



## REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

# Horticultural Events from Around the Country

### NORTHEAST

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

JULY 23–25. **Nantucket Garden Festival.** Seminars, tours, gala dinner. Nantucket Lighthouse School. Nantucket, Massachusetts. (508) 228-0427. [www.nantucketgardenfestival.com](http://www.nantucketgardenfestival.com).

JULY 25 & 26. **Garden Walk Buffalo.** Self-guided tour. Buffalo, New York. (716) 879-0123. [www.GardenWalkBuffalo.com](http://www.GardenWalkBuffalo.com).

**RAP** JULY 29. **Creating an Authentic Garden.** Lecture. Polly Hill Arboretum. West Tisbury, Massachusetts. (508) 693-9426. [www.pollyhillarboretum.org](http://www.pollyhillarboretum.org).

**RAP** AUG. 1 & 2. **Flower Show.** Berkshire Botanical Garden. Stockbridge, Massachusetts. (413) 298-3926. [www.berkshirebotanical.org](http://www.berkshirebotanical.org).

**RAP** AUG. 12. **Harvesting Herbs.** Lecture. Heritage Museums and Gardens. Sandwich, Massachusetts. (508) 888-3300. [www.heritagemuseumandgardens.org](http://www.heritagemuseumandgardens.org).

AUG. 22. **Creating Home Outside: Landscape Design Workshop.** Julie Moir Messervy Design Studio. Saxtons River, Vermont. (802) 869-1470. [www.jmmds.com](http://www.jmmds.com).

AUG. 23. **Central New York Gladiolus Show.** Central New York Gladiolus Society. Syracuse, New York. (315) 697-3507. E-mail: [bslamb@dreamscape.com](mailto:bslamb@dreamscape.com).

### MID-ATLANTIC

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

JULY 22. **Planting Design for Homeowners.** Class. U.S. Botanic Garden. Washington, D.C. (202) 225-1116. [www.usbg.gov](http://www.usbg.gov).

**RAP** JULY 25. **Gardening for a Lifetime.** Class. Green Spring Gardens. Alexandria, Virginia. (703) 642-5173. [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org).

JULY 28–30. **Penn Atlantic Nursery Trade Show (PANTS).** Greater Philadelphia Expo Center. Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. (717) 328-1673. [www.pantshow.com](http://www.pantshow.com).

AUG. 1. **Native Plants for Dry Shade.** Class. Mt. Cuba Center. Greenville, Delaware. (302) 239-4244. [www.mtcubacenter.org](http://www.mtcubacenter.org).

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AUG. 1 & 2. **Cactus Show.** Brookside Gardens. Wheaton, Maryland. (301) 962-1400. [www.brooksidegardens.org](http://www.brooksidegardens.org).

AUG. 7. **Hardy Cacti and Succulents.** Seminar. Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College. Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. (610) 328-8025. [www.scottarboretum.org](http://www.scottarboretum.org).

**RAP** AUG. 11 & 12. **Invasive Plants Conference.** Morris Arboretum at the University of Pennsylvania. University of Pittsburgh, Johnstown Campus Conference Center. Johnstown, Pennsylvania. (215) 247-5777 ext. 125. E-mail: [jlmu@upenn.edu](mailto:jlmu@upenn.edu).

AUG. 15. **Summer Fruit Tasting.** Monticello, the Thomas Jefferson Foundation. Charlottesville, Virginia. (434) 984-9822. [www.monticello.org](http://www.monticello.org).

**RAP** AUG. 29 & 30. **Begonia Show and Sale.** Green Spring Gardens. Alexandria, Virginia. (703) 642-5173. [www.greenspring.org](http://www.greenspring.org).

Looking ahead

**RAP** SEPT. 18 & 19. **Fall Plant Sale.** Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Richmond, Virginia. (804) 262-9887. [www.lewisginter.org](http://www.lewisginter.org).

### SOUTHEAST

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

**RAP** JULY 23. **The Changing Mountain Environment: Edible Landscape.** Presentation. North Carolina Arboretum. Asheville, North Carolina. (828) 665-2492. [www.ncarboretum.org](http://www.ncarboretum.org).

JULY 25. **Plumleaf Azalea Hike and Callaway**

**Home Tour.** Ida Cason Callaway Foundation. Pine Mountain, Georgia. (800) 225-5292. [www.callawaygardens.org](http://www.callawaygardens.org).

**RAP** JULY 29. **Plan Before You Plant.** Lecture. Atlanta Botanical Garden. Atlanta, Georgia. (404) 876-5859. [www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org](http://www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org).

**RAP** AUG. 9. **Gardening with Japanese Myrtles.** Class. Aldridge Botanical Gardens. Hoover, Alabama. (205) 682-8019. [www.aldridgegardens.com](http://www.aldridgegardens.com).

