



REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

Horticultural Events from Around the Country

NORTHEAST

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

RAP JAN. 24. **Nature Journaling Workshop for Children.** Rhode Island Wild Plant Society. Blithewold Mansion, Gardens and Arboretum. Bristol, Rhode Island. (401) 253-2707. www.blithewold.org.

RAP JAN. 25. **Lunar New Year Celebration and Flower Market.** Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Brooklyn, New York. (718) 623-7200. www.bbg.org.

RAP FEB. 18. **Let Worms Eat Your Garbage.** Class. Tower Hill Botanic Garden. Boylston, Massachusetts. (508) 869-6111. www.towerhillbg.org.

FEB. 27 & 28. **Ecological Landscaping Association Annual Conference and Eco Marketplace.** New England Wildflower Society. Springfield, Massachusetts. (617) 436-5838. www.ecolandscaping.org.

RAP FEB. 28. **Planting Design in Multiple Dimensions.** Lecture. Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University. Boston, Massachusetts. (617) 524-1718. www.arboretum.harvard.edu.

Looking ahead

AHS MAR. 12–15. **GardenScape.** Flower and garden show. Rochester, New York. (585) 265-9018. www.rochesterflowershow.com.

MID-ATLANTIC

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

JAN. 25–30. **Mid-Atlantic Horticulture Short Course.** Conference. The Virginia Horticultural Foundation. (757) 523-4734. www.mashc.org.

RAP FEB. 4–6. **Gardening in an Era of Climate Change: Is the Sky Really Falling?** Symposium. Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Richmond, Virginia. (804) 262-9887. www.lewisginter.org.

FEB. 6. **Today's Horticulture Symposium.** Longwood Gardens and the Chanticleer Foundation. Longwood Gardens. Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. (610) 388-1000. www.longwoodgardens.org.

RAP FEB. 7–9. **Full Moon Hike.** U.S. National Arboretum. Washington, D.C. (202) 245-4521. www.usna.usda.gov.

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FEB 7–28. **Creative Flower Photography.** Workshop. U.S. Botanic Garden. Washington, D.C. (202) 225-1116. www.usbg.gov.

AHS FEB. 13–15. **Mid-Atlantic Home & Flower Show.** Virginia Beach Convention Center. Virginia Beach, Virginia. (757) 420-2434. www.tbaonline.org.

FEB. 19. **Land Ethics Symposium: Creative Approaches for Ecological Landscaping.** Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve. Bucks County, Pennsylvania. (215) 862-2924. www.bhwp.org.

AHS FEB. 19–22. **Maymont Flower & Garden Show.** Greater Richmond Convention Center. Richmond, Virginia. (800) 322-3976. www.maymontflowershow.com.

FEB. 27. **Green Matters Symposium: Water-Wise Landscapes.** Brookside Gardens. Wheaton, Maryland. (301) 962-1453. www.brooksidegardens.org.

RAP FEB. 28. **EcoSavvy Gardening Symposium: Techniques for Keeping Our Planet Healthy.** Green Spring Gardens. Alexandria, Virginia. (703) 642-5173. www.greenspring.org.

Looking ahead

AHS MAR. 1–8. **Philadelphia Flower Show.** Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (215) 988-8899. www.theflowershow.com.

RAP MAR. 6. **Branching Out: Cultivating Community Engagement.** Symposium. Longwood Graduate Program. Longwood Gardens. Kennett Square, Pennsylvania.

(302) 831-2517. <http://ag.udel.edu/longwoodgrad>.

SOUTHEAST

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

RAP JAN. 31. **Success with Seeds.** Workshop. Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden. Elmont, North Carolina. (704) 825-4490. www.dsbg.org.

FEB. 18. **Planting for Seasonal Interest.** Lecture. South Carolina Botanical Garden. Clemson, South Carolina. (864) 656-3405. www.clemson.edu/public/scbg.

RAP FEB. 19 & 20. **Southern Garden Heritage Conference.** State Botanical Garden of Georgia. Athens, Georgia. (706) 542-1244. www.uga.edu/botgarden.

FEB. 27–MAR. 1. **Miami International Orchid Show.** South Florida Orchid Society. Miami, Florida. (305) 255-3656. www.sforchid.com.

RAP FEB. 28. **Back to Our Roots: The Southern Garden Revisited.** Perennial plant symposium and silent auction. Atlanta Botanical Garden. Atlanta, Georgia. (404) 876-5859. www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org.

Looking ahead

AHS MAR. 5–8. **Nashville Lawn and Garden Show.** Tennessee State Fairgrounds. Horticultural Association of Tennessee. Nashville, Tennessee. (615) 876-7680. www.nashvillelawngardenshow.com.

