

REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

Horticultural Events from Around the Country

NORTHEAST

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

RAP NOV. 19. **Gardens of the Gods.** Lecture. Cornell Plantations. Ithaca, New York. (607) 255-2400. www.plantations.cornell.edu.

DEC. 1. **How Plants Adapt in the Wild and in Our Gardens.** Lecture. New England Wild Flower Society. Conway School. Framingham, Massachusetts. (508) 877-7639. www.newfs.org.

RAP DEC. 3. **Wreaths from the Wild.** Workshop. Berkshire Botanical Garden. Stockbridge, Massachusetts. (413) 298-3926. www.berkshirebotanical.org.

RAP DEC. 6. **Fresh Boxwood Tree Construction.** Workshop. Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens. Buffalo, New York. (716) 827-1584. www.buffalogardens.com.

RAP DEC. 6. **Introduction to Winter Tree Identification.** Class. Arnold

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Arboretum of Harvard University. Boston, Massachusetts. (617) 524-1718. www.arboretum.harvard.edu.

RAP DEC. 6 & 7. **Holiday Bazaar.** Plants, greens, and wreaths on sale. Merryspring Nature Center. Camden, Maine. (207) 236-2239. www.merryspring.org.

Gardens Under Glass in Iowa

EXPLORE THE tabletop world of terrariums at the Des Moines Botanical Center (DMBC) this winter. This collection of gardens under glass is on display in the DMBC's Gardeners Show House through February. Created by the Iowa State University Polk County Master Gardeners, the terrariums feature "ordinary plants suited to terrarium culture that can be found at local garden centers and nurseries as well as rare plants, including miniature begonias, miniature sinningias, and the miniature Boston fern" says the DMBC's executive director, Elvin McDonald. The exhibit aims to present terrariums as accessible to gardeners of all skill levels and budgets—starting with common ferns in simple glass urns and moving into more rare plants in antique glass jars.

Now entering its 30th year, the DMBC also features an indoor Dome—planted with tropicals and succulents in natural settings—and 14 acres of outdoor display gardens. Admission is free for AHS members carrying a current membership card; otherwise, the cost is \$4 for adults, \$2 for students/seniors, and free for children under five.

For more information, call (515) 323-9290 or visit www.botanicalcenter.com.

—Caroline Bentley, Editorial Assistant



Terrariums of all sizes and shapes are on display at the Des Moines Botanical Center.

RAP DEC. 7. **Wonderful Winter Greens.** Family workshop. Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Brooklyn, New York. (718) 623-7200. www.bbg.org.

RAP DEC. 19. **Holiday Bonfire Party.** Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens. Boothbay, Maine. (207) 633-4333. www.mainebotanicalgardens.org.

MID-ATLANTIC

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

NOV. 27–JAN. 4. **Windows to Wonderland.** Holiday exhibit. United States Botanic Garden. Washington, D.C. (202) 226-4082. www.usbg.gov.

NOV. 27–JAN. 11. **Longwood Gardens Christmas.** Holiday display. Longwood Gardens. Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. (610) 388-1000 ext. 100. www.longwoodgardens.org.

RAP DEC. 1–31. **Holiday Festival of Lights.** Camden Children's Garden. Camden, New Jersey. (856) 365-8733. www.camdenchildrensgarden.org.

DEC. 5 & 6. **Holiday Wreath and Centerpiece Sale.** Brookside Gardens. Wheaton, Maryland. (301) 962-1400. www.brooksidegardens.org.

RAP DEC. 6. **Arranging with Garden Greens.** Class and sale. Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens. Richmond, Virginia. (804) 262-9887. www.lewisginter.org.

RAP DEC. 6–14. **Winter Silhouettes: Bonsai and Penjing Exhibit.** United States National Arboretum. Washington, D.C. (202) 245-5898. www.usna.usda.gov.

DEC. 9. **Greens Sale.** Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College. Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. (610) 328-8025. www.scottarboretum.org.

DEC. 10. **Native Holiday Centerpiece.** Workshop. Mt. Cuba Center. Greenville, Delaware. (302) 239-4244. www.mtcubacenter.org.

DEC. 12–14. **Christmas Open House and Greens Sale.** Ladew Topiary Gardens. Monkton, Maryland. (410) 557-9570. www.ladewgardens.com.

SOUTHEAST

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

RAP NOV. 22 & 23. **Garden Festival.** Plant sale. Heathcote Botanical Gardens. Fort Pierce, Florida. (772) 464-4672. www.heathcotebotanicalgardens.org.

