



REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

Horticultural Events from Around the Country

NORTHEAST

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

RAP SEPT. 19 & 20. **Fall Plant/Book Sale.** Landis Arboretum. Esperance, New York. (518) 875-6935. www.landisarboretum.org.

SEPT. 24. **Fall Evening Seminar: Winterizing Your Garden.** Fuller Gardens. North Hampton, New Hampshire. (603) 964-5414. www.fullergardens.org.

RAP SEPT. 26 & OCT. 24. **Propagating Trees and Shrubs from Cuttings and Seeds.** Class. The Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University. Boston, Massachusetts. (617) 524-1718. www.arboretum.harvard.edu.

RAP OCT. 3 & 4. **Harvest Festival.** Berkshire Botanical Gardens. Stockbridge, Massachusetts. (413) 298-3926. www.berkshirebotanical.org.

RAP OCT. 10 & 11. **Orchid Society Show.** Niagara Frontier Orchid Society. Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens. Buffalo, New York. (716) 827-1584. www.buffalogardens.com.

RAP OCT. 24. **Woodland Landscape Program.** Class. Manitoga/The Russell Wright Design Center. Garrison, New York. (845) 424-3812. www.russellwrightcenter.org.

OCT. 31. **Winter Composting.** Class. Cornell Cooperative Extension. Ithaca Community Gardens. Ithaca, New York. (607) 272-2292. <http://ccetompkins.org>.

MID-ATLANTIC

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

SEPT. 19 & 20. **Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society Show.** Longwood Gardens. Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. (717) 426-1594. E-mail: telkner@psu.edu.

SEPT. 25-27. **74th Annual Dahlia Show.** National Capital Dahlia Society. Brookside Gardens. Wheaton, Maryland. (540) 882-3602. <http://nationalcapitaldahlia.org>.

RAP SEPT. 26. **Lessons Learned in the Vegetable Garden.** Lecture. Green Spring Gardens. Alexandria, Virginia. (703) 642-5173. www.greenspring.org.

SEPT. 28. **City Gardening Series: Fall Tree**

Events sponsored by or including official participation by AHS or AHS staff members are identified with the **AHS** symbol.

Events hosted by botanical gardens and arboreta that participate in AHS's Reciprocal Admissions Program are identified with the **RAP** symbol. Current AHS members showing a valid membership card are eligible for free or discounted admission to the garden or other benefits. Special events may not be included; contact the host site for details or visit www.ahs.org/events/reciprocal_events.htm.

Walk. Fairmount Park Horticulture Center. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. (215) 988-8872. www.fairmountpark.org/hortcenter.asp.

OCT. 10. **Tufton Fern Walk.** Tufton Farm. Monticello, the Thomas Jefferson Foundation. Charlottesville, Virginia. (434) 984-9822. www.monticello.org.

OCT. 15. **In Praise of Ladies-tresses Orchids.** Class. Mt. Cuba Center. Greenville, Delaware. (302) 239-4244. www.mtcubacenter.org.

OCT. 16. **2009 Perennial Plant Conference.** Swarthmore College. Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. (610) 388-1000. www.perennialplantconference.org.

OCT. 17. **75 Years: Celebrating the Preserve's History with Talks, Tours, and More.** Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve. New Hope, Pennsylvania. (215) 862-2924. www.bhwp.org.

RAP OCT. 28 & 29. **Timeless Design in a Sustainable World: Charles F. Gillette Forum.** Symposium. Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Richmond, Virginia. (804) 262-9887. www.lewisginter.org.

SOUTHEAST

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

RAP SEPT. 19 & 20. **Aroid Show and Sale.** International Aroid Society. Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden. Coral Gables, Florida. (305) 667-1651. www.fairchildgarden.org.

RAP SEPT. 19 & 20. **Fall Open House & Native Plant Sale.** Reflection Riding Arboretum

& Botanical Garden. Chattanooga, Tennessee. (423) 821-9582. www.reflectionriding.org.

SEPT. 24-26. **Restoring Southern Gardens & Landscapes.** Conference. Old Salem Museum & Gardens. Winston-Salem, North Carolina. (336) 758-5900. www.oldsalem.org.

