Horticultural Events from Around the Country

**NORTHEAST**

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


Looking ahead


**MID- ATLANTIC**

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


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Looking ahead


**SOUTHEAST**

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


Celebrating Trees Through Art

**EVERY THREE** years, the American Society of Botanical Artists (ASBA) and the New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) coordinate a botanically-themed art exhibition. This year’s event is “Out of the Woods: Celebrating Trees in Public Gardens,” featuring the arboreal denizens of various public gardens.

“This triennial exhibition’s theme is especially engaging, because people have such close relationships with trees, which are central to our very survival,” says Carol Woodin, director of exhibitions for ASBA. “Trees breathe life into us both literally and figuratively.”

The current exhibition features 44 pieces selected to represent diversity in artistic styles and tree species. These compositions range from a watercolor depiction of a screw pine (Pandanus utilis) from the Bermuda Arboretum to a graphite pencil rendering of a fig tree (Ficus carica) from the Tucson Botanical Garden in Arizona.

This illustration of a lichen-covered hawthorn branch at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum is by Linda Medvea Lufkin. The exhibition debuted at NYBG in the Bronx last November, and the collection is currently on display at the Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens in San Marino, California, where it will stay through August 27. From there, the exhibition will travel on to gardens in Missouri, Arizona, and Montana.

Visit www.asba-art.org/exhibitions/out-woods for more information.

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Looking ahead


NORTH CENTRAL

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


Looking ahead


SOUTH CENTRAL

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


RAP JUNE 2. Landscaping with Native Plants. Lecture. Botanical Research Insti-
Trolls Exhibition at Morton Arboretum

SIX MASSIVE trolls will soon take up residence at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle, Illinois. Designed by Danish artist Thomas Dambo, the 15- to 20- foot sculptures are being crafted from reclaimed wood over the next several weeks for the arboretum’s summer exhibition, “Troll Hunt,” which officially debuts on June 22.

“They are guardians of the trees,” says Patricia MacMillan, the arboretum’s public relations specialist. The exhibition is intended to “bring a focus on our collective responsibility to care for trees and the environment.”

Throughout the summer, visitors can participate in a scavenger hunt to find the huge wooden trolls—some hidden and some in plain sight—around the arboretum’s 1,700 acres. Dambo will give a presentation about the project on June 14 at the arboretum. For more details about the exhibition, go to www.mortonarb.org.

—Mackenzie Nichols, Editorial Intern

One of Thomas Dambo’s trolls amuses a young visitor at a garden in Denmark.

courtesy of Thomas Dambo