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## San Diego BOTANIC GARDEN

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#### MISSION STATEMENT:

To inspire people of all ages to  
connect with plants and nature.



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**JULY 13 - 14**

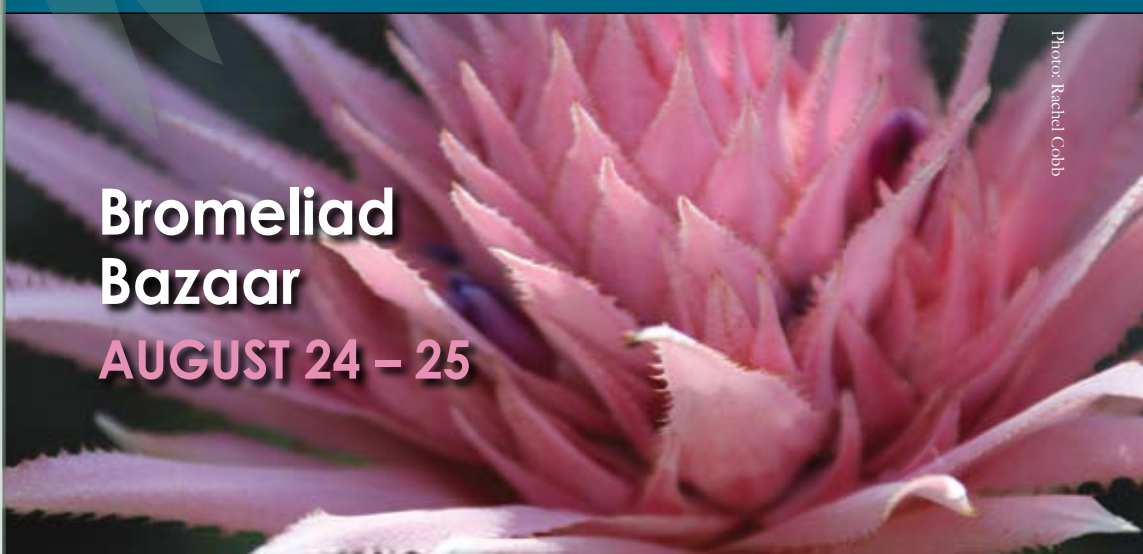


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**Bromeliad  
Bazaar**  
**AUGUST 24 - 25**



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**Gala in the  
Garden**  
**SEPTEMBER 7**

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## The Next Step in San Diego Botanic Garden's Growth

Julian Duval  
President/CEO



It was a year ago that I reported in *Quail Tracks* that an announcement was made by the Leichtag Foundation of their intent to purchase the Ecke Ranch. On December 20 of last year that purchase was finalized. Then at our annual meeting on January 5, Jim Farley, President and CEO of the Leichtag Foundation, gave a presentation entitled “Does the San Diego Botanic Garden have Expansion in its Future?” Posing the title as a question was appropriate, for what Jim presented was a challenge to the Garden’s leadership, its members, and all of the political leaders present that it would be up to them to see if the Garden would have expansion in its future. There are important things that we need to get done.

Jim announced that the Leichtag Foundation is prepared to make a donation of land for the expansion of the Garden to accommodate the fulfillment of the Garden’s master plan. However, he explained that as a potential major donor to the San Diego Botanic Garden, the Leichtag Foundation wants to be assured of the long-term stability of the Garden and of the Garden’s financial ability to implement its master plan on the donated land.

Thankfully, we have time before we will be asked to meet the requirements to occupy the donated land. We will continue to inform and involve you, our valued members and donors, in the process as we move forward. Jim’s presentation did not specify a time limit, but he acknowledged it would take years before the Garden would be ready to move onto Ecke Ranch land. This expansion is clearly of great importance to the Garden, and the community that we serve, and it will be pursued concurrently with the Garden’s next big step.

In fact, there is another major project which we need to accomplish before we would begin to raise funds for the expansion. Our master plan calls for a second phase to the very successful Hamilton Children’s Garden (HCG). There is space next to the HCG that has, from the beginning of the planning process, been reserved for a structure that would give the Garden a much larger indoor venue for programming.

