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We want to thank all of our wonderful clients who have given us the privilege of working on their properties.

## **Jay Petrow**



Jay's creative vision, coupled with his horticultural knowledge, produces extraordinary landscapes for his clients.

To reach Jay with your landscaping questions, please call 203-803-0533 or email





# The Garden in September

#### Greetings!

As our days start to get cooler and our attention drifts back to work and school, we tend to pay less attention to our gardens. And for good reason in many cases. Those heady spring days with abundant pink and purple blooms on our rhododendrons and lilacs have turned to all green canvases of evergreen leaves.

But there are many late blooming shrubs and perennials that really shine in the early autumn light. Take a look below at some wonderful choices to extend your garden's visual performance...

### Late Summer Color in Your Garden

Fortunately, nature has blessed us with flowers of all shapes and colors that bloom at various times of the year. When designing a garden for season long interest it's always important to think of a progression of blooms so the garden holds interest as long as possible. Late summer can be a particularly difficult time for a garden as the hot, humid weather takes a toll on plants. But with a little foresight, a garden can look dynamic all the way through the fall season.

The following plants will hold interest in your garden throughout the late summer..



Pink Muhly Grass comes into its own in September with sparkling pink blooms. Here paired with annual salvia



The bright purple blooms of Blue beard (Caryopteris 'Longwood Blue') is a bee magnet late in the year



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No matter what species of Aster you use, their color late in the season is a mainstay in the garden



Hovering purple blooms of Verbena bonariensis mixing with grasses creates an ethereal scene in the garden.



Geranium Rozanne, one of the longest blooming perennials, blooms from May through October



Sargent Crabapple fruits add color in a different way



Tall garden Phlox comes in many colors including this bright pink



Obedient plant, (Physostegia virginiana) likes wet soil and even after the flowers fade, the remaining sepals look interesting

After the cold, gray winters we have in Connecticut, there is a tremendous desire to plant early blooming flora in your garden. But don't forget to get some late season pop as well. Memories of late color may very well carry you through another dreary winter.

Call us for more late season choices.

Sincerely,

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design principles of repetition of shapes, harmonization of colors, and use of contrasting textures and forms with artistic expression. The resulting gardens promise to be inviting to explore and stimulating to your senses. Native and non-native plants that provide seasonal interest for both you and the wildlife in our region are used in our designs.