AHS MAR. 18–MAY 31. **Epcot International Flower and Garden Festival.** Lake Buena Vista, Florida. (407) 934-7639. www.disneyworld.com/flower.

NORTH CENTRAL

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

JAN. 24. **Annual Gardening Show.** Purdue Extension and the Porter County Master Gardeners Association. Porter County EXPO Center. Valparaiso, Indiana. (219) 465-3555 ext. 21. www.pcgarden.info.

JAN. 24. **Toward Harmony With Nature.** Seminar. Fox Valley Area Chapter of Wild Ones. Oshkosh, Wisconsin. (920) 987-5587. E-mail: harmony@for-wild.org.

RAP FEB. 5. **The New Planting Design: Putting Plants First.** Symposium. *Horticulture* magazine. Chicago Botanic Garden. Glencoe, Illinois. (847) 835-5440. www.chicagobotanic.org.

RAP FEB. 7. **2009 Sustainability Symposium: In Your Own Backyard.** Cleveland Botanical Garden. Cleveland, Ohio. (216) 707-2816. www.cb garden.org.

AHS FEB. 7-15. **Fifth Third Bank Home & Garden Show.** Cleveland, Ohio. (216) 529-1300. www.homeandflower.com.

FEB. 27-MAR. 1. **Dayton Home & Garden Show.** Dayton Convention Center. Dayton, Ohio. (317) 576-9933. www.daytonhomeandgardenshow.com.

SOUTH CENTRAL

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

JAN. 24. **Designing Gardens for a Changing Climate.** Symposium. Hilltop Arboretum. Louisiana State University. Baton Rouge, Louisiana. (225) 767-6916. www.lsu.edu/hilltop.

RAP JAN. 24. **Rose Bed to Rose Bud.** Seminar and workshop. South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center. Corpus Christi, Texas. (361) 852-2100. www.stxbot.org.

RAP JAN. 24. **Tree Talk Winter Walk.** Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. Austin, Texas. (512) 292-4200. www.wildflower.org.

RAP JAN. 31-MAR. 15. **Henry's Garden.** Orchid show. Missouri Botanical Garden. St. Louis, Missouri. (314) 577-9400. www.mobot.org.

FEB. 7 & 8. **Gallery of Orchids.** Show and sale. Heart O'Texas Orchid Society. Zilker Botanical Garden. Austin, Texas. (512) 477-8672. www.hotos.org.

RAP FEB. 14. **Arbor Day Plant Sale.** Crosby Arboretum. Picayune, Mississippi. (601) 799-2311. www.crosbyarboretum.msstate.edu.

AHS FEB. 27-MAR. 1. **Arkansas Flower & Garden Show.** Little Rock, Arkansas. (501) 821-4000. www.arflowerandgardenshow.org.

Looking ahead

AHS MAR. 4-8. **Wichita Garden Show.** Wichita, Kansas. (316) 946-0883. www.wichitagardenshow.com.

MAR. 6-8. **Azalea Trail.** Home and garden tours. River Oaks Garden Club. Houston, Texas. (713) 523-2483. www.riveroaksgardenclub.org.

SOUTHWEST

AZ, NM, CO, UT

RAP JAN. 29-FEB. 12. **Botany for Gardeners.** Course. Red Butte Garden. Salt Lake City, Utah. (801) 587-5433. www.redbuttegarden.org.

JAN. 29 & 30. **Achieving a Sustainable Urban Forest.** 23rd annual urban tree care confer-

ence. Think Trees New Mexico. Albuquerque, New Mexico. (505) 243-1386. www.thinktreesnm.org.

RAP FEB. 12. **Muddy Waters: Who Owns the Rain?** Symposium. Front Range Sustainable Landscaping Coalition and Denver Botanic Gardens. Denver, Colorado. (720) 865-3500. www.botanicgardens.org.

International Master Gardener Conference

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, will host the 2009 International Master Gardener Conference (IMGC) from March 22 to 26 at the Alexis Park Resort Hotel. With the theme, "New Frontiers," the goal is to address issues that gardeners everywhere face—water conservation, proper plant selection, soil enrichment, and pest control—while also providing hands-on access to sites that exemplify methods of environmental stewardship and technologies that offer sustainable solutions to those issues.

"The conference is open to anyone interested in horticulture and gardening. You need not be a Master Gardener to attend," says Ann Edmunds, 2009 IMGC coordinator. During the conference, more than 40 tours will be offered to sites such as the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, Spring Mountain Ranch State Park, and other public and private gardens.

