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SLEEP IN A 'FIELD OF IRIS'

Talented members of the Arboretum Auxiliary have lovingly stitched a stunning quilt for the organization's annual Quilt Raffle. The machine-stitched creation is called "Field of Iris" and depicts the namesake flower in amazing detail. Measuring 70 x 80 inches, the quilt will be raffled off at a drawing at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, during the Auxiliary's annual Harvest Sale which runs Sept. 26-27. Raffle tickets, at \$2 each, may be purchased in the visitor center now until Sept. 26. "Field of Iris" was sewn by the Auxiliary's Contemporary Quilters group. All proceeds from the quilt raffle and Harvest Sale benefit the Arboretum. Each year, the Auxiliary contributes thousands of dollars to the Arboretum. 🌿

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A Message From the Director... Ed Schneider

Get Your ABCs of Summer Fun at the Arboretum

A...

is for the awesome beauty of the gardens. Hop a free ride on our Visitor Circulators (Thursday-Sunday) and explore so many wonderful places. Visit the Home Demo Square-Foot Gardens, with plants offering the best flavor and the highest yield; Harrison Sculpture Garden and the newest sculptures; Maze Garden and the green labyrinth; the Andrus Learning Center and the Green Play Yard for babies to pre-schoolers...and more.

B...

is for bricks, LEGO®-style. Enjoy the fascinating and whimsical interpretations of nature at play with Nature Connects: Art with LEGO® Bricks exhibit. You will be awed by 26 remarkable LEGO® brick sculptures in and around the gardens.

C...

is for celebrating at Taste & Toast in the Gardens, Wednesday, July 15. Join the metro area's top restaurants, wineries and breweries together for what the Star Tribune calls "...the best outdoor party of summer." Still time to make reservations—meet chef/owner Gavin Kaysen of Spoon & Stable (named one of the nation's five best restaurants by Food & Wine Magazine) at the 6 p.m. patron reception. Thank you to Megan and Jim Dayton for serving as chairs of the fundraiser event, with beer sponsors Marla and John Ordway, and an anonymous donor. Hosted by the Arboretum Foundation.

See you at The Arboretum! 🌿

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ON THE COVER: BLACK-EYED SUSANS
Photo by Mark MacLennan



Photo by Patrick Petersen

Beautifying the Berens

The Eighth in a Series on Arboretum Gardens/Natural Area

The Arboretum's historic Berens Cabin will have a new front garden this summer, thanks to generous Arboretum supporters and our talented gardeners.

Visitors walking or driving on Three-Mile Drive through the initial big woods area probably are familiar with this historic cabin, which was once a favorite getaway for the Berens family and now serves as an Arboretum history center.

For many years, the cabin was the only structure on the Arboretum's original 160-acre grounds, and in the '60s, after some remodeling, it served as a temporary headquarters, reception area, gift shop and more, operated by the Arboretum Auxiliary members.

After the Snyder Building opened in 1974 as the new visitor center, the Berens Cabin housed various staff members and even a visiting professor from China.

Then in 2000, thanks to a gift from twin sisters Mary and Lola Berens, the Berens Cabin was rehabilitated and transformed into its current status as a history center.

In 2002, the Men's Garden Club of Minneapolis celebrated its 60th year by providing much-needed landscaping for the cabin.

Today, the front garden has been renovated, endowed and replanted, courtesy of donors Dianne and Lance Erickson.

Last fall, the garden soil was prepared with compost and rich top soil, followed by deep tilling. In May, Arboretum gardeners planted primarily native woodland wildflowers with a few Asian species.

"Choosing the plants wasn't an easy process," said Arboretum horticulture manager Thomas Brinda. "It was challenging. We searched for plants that were deer-tolerant, shade-tolerant and that could thrive in the dry soils of that specific area."

Next time you approach the Berens Cabin front door, pause for a minute to enjoy the wonderful new garden at your feet! 🌸



CONEFLOWER COLLAGE
Photo by Don Olson



ARBORETUM INSTAGRAM

Follow @mn_arb on the Arboretum's Instagram account! This is the online place for pictures of life at the Arboretum. Post photos of your Arboretum experience using #MNArblife. Whether it's a picture of the gardens or of you and your family outdoors – we want to see it! 🌸



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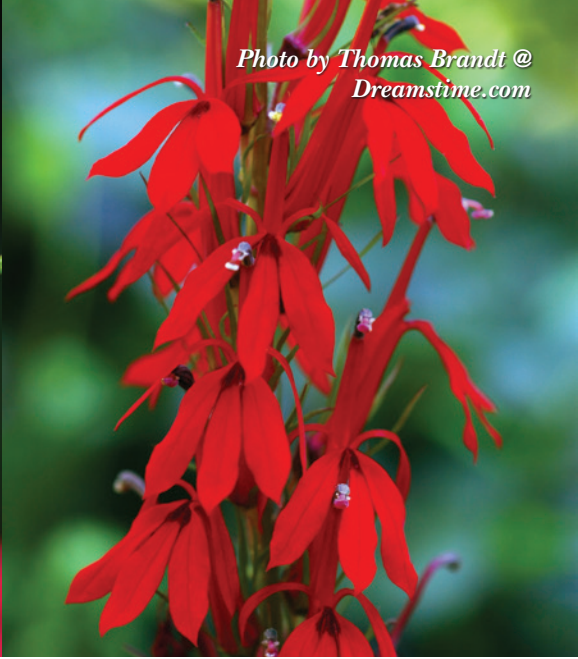


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Cardinal Flower – Hummingbird’s Delight

MATT SCHUTH
Naturalist

Roger Tory Peterson called it "America's favorite." In the 1940s, American botanists voted it the most beautiful flower in the world. When the brilliant scarlet cardinal flower (*Lobelia cardinalis*) appears along the wetland banks of the Dayton Wildflower Garden and Iris Pond, it is easy to understand the fascination the experts had with this preeminent beauty.