The new Education and Events Pavilion will provide an enclosed meeting and event space for up to 400 visitors and promises to become the new hub for education and community involvement for North County and the region. The Pavilion will include a large, completely glass-enclosed main hall, multiple classrooms, full kitchen for catering and cooking classes, amphitheater, and access to expanded parking.

While the Garden is an outdoor facility, certain types of educational programming are best experienced indoors. Currently, the number and quality of programs that can be offered is limited by the Garden’s available meeting space. The Garden’s largest indoor space has a capacity of 96 people. Visiting speakers routinely draw crowds that exceed the room’s capacity, and we have

to turn away community members and groups who would rent the Garden's facilities if we had a larger indoor space. As attendance and membership at the Garden continue to grow, our need for an attractive, versatile and functional facility also increases.

The extraordinary design and beauty of the new Pavilion will be breathtaking. It will include a 5,900 square foot glass and metal beam structure which will invite views of the outdoors from every side while providing year-round protection from the weather and the capacity to meet the needs of all who use the Garden. The Pavilion main hall – walls and roof – will be made of retractable glass to provide an open atmosphere that invites the outdoors into indoor spaces and enables expansion onto a wrap-around patio when needed.

Designed to blur the lines between indoors and out, it will be a dynamic hub of activities during the day and evening for our community, staff and volunteers. The Pavilion will be a unique visitor destination for all ages, even when it is not used for classes or events, thanks to the same creative design team that brought Toni's Tree House to life in the Hamilton Children's Garden. Exotic botanical wonders that are not typically found in the Garden or in the region will thrive in the conservatory-like glass structure.

The successful implementation of the Education and Events Pavilion will also be an important step in setting the stage for the eventual campaign to expand the Garden. Nothing of great value comes easily, but dedication, determination and talent have been the qualities of all those who have made the current successes of the Garden possible.

The fact that we have been offered the opportunity to expand is, in and of itself, affirmation of the Garden's relevance and good management. We have many unsung heroes to thank for this. Among them is a person who spent the past two years as Board Chair. Jim Ruecker has been tireless in his dedication, and I join others in thanking him for helping to position the Garden for an exciting future.

Jim has passed the Chairmanship to Tom Applegate, who comes very well prepared for this role as having been most recently in the same leadership role for the Carlsbad Charitable Foundation. I welcome Tom as the new Board Chair and as a person who embraces the importance of the time we are in to ensure that the San Diego Botanic Garden continues to grow and meet the needs of our community.

