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News from the AHS

March / April 2022

PROGRAMS • EVENTS • ANNOUNCEMENTS

RIVER FARM TOUR SITE FOR VIRGINIA HISTORIC GARDEN WEEK

THE AHS'S River Farm headquarters is an optional stop on the Virginia Historic Garden Week tours in Alexandria on Saturday, April 23. The grounds and lower



floor of the Estate House will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. that day, and there is no admission charge. Coordinated by the **Garden Club of Virginia**, this year's Historic Garden Week runs from April 23 through 30, with tours arranged by local garden clubs in various regions of the state. Proceeds from the tours fund the ongoing restoration and preservation of Vir-

ginia's historic public gardens and landscapes. For more information, visit www.vagardenweek.org.

NEW EDITION OF AHS ENCYCLOPEDIA OF GARDENING TECHNIQUES

A SPECIAL CENTENNIAL edition of the *American Horticultural Society Encyclopedia of Gardening Techniques* is being released in April. The 480-page book, an update of the 2019 edition published by Mitchell Beazley, covers all the basics on how to create and care for a garden of any size. More than 2,000 color illustrations offer step-by-step instructions on basic techniques such as preparing the soil, sowing seeds, pruning, watering, propagating, harvesting, and design.

The new encyclopedia will be available in your favorite bookstore, but AHS members who order the book through our website (www.ahsgardening.org/book) will for a limited time be able to purchase copies of the book signed by **David J. Ellis**, one of the book's editors. Proceeds from book sales support the AHS's educational programs.

AHS ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD WINNER AT NORTHWEST FLOWER & GARDEN FESTIVAL

FARMER FROG, designed by **Zsafia Pasztor** and her team, was the winner of the AHS Environmental Award at the 2022 Northwest Flower & Garden Festival in Seattle, Washington, in February. The garden, called "Tribute," was created to reflect the remarkable journey that Farmer Frog, a non-profit organization based in Woodinville, Washington, took in assisting others during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The garden was filled with practical examples of how people can recycle and repurpose materials such as bottles, wood pallets, and more. It emphasized sustainability and working with nature and local wildlife. The garden also highlighted the importance of food production to reflect Farmer Frog's decision during the pandemic to shift its focus to growing organic food, which the organization donated to hundreds of people who could not leave their homes because of the risks of Covid-19.

This is the second time that Zsafia Pasztor and her team have received the AHS Environmental Award at the Northwest show. The AHS Award was judged by show



AHS EVENTS CALENDAR

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events that are sponsored or cosponsored by the AHS. Visit www.ahsgardening.org or call (703) 768-5700 for more information.

- APR. 8 & 9. **Spring Garden Market.** River Farm, Alexandria, VA.
- APR. 21. **Conversations with Great American Gardeners: Shane Smith.** (Virtual presentation at 7 p.m. Eastern)
- APR. 22. **Earth Day.** (Local volunteer work day)
- APR. 25–29. **AHS President’s Council Trip.** Alexandria, VA.
- APR. 28–MAY 1. **Colonial Williamsburg Garden Symposium.** Williamsburg, VA. (AHS partner event)
- MAY TBD. **Member Appreciation Event.** River Farm, Alexandria, VA.
- MAY 2–8. **Screen-Free Week.** Campaign for commercial-free childhood. (AHS partner event)
- MAY 6–15 **Go Public Gardens Days.** APGA. (AHS partner event)
- MAY 18–27. **Provence, France.** (AHS Travel Study Program)
- JUNE 6–15. **Umbria and Southern Tuscany.** (AHS Travel Study Program)
- JUNE 20–26. **National Pollinator Week.** (AHS partner event)
- JULY 13–15. **30th National Children & Youth Garden Symposium.** Richmond, VA.
- AUG. 6–15. **Glaciers, Geysers, and Gardens of Iceland.** (AHS Travel Study Program)
- AUG. 24–SEPT. 4. **The Netherlands and Floriade.** (AHS Travel Study Program)



- SEPT. 17. **AHS Annual Gala.** River Farm, Alexandria, VA.
- SEPT. 29–OCT. 1. **America in Bloom Symposium and Awards Ceremony.** St. Louis, MO. (AHS partner event)
- OCT. TBD. **Annual AHS Online Auction.**

75th Annual Garden Symposium



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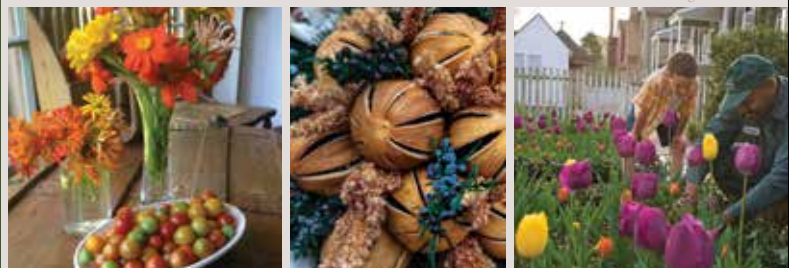
ART MUSEUMS & HISTORIC AREA OF COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG

This year’s theme is inspired by Audrey Hepburn’s quote, “*To plant a garden is to believe in the tomorrow*”. Now more than ever it is important that we, as gardeners, create healthy landscapes for all living creatures for the future of our planet. Join featured speakers Elizabeth Hope Cushing, P. Allen Smith, Matthew Benson, Rebecca Lindenmeyr, Brie Arthur, Renny Reynolds, and Colonial Williamsburg’s talented landscape staff as they commemorate 75 years of our celebrated Garden Symposium, and share methods and techniques for creating gardens that benefit humans and wildlife in an environment both beautiful and sustainable for years to come.

Both virtual and in-person options for attendance available. Visit www.colonialwilliamsburg.org/learn/conferences for more information.

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judges **Sarah Eberle**, of the United Kingdom, **Margie Grace**, of Tennessee, and **Scot Medbury** of Sonoma, California.

To learn more about the AHS Environmental Award and the six shows presenting the award this year, visit www.absgardening.org/awards, and click on “Environmental Awards.”

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