The dazzling red flowers grow in a cluster, each about an inch across, with three spreading lower petals and two upright petals. The petals join in a basal tube. Hummingbirds are attracted to red colors and are the chief pollinators of the cardinal flower. Its deep nectar-filled tube synchronizes perfectly with the hummingbirds three-inch bill.

Insects are attracted to flowers that strongly absorb ultra-violet light. Red flowers weakly absorb ultra-violet rays and therefore

do not attract insects and are not in competition with the hummingbirds.

The cardinal flower was introduced into Europe during the 1620s and named after the bright robes of the Roman Catholic cardinals.

Native Americans ground the plant into a powder and used it as a magic dust to dispel storms. A root tea was made from it to treat epilepsy, typhoid, worms and other maladies. It has chemical properties that are being studied to treat neurological disorders.

Come to the Arboretum this summer and revel in the exquisite charm of this crimson beauty. 🌺

ART CRAWL THROUGH THE GARDENS Aug. 15-16, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

The Arboretum’s Art Crawl Through the Gardens is a unique showcase of art and nature, perfect for art lovers of all ages, and set entirely in the Arboretum’s beautiful landscapes and gardens. The art crawl features a wide variety of works – scattered in clusters along scenic Three-Mile Drive – displayed by talented artists who will be on hand to meet with visitors and sell their pieces. Take a stroll through the beauty of nature and enjoy art from nearly 60 local artists. Food will be available along the way. Also accessible via Arboretum Circulators and private vehicle, Art Crawl Through the Gardens takes place Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 15-16, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. both days. Special appearance Saturday – muralist and illustrator Shawn McCann will create a 3-D chalk mural. The art crawl is free with gate admission. 🌿



Photo by Mark MacLennan



Photos by Pat Petersen

Connect with Nature in a Whimsical Way This Summer

This summer's much-anticipated exhibit, "Nature Connects®: Art with LEGO® Bricks," promises to bring child-like delight to visitors of all ages. The innovative artistry of Sean Kenney's sculptures shows us that, just as LEGO® Bricks connect to one another, we connect with nature. Twenty-six sculptures will be displayed in 13 locations, mostly close to the Arboretum's main buildings. Pick up a map at the information desk in the Oswald Visitor Center. The sculptures will be on display daily through Aug. 30, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

To add to the fun, Community LEGO® Brick Builds are offered 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on alternate Saturdays throughout the summer. The builds challenge the creativity and ingenuity of participants, featuring several different models including a LEGO® Bricks community, a car, a windmill and more! The Community Builds take place at the Sensory Garden shelter, on June 27, July 11, 25 and August 8, 22, and are free with gate admission, in part with support from Minnehaha Creek Watershed District and our Community Partners,

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Read more: "Amazing ABC" – alphabet book of LEGO® Brick creations for younger readers, \$7.99; and "Cool Creations in 35 Pieces" – step-by-step directions for creating models from LEGO® Bricks, using just 35 pieces, \$12.99 – both by Sean Kenney and available in the Gift Store (612-301-7619).



Photo by Mark Paulson

EXPLORE ON VISITOR CIRCULATORS

Ride the Visitor Circulators for free into the heart of the Arboretum. Hop on at the Circulator Rest Stop at the Home Demo Gardens, with stops at the Harrison Sculpture Garden, Maze Garden and Andrus Learning Center (restrooms and drinking water nearby). At each Rest Stop, check map stands for information on nearby gardens and trails to explore, related brochures and details on downloading the new Arboretum App. Watch for enhancements such as video monitors with features on what's happening each month at the Arboretum (indoors and out), circulator schedule, etc., funded by a special gift from Jack and Pam Safar. Circulators operate Thursdays-Sundays this summer and fall. 🌿



Photo by Pat Petersen

Square-Foot Gardening (Part II)

High-flavor, high-yield results from a limited space are now growing at the Home Demo Gardens, thanks to innovative designs by Ted Pew, landscape gardener. August is peak time for harvest.

Intensive Garden #4: Look for 52 1'x1' squares with a trellis featuring sugar snap peas transitioning to "Fortex" beans amidst the "Health Master" carrots and "Flamingo" Asian spinach.

Main Vegetable Bed: Look for 20 approximately 4'x4' squares featuring up to 16 vegetable varieties, including companion plantings of flowers, herbs, sweet corn, Russet potatoes, a hill of zucchini, "Lemon Boy" tomatoes, "Wando" peas, "Ichiban" and "Ghostbuster" eggplant. Plus, "Tasty Jade" cucumber, "Carmen" peppers, "Atomic Red" carrots, broccoli and red/green leafy lettuce.

Outer Vegetable Bed: Divided into two rectangles with a center narrow path. The north (A) garden features 43 1'x1' squares and approximately 3'x2' beds of "Winter Luxury Pie" squash and "Amish Paste" heirloom tomatoes; and 2'x2' squares of "Muriel" and "San Marzano Lungo #2" roma tomatoes; and "Musquee De Provence" pumpkins plus interesting onions. The south (B) garden features 47 1'x1' squares of a larger plot of "Orange Glo" watermelon, "Dolce DeLa Table" pumpkins and herbs.

