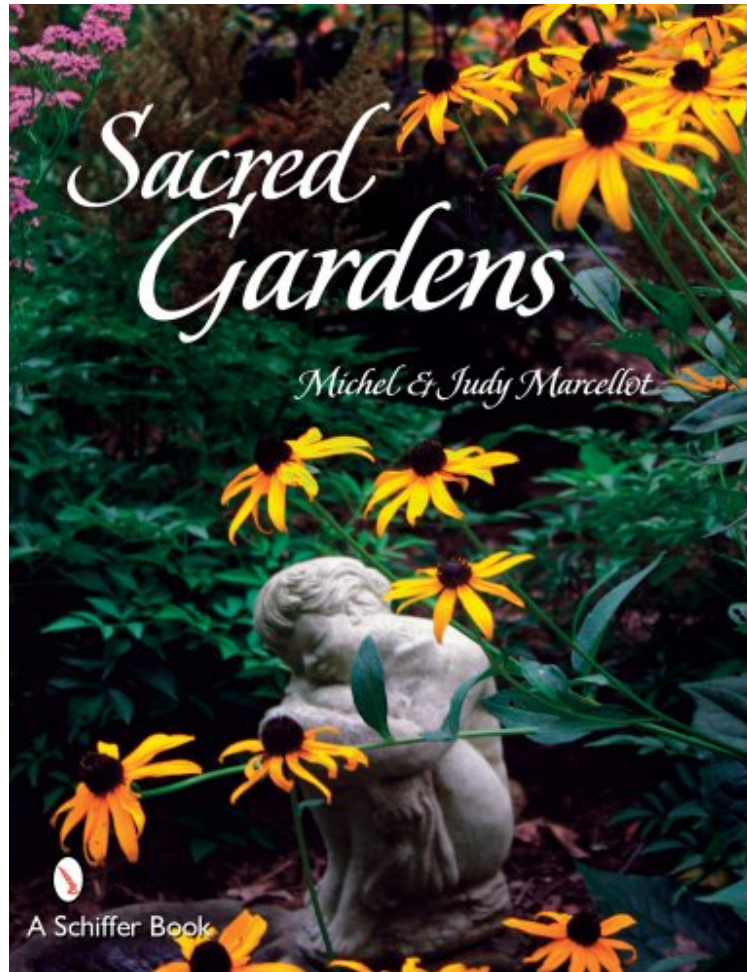


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About the Author Judy and Michel Marcellot have gardened professionally since 1980. Their four-acre suburban lot includes a public Peace Garden, one of the attractions that has drawn tens of thousands of people, photographers, and filmmakers to their collector plant nursery and gardens on the Rhode Island/Massachusetts border.