RAP SEPT. 29. **Perennial Color for Every Season.** Class. Aldridge Botanical Gardens. Hoover, Alabama. (205) 682-8019. www.aldridgegardens.com.

OCT. 1-3. **The Landscape Show.** Florida Nursery, Growers and Landscape Association. Orlando, Florida. (800) 375-3642. www.thelandscapeshow.org.

RAP OCT. 7-10. **Fall Plant Sale.** Wing Haven Gardens & Bird Sanctuary. Charlotte, North Carolina. (704) 331-0664. www.winghavengardens.com.

RAP OCT. 10 & 11. **Carolina Bonsai Expo.** North Carolina Arboretum. Asheville, North Carolina. (828) 665-2492. www.ncarboretum.org.

OCT. 28-31. **Green Industry Conference.** Professional Landcare Network. Louisville, Kentucky. (800) 395-2522. www.greenindustryconference.org.

NORTH CENTRAL

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

RAP SEPT. 19 & 20. **Fall Harvest Festival.** Cedar Valley Arboretum & Botanic Gardens. Waterloo, Iowa. (319) 296-4027. www.cedarvalleyarboretum.org.

RAP SEPT. 20. **Stonescaping Class.** Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. Chaska, Minnesota. (952) 443-1400. www.arboretum.umn.edu.

SEPT. 26 & 27. **Barberton Mum Fest.** City of Barberton Beautification Program and Yoder Brothers, Inc. Barberton, Ohio. (330) 848-6653. E-mail: lmclean@cityofbarberton.com.

RAP OCT. 1-4. **Fall Bulb Mart.** Des Moines Botanical Center. Des Moines, Iowa. (515) 323-6294. www.botanicalcenter.com.

RAP OCT. 2-4. **The Bulb Bazaar.** Chicago

Botanic Garden. Glencoe, Illinois. (847) 835-5440. www.chicagobotanic.org.

RAP OCT. 10. **Putting Your Garden to Bed.** Class. Klehm Arboretum and Botanic Garden. Rockford, Illinois. (815) 965-8146. www.klehm.org.

RAP OCT. 18. **Fall Bonsai Show.** Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park. Grand Rapids, Michigan. (888) 957-1580. www.meijergardens.org.

Looking ahead:

NOV. 7. **Native Plant Communities: What to Plant, Where, and Why.** Conference. Indiana Native Plant and Wildflower Society. Indianapolis, Indiana. (317) 283-8345. www.inpaws.org.

SOUTH CENTRAL

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

RAP SEPT. 20. **Home Landscape Design.** Class. The Crosby Arboretum. Picayune, Mississippi. (601) 799-2311. www.crosbyarboretum.msstate.edu.

SEPT. 23. **Herbs: Medicinal, Culinary, Aromatherapy.** Class. Overland Park Arboretum and Botanical Gardens. Overland Park, Kansas. (913) 895-6000. www.opkansas.org.

OCT. 3. **PlantFest!** Plant sale. Hilltop Arboretum. Baton Rouge, Louisiana. (225) 767-6916. www.lsu.edu/hilltop.

RAP OCT. 8-10. **Orchids in October.** Festival. Myriad Botanical Gardens. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. (405) 297-3974. www.myriadgardens.com.

RAP OCT. 9-11. **Fall Plant Sale and Gardening Festival.** Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. Austin, Texas. (512) 232-0100. www.wildflower.org.

RAP OCT. 9-11. **An Earth and Epicurean Experience.** Plant sale. Garvan Woodland Gardens. Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas. (800) 366-4664. www.garvangardens.org.

RAP OCT. 17 & 18. **Austin African Violet Society Show & Sale.** Zilker Botanical Garden. Austin, Texas. (512) 477-8672. www.zilkerbotanicalgarden.org.

SOUTHWEST

AZ, NM, CO, UT

RAP SEPT. 26. **Fall Plant Sale.** Santa Fe Botanical Garden. Santa Fe, New Mexico. (505) 471-9103. www.santafebotanicalgarden.org.