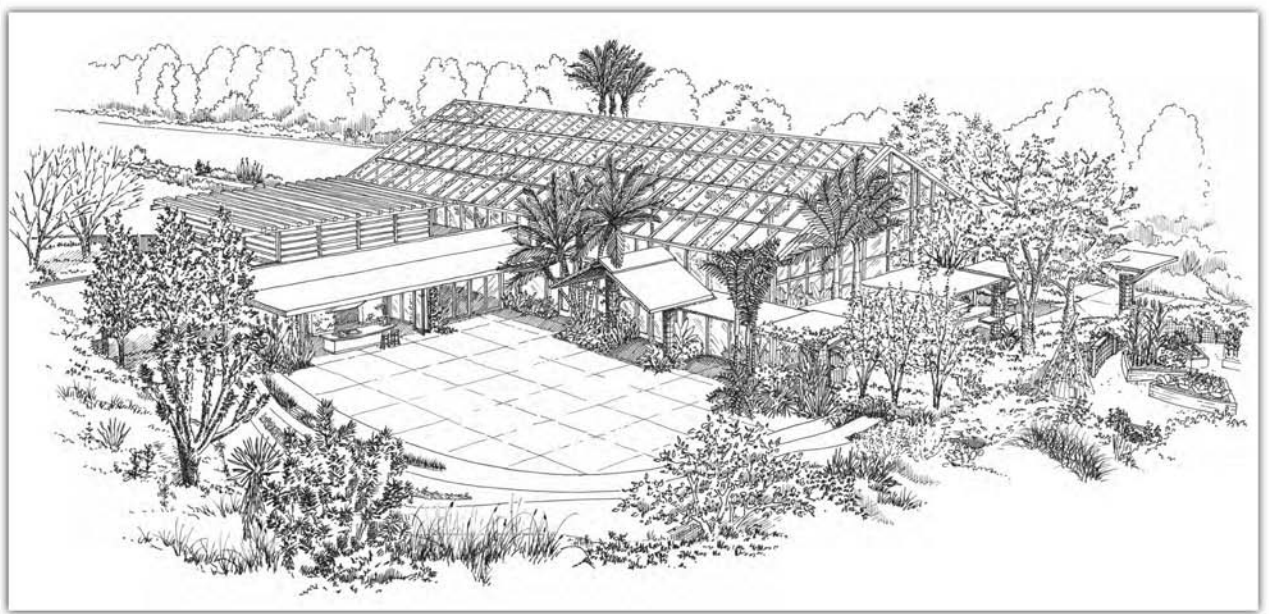
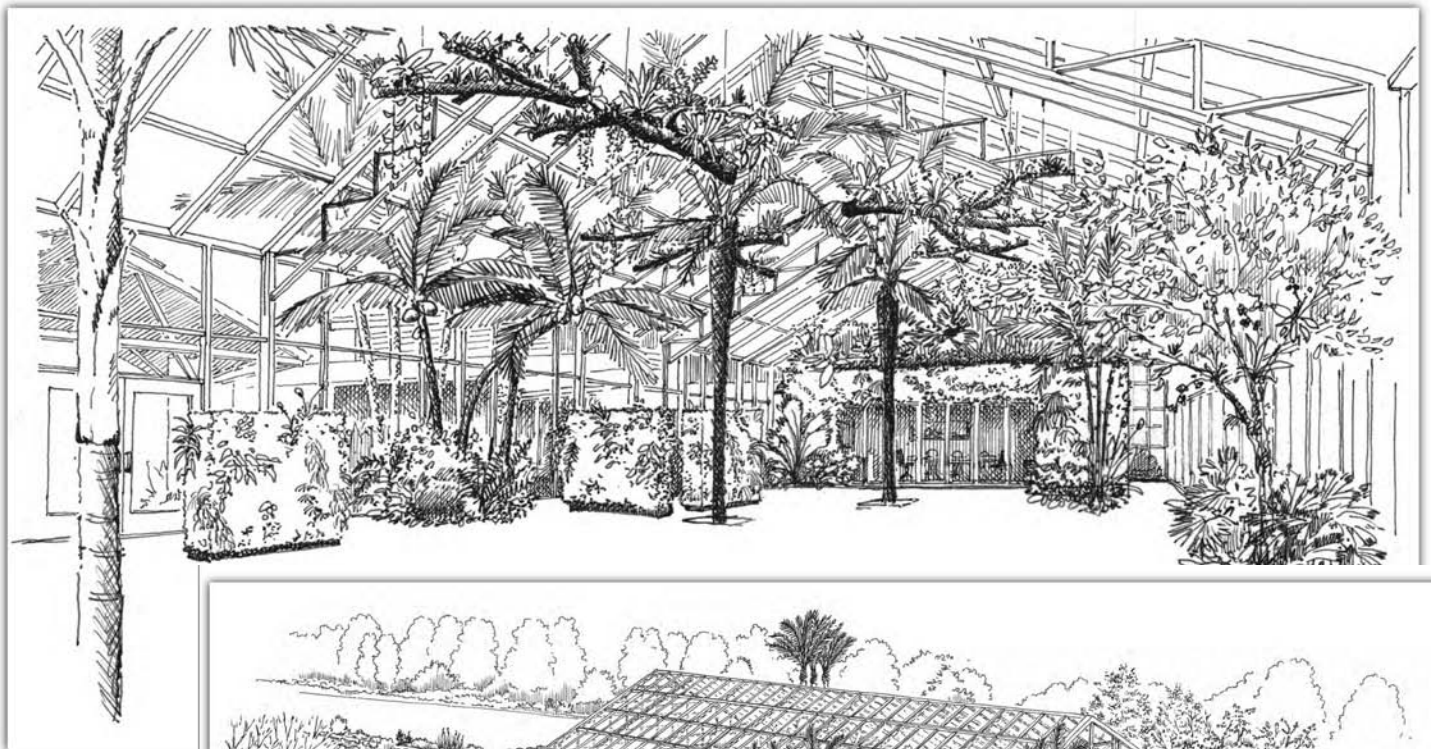




