

REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

Horticultural Events from Around the Country

NORTHEAST

CT, MA, ME, NH, NY, RI, VT


RAP THROUGH APR. 22. **The Orchid Show.** Exhibition. New York Botanical Garden. Bronx, NY. (718) 817-8700. www.nybg.org.

RAP MAR. 29. **Vegetable Gardening.** Lecture. Massachusetts Horticultural Society. The Gardens at Elm Bank. Wellesley, MA. (617) 933-4900. www.masshort.org.

RAP APR. 7. **Ecology of Spring.** Lecture. Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University. Boston, MA. (617) 384-5277. www.arboretum.harvard.edu.

RAP APR. 24. **Starting your Herb Garden.** Lecture. Merryspring Nature Center. Camden, ME. (207) 236-2239. www.merryspring.org.

Botanical gardens and arboreta that participate in AHS's Reciprocal Admissions Program are identified with the **RAP** symbol. AHS members showing a valid membership card are eligible for free admission or other benefits. Special events may not be included; contact the host site for details or visit www.ahsgardening.org/rap.

Flower and garden shows that offer free or discounted admission to AHS members or present the AHS Environmental Award are designated by a  symbol. For details on the specific benefits offered, visit www.ahsgardening.org/2018-flower-shows.

RAP APR. 28. **Creating a Landscape for Your Table.** Workshop. Hollister House Garden. Washington, CT. (860) 868-2200.

www.hollisterhousegarden.org.

APR. 28-30. **Art in Bloom.** Festival. Museum of Fine Arts. Boston, MA. (617) 267-9300. www.mfa.org.

Looking ahead

RAP MAY 12. **Heather Pruning with the Northeast Heather Society.** Workshop. The Fells Historic Estate & Gardens. Newbury, NH. (603) 763-4789. www.thefells.org.

RAP MAY 12. **Plant Sale.** Bartlett Arboretum & Gardens. Stamford, CT. (203) 322-6971. www.bartlettarboretum.org.


RAP MAY 19. **Container Gardening with Annuals.** Workshop. Rutgers Gardens.

Whimsical Garden Follies at Winterthur



The Brick Lookout folly on Sycamore Hill at Winterthur dates to the 1960s.

landscape, whether you are seeing them as part of a great country place in England or in the historic gardens of Monticello and Mount Vernon. As a gardener, you can put this knowledge of follies to use in your own landscape."

In concert with the exhibition, which will run until January 2020, Winterthur will host lectures, tours, and other activities to provide further insight into these whimsical garden features. For further details, visit www.winterthur.org or call (800) 448-3883. 

—Mackenzie Nichols, Editorial Intern

BEGINNING APRIL 1, visitors to Winterthur Museum, Garden & Library in Wilmington, Delaware, will be able to view "Follies: Architectural Whimsy in the Garden," this institution's first ever outdoor exhibition. It will feature 13 imaginative structures "positioned within the landscape to amuse, frame a view, or pique your curiosity." Winterthur's founder, Henry Francis du Pont, incorporated six of these follies into the gardens beginning in the 1920s. These include a Pagoda Gate near the garden's entrance and the Brick Lookout atop Sycamore Hill. Seven newly added structures will be part of the exhibition, including a Gothic-inspired tower, an Ottoman tent, and a Greek temple folly.

"Follies are part of the visual vocabulary of great gardens of the past," says Chris Strand, Winterthur's Brown Harrington Director of Garden and Estate. "They are part of the historic

New Brunswick, NJ. (732) 932-8451.
www.rutgersgardens.rutgers.edu.

MID-ATLANTIC

DC, DE, MD, NJ, PA, VA, WV

RAP MAR. 28. **Growing, Enjoying, and Preserving Herbs.** Workshop. Delaware Center for Horticulture. Wilmington, DE. (302) 658-6262. www.thedch.org.

RAP APR. 13–15. **Richmond African Violet Society Show & Sale.** Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Richmond, VA. (804) 262-9887. www.lewisginter.org.