OCT. 5-8. **Collaborative Conservation in Rapidly Changing Landscapes.** Conference. Southwest

Naples Botanical Garden, a Tropical Paradise

THIS NOVEMBER, Naples Botanical Garden (NBG) in Naples, Florida, will reopen in a grand way—with the debut of a 160-acre tropical paradise. NBG closed to the general public in June 2008 to accommodate the development of five new gardens, three of which showcase tropical plants that flourish along the same latitude, between 26 degrees north and south. The Brazilian, Caribbean, and Children's Gardens will open to the public on November 9, while the Asian and Florida Gardens will open within the next two years. Ninety acres worth of restored natural habitats and a birding tower will also open in November.

NBG plans on celebrating the new additions by providing a week of activities, beginning November 10 with the opening celebration dinner and first preview of the gardens. November 13 is the exclusive member's preview of the gardens, which will be open to AHS members as a benefit of the AHS Reciprocal Admissions Program. The grand public opening on November 14 and 15 will feature day-long entertainment and activities for the entire family.

NBG began as little more than the vision of a small group of Naples community members, who purchased 30 acres of land for the original garden in 1998. The garden's next endeavor is the construction of the Harvey Kapnick Education and Research Center, scheduled for its grand opening in January 2010. The center represents the collaborative efforts of NBG and Florida Gulf Coast University, who will both utilize the space for lifelong learning programs, workshops, meetings, and symposia.

"We like to call Naples the crown of southwestern Florida, and we see Naples Botanical Garden as another jewel in the crown," says Amy Kessler of NBG. More information on NBG and its continued growth is available at www.naplesgarden.org.



A treehouse in the new Children's Garden

Rice Science Center Opens in Chicago

SCIENTISTS ARE concerned that many plant species face extinction in the coming decades, but due to the efforts of the Chicago Botanic Garden (CBG), the future looks a little greener. On September 23, CBG will open a new research and educational facility, the Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Plant Conservation Science Center.

The 38,000-square-foot center will house a number of laboratories, a library for scientific journals and books, and a herbarium. Greg Mueller, vice president for science and academic programs, says that the new facility will "allow us to expand and enhance our activities in conservation and train the next generation of scientists."

Another feature of the center is a 16,000-square-foot roof garden. This garden not only provides enjoyment for the public, but upholds the environmentally conscious approach that the construction team adhered to throughout the center's creation. "We want this building to be a model for how we can build sustainably," Mueller adds. The majority of construction waste will be diverted by an erosion and sedimentation plan, and recycled materials were used in the center. These and other measures were taken to earn a gold rating from the U.S. Green Building Council.

In celebration of the Rice Science Center's grand opening, on September 21, author Michael Pollan will deliver a lecture relating to his book, *In Defense of Food: An Omnivore's Solution*. For more information about the lecture or the Rice Science Center, visit www.chicagobotanic.org or call (847) 835-5440. The Chicago Botanic Garden is a member of the AHS Reciprocal Admissions Program, so AHS members receive free parking with a valid membership card.

—Amanda Griesser, Editorial Intern

Biological Science Center & the Society for Conservation Biology. Flagstaff, Arizona. (928) 556-7094. <http://sbcs.wr.usgs.gov>.

OCT. 9–25. **Fall Plant Sale.** Boyce Thompson Arboretum. Superior, Arizona. (520) 689-2723. <http://arboretum.ag.arizona.edu>.

RAP OCT. 11. **Fall Harvest Class: Preserving Your Bounty.** The Arboretum at Flagstaff. Flagstaff, Arizona. (928) 774-1442. www.thearb.org.

OCT. 10 & 11. **Ikebana Show.** Albuquerque Biological Park. Albuquerque, New Mexico. (505) 764-6200. www.cabq.gov/biopark.

RAP OCT. 17. **Indoor Succulent Gardens.** Class. The Gardens on Spring Creek. Fort Collins, Colorado. (970) 416-2486. www.fcgov.com/horticulture.

Looking ahead:

NOV. 5. **Southwest Landscape & Nursery Expo.** University of Phoenix Stadium. Glendale, Arizona. (480) 966-1610. www.azna.org.

WEST COAST

CA, NV, HI

SEPT. 23 & 24. **Garden Market Expo 2009.** California Association of Nurseries and Garden Centers. Las Vegas Convention Center. Las Vegas, Nevada. (800) 748-6214 ext. 13. www.gardenmarketexpo.com.