Don't miss the patch of sweet corn, melons and pumpkins growing near the Margot Picnic Shelters. Go to www.arboretum.umn.edu/gardensofeatin.aspx to track the harvest and share your stories. 🍅

SUMMER GARDENING TIPS

Mid-to-late summer often brings periods of hot, windy and dry weather. These conditions make it imperative that you water and tend daily to your lawn, flower & vegetable gardens and trees. Here are a few tips to help you stay on top of your summer gardening.

Smart Watering: Water early and late in the day to reduce water loss from evaporation and long enough to soak the top 8"- 12" of topsoil. Use mulch to retain water and keep roots cooler and, when mowing, raise your mower height to shade the grass crown and roots.

Trees and Shrubs: Birch trees, sugar maples, and other trees native to cool forests suffer drought stress first, but all trees benefit from water during hot, dry periods. July is a good month to prune maples and birch and other trees that bleed when pruned in late winter. Late summer is a great time to plant evergreen trees and shrubs. The new plants will have several months to grow new roots and will beautify your yard this coming winter and all year around. Few flowering shrubs bloom in late summer but many of the hardier shrub roses will keep right on blooming into October. Visit the Shrub Rose Garden at the Arboretum now for ideas on roses to look for at local garden centers and nurseries.

Flower and Vegetable Gardens: Deadhead large flowered plants such as geraniums, daylilies and lilies to prevent seed formation, encourage re-bloom and keep plants more attractive. Don't be afraid to cut flowers for indoor bouquets and arrangements. Cutting flowers actually encourages re-bloom in some species. August is the peak month for tomato, pepper and onion production. Harvest the bounty from your garden and enjoy the prizes of this fleeting season or make salsa that will remind you of summer all winter long. Minnesota grown apples will be ripening by State Fair time and will be available at the AppleHouse. 🍏



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Savor Sustainable Seafood from Renowned Restaurants

The Arboretum is dedicated to educating the public about sustainable food systems. The term "sustainability" is often applied to land-based agriculture; however, the term can also be applied to food sourced from lakes and oceans. Sustainable seafood is defined as seafood that is either caught in the wild or farm-raised and that can sustain not only current populations, but thrive over the long term. The methods by which the seafood is harvested or raised must not cause undue harm to their natural ecosystems. Embracing the use of sustainable seafood is one of the best ways we can all contribute to our oceans' – and thereby our planet's – health.

Experience an exclusive opportunity to dine with featured restaurant chefs while learning more about purchasing, supporting, cooking, and enjoying sustainable seafood. Dinner classes are limited to 30 participants and are fun, casual, social experiences. Classes located in the Arboretum's Learning Center. Fees are \$65 members/\$77 non-members, and include gate admission as well as a multi-course educational dinner with paired wine tastings.

Celebrating a new addition to the popular *Dinner with a Chef* classes, the Arboretum is pleased to join forces with Fish Smart, whose goal is to increase the availability of sustainable seafood in the Twin Cities and increase awareness of sustainable seafood issues throughout Minnesota.

Sea Change Dinner

Featuring Chef de Cuisine Ryan Cook
Thursday, July 23, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.



Corner Table Dinner

Featuring Executive Chef Thomas Boemer
Thursday, August 20, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.



Saffron Dinner

Featuring Chef and Owner Sameh Wadi
Thursday, September 17, 6:30-8:30 p.m.



See menus, details and register at www.arboretum.umn.edu/cookingclasses.aspx or call 612-301-1210. 




K is for Kiss-Me-Over-the-Garden-Gate: A Horticultural Alphabet

PATRICK PETERSEN
Editor

ARBORETUM CAMPAIGN Eastern Drive

The newly completed Eastern Drive will serve as an important roadway, connecting Three-Mile Drive to the Arboretum's eastern campus. It is a major point of entry to the Arb's iconic Red Barn which was previously just an "off the beaten path" area in the distance. The current core of the Arboretum's tree collections, including the crabapple tree collection, Shade Tree Exhibit and Spring Peeper Meadow along the main Three-Mile Drive will be directly linked to Eastern Drive. Funded by a generous gift from the Leonard and Mary Lou Hoeft family, as part of the Arboretum Campaign, Eastern Drive offers improved visitor access to the Red Barn and eastern campus.

The Red Barn and surrounding campus will feature the Tashjian Bee & Pollinator Discovery Center, which is currently in development. Future plans envision a Red Barn center for programs and events, a farm garden and research area, and environmental teaching exhibits for all ages and abilities.

You make a difference! To support the Arboretum Campaign with your gift, donate at the Oswald Visitor Center; go online at www.arbcampaign.org; call the Development office at 612-301-1263; or mail a gift to: Arboretum Campaign, 3675 Arboretum Dr., Chaska, MN 55318 




Presented by the Andersen Horticultural Library, "K is for Kiss-Me-Over-the-Garden-Gate" features stunning and rare printed images, from apples to zinnias – a horticultural alphabet highlighting the library's special collections of vintage seed catalogs, treasured rare books, and 19th century garden magazines. The exhibit runs through August 30 in the Reedy Gallery. Each letter is represented by a plant (A is for Apple, etc.). For each plant, three exquisite images found in the library's collections are digitized, enlarged, and arranged together on a placard/poster. Many of the original rare books and seed catalogs are on display in the library.