APR. 14 & 15. **Daffodil Show.** Washington Daffodil Society. Alexandria, VA. (703) 273-8641. www.thewashingtondaffodilsociety.org.

APR. 21–28. **Historic Garden Week in Virginia.** Home and garden tours. Garden Club of Virginia. Statewide. (804) 644-7776. www.vagardenweek.org.

RAP APR. 27–29. **2018 Spring Open House & Native Plant Sale.** Adkins Arboretum. Ridgely, MD. (410) 634-2847. www.adkinsarboretum.org.

RAP APR. 28 & 29. **Garden Fair and Plant Sale.** U.S. National Arboretum. Washington,

DC. (202) 544–8733. www.fona.org.

Looking ahead

RAP MAY 13. **Mother's Day Garden Tour.** Tudor Place Historic House and Garden. Washington, DC. (202) 965-0400. www.tudorplace.org.

SOUTHEAST

AL, FL, GA, KY, NC, SC, TN

RAP MAR. 30 & 31. **Spring Plant Sale.** Dothan Area Botanical Gardens. Dothan, AL. (334) 793-3224. www.dabg.com.

RAP MAR. 31 & APR. 1. **International Orchid & Bromeliad Show.** Flamingo Gardens. Davie, FL. (954) 473-2955. www.flamingogardens.org.

RAP APR. 7. **Raulston Blooms!** Festival. JCRaulston Arboretum at NC State University. Raleigh, NC. (919) 515-3132. www.jcra.ncsu.edu.

RAP APR. 14. **Spectacular Spring Tulip Bloom.** Festival. Paul J. Ciener Botanical Garden. Kernersville, NC. (336) 996-7888. www.cienerbotanicalgarden.org.

RAP APR. 14 & 15. **Spring Garden Festival.** Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden. Coral

Gables, FL. (305) 667-1651.
www.fairchildgarden.org.

Looking ahead

RAP MAY 12. **Spring Plant Sale and Festival.** North Carolina Botanical Garden. Chapel Hill, NC. (919) 962-0522. www.ncbg.unc.edu.

MAY 19. **Hardin County Master Gardeners Plant Fair.** University of Kentucky, Hardin County Cooperative Extension. Elizabethtown, KY. (270) 765-4121. <https://hardin.ca.uky.edu>.

RAP MAY 19. **Spring Plant Sale.** Boone County Arboretum. Union, KY. (859) 384-4999. www.bcarboretum.org.

NORTH CENTRAL

IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI

RAP THROUGH APR. 30. **Fred & Dorothy Fichter Butterflies are Blooming.** Exhibition. Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park. Grand Rapids, MI. (888) 957-1580. www.meijergardens.org.

RAP APR. 2. **Perennial Herbs.** Presentation. Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum. The University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI. (734) 647-7600. www.mbgna.umich.edu.

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The evolution of any garden happens naturally or at the whim of our own mind and hands. Whether you're starting from scratch or renovating an existing garden that has lost its character, it's almost always desirable to work with a plan. Even the most well-intentioned efforts result in disappointment when approached without a cohesive design strategy. Learn how to create a harmonious garden that resonates with creativity, as well as those that reflect personal expression and reverence for design fundamentals. Guest speakers will discuss how to integrate existing elements, effectively combine plants and hardscape materials, and create features of distinctive landscape styles. If you are currently undecided about your own future gardens or simply ready for a refreshing renovation to existing ones, this Symposium is for you!

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Rhododendron Show at Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens

MENDOCINO COAST BOTANICAL GARDENS in Fort Bragg, California, will host the 41st annual John Druecker Memorial Rhododendron Show on May 5 and 6. Hundreds of rhododendrons and azaleas will be on display, competing for the “Best of Show” honor. Judges also will award by categories such as “Best Lavender Rhododendron” and “Best Small Species Rhododendron,” as well as for outstanding bonsai, photography, and paintings.

