EARLY FLOWERING CRAPEMYRTLE PROJECT

- Perrenial flowering shrubs/trees
- Lagerstroemia indica and lagerstroemia fauriei
- Interest in ornamental characteristic of early blooming crapemyrtes while still being disease resistant
VARIATION IN SIZE, COLOR, AND HABIT
The plot

- 94ft x 14ft 2 in
- Split into 3 sections, A, B, C
- Each section contains 84 plants
1-09 EL = 9574 self
3-09 EL = 9555x9574
4-09 EL = 9555 self
Flower timing

Number of plants

50% Flowering
First Flower
Leaf Size

- Size of leaves in plot
- Plants that have sports
RESULTS
A37, 4-09-14  A54, 4-09-6  C19, 4-09-7  B14, 4-09-8
CONCLUSION

Ultimately a step toward a crapemyrtle that is drought tolerant, powdery mildew resistant and flowers significantly earlier than other varieties.
OTHER TASKS
CAPITAL GROUNDS AND US BOTANICAL GARDEN
CHANTICLEER GARDENS AND MORRIS ARBORETUM
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