"The project team had a great time pulling this exhibit together" said Librarian Kathy Allen, adding with a smile, "It was a tall order to agree on which plant would represent each letter of the alphabet. Some letters were difficult, like 'X,' while others had so many possibilities we nearly came to blows over which one to choose – think D is for Daffodil, Dahlia or Daylily." Allen continued: "The library's collections span nearly 500 years and include thousands of richly illustrated works. Finding beautiful images for each of the 26 plants involved some research and many visits to the rare book room to browse. Choosing the top three images for each plant was fun...when we all agreed. We rarely agreed!"

The library's collections continue to grow. Allen mused: "Every time I purchased a rare illustrated book during our exhibit planning, I would check to see whether any of the illustrations were of our 26 plants and whether any were better than the three we'd already chosen. It was maddening – it seemed we were never quite finished! We could continue to offer alphabet exhibits for the next century and not run out of material."

"Kiss-Me-Over-the-Garden-Gate" is the common name of *Persicaria orientalis* (Synonym: *Polygonum orientale*.) This hard-to-find heirloom plant features chains of dark pink flowers that droop from 6-to-9-foot stems. Seed for this unusual plant can be purchased at the Arboretum Gift Store.

Make your own alphabetical plant book: Writing an ABC Plant Book for Grown-Ups (100-07-18-15) Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., with Jeannie Hanson, published nature and science writer, writing coach. Create a botanical "abecedary." The "abecedary" is an old form of writing, often a simple A-B-C for children learning their alphabets. More information and registration: www.arboretum.umn.edu/artsclasses.aspx 



Photos by Don Olson



Taste & Toast in the Gardens: 'Garden and Farm to Table'



Wednesday, July 15, 6-9 p.m.

Hosted by the Arboretum Foundation in support of the Arboretum, Taste & Toast in the Gardens features tastes from 21 restaurants and sips from regional wineries and local breweries and takes place in the beautiful Arboretum gardens. At \$125 per person, the patron reception at 6 p.m. offers early entry and some exclusive sampling with special guest Gavin Kaysen, chef/owner of Spoon & Stable. Or enjoy general admission entry at 7 p.m. at \$75 each and sample an array of tastes & sips throughout the gardens. Live music as well! Reserve today at: www.arboretum.umn.edu/tasteandtoast.aspx and also see a roster of restaurants, wineries and local breweries. Thanks to event chairs Megan and Jim Dayton. Beer sponsored by Marla and John Ordway and an anonymous donor. 🍷

OUTDOOR POP-UP CAFÉ ON NEWTON TERRACE

Every third Thursday through September, the Arboretum culinary team will wow your taste buds with an Outdoor Pop-Up Café on the Newton Terrace. Summer menu selections will vary each month and will feature grilled specialties, Johnny Pops frozen smoothie treats and more! Bring your family out to the Arboretum this summer to enjoy a true outdoor eating experience surrounded by the beauty of the gardens! Hours of operation will be noon-2 p.m. and then again from 4-6 p.m. Beer and wine by the glass available in the café but guests are welcome to take it outside to enjoy with your meal. 🍷

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LIVE MUSIC IN THE GARDENS!

Here's the line-up of summertime live outdoor music performances at the Arboretum (free with gate admission):

- July 9 – 5:30-7 p.m. Will Bauermeister
- July 12 – 1-2:30 p.m. The Abiders
- July 26 – 1-2:30 p.m. The Gritpickers
- Aug. 2 – 1-2:30 p.m. Warehouse Eyes
- Aug. 9 – 1-2:30 p.m. Celebration Brass
- Aug. 23 – 1-2:30 p.m. Bend in the River Big Band

Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Grab-and-go snacks, wine and beer service in the Café until 5 p.m. All concerts on the Trex Deck near the Ordway Shelter. Come and enjoy! Music in the Gardens is free with gate admission. 🍷

VOLUNTEER

Spotlight



DOROTHY LEE VOLUNTEER, MEMBERSHIP

Arboretum Volunteer: 2 years
(Named one of "2015 Volunteers of the Year")

What are some of the favorite projects you have worked on or are working on now?

I enjoy helping to prepare for the Membership Appreciation Day. I especially like popping popcorn and meeting other members. I also thoroughly enjoy working at the Arboretum booth at the Minnesota State Fair, making buttons for various events and promotions and volunteering at the Ghouls and Goblins in the Gardens event in the fall.

Why do you like to volunteer at the Arboretum?

I love the various projects I get to do, but I have found that I enjoy the people I get to work with even more! I have met some amazing volunteers and have made many great friends. The staff are wonderful to work with and very loving. I truly feel I am part of a great Arboretum family! 🌿



Membership Matters!

Thank you for your support!

Thank you Arboretum members for your loyal support. Members enjoy free annual admission, perks such as Arboretum Magazine and eNews; and privileges like discounts and invitations to previews and member events throughout the year.

To serve you better, starting in 2016, as you arrive at the gatehouse, membership cards will be scanned showing a specific household address and named individuals. This will ensure faster entry, validation and data collection. Members also may be asked to show identification with the household address.

This process follows the museum and zoo industry standard of validating membership cards to household addresses. Thank you.

FAQs

Q. How many people can I bring with my membership?

A. Number of members and guests depends on the level of household membership purchased (from \$49-\$99), which varies from one to four members and guests. For Donor Level members (starting at \$150), a portion of the dollars serves as a donation, and the number of members and guests increases to eight.

Q. Were membership dollars used to build the new gatehouse? What entry lane should members use?

A. A special gift from the K.A.H.R. Foundation funded the design and construction of the new gatehouse. Household members may use either of the open lanes at the gatehouse. The EZ Pass lane, which typically does not have a gate attendant, is used by Donor Level members with EZ Pass cards, who have pre-paid for eight members and guests.

