options before the Show opens. 'Local Favorites and Must-see Destination Garden Centers' is the new tour added to showcase several of the area's most innovative and successful retail garden centers. The tour takes place on Wednesday, August 24, from 8a-6p. This retail-focused tour is in addition to two wholesale operations focused tours. The Farwest Show continues its history of providing Nursery Country Tours in Oregon and is pleased to offer 3 full day tours in 2016.

Tour attendees will visit five garden centers- Bauman Farms and Garden, Shonnard's Nursery, Florist and Landscape, Garland Nursery, Sebright Gardens, and Little Prince of Oregon Nursery. Together, these garden centers will showcase the best of retail that includes year-round agritainment, full-service retail, floral and landscape departments, a 4th generation nursery, niche grower/retailer operation specializing in shady selections, and cutting edge plants. It will be a full day of discovering innovative displays, new ideas, and fresh inspiration.

Registration is required for the tour. Cost per person is \$99 when registered by July 31 and \$115 starting August 1 (cost includes Farwest 3 Day Expo Pass). Space is limited to 52. The full day (8a-6p) includes luxury motor coach transportation, lunch, beverages, and snacks.

For more information and to register, visit www.FarwestShow.com.

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The Oregon Association of Nurseries (OAN), based in Wilsonville, represents more than 800 wholesale growers, retailers, landscapers and suppliers. Oregon's ornamental horticulture industry is one of the state's largest agricultural commodity, with annual sales of \$830 million. Oregon's nursery industry is a traded sector; nearly 80 percent of the nursery plants grown in Oregon are shipped out of state. For information, visit www.oan.org or call 503-682-5089.

The Farwest Show, the largest green industry show in the West, is produced by the OAN, a trade organization that represents and serves the interests of the ornamental horticulture industry. Any revenue realized by the OAN is reinvested into the industry through education, research, marketing support and government relations. For more information about the 2016 Farwest Show, visit www.FarwestShow.com or call 503-682-5089.

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