Photo: Michelle Kinney

# Upcoming Events

## Thursday Family Fun Nights

Every Thursday we are open until 8 pm

The Garden will be open on Thursday evenings until 8 PM from Memorial Day to Labor Day. We will have activities for children every Thursday in the Hamilton Children's Garden from 4:30 – 6 pm followed by entertainment right in the Hamilton Children's Garden from 6 – 7 pm. Bring a blanket or low chair.

**Special interactive Environmental Science Programs on May 30, July 18, and August 29 sponsored by SDG&E's Environmental Champions Grant.**

- May 30:** Hullabaloo and Environmental Science Program, sponsored by SDG&E, featuring exhibits and activities provided by Sky Hunters, Solana Recyclers, Cruisin' Critters and Children's Paradise
- June 6:** Rancho Coastal Humane Society
- June 13:** Prodigy Players
- June 20:** Clint Perry & The Boo Hoo Crew
- June 27:** Hullabaloo
- July 4:** No Program
- July 11:** Star Repertory Theatre
- July 18:** Hullabaloo and Environmental Science Program, sponsored by SDG&E, featuring exhibits and activities provided by Sky Hunters, Solana Recyclers, Cruisin' Critters and Children's Paradise
- July 25:** Twilight Tales
- August 1:** Paper Bag Cowboy
- August 8:** Buck Howdy
- August 15:** Zimbeat
- August 22:** Patty Hall
- August 29:** Hullabaloo and Environmental Science Program, sponsored by SDG&E, featuring exhibits and activities provided by Sky Hunters, Cruisin' Critters and Children's Paradise

**NEW Parking Option:  
Park at the Hamilton  
Children's Garden and  
enter the Hamilton Gate**



To see a complete lineup with details visit [SDBGarden.org/thursnights.htm](http://SDBGarden.org/thursnights.htm)

**Cost: Free with admission or membership.**

## Garden Expressions of Art

June 29 – 30, 9 am – 5 pm

Come view and purchase a wide variety of selections from regional artists of all kinds – photographers, sculptures, painters, glass artists, potters, gourd artists, fiber artists, and more – creating and selling their work, much of it inspired by nature.

Our honored guest is accomplished landscape architect and public speaker, Billy Goodnick. As an award-winning designer and writer who worked his way up from swinging a pick to flourishing as a landscape architect, Billy calls upon his earlier life as an entertainer and his decades of professional design practice to animate and enrich his gardens, writing, and talks. Join us on Saturday at 1 pm for his presentation "Crimes Against Horticulture: When Bad Taste Meets Power Tools." The essence of his talk is an inspiring, practical lesson that shows garden lovers how to create their own beautiful, useful, sustainable gardens. Goodnick will be awarding three lucky attendees a secret prize.



**Cost: Free with admission or membership.**

## Sculpture in the Garden

June 30, 2013 – April 2014

This unique exhibition showcases sculptures from 23 talented artists set against the beautiful backdrop of the Garden's lush and natural 37 acres. Curator Naomi Nussbaum Art & Design has orchestrated an eclectic exhibition ranging from functional "garden" artwork to large abstract work with an emphasis on diversity of media and scale. Take a self-guided tour with the Garden's dedicated Sculpture Map. For participating artists visit [SDBGarden.org/sculpture.htm](http://SDBGarden.org/sculpture.htm).