Q. I lost my member card. Can I get a new card?

A. Since the Arboretum converted member cards to sturdier plastic, the replacement fee is \$5. 🌿

ARBORETUM TRAVEL

with Peter Olin, Arboretum Director Emeritus

Crossing the Andes – Exploring Chile, Argentina and Patagonia: Jan. 21 – Feb. 1. See private gardens and winery estates in Chile. Cross the Andes by boat via the fjords and glacial lakes! Enjoy private gardens in beautiful Bariloche, Argentina. Take in more gardens in Buenos Aires. There's also an optional extension to amazing Iguazu Falls. Contact Peter Olin at 612-301-1275; olinx002@umn.edu or Jordan Harvey 612-315-2894 jordan@knowmadadventures.com

Scotland in Spring Bloom: May 16 – 28. Maybe you saw the Scottish gardens in full fall color with the Arboretum tour group in 2013. Now see them at bloom time for rhododendrons. Enjoy Glasgow, Edinburgh, the Highlands and much more. Contact Peter Olin at 612-301-1275; olinx002@umn.edu or Jim Glad 612-724-1915 or gladtotravel@earthlink.net

More information on all Arboretum tours: www.arboretum.umn.edu/travel.aspx. 🌿

SUMMER PROGRAMS & EVENTS...

Wednesday, July 1

NATURE CONNECTS®: ART WITH LEGO® BRICKS

Daily through Aug. 30, free with gate admission, Arboretum grounds

Come explore this summer's exhibit featuring 26 large-scale nature-inspired sculptures arranged in 13 installations created by renowned artist Sean Kenney of Brooklyn, N.Y.

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMONSTRATIONS

Noon-2 p.m., free with gate admission, Kitchen Herb Garden (Sundays & Wednesdays) and Teaching Courtyard (Saturdays)

This summer's presentations, led by an experienced Arboretum volunteer/Master Gardener, include fresh herbs for flavor and getting started with veggies—stop at the front desk for information.

Thursday, July 2

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY

10:30-11 a.m., free with gate admission, Andersen Horticultural Library

Stories for the young and young at heart. Geared toward toddlers and preschoolers.

Saturday, July 4

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO

Noon-4 p.m., free with gate admission, Learning Center

The Plant-Maker Studio will offer "make a plant" experience for all ages. Learn how to start cuttings, print leaves, weave fibers and more.

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A

Noon-4 p.m., free with gate admission, Visitor Center

Master Gardener volunteers staff the desk, answer gardening questions and provide sustainable gardening information. Stop by to find out where to see plants at their peak of bloom and beauty.

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Sunday, July 5

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Tuesday, July 7

BUDDING ARBORETUM ARTISTS FOR 2ND-4TH GRADE GRADS (993-07-07-15)

9 a.m.-1 p.m., \$114 members/\$125 non-members, Sensory Garden

This 3-class series includes Wednesday and Thursday, July 8 and 9. Learn techniques to depict realistic detail, depth, and composition with artist and educator Gretchen Wagener-Burau. Bundle with "Dirt Detectives for 2nd-4th Grade Grads" for a full-day option. \$190/\$210 (993-ALLDAY-15)

DIRT DETECTIVES FOR 1ST-4TH GRADE GRADS (990-07-07-15)

1-4 p.m., \$86/\$95, Learning Center

This 3-class series includes Wednesday and Thursday, July 8 and 9. Unravel the mysteries of plants with Day Camps Manager Christine Gamm. Explore the Arboretum gardens and soils, conduct experiments, and write a secret message using invisible ink. Bundle with "Budding Arboretum Artists" for a full-day option. \$190/\$210 (993-ALLDAY-15)

Wednesday, July 8

TRADITIONAL TEA

2:30-4 p.m., \$26/\$29, Snyder Building Tea Room

Reserve at (612)626-3951 or www.arboretum.umn.edu/Teatime.aspx.

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Thursday, July 9

SEEDS AWAY HOME SCHOOL DAY (965-07-09-15)

1:30-2:30 p.m., \$8/\$10, Learning Center

Suggested ages: Pre K-1st grade. What do seeds need to grow? Find out with the help of some animal friends in a puppet show. Discover how seeds float, fly, and hitchhike to get to just the right spot to take root. Explore in the garden and chart sunflowers at different stages of growth.

YOGA IN THE GARDENS

6 p.m., free with gate admission, Sensory Garden

All classes offered in partnership with Life Time Fitness will be Vinyassa Flow Yoga. Modifications will be provided to make the experience accessible for all participants.



STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY (See July 2)

MUSIC IN THE GARDENS: WILL BAUERMEISTER

5:30-7 p.m., free with gate admission, Trex Deck

Saturday, July 11

COMMUNITY LEGO® BRICK BUILD

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sensory Garden (See page 5)

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)



Sunday, July 12

MUSIC IN THE GARDENS: THE ABIDERS

1-2:30 p.m., free with gate admission, Trex Deck

This local quartet plays classic blues, folk and originals that will get even the leaves tapping on the trees.