**RAP** AUG. 20. **New Plant Workshop.** Yew Dell Gardens. Crestwood, Kentucky. (502) 241-4788. [www.yewdellgardens.org](http://www.yewdellgardens.org).

**RAP** AUG. 21. **Growing Figs at Home.** Class. Boone County Arboretum. Union, Kentucky. (859) 586-6101. [www.bcarboretum.org](http://www.bcarboretum.org).

**RAP** AUG. 22. **Edible Plants for the Home Landscape.** Class. Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden. Belmont, North Carolina. (704) 825-4490. [www.dsbg.org](http://www.dsbg.org).

**RAP** AUG. 29. **Green Gardening: National Wildlife Certification.** Class. Central Florida Zoo and Botanical Garden. Lake Monroe, Florida. (407) 323-4450. [www.centralfloridazoo.org](http://www.centralfloridazoo.org).

Looking ahead

SEPT. 18 & 19. **American Camellia Society Fall 2009 Convention.** Charleston, South Carolina. (478) 967-2358. [www.camellias-acg.org](http://www.camellias-acg.org).

### NORTH CENTRAL

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

**RAP** JULY 19. **Ohio Daylily Society Show and Sale.** Kingwood Center. Mansfield, Ohio. (419) 522-0211. [www.kingwoodcenter.org](http://www.kingwoodcenter.org).

**AHS** JULY 23–25. **National Children & Youth Garden Symposium.** American Horticultural Society. Cleveland Botanical Garden. Cleveland, Ohio. (703) 768-5700. [www.ahs.org](http://www.ahs.org).

JULY 24–26. **Midwest Native Plant Conference.** Midwest Native Plant Society. Dayton, Ohio. (513) 941-6497. [www.cincinnatibirds.com/mwnp](http://www.cincinnatibirds.com/mwnp).

AUG. 13. **Wisconsin Nursery Association Summer Field Day.** Outdoor trade show. Jackson, Wisconsin. (414) 529-4705. [www.wislf.org](http://www.wislf.org).

**RAP** AUG. 14–16. **Mid-America Bonsai Show & Sale.** Chicago Botanic Garden. Glencoe, Illinois. (837) 845-5440. [www.chicagobotanic.org](http://www.chicagobotanic.org).

AUG. 18–20. **The Independent Garden Center Show.** Trade show. Navy Pier. Chicago, Illinois. (866) 391-6220. [www.igcshow.com](http://www.igcshow.com).

**RAP** AUG. 22 & 23. **Dahlia Show.** Olbrich Botanical Gardens. Madison, Wisconsin. (608) 246-4550. [www.olbrich.org](http://www.olbrich.org).

AUG. 28 & 29. **Black Hills Orchid Society Festival.** American Orchid Society. Rapid City, South Dakota. (605) 348-7165. [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org).

#### Looking ahead

SEPT. 18–21. **Annual Meeting & Expo.** American Society of Landscape Architects. Lakeside Center at McCormick Place. Chicago, Illinois. (202) 898-2444. [www.asla.org/2009meeting](http://www.asla.org/2009meeting).

### SOUTH CENTRAL

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

JULY 19–24. **Perennial Plant Association Symposium.** St. Louis, Missouri. (614) 771-8431. [www.perennialplant.org](http://www.perennialplant.org).

**RAP** JULY 21. **Reshaping and Correctional Pruning.** Class. Garvan Woodland Gardens. University of Arkansas. Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas. (501) 262-9300. [www.garvangardens.org](http://www.garvangardens.org).

**RAP** JULY 25. **Tomato Day.** Festival. Sedgwick County Extension Center. Wichita, Kansas. (316) 660-0100. [www.sedgwick.ksu.edu](http://www.sedgwick.ksu.edu).

**RAP** JULY 25–AUG. 2. **Henry Shaw Cactus Society Show and Sale.** Missouri Botanical Garden. St. Louis, Missouri. (314) 577-5100. [www.mobot.org](http://www.mobot.org).

**RAP** AUG. 8. **EARTH-KIND Environmental Stewardship Day.** Texas Discovery Gardens. Dallas, Texas. (214) 428-7476. [www.texasdiscoverygardens.org](http://www.texasdiscoverygardens.org).

AUG. 22. **Plant Sale.** New Orleans Botanical Garden, City Park. New Orleans, Louisiana. (504) 483-9464. [www.neworleanscitypark.com/nobg.html](http://www.neworleanscitypark.com/nobg.html).

**RAP** AUG. 22 & 23. **Texas Bamboo Society Bamboo Show and Sale.** Zilker Botanical Garden. Austin, Texas. (512) 477-8672. [www.zilker garden.org](http://www.zilker garden.org).