Along with the competition, the show will include floral arrangements, raffle prizes, plants for sale, and discussions with rhododendron experts. “Guests often bring in a rhododendron branch or bloom wanting information or the name,” notes Ted Steinhart, president of the Noyo Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society, “and generally these questions can be quickly answered.”

Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens is a perfect setting for the show because it is home to one of the nation’s largest collections of rhododendrons, representing more than 120 species. Many of these will be in bloom during this event. Visit www.gardenbythesea.org or call (707) 964-4352 for more information.

—Mackenzie Nichols, Editorial Intern



RAP APR 7. **Basic Pruning of Trees and Shrubs.** Workshop. Hidden Lake Gardens. Tipton, MI. (517) 431-2060. www.hiddenlakegardens.msu.edu.

RAP APR. 7. **Spring Symposium.** Iowa Arboretum. Madrid, IA. (515) 795-3216. www.iowaarboretum.org.

RAP APR. 10. **Vegetable Gardening Best Practices.** Lecture. Reiman Gardens. Ames, IA. (515) 294-2710. www.reimgardens.com.

RAP APR. 11. **Growing and Caring for Orchids.** Lecture. The Botanic Garden at Historic Barns Park. Traverse City, MI. (231) 935-4077. www.thebotanicgarden.org.

RAP APR. 13 & 14. **HortiCULTURAL Landscapes Symposium.** Allen Centennial Garden. Madison, WI. (608) 576-2501. www.allencentennialgardens.org.

RAP APR. 17. **Spring Containers at the Garden.** Workshop. Chicago Botanic Garden. Glencoe, IL. (847) 835-5440. www.chicagobotanic.org.

RAP APR. 27 & 28. **Spring Affair.** Festival. Nebraska Statewide Arboretum. Lincoln, NE. (402) 472-2971. www.plantnebraska.org.

Looking ahead

RAP MAY 19. **Spring Plant Sale & Garden**

Fair. Dawes Arboretum. Newark, OH. (740) 323-2355. www.dawesarb.org.

SOUTH CENTRAL

AR, KS, LA, MO, MS, OK, TX

RAP APR. 6–8. **Pollinator Plant Sale.** Texas Discovery Gardens. Dallas, TX. (214) 428-7476 ext. 341. www.txdg.org.

RAP APR. 7 & 8. **Spring Garden Show.** Festival. New Orleans Botanical Garden. New Orleans, LA. (504) 658-2900. www.neworleanscitypark.com.

APR. 8–14. **Iris Convention.** American Iris Society and Society for Louisiana Irises. New Orleans, LA. (254) 721-6217. www.2018irisconvention.org.

RAP APR. 19. **Fruit Tree Planting and Care.** Class. Garvan Woodland Gardens. Hot Springs, AR. (501) 262-9300. www.garvangardens.org.

RAP APR. 21. **Viva Botanica & Plant Sale.** Festival. San Antonio Botanical Garden. San Antonio, TX. (210) 536-1400. www.sabot.org.

RAP APR. 26–30. **FloraKansas: Native Plant Festival & Sale.** Dyck Arboretum of the Plains. Hesston, KS. (620) 327-8127. www.dyckarboretum.org.

SOUTHWEST

AZ, CO, NM, UT

RAP APR. 7 & 8. **Spring Orchid Show.** Red Butte Garden and Arboretum at the University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT. (801) 585-0556. www.redbuttégarden.org.

APR. 14. **Pleasing the Pollinators.** Seminar. Town Council Center. Carefree, AZ. (480) 488-3845. www.carefree.org.

RAP APR. 21. **Plants for the Santa Fe Area.** Lecture. Santa Fe Botanical Garden. Santa Fe, NM. (505) 471-9103. www.santafebotanicalgarden.org.

APR. 28. **Butterfly Gardening.** Class. Dig It Gardens. Phoenix, AZ. (602) 812-7476. www.digphx.com.

Looking ahead

RAP MAY 11 & 12. **Spring Plant Sale.** Denver Botanic Gardens. Denver, CO. (720) 865-3500. www.botanicgardens.org.