AUXILIARY GARDEN TOURS

9, 9:45 & 10:30 a.m. departures, \$55, Snyder Building

Travel by air-conditioned motor coach to visit four premiere private gardens in the West Metro, followed by brunch or lunch on the Snyder Building Terrace.

www.arboretum.umn.edu/auxgardentours.aspx

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Tuesday, July 14

ART AT THE ARB! FOR 1ST-2ND GRADE GRADS (988-07-14-15)

(See Budding Arboretum Artists, July 7, for full description)

AUXILIARY GARDEN TOURS

8:45, 9:30 & 10:15 a.m. departures, \$50

(See July 12 for full description)

Wednesday, July 15

TASTE & TOAST IN THE GARDENS

6-9 p.m., \$125 patron/7-9 p.m., \$75 general admission, Arboretum Grounds (See page 9)

Taste & Toast in the Gardens features tastes from top restaurants and sips from regional wineries and local breweries. Patron reception at 6 p.m. offers early entry and some exclusive sampling with special guest Gavin Kaysen, chef and owner, Spoon & Stable.

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

AUXILIARY GARDEN TOURS

8:45, 9:30 & 10:15 a.m. departures, \$50

(See July 12 for full description)

Thursday, July 16

OUTDOOR POP-UP CAFÉ

Noon-2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m., Newton Terrace

(See page 9)

FIELD SKETCHING WITH PENCIL AND CARBON DUST

(100-07-16-15)

6:30-9 p.m., \$99/\$115, Visitor Center

This 2-class series also includes Thursday, July 23. Begin your adventure in field sketching by exploring natural objects with texture at the Arboretum with botanical artist and illustrator Carlyn Iverson. You'll prepare detailed sketches, transfer selected sketches to a final sketch, and then delve into rendering detail with carbon dust.

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY (See July 2)

Saturday, July 18

MACRO-PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP:

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL (750-07-18-15-02)

10 a.m.-2 p.m., \$89/\$109, Visitor Center

Acclaimed photography instructor John Pennoyer will teach you the essentials of macro-photography and more. Then take what you've learned immediately into the field and apply your skills to the inspiring subject matter found at the Arboretum.

WRITING AN ABC PLANT BOOK FOR GROWN-UPS

(100-07-18-15)

10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., \$38/\$50, Visitor Center

Participants of this class will begin the process of creating a botanical "abecedary," an old form of writing, to inspire the writing process. Jeannie Hanson, published nature and science writer and writing coach will show you how to use this art form as an inspiration.

RAPTOR PHOTOGRAPHY: EXCLUSIVE CAMERA ACCESS

(750-07-18-15)

10 a.m.-3 p.m., \$109/\$129, Learning Center

Come learn how to control your camera for high-speed shutter action and focusing as you engage with live birds of prey from the Raptor Center of Minnesota. This special shoot is for all levels, and instructor and professional photographer Carlyn Iverson will work personally with each participant.

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Sunday, July 19

YOGA IN THE GARDENS

Noon, Waterfall Pond (See July 9)

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Tuesday, July 21

NATURE PLAY FOR 2ND-4TH GRADE GRADS (991-07-21-15)

1-4 p.m., \$86/\$95, Learning Center

This 3-class series includes Wednesday and Thursday, July 22 and 23. Explore, hike, forage, collect, build, and imagine an epic path through some of the hidden places at the Arboretum with instructor Christine Gamm. Practice survival skills such as reading a compass and poisonous plant identification.

Wednesday, July 22

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Thursday, July 23

SEA CHANGE DINNER (800-07-23-15)

6:30-8:30 p.m., \$65/\$77, Learning Center

Chef Ryan Cook is one of the original partners of the Minnesota Zoo's Fish Smart sustainable seafood program. Paired wine tastings included. (See page 7 for more information.)

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY (See July 2)



Saturday, July 25

COMMUNITY LEGO® BRICK BUILD

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sensory Garden (See page 5)

WRITING YOUR MEMOIR: INSPIRATION FROM NATURE (100-07-25-15)

10 a.m.-1 p.m., \$38/\$50, Snyder Building

Whether you've started a memoir or plan to write one someday, this class, taught by published nature and science writer and writing coach Jeannie Hanson, will launch you into creative remembering and writing using sensory experiences in nature as prompts.

WALKS WITH JULIA: EARLY MORNING SPRING PEEPER MEADOW (960-07-25-15)

8-10 a.m., \$12/\$24, Spring Peep Meadow Parking Lot

Gather at the Spring Peep Meadow to learn about the history of the restoration of this unique site with horticulturalist Julia Bohnen. Discover why wetland meadows are so important to our region and delight in the rich diversity found here.

PRAIRIES AND PRAIRIE PHOTOGRAPHY (750-07-25-15)

10 a.m.-1 p.m., \$99/\$119, Visitor Center

Start out with classroom time and then head out to the Arboretum's Bennett-Johnson Prairie with acclaimed photographer John Pennoyer. You will gain a better understanding and appreciation of the prairie eco-system and take home breathtaking prairie landscapes.

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Sunday, July 26

MUSIC IN THE GARDENS: THE GRITPICKERS

1-2:30 p.m., free with gate admission, Trex Deck

This Twin Cities-based old-time Southern Appalachian string band has been playing together for six years and weaves hot fiddle-and-banjo tunes with songs that feature terrific two-, three-, and four-part harmonies.

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Tuesday, July 28

NATURE PLAY FOR 1ST-2ND GRADE GRADS (986-07-28-15)

This 3-class series includes Wednesday and Thursday, July 29 and 30.

(See July 21 for full description)

BLOSSOMS, BUTTERFLIES & BEES FOR K-KGRADS (980-07-28-15)

This 3-class series includes Wednesday and Thursday, July 29 and 30.

Wednesday, July 29

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Thursday, July 30

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY (See July 2)

Saturday, Aug. 1

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

Sunday, Aug. 2

MUSIC IN THE GARDENS: WAREHOUSE EYES

1-2:30 p.m., free with gate admission, Trex Deck

Inspired by the endless possibilities of sound design and rock 'n roll poets such as Patti Smith, John Darnielle and Bob Dylan, Warehouse Eyes crafts songs of heartbreak and hallucination.