RAP NOV. 28–30. **Edison Garden Market.** Plant sale. Edison and Ford Winter Estates. Fort Myers, Florida. (239) 334-7419. www.efwefla.org.

DEC. 4 & 5. **Great Southern Tree Conference.** Florida Nursery, Growers and Landscape Association and University of Florida. Gainesville, Florida. (407) 295-7994. www.greatsoutherntreeconference.org.

RAP DEC. 6. **Holiday Greenery Sale.** Aldridge Gardens. Hoover, Alabama. (205) 682-8019. www.aldridgegardens.com.

DEC. 9–11. **Managing for Diversity Across Florida's Unique Landscapes.** Workshop. The Nature Conservancy and the University

of Florida. Disney Wilderness Preserve. Kissimmee, Florida. (352) 392-3210. <http://nata.snre.ufl.edu>.

DEC. 13. **Holiday Topiary or Centerpiece Workshop.** Callaway Gardens. Pine Mountain, Georgia. (800) 225-5292. www.callawaygardens.org.

RAP DEC. 18–21. **Celebrate the Holidays.** Festival. McKee Botanical Garden. Vero Beach, Florida. (772) 794-0601. www.mckee garden.org.

Looking ahead

RAP JAN. 10. **Natural History of Georgia Plants.** Lecture. The State Botanical Garden of Georgia. Athens, Georgia. (706) 542-1244. www.uga.edu/botgarden.

AHS JAN. 28–FEB. 1. **Southeastern Flower Show.** Southeastern Horticultural Society. Cobb Galleria Centre. Atlanta, Georgia. (404) 351-1074. www.flowershow.org.

NORTH CENTRAL

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

RAP NOV. 22–JAN. 4. **WinterShow.** Display. Cleveland Botanical Garden. Cleveland, Ohio. (216) 721-1600. www.cb garden.org.

RAP NOV. 28–DEC. 28. **WPS Garden of Lights.** Festival. Green Bay Botanical Garden. Green Bay, Wisconsin. (920) 490-9457. www.gbbg.org.

RAP NOV. 28–JAN. 4. **Holidays at the Conservatory.** Display. Franklin Park Conservatory. Columbus, Ohio. (800) 214-7275. www.fpconservatory.org.

RAP DEC. 4. **Winter Containers at the Garden.** Tour. Chicago Botanic Garden. Glencoe, Illinois. (847) 835-5440. www.chicagobotanicgarden.org.

RAP DEC. 6–JAN. 18. **Holiday Flower Show.** Como Zoo and Marjorie McNeely Conservatory. Sunken Garden. St. Paul, Minnesota. (651) 487-8200. www.comozooconservatory.org.

RAP DEC. 6. **Identifying Conifers.** Class. The Brenton Arboretum. Dallas Center, Iowa. (515) 992-4211. www.thebrentonarboretum.org.

SOUTH CENTRAL

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

RAP NOV. 22. **Natural Area Field Trip – Hillside Bog.** Tour. Crosby Arboretum. Picayune, Mississippi. (601) 799-2311. www.crosbyarboretum.msstate.edu.

RAP NOV. 22–DEC. 31. **Holiday Lights—Lights on the Landscape.** Display. Garvan Woodland Gardens. Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas. (800) 366-4664. www.garvangardens.org.

RAP DEC. 1–31. **Holiday Decorations.** Display. Longue Vue House & Gardens. New Orleans, Louisiana. (504) 488-5488. www.longuevue.com.

DEC. 4. **Water Issues in Horticulture.** Workshop. Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture. Oklahoma State University Botanical Garden. Stillwater, Oklahoma. (405) 744-7361. www.osubotanicalgarden.okstate.edu.

RAP DEC. 6. **Bird's Christmas Tree.** Children's workshop. Fort Worth Botanic Garden. Fort Worth, Texas. (817) 871-7686. www.fwb.org.

RAP DEC. 13 & 14. **Luminations.** Garden celebration. Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. Austin, Texas. (512) 292-4200. www.wildflower.org.

Glen Echo Garden: A Dream Come True

NEWLY OPENED to the public in 2007, the 16-acre Glen Echo Garden in Bellingham, Washington, is a dream that was four decades in the making for creator and owner Dick Bosch. A retired landscaper and nursery owner, Bosch, 69, originally purchased the acreage in 1971 for its good soil, year-round salmon-spawning creek, and, especially, “the very large old cedar stumps that have trees growing out of the top of the stumps.”

