

## Creating Your Spring and Summer Planters – May 2, 2012



On Wednesday May 2, **Catherine Disley** gave an illustrated talk on '*Creating your Spring and Summer Planters*'. Catherine covered items such as the selection of planters, what to look for and what to avoid.

In her container planters, Catherine only uses soilless potting mix, but fertilizes with slow release plant food at the time of potting up and supplements every two weeks with a soluble fertilizer.

Catherine showed photographs of many planters and noted the great variety of plant material, both annuals and perennials that can be used. She talked about how to mix colours, texture and height of plants. It was a very informative talk and she had an appreciative audience of more than 60 people who asked lots of questions throughout her presentation.

After her illustrated talk, Catherine provided a hands-on demonstration of putting together a planter; though she noted that her choice of plants was somewhat limited in early May and the small size of pot used was not recommended but was for demonstration purposes only.