## Insect Festival

July 13 – 14, 10 am – 4 pm

This one-of-a-kind event features thousands of fascinating creepy-crawlies including live insects, lizards, snakes, and the famous "Madagascar hissing cockroaches." Children can practice bug collecting, hands-on insect arts and crafts, and even taste cooked mealworm larva (in various flavors such as mesquite, teriyaki, and barbeque!). Entomologists and other bug experts will be available for questions and more than 20 informational booths will teach and entertain children and adults alike. Sponsored by the County of San Diego Department of Agriculture Weights and Measures, and the San Diego Botanic Garden.

**Cost: Free with admission or membership. Free for all children 12 and under.**



Photos: Heather Main



## Bromeliad Bazaar

August 24 – 25, 9 am – 5 pm

There will be several varieties of bromeliads for sale and on-going workshops on culture and care. Bromeliads are some of the best plants to grow in Southern California – easy and water wise.

**Cost: Free with admission or membership.**



Photos: Rachel Cobb



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## Save the Date

Orchid Fair,  
October 4 – 6

Fall Plant Sale,  
October 19 – 20

Garden of Lights  
December 7 – 23, 26 – 30

# Volunteer and Docent News

## April Volunteer of the Month: **BARBARA OSTHAUS**

California native, Barbara Osthaus worked as an interior designer in Los Angeles until she moved to Solana Beach in 2008. Barbara's parents were avid gardeners along with her sister, a founding member of the Del Mar Garden Club. Her sister thought Barbara would be a perfect addition to the San Diego Botanic Garden volunteer team and soon introduced her to the Garden. Since then, she has worked in the Undersea Succulent Garden, Overlook Succulent Garden, Bamboo Garden, California Gardenscapes, Lawn Garden, African Garden, Subtropical Fruit Garden, Herb Garden, Old and New World Desert Gardens, Mexican Garden and Walled Garden. In addition, Barbara also took on the role of typist for the monthly Bloomboard. Barbara feels that the garden is invigorating and the people are jolly, interesting and very knowledgeable. The uniqueness of each plant and wildlife - it all goes together.



Photo: Rachel Cobb

## May Volunteers of the Month: **ROBERTA DOTSON AND DAVID MERRITT**

Roberta, originally from Virginia, and David, a Connecticut native, both share a long history of gardening within their families. Both worked as civil employees for the U.S. Department of the Navy and have been sharing their lives since 2000. When Roberta retired, after getting her AA in horticulture, she volunteered at the Garden to do community service and horticulture. When David retired he worked part-time on an international fun science math project. After some time, Roberta recruited David for special events at the Garden. Now, he continues to help with special events but also took on a role in the carpentry team. Meanwhile, Roberta worked in propagation, garden maintenance, special events, membership and is now the Gift Shop Manager.



Photo: Marlene Dupriest



## June Volunteer of the Month: **MARIANNE LEIGHTON**

Marianne grew up in Minnesota spending much of her life outdoors from skiing to sailing. Before her retirement, Marianne was a teacher in Colorado, Okinawa and Minnesota. Her grandparents and parents were gardeners of both flowers and vegetables. After retiring, Marianne checked out volunteer opportunities at the Garden which would allow her to work outside and soon found herself as a part of the propagation team. She enjoys the people who work there and looks forward to her Wednesdays in the Garden. Marianne enjoys the variety of plants at the Garden and the quiet beauty encountered here.



Photo: Marlene Dupriest



## **Tour Israel with San Diego Botanic Garden**

We are creating a unique member's tour of Israel to visit our sister garden, the Jerusalem Botanical Gardens, and other sites of botanic and cultural significance. Participants will enjoy private guided tours of the JBG, Ein Gedi Tropical Botanical Garden, the Dead Sea, Bahai Gardens, Mt Meiron Reserve and more on this ten day excursion.

We are currently finalizing the dates and prices for this tour and we want to hear from you! Departure dates being considered are March 10, 2014 or in late April/early May 2014. Contact the Garden at [info@SDBGarden.org](mailto:info@SDBGarden.org) to learn more and indicate your preferred time frame.



Our newest volunteers pose for a group photo after their Volunteer Orientation.