To maintain the garden, Bosch explains, “We have one part-time employee, but it’s also a family project. My wife Jennie helps me a great deal, as well as my two daughters and their children, and my two sons, whenever they come home.” The Glen Echo Garden is still a work in progress, says Bosch. Currently, the established theme gardens include a begonia and fuchsia garden, an English garden, a rose garden, a “blue” garden, and a Gigantic Stump Garden that contains plantings surrounding the truncated remains of the centuries-old trees that were logged decades ago.

Plans for expanding the landscape include a forest garden with a lumber mill museum to house relics left by the previous owners, the Gooding Lumber and Shingle Mill. Also, a sunken garden with ferns and mosses and a Japanese garden will be created.

Admission is \$7.50 for adults and \$6 for seniors. For more information about visiting or reserving the gardens, call (360) 592-5380 or visit www.glenechogarden.com.

—Kirsten Winters, special from Corvallis, Oregon



Glen Echo Gardens in Bellingham, Washington, features colorful plantings among large cedar tree stumps.

SOUTHWEST

AZ, NM, CO, UT

RAP NOV. 22. **Holiday Floral Arranging Workshop.** Red Butte Garden and Arboretum. University of Utah. Salt Lake City, Utah. (801) 581-4747. www.redbuttegardens.org.

RAP NOV. 28-DEC. 23. **Luminaria.** Display. Desert Botanical Garden. Phoenix, Arizona. (480) 941-1225. www.dbg.org.

RAP DEC. 7. **Landscape Design Theory.** Class. Denver Botanic Gardens. Denver, Colorado. (720) 865-3500. www.botanicgardens.org.

RAP DEC. 12-14. **Luminaria Lights.** Holiday display. Tucson Botanical Gardens. Tucson, Arizona. (520) 326-9686. www.tucsonbotanical.org.

Looking ahead

AHS JAN. 16-18. **Maricopa County Home & Garden Show.** Arizona State Fairgrounds. Phoenix, Arizona. (602) 485-1691. www.maricopacountyhomeshows.com.

WEST COAST

CA, NV, HI

RAP DEC. 5-7. **Cactus and Succulent Show and Sale.** Fullerton Arboretum. Fullerton,

California. (714) 278-3407. www.fullertonarboretum.org.

DEC. 8. **Backyard Vineyards in San Diego County.** Lecture. San Diego Horticultural Society. Del Mar Fairgrounds. San Diego, California. (760) 295-7089. www.sdhortsoc.org.

RAP DEC. 13. **Old-Fashioned Wreath Workshop.** Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden. Arcadia, California. (626) 821-3222. www.arboretum.org.

Looking ahead

JAN. 17-19. **Conservation Conference.** California Native Plant Society. Sacramento, California. (916) 447-2677. www.cnps.org.

MAR. 22-26. **International Master Gardener Conference.** Las Vegas, Nevada. (702) 257-5587. www.unce.unr.edu/imgc.

NORTHWEST

AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY

NOV. 15-30. **Dream Weaver: The Bamboo Art of Jiro Yonezawa.** Exhibit. Portland Japanese Garden. Portland, Oregon. (503) 223-1321. www.japanesegarden.com.

RAP NOV. 27-JAN. 3. **Winter Gardens aGlow.** Display. Idaho Botanical Garden.

Boise, Idaho. (208) 343-8649. www.idahobotanicalgarden.org.

RAP NOV. 29-JAN. 3. **Garden d'Lights.** Holiday display. Bellevue Botanical Garden. Bellevue, Washington. (435) 451-3755. www.bellevuebotanical.org.

Looking ahead

AHS JAN. 28-FEB. 1. **Tacoma Home & Garden Show.** Tacoma Dome. Tacoma, Washington. (253) 756-2121. www.otshows.com.

CANADA

NOV. 22 & 23. **Winter Trees.** Class. The Arboretum at University of Guelph. Guelph, Ontario. (519) 824-4120. www.uoguelph.ca/arboretum.

RAP NOV. 29. **Decorating with Natural Greens.** Workshop. Glendale Gardens & Woodland. Victoria, British Columbia. (250) 479-6162. www.hcp.bc.ca.

DEC. 1-JAN. 6. **Magic of Christmas.** Festival. Butchart Gardens. Victoria, British Columbia. (866) 652-4422. www.butchartgardens.com.

DEC. 5-JAN. 4. **Festival of Lights.** Van Dusen Botanical Garden. Vancouver, British Columbia. (604) 231-7535. www.vandusengarden.org.

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