RAP SEPT. 26. **Wildflower Seed Balls.** Class. Descanso Gardens. La Cañada Flintridge, California. (818) 949-4200. www.descansogardens.org.

OCT. 3 & 4. **San Diego County Branch Begonia Show and Sale.** The American Begonia Society. Balboa Park. San Diego, California. (760) 753-3977. www.begonias.org.

RAP OCT. 3 & 4. **A Pacific Horticulture Symposium: Lessons in Sustainable Gardening.** Santa Barbara Botanic Garden. Santa Barbara, California. (805) 682-4726. www.sbbg.org.

OCT. 8 & 9. **The Growing Classroom: An Introduction to Garden-Based Learning. Workshop.** Life Lab Science Program. Santa Cruz, California. (831) 459-2001. www.lifelab.org/workshops.html.

RAP OCT. 10. **Trees, Ferns & Rhododendron Plant Sale.** San Francisco Botanical Garden at Strybing Arboretum. San Francisco, California. (415) 661-1316. www.sfbotanicalgarden.org.

RAP OCT. 17 & 18. **Fall Plant Sale.** Quail Botanical Gardens. Encinitas, California. (760) 436-3036. www.qbgardens.org.

Learning Garden in Colorado Brings People and Plants Together

THE ETHNOBOTANY UTE LEARNING GARDEN, adjacent to the Mesa County Arboretum in Grand Junction, Colorado, highlights the vital relationships between plants and people. On September 18, the garden will hold an open house featuring ethnobotany workshops and talks by members of the Northern Ute Indian Tribe. Members of the public can attend this event for a fee; the proceeds will be used to purchase additional plants for the meadow and other areas of the arboretum. The ethnobotany garden is the joint project of several groups, including the Northern Ute Indian Tribe, U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Land Management, and Colorado State University Extension.

The two-and-a-half-acre garden will feature plants from several ecological zones in western Colorado—including desert, piñon juniper woodland, and ponderosa pine forest—and provide visitors with lessons on how native tribes used indigenous plants for food, shelter, and in other aspects of traditional culture. A Living Laboratory and Adaptive Garden, designed to accommodate people with disabilities, are being created to complement the learning garden. The projected date of completion for the entire project is 2011.

“The Northern Ute Indian Tribe has been working with us from the start, especially with the interpretive signs and the selection of plants for each of the ecological zones,” says Curtis Swift, a CSU professor and Extension agent. In June, students from the tribe helped raise a teepee that serves as the focal point of the project. To learn more, visit www.westernslopegardening.org.

—Amanda Griesser, Editorial Intern



In June, members of the Northern Ute Tribe raised a traditional teepee, which serves as the focal point of the Ethnobotany Ute Learning Garden in Colorado.

RAP OCT. 29. **Easy Gardening with Native Plants.** Class. Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanical Garden. Arcadia, California. (626) 821-3222. www.arboretum.org.

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

NORTHWEST

AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY

SEPT. 26. **Maple Pruning Workshop.** Portland Japanese Garden. Portland, Oregon. (503) 223-1321. www.japanesegarden.com.

OCT. 1–4. **Portland Fall Home and Garden Show.** O’Loughlin Trade Shows. Portland, Oregon. (503) 246-8291. <http://otshows.com>.

OCT. 14. **What Is a Garden?** Lecture. Northwest Horticultural Society. University of Washington Botanic Gardens. Seattle, Washington. (206) 527-1794. www.northwesthort.org.

Looking ahead:

RAP NOV. 7. **Rethinking Idaho Landscapes.**

CANADA

SEPT. 29–OCT. 4. **National Symposium on Parks and Grounds and National Awards Ceremonies.** Communities in Bloom. Vaughan, Ontario. (877) 640-4005. www.cibontario.ca.

RAP OCT. 17. **Preparing for Winter.** Class. Glendale Gardens & Woodland. Victoria, British Columbia. (250) 479-6162. www.glendalegardens.ca.

OCT. 20 & 21. **Garden & Floral Expo.** Landscape Ontario and Flowers Canada Inc (Ontario). Toronto Congress Centre. Etobicoke, Ontario. (905) 875-1805. www.landscapeontario.com and www.flowerscanadagrowers.com.