Participants are encouraged to visit the American Horticultural Society booth in the conference's trade show. Call (702) 257-5587 or visit www.unce.unr.edu/imgc for more details or to register for the conference.



Several private gardens like this one will be on tour during the 2009 International Master Gardener Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Southwest Rare Plant Conference

FOR THE 5TH ANNUAL Southwest Rare Plant conference, taking place in Salt Lake City, Utah, from March 16 to 20, the focus will be on "Changing Landscapes in the Southwest." The event includes the annual Utah Rare Plant Task Force conference and celebrates the 30th anniversary of the Utah Native Plant Society (UNPS).

Sponsored by the Nature Conservancy, Red Butte Garden, and the Utah Botanical Center, the conference will include posters, presentations, and breakout sessions covering ecosystem restoration, climate change, and rare native plants in the Southwest. Noel Holmgren, curator emeritus at the New York Botanical Garden, will give a keynote presentation about his insights from studying and writing about Intermountain flora for more than 30 years.

The UNPS is "dedicated to the appreciation, preservation, conservation, and responsible use" of native plants in Utah and the Intermountain West. For more information about the conference or to register, call (801) 377-5918 or visit www.unps.org.

—Caroline Bentley, Editorial Assistant

RAP FEB. 24 & 26. **Vegetable Gardening through the Seasons.** Workshop. Desert Botanical Garden. Phoenix, Arizona. (480) 481-8188. www.dbg.org.

FEB. 26 & 27. **International Water Conservation and Xeriscape Conference.** Xeriscape Council of New Mexico. Expo New Mexico Fairgrounds. Albuquerque, New Mexico. (505) 468-1021. www.xeriscapenm.com.

Looking ahead

AHS MAR. 6-8. **Southwest Flower & Garden Show.** University of Phoenix Stadium. Phoenix, Arizona. (602) 485-1691. www.maricopacountyhomeshows.com.

WEST COAST

CA, NV, HI

JAN. 23. **Pruning and Care of Landscape Fruit and Nut Trees.** Class. University of California, Davis Extension. Davis, California. (800) 752-0881. www.extension.ucdavis.edu/agriculture.

RAP JAN. 31. **The Edible Garden.** Class. The Gardens at Heather Farm. Walnut Creek, California. (925) 947-1678. www.gardenshf.org.

RAP FEB. 7. **Remember Conifers.** Class. Descanso Gardens. La Cañada

Flintridge, California. (818) 949-4200. www.descansogardens.org.

FEB. 17. **Green Before Green Was Cool.** Trade show and conference. Nevada Landscape Association. Grand Sierra Resort. Reno, Nevada. (775) 673-0404. www.nevadanla.com.

FEB. 21. **California Natives.** Lecture and plant sale. Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site. Long Beach, California. (562) 570-1755. www.rancholoscerritos.org.

Looking ahead

MAR. 5-8. **Pacific Orchid Exposition.** San Francisco Orchid Society. Fort Mason Center's Festival Pavilion. (415) 665-2468. www.orchidsanfrancisco.org.

MAR. 7 & 8. **Northern California Daffodil Society Show & Lecture.** Alden Lane Nursery. Livermore, California. (925) 625-5526. www.daffodil.org.

NORTHWEST

AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY

AHS JAN. 31-FEB. 1. **Tacoma Home and Garden Show.** Tacoma, Washington. (253) 756-2121. www.otshows.com.

RAP FEB. 6-15. **Glass Art Celebration.** Dis-

servatory in Lions Park. Cheyenne, Wyoming. (307) 637-6458. www.botanic.org.

AHS FEB. 18-22. **Northwest Flower & Garden Show.** Seattle, Washington. (800) 569-2832. www.gardenshow.com.

Looking ahead

MAR. 11. **Mediterranean Garden Style in the Pacific Northwest; Theory, Aesthetics, and Plant Palette.** Lecture. Northwest Horticultural Society. Center for Urban Horticulture. Seattle, Washington. (206) 527-1794. www.northwesthort.org.

CANADA / INTERNATIONAL

RAP FEB. 12. **The Invaders: Invasive Species in Our Area.** Class. Royal Botanical Gardens. Hamilton, Ontario. (905) 527-1158. www.rbg.ca.

FEB. 26-MAR. 1. **Calgary Home & Garden Show.** Calgary, Alberta. (866) 941-0673. www.calgaryhomeshow.com.

Looking ahead

RAP MAR. 7 & 8. **Annual Orchid Show & Sale.** Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park and Cayman Islands Orchid Society. Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands. (345) 947-9462 ext. 21. www.botanic-park.ky.



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