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

Tuesday, Aug. 4

CHEF FOR A DAY! FOR K-K GRADS (981-08-04-15)

9 a.m.-Noon, \$42/\$45, Learning Center

From calzones to burritos, eggrolls to samosas, experiment with different ways to roll up garden fresh ingredients into super tasty eats with Day Camps Manager Christine Gamm.

KITCHEN CREATORS FOR 1ST-2ND GRADE GRADS (987-08-04-15)

1-4 p.m., \$42/\$45, Learning Center

From calzones to burritos, eggrolls to samosas, experiment with different ways to roll up garden fresh ingredients into super tasty eats with Day Camps Manager Christine Gamm.



Wednesday, Aug. 5

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Thursday, Aug. 6

AMAZING BEES! HOME SCHOOL DAY (965-08-06-15)

1:30-2:30 p.m., \$8/\$10, Learning Center

Suggested ages: 1st-6th grades. Find out what happens inside a beehive, and why we need bees in our gardens. You will get to taste test honey and look for bees at work in the garden.

EAT YOUR FLOWERS (200-08-06-15)

6:30-8:30 p.m., \$39/\$51, Learning Center

Edible flowers make everything tasty and eye appealing to eat! Theresa Mieseler, owner of Shady Acres Herb Farm, will teach you how to use them in appetizers, salads, entrees, drinks and desserts to brighten up the flavors from your kitchen.

CALENDAR-AT-A-*glance*

YOGA IN THE GARDENS (See July 9)

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY (See July 2)

Friday, Aug. 7

**SHOOTING THE LIGHT: DUSK TO DAWN
PHOTOGRAPHY INTENSIVE (750-08-07-15)**

3:30-9:30 p.m., \$155/\$175, Visitor Center

This two-class series includes Saturday, Aug. 8, 5:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Spend time in the classroom with photographer John Pennoyer discussing the importance of light in your photography. Then go outside to photograph the sunset and sunrise on the Arboretum grounds.

Saturday, Aug. 8

COMMUNITY LEGO® BRICK BUILD

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sensory Garden (See page 5)

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

Sunday, Aug. 9

MUSIC IN THE GARDENS: CELEBRATION BRASS

1-2:30 p.m., free with gate admission, Trex Deck

Drawing from a library of more than 400 arrangements, the Celebration Brass quintet has developed a wide repertoire in a variety of musical genres, including jazz, Dixieland, ragtime, classical, show tunes, and "golden oldies".

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

Tuesday, Aug. 11

**COOKING 1: FROM THE GARDEN FOR
5TH-8TH GRADE GRADS (997-08-11-15)**

1-4 p.m., \$42/\$45, Learning Center

From calzones to burritos, eggrolls to samosas, experiment with different ways to roll up garden fresh ingredients into super tasty eats. Bundle with Cooking 2 & 3 on Wednesday and Thursday for a three-day culinary camp experience. \$116/\$125 (997-COOK-15)

GARDEN GATHERERS FOR K-K GRADS (980-08-11-15)

9 a.m.-Noon, \$86/\$95, Learning Center

This three-class series includes Wednesday, Aug. 12 and Thursday, Aug. 13. With Arboretum day camp staff Beth Gelino and Jackie Williams, investigate the insides of fruits and vegetables, explode open seeds, and make ketchup with your feet.

Wednesday, Aug. 12

**COOKING 2: SURVIVAL SKILLS FOR 5TH-8TH GRADE GRADS
(997-08-12-15)**

1-4 p.m., \$42/\$45, Learning Center

Step out of the kitchen and into the forest! Forage for tasty wild edibles and also learn a few poisonous plants to avoid. Learn survival tricks like how to use the sun to cook a snack and build a solar oven to take home.

TRADITIONAL TEA (See July 8)



LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Thursday, Aug. 13

**COOKING 3: CHOCOLATE! FOR 5TH-8TH GRADE GRADS
(997-08-13-15)**

1-4 p.m., \$42/\$45, Learning Center

Make, taste and take home a variety of cocoa-centric treats as we celebrate a plant that has changed the world!

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY (See July 2)

Friday, Aug. 14

CHANHASSEN/CARVER COUNTY DAY AT THE ARB

**All day, free admission for residents of Carver County
and Chanhassen, Arboretum grounds**

This is a special day to celebrate our wonderful neighbors. Welcome reception at 10 a.m. in the Oswald Visitor Center.

**SHOOTING THE LIGHT: DUSK TO DAWN
PHOTOGRAPHY INTENSIVE (750-08-14-15)**

**3:30-9:30 p.m. This two-class series includes Saturday,
Aug. 15, 5:30 a.m.-1 p.m.**

(See Aug. 7 for full description)

Saturday, Aug. 15

ART CRAWL THROUGH THE GARDENS

10 a.m.-4 p.m., free with gate admission, Three-Mile Drive

Art Crawl Through the Gardens features a wide variety of works displayed by talented artists who will be positioned in intimate clusters along Three-Mile Drive. Accessible by foot, car or the Arboretum Circulator.

**HERB PAIRINGS & SPICE BLENDS IN COOKING—"BEST BUDS"
COMBINATIONS (800-08-15-15)**

9-11 a.m., \$39/\$49, Learning Center

Learn when and how to add dried or fresh herbs and spices and which combinations work best. In this class certified culinary herbalist and chef Kris James will show you how to make your own herb and spice blends.