## Denver Goes Prehistoric

INTERESTED IN A trip to the Mesozoic Era? Denver Botanic Gardens has created the city's own Jurassic Park with its "Jurassic Gardens" exhibit, running now through September 30. Visitors will get the chance to see not only life-sized dinosaurs and a 10-foot sea scorpion (created by Guy Darrough of Lost World Studios), but prehistoric plants and their modern-day descendants. Cycads, ferns, lycopods, and horsetails represent just some of the plant groups on display that continue to flourish today.

One focus of the exhibit is the relationship between plants and animals. Herbivore dinosaurs traveled in large herds and consumed an astounding quantity of plants, thereby altering the evolution of certain plant species by almost wiping them out. Although Denver Botanic Gardens is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, "Jurassic Gardens" more closely commemorates the 200th birthday anniversary of British naturalist Charles Darwin, with messages pertaining to evolution incorporated throughout the exhibit.

Denver Botanic Gardens participates in the AHS Reciprocal Admissions Program, so AHS members receive free admission. The "Jurassic Gardens" exhibit is included in the price of admission for non-members. Call (720) 865-3500 or visit [www.botanicgardens.org](http://www.botanicgardens.org) for more information.



Encounter dinosaurs at Denver Botanic Gardens.

## Washington Park Arboretum Ready to Celebrate

THE WASHINGTON Park Arboretum in Seattle, partnered with the University of Washington Botanic Gardens, Seattle Parks and Recreation, and the Arboretum Foundation, is celebrating its 75th anniversary this summer with a number of special events. Many of these upcoming events are family-oriented. For example, special nighttime educational tours for families, called "Park in the Dark," are scheduled for July 25 and August 22. These tours allow visitors the opportunity to experience the gardens under a different light while learning about the habits of nocturnal creatures through hands-on activities. A botanical-themed art exhibit and wine tasting event, "Art in the Park," will be held on August 6.

The Washington Park Arboretum will have cause for celebration in the coming years with the opening of an ambitious exhibit, the Pacific Connections Garden. The arboretum has dedicated 14 acres to plants indigenous to Australia, New Zealand, Chile, China, and Cascadia, a land region in the Pacific Northwest comprised of Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia. The first phase of construction was completed in September 2008, and the grand opening of the garden is projected for 2015. For more information on upcoming events, call the Arboretum Foundation at (206) 325-4510 or visit [www.arboretumfoundation.org](http://www.arboretumfoundation.org).

—Amanda Griesser, Editorial Intern

**RAP** AUG. 29. **Fort Worth Orchid Society Sale.** Fort Worth Botanic Garden. Fort Worth, Texas. (817) 871-7686. [www.fwbw.org](http://www.fwbw.org).

ety. The Hudson Gardens & Event Center. Littleton, Colorado. (303) 797-8565. [www.hudsongardens.org](http://www.hudsongardens.org).

AUG. 7. **SHADE: Southwest Horticulture Annual Day of Education.** Green industry educational seminar. Arizona Nursery Association. Tempe, Arizona. (480) 966-1610. [www.azna.org](http://www.azna.org).

### SOUTHWEST

AZ, NM, CO, UT

**RAP** JULY 25. **Iris Sale.** American Iris Soci-

**AHS** AUG. 7 & 8. **West Valley Maricopa County Home and Garden Show.** Phoenix, Arizona. (602) 485-1691. [www.MaricopaCountyHomeShows.com](http://www.MaricopaCountyHomeShows.com).

**RAP** AUG. 8. **An Herb A-Fair.** The Gardens on Spring Creek. Fort Collins, Colorado. (970) 416-2486. [www.fcgov.com/horticulture](http://www.fcgov.com/horticulture).

**RAP** AUG. 8. **Tasty Tomatoes.** Lecture, tasting. Red Butte Garden and Arboretum. University of Utah. Salt Lake City, Utah. (801) 581-4747. [www.redbuttegarden.org](http://www.redbuttegarden.org).

**RAP** AUG. 10. **Backyard Composting 101.** Class. High Country Conservation Center. Betty Ford Alpine Gardens. Vail, Colorado. (970) 476-0103. [www.bettyfordalpinegardens.org](http://www.bettyfordalpinegardens.org).

**RAP** AUG. 20. **Meadows By Design.** Lecture. Denver Botanic Gardens. Denver, Colorado. (720) 865-3580. [www.botanicgardens.org](http://www.botanicgardens.org).

## WEST COAST

CA, NV, HI

**RAP** JULY 24. **Ikebana Basics.** Class. Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden. Arcadia, California. (626) 821-3222. [www.arboretum.org](http://www.arboretum.org).

**RAP** JULY 24–26. **Summer Cactus and Succulent Show & Sale.** Orange County Cactus and Succulent Society. Fullerton Arboretum. Fullerton, California. (657) 278-3407. [www.fullertonarboretum.org](http://www.fullertonarboretum.org).