## Volunteer Orientation

Saturday, July 27, 9:30 am – 12 pm

Want to help? Not sure where or when your talents are needed? Join the over 300 volunteers who contribute time to San Diego Botanic Garden. You will meet interesting people while learning and contributing in your own way. Our volunteers find this to be an exciting and rewarding place to work. Join us for Volunteer Orientation and discover the many varied opportunities available. A short tour of the Garden is included. RSVP 760/ 436-3036 x206.

## Docent News

Next series begins September 12, 2013


Have you ever thought of becoming a docent? San Diego Botanic Garden has a wonderful docent program that includes eight classes and time in various locations throughout the garden. Once you complete the program you can work in one of the many places in the garden and even educate visitors about our wonderful paradise. Dates are not set as of this article's composition, so check our website for dates. We'd love to have you join us. Call 760/ 436-3036 x206 for more information.

## Gift Shop 10 am – 4 pm daily

Check out the many new items in the Gift Shop. Remember that members, volunteers, and staff receive at least a 10% discount. Patrons and above receive a 20% discount on all items except membership, water, gift certificates, and sale items.

## Library

The Library is open by appointment. Please call 760/ 436-3036 x210. Members can check out books for free. Library motto: Books can help you plant ideas.



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your favorite SDBG events!

## Docent Meetings — Everyone Welcome

First Wednesday of the Month  
Arrive at 11AM for the program

July: No Meeting

**August:** Greg Rubin, the author of *The California Landscape*, will share pictures of our garden display at the San Diego County Fair. Greg is the landscape artist for this project and will discuss the California native plants used for the display.

**September:** Landscape designer and organic gardening instructor, Connie Beck, will speak on the effective methods used to plant on slopes. Presentation will include types of plants, water needs, and design.



It's spring cleaning time for those of you who procrastinate! It's also time to designate any extra books for SDBG's annual book sale at the Fall Plant Sale (October 19 & 20).

- Please hang on to book sale donations until September (space is limited).
- Place a sticky note on any books of special value so we can price them appropriately.
- We can use books for all subjects, i.e. fiction, cook books, art, history, gardening.
- We can use all media: CDs, DVDs, audio books, magazines.

# Even a Small Donation Can Make a **BIG** Change!



**T**he next time you're roaming around the Seeds of Wonder Children's Garden, take a second look! Thanks to the generous donations made during our 2012 Gala in the Garden's Fund-A-Need, San Diego Botanic Garden was able to give this area a much-needed facelift!

We are happy to report that due to your generosity and that of our special Gala guests, over \$31,000 was raised that evening for improvements to the Seeds of Wonder Children's Garden. Now, in less than a year, we are proud to show off our new spruced up Seeds of Wonder Children's Garden.

The improvements include transforming the rolling hill into the climbing hill with large, attractive stepping stones, new landscaping and relocating our existing donor rocks into concrete islands at the top of the hill for better display. We also fixed the adobe wall, repaired our vegetable beds, added a retaining wall by the picnic area and enhanced our water feature with 4 x 4 steps, a

new water-proofed concrete filling, and a new wood frame around the top. All of these upgrades will certainly enrich our visitors' experience for young and old alike.

Proceeds from the Gala, our largest fundraiser, fulfill nearly 10% of the Garden's annual operating budget. During the 2012 Gala, we netted over \$133,000 for the Garden's educational exhibits and programs.

Not only do we appreciate your support of our annual Gala in the Garden, we also value your membership and the significant positive impact it makes on the Garden. Thank you for all you do to help us continue our mission to inspire people of all ages to connect with plants and nature. We hope to see you here at the Garden soon!



Photo: Susanne Brueckner

Sisters, April Faulstich (13) and Hanna Faulstich (11), have grown up in Seeds of Wonder since the opening in 2004. As two of the first toddlers visiting the children's garden on a regular basis, they have taken part in many of the arts and crafts and story times, which were brought to life and organized by Kathy Campbell. April and Hanna have long graduated from these preschool programs, but still enjoy visiting Seeds of Wonder.





The SOW donor rocks have been moved from the muddy bottom of the bubble area, up on top of the slope. They were set in concrete "islands" for better display.