WEST COAST

CA, HI, NV

RAP MAR. 31. **Good Fungi, Healthy Roots, Happy Natives.** Lecture. Santa Barbara Botanic Garden. Santa Barbara, CA. (805) 682-4726. www.sbbg.org.

🌸 APR. 4–8. **San Francisco Flower & Garden**

Show. Cow Palace Arena and Event Center. Daly City, CA. (415) 684-7278. www.sfgardenshow.com.

RAP APR 7. **Spring Garden Market & Plant Sale.** University of California–Riverside Botanic Gardens. Riverside, CA. (951) 784-6962. www.gardens.ucr.edu.

RAP APR. 7 & 8. **South Coast Cactus & Succulent Society Show & Sale.** South Coast Botanic Garden. Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA. (310) 544-1948. www.southcoastbotanicgarden.org.

RAP APR. 7 & 29 & MAY 12. **Spring Plant Sale.** UC Davis Arboretum and Public Garden. Davis, CA. (530) 752-4880. www.arboretum.ucdavis.edu.

RAP APR. 11. **Practical Garden Design for the Home Gardener.** Workshop. University of California Botanical Garden at Berkeley. Berkeley, CA. (510) 664-9841. www.events.berkeley.edu.

APR. 14 & 15. **Theodore Payne Native Plant Garden Tour.** Theodore Payne Foundation. Sun Valley, CA. (818) 768-1802. www.theodorepayne.org.

RAP APR. 19–22. **Plant Sale.** Descanso Gardens. La Cañada Flintridge, CA. (818) 949-

4200. www.descansogardens.org.

RAP APR. 21. **Earth Day Celebration.** Festival. Quarryhill Botanical Garden. Glen Ellen, CA. (707) 996-3166. www.quarryhillbg.org.

RAP APR. 28. **Spring Garden & Butterfly Festival.** Water Conservation Garden. El Cajon, CA. (619) 660-0614. www.thegarden.org.

Looking ahead

RAP MAY 4 & 5. **Spring Plant Sale.** Humboldt Botanical Garden. Eureka, CA. (707) 442-5139. www.hbgf.org.

RAP MAY 26. **Palm, Cycad, Bamboo and Tropical Plant Sale.** San Diego Botanic Garden. San Diego, CA. (619) 291-4605. www.sdbgarden.org.

NORTHWEST

AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY

RAP APR. 10. **Prairies of Western Washington.** Lecture. Washington Native Plant Society. Bellevue Botanical Garden. Bellevue, WA. (425) 452-2750. www.bellevuebotanical.org.

RAP APR. 14. **Early Bloomers Plant Sale.** Washington Park Arboretum. Seattle, WA. (206) 325-4510. www.arboretumfoundation.org.

RAP APR. 14. **Orchid Talk.** W.W. Seymour Botanical Conservatory. Tacoma, WA. (253) 591-5330. www.metroparkstacoma.org.

RAP APR. 14 & 15. **Botany Workshop.** Mount Pisgah Arboretum. Eugene, OR. (541) 747-3817. www.mountpisgaharboretum.org.

RAP APR. 21. **Earth Day.** Festival. Oregon Garden. Silverton, OR. (503) 874-8100. www.oregongarden.org.

Looking ahead

RAP MAY 1–25. **MayFest.** Festival. Lakewold Gardens. Lakewood, WA. (253) 584-4106. www.lakewoldgardens.org.

RAP MAY 16. **The World of Rock Gardening.** Lecture. Bellevue Botanical Garden. Bellevue, WA. (425) 452-2750. www.bellevuebotanical.org.

CANADA

RAP APR. 7. **Effective Microbes for the Garden.** Lecture. Horticulture Centre of the Pacific. Victoria, BC. (250) 479-6162. www.hcp.ca.

Looking ahead

RAP MAY 10–13. **Spring Plant Sale.** Toronto Botanical Garden. Toronto, ON. (416) 397-1341. www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca.



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