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

DAFFODIL & IRIS SALE

9 a.m.-4 p.m., Oswald Visitor Center

Shop for a variety of daffodil and iris selections. Sale conducted by the Daffodil and Iris Societies.



FLORAL, FOOD & FOTO SHOW

12:30-4:30 p.m., MacMillan Auditorium

Enjoy this popular annual flower show presented by the Men's & Women's Garden Club of Minneapolis. Free with gate admission.

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

Sunday, Aug. 16

ART CRAWL THROUGH THE GARDENS (See Aug. 15)



Photo by Roger Smallbeck

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DAFFODIL & IRIS SALE

9 a.m.-4 p.m., Oswald Visitor Center
(See Aug 15)

FLORAL, FOOD & FOTO SHOW

10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., MacMillan Auditorium
(See Aug 15)

Wednesday, Aug. 19

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Thursday, Aug. 20

OUTDOOR POP-UP CAFÉ

Noon-2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m., Newton Terrace (See page 9)

CORNER TABLE DINNER (800-08-20-15)

6:30-8:30 p.m., \$65/\$77, Learning Center

Chef Thomas Boemer of Corner Table Restaurant is closely attuned to the seasons and to family farms that grow and raise food using sustainable methods. The menu will include the freshest in summer bounty and sustainably sourced fish. Paired wine tastings included. (See page 7 for more information.)

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY (See July 2)

Saturday, Aug. 22

COMMUNITY LEGO® BRICK BUILD

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sensory Garden (See page 5)

WALKS WITH MATT: PRAIRIE IN ITS GLORY (960-08-22-15)

9-11 a.m., \$12/\$24, Ordway Parking Lot

From tall grasses to flowering plants, along with the humming insects and birds that linger into late summer, you'll gain insights from acclaimed naturalist Matt Schuth into the prairie that once covered our region.

THE POWER OF BALANCE:

STONE SCULPTURES FOR YOUR GARDEN

9:30 a.m.-noon (200-08-22-15) OR 1:30-4 p.m. (200-08-22-15-02), \$42/\$55, Visitor Center

Stone-sculpture artist Peter Juhl will demonstrate how to balance three or more rocks in seemingly impossible fashion without the aid of bolts, duct tape, or glue. Then he'll guide you through the steps to create your own balanced rock sculpture work of art.



Photo courtesy of Peter Juhl

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

Sunday, Aug. 23

MUSIC IN THE GARDENS: BEND IN THE RIVER BIG BAND

1-2:30 p.m., free with gate admission, Trex Deck

Twin Cities-based Bend in the River Big Band is a 17-piece band that performs a wide variety of music from the big band era to contemporary jazz/rock.

YOGA IN THE GARDENS

Noon, Garden for Wildlife (See July 9)

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

Wednesday, Aug. 26

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

Thursday, Aug. 27

STORYTIME AT THE LIBRARY (See July 2)

Saturday, Aug. 29

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

Sunday, Aug. 30

PLANT-MAKER STUDIO (See July 4)

LET'S TALK PLANTS DEMOS (See July 1)

LET'S TALK PLANTS Q&A (See July 4)

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Three-Mile Drive closed to vehicles at 1 p.m.,
July 15 due to event.

Hours...

Grounds open 8 a.m.-8 p.m. daily.
Three-Mile Drive gate locked at 8 p.m.

Oswald Visitor Center

Mon.-Sat. 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

July 4, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Arboretum Gift Store

Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

July 4, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Restaurant

Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sun. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

July 4, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Andersen Horticultural Library (Snyder Building)

Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Sat. & Sun. 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

July 3 & 4, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Admission

Visitors: \$12 for ages 13 and up

Members: Free

Children 12 & under: Free

Arboretum memberships start at \$49

Thursday Admission

Apr.-Oct. Third Thursday free after 4:30 p.m.



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ART AT THE ARBORETUM

Delight in the beauty found indoors in the Oswald Visitor Center. Art available for sale through the Arboretum Gift Store, with a portion of proceeds benefiting the Arboretum.

REEDY GALLERY

K IS FOR KISS-ME-OVER-THE-GARDEN-GATE:

A HORTICULTURAL ALPHABET • CONTINUING THROUGH AUG. 30

An exhibit of botanical art in the form of a horticultural alphabet. Presented by Andersen Horticultural Library.

MINNESOTA MASTERS ART EXHIBIT • OPENS SEPT. 1

(Meet the Artist/Demo Series: Sept. 26)

CAFÉ GALLERY

BUTTERFLIES PLUS! • JULY 1 – SEPT. 8

Mounted rare butterflies and exotic bugs from all over the world including Madagascar, Borneo, Costa Rica and Brazil.

NATURE HEALS 30/30 DIGITAL ART EXHIBIT • OPENS OCT. 1

SAVE THE DATE

ARBORETUM AT THE STATE FAIR

Friday, Aug. 28, University of MN Building

Displays at Health KARE-11 Bldg. • Master Gardeners at Agriculture/Horticulture Bldg.

APPLEHOUSE OPENS FOR THE SEASON

Early Sept.

GALA IN THE GARDENS

Thursday, Sept. 10 (Reservations open in July)

AUXILIARY HARVEST SALE

Saturday, Sept 26, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. & Sunday, Sept. 27, 11a.m.-4 p.m.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Saturday, Sept. 26

FRIENDS OF THE ANDERSON HORTICULTURAL LIBRARY ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE

Friday-Sunday, October 2-4; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. each day, Snyder Auditorium