**RAP** AUG. 1. **Summer Gardening Fair.** San Francisco Botanical Garden Society. San Francisco, California. (415) 661-1316. [www.sfbotanicalgarden.org](http://www.sfbotanicalgarden.org).

**RAP** AUG. 8. **Rose Garden Care Using Sustainable Methods.** Lecture. Descanso Gardens. La Cañada Flintridge, California. (818) 949-4200. [www.descansogardens.org](http://www.descansogardens.org).

AUG. 13. **Citrus Diseases in California: Past, Present and Future.** Lecture. Southern California Horticultural Society. Los Angeles, California. (818) 567-1496. [www.socalhort.org](http://www.socalhort.org).

AUG. 22 & 23. **Fall Plant Sale and Garden Tours.** Occidental Arts & Ecology Center. Occidental, California. (707) 874-1557 ext. 201. [www.oaec.org](http://www.oaec.org).

Looking ahead

**RAP** SEPT. 12 & 13. **Salvia Spectacular.** Plant sale. Fullerton Arboretum. Fullerton, California. (657) 278-3407. [www.fullertonarboretum.org](http://www.fullertonarboretum.org).

SEPT. 14. **Meadows, Grasslands, Prairies, and Turf: An Opportunity to Reconsider Your Lawn.** Lecture. San Diego Horticultural Society. San Diego, California. (760) 295-7089. [www.sdhortsoc.org](http://www.sdhortsoc.org).

## New West Coast Show Features Garden Design Innovation and Imagination

TAKING PLACE from September 18 through 20, The Late Show Gardens exhibition is set to premiere in the heart of northern California's wine country on the grounds of Cornerstone Sonoma. A celebration of innovative garden design, this exciting new show takes as its theme the challenges of a changing environment. Robin Parer, president of The Late Show Gardens and one of the show's organizers, says the designers were asked to brainstorm "new ways of thinking about drought and global warming, as it impacts our gardens and our way of life."

Some 17 outdoor spaces are slated to be created by a roster of inventive—often provocative—artists and designers, musicians, and landscape architects. Cevan Forrist, John Greenlee, Kate Frey, and Stephen Glassman are among the garden creators.

The cognoscenti of the horticultural community emerge in the show's line-up of speakers, bringing together photographer Marion Brenner, nursery owners and authors Sean Hogan and Roger Gossler, land artist Topher Delaney, garden expert Ken Druse, and Mark Hertsgaard, a correspondent for *The Nation*. Numerous lectures by these and other notable speakers will offer solutions to compelling environmental needs, thoughtful insights into the issue of sustainability, and fresh ways to define gardens.

Visitors can indulge the urge to shop with a host of Cornerstone Sonoma merchants and the show's vendors. On offer will be ornamental elements, garden art, home decor, books, and plants that Parer describes as "unjustly neglected in West Coast gardens." Information on tickets, directions, and more on The Late Show Gardens can be found at [www.thelateshowgardens.org](http://www.thelateshowgardens.org).

—Alice Joyce blogs on garden travel in the San Francisco Bay area.



This garden, designed by Beth Mullins, is one of many to be featured in the show in September.

## NORTHWEST

AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY

**RAP** AUG. 1 & 2. **Flower Show.** Anchorage Garden Club. Alaska Botanical Garden. Anchorage, Alaska. (907) 770-3692. [www.alaskabg.org](http://www.alaskabg.org).

AUG. 18–22. **Farwest Show.** Oregon Association of Nurseries. Portland, Oregon. (800) 342-6401. [www.farwestshow.com](http://www.farwestshow.com).

**RAP** AUG. 22. **Tour of the Botanic Gardens.** Cheyenne Botanic Gardens. Cheyenne, Wyoming. (307) 637-6458. [www.botanic.org](http://www.botanic.org).

**RAP** AUG. 22 & 23. **Eastside Fuchsia Society Show and Sale.** Northwest Fuchsia Society. Bellevue Botanical Garden. Bellevue, Washington. (425) 451-3755. [www.bellevuebotanical.org](http://www.bellevuebotanical.org).

Looking ahead

SEPT. 18–20. **American Rhododendron Soci-**

**ety Western Regional Conference.** Federal Way, Washington. (416) 424-1942. [www.rhododendron.org](http://www.rhododendron.org).

## CANADA

JULY 25 & 26. **British Columbia Fuchsia & Begonia Society Annual Show & Competition.** Van Dusen Botanical Garden. Vancouver, British Columbia. (604) 591-3262. [www.vandusengarden.org](http://www.vandusengarden.org).

**RAP** AUG. 15. **Preserving the Harvest.** Course. Glendale Gardens & Woodland. Victoria, British Columbia. (250) 479-6162. [www.hcp.bc.ca](http://www.hcp.bc.ca).

## INTERNATIONAL

JULY 30–AUG. 2. **Mayaguez Orchid Society Show.** American Orchid Society. Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. (787) 649-2656. [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org).