

# Missa's Urban Home

## BTR Show Prep for 1/31/2010

### Diana Weiner: Seeds

<b>Greeting</b>	I'm Missa Dixon And this is Missa's Urban Home on Blog Talk Radio The show where we enlightening lives one extraordinary topic at a time.
<b>Today's show</b>	Today's show I welcome Diana Weiner back to the show our master gardener in residence. Today she and I are going to cover seeds. How to get them? How to store them? What they really are? And what to do with them?
<b>Weather</b>	The weather outside is better than it was. We had an ice and snow here Friday. It has not gotten over freezing since, so there's ice on the road and I've got to be at a really good Mexican place in 1.5 hours. I just don't know how that's going to go with these Memphis drivers.
<b>Foo Dog Mafia</b>	Yes I have the squeaky toy and we will be throwing it later.
<b>Thankful Moment</b>	
<b>Pointing moment</b>	None
<b>Upcoming Shows</b>	<b>Feb 7<sup>th</sup></b> (Next week) – Joyce Norman will be on to talk about her book <u>Coming Together</u> . <b>Feb 14<sup>th</sup></b> – Kalia Smith will be here to talk of love spells. <b>Feb 21<sup>st</sup></b> – Chilufiya Safaa will be here talking about her novels on the topic of love.

# Interview Questions:

## Diana Weiner: Seeds

- ⊗ What is a seed?
- ⊗ When and where did seeds evolve?
  - The earliest fossil seeds are around 365 million years old from the Late Devonian of West Virginia.
- ⊗ What does a seed do for a plant?
- ⊗ What are the parts of a seed?
- ⊗ What are the different kinds of seeds?
- ⊗ How does a seed work?
- ⊗ Why are seeds so important to humans?
  - Food
  - Fuel
  - Fibers
  - Herbicides
  - Pesticides
  - Meds
- ⊗ How do you get seeds?
  - Catalogs
  - Stores
  - Friends, Family,
  - Seed exchanges
  - Etc.
- ⊗ Why do seeds go dormant?
- ⊗ What is germination?
  - Why is it important to seeds?
  - How can you induce germination?
    - Scarification
    - Stratification
    - Leaching
    - Other methods
      - Pre-chilling, pre-drying, daily alternation of temperature, light exposure, potassium nitrate, the use of plant growth regulators and other chemicals, ethylene, sodium hypochlorite plus others, and fire
- ⊗ Can you keep seeds year after year?
- ⊗ What is the best way to keep these seeds?
- ⊗ How long can you keep seeds?
- ⊗ How do you know if seeds are past their prime?
- ⊗ How do you collect seeds for your own plants?

- ⊗ What do you have to be careful of keeping seeds from your own garden?
- ⊗ How do you plant seeds for your spring garden?
- ⊗ How early can you get started on your garden?
- ⊗ Can you start seeds in the house?
  - Is it a good idea?
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