The "Rolling Hill" got transformed into a "Climbing Hill". The entire slope is now covered with rocks and the gaps have been planted with sturdy small plants like different kind of grasses, lavender, thyme and rosemary.



The slope under the fence surrounding the picnic area was removed and replaced with a retaining wall. The retaining wall can be used as a bench for more enjoyable train viewing. Even more updates...

- Area around the water pump was leveled.
- Steps were added leading up to the pump.
- Damaged wood of the trough was replaced by new redwood panels.
- Inside surface of the trough was removed, covered with concrete and then coated with a smooth waterproof liner.
- Water reservoir of the pump was replaced.
- Vegetable bed was repaired with new redwood panels.

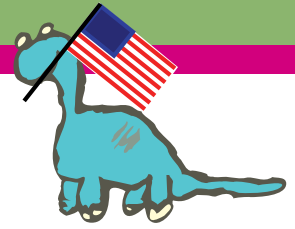


Photo: Susanne Brueckner



## QUESTIONS?

Please contact Susanne at [SOW@SDBGarden.org](mailto:SOW@SDBGarden.org) or 760/ 436-3036 x222



FOR CHILDREN AGES 1 TO 6

## Upcoming Events

### 4th of July Parade

Thursday, July 4  
9:30 am



Join us for our annual 4th of July Parade through the Garden. Bring decorated strollers and wagons (no bikes and scooters please) and wear red, white and blue! We will meet at Seeds of Wonder at 9:30 am and the parade will start at 10 sharp. After the parade, you are welcome to stay and enjoy the Garden.



Photo: Herb Knauffen

## Ongoing Programs

Free with admission or membership. Occasionally a program may be modified or cancelled without prior notice if a volunteer is not available. Not available on rainy days.

### Tuesdays

2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th of the month  
10 am – 12 noon

#### Toddler Tales and Tunes (recommended for ages 1 - 4)

Play in the Garden and pot plants to take home. Pre-school stories and songs are offered on the patio of the Ecke Building from 10:15 - 10:45 am

### Wednesdays

10 – 11:30 am

#### Garden Arts and Crafts (recommended for ages 1 – 6)

Children may participate in a variety of arts and crafts. There will also be plant potting and other fun activities.

### Thursdays

10 – 11:30 am

#### Trains, Paints and Plants (recommended for ages 1 - 6)

Watch our motorman-engineer James run his special trains. He will also answer all your train questions. A nature-related craft and plant potting will be offered. The Preschool Explorer Sprouts will guide children through seasonal activities every first Thursday of the month.



## Birthday Parties

We offer garden parties for children ages 1 to 6.

Please contact Susanne at [SOW@SDBGarden.org](mailto:SOW@SDBGarden.org) or 760/436-3036 x222 Or visit [SDBGarden.org](http://SDBGarden.org)





# Hamilton Children's Garden

Photo: Rachel Cobb

## QUESTIONS?

Please contact Linda at  
ldavis@SDBGarden.org  
or 760/ 436-3036 x225



FOR CHILDREN AGES 6 AND UP



## Upcoming Events Hamilton Happenings Fun on Fridays

11 am – 1:30 pm

Come and play in the tree house, paint a picture or help water the edible garden.

## Saturday Slugs

11 am – 1:30 pm



Every Saturday there will be extra activities for children. Paint, make a craft or sculpt with clay. Fertilizing

the edible garden with worm tea is another popular activity for children.

## INCREDIBLE EDIBLES



Summer is a good time to visit this area of the Hamilton garden. The raised beds are planted according to the part of the plant that we eat. We grow carrots and beets (roots), peas and corn (seeds), lettuce and spinach (leaves), broccoli and artichokes (flowers) and strawberries (fruit). Learning about the different plant parts that we eat can encourage healthier eating.

## SCHOOL FIELD TRIPS

A variety of field trips are available for school groups. A docent-led tour lasting about an hour will end in the Hamilton Children's Garden where there are facilities for lunch and opportunities for children to explore. Self-guided tours are also available. For either type of tour please visit our website and fill out the request form for a school tour. Here are the field trips that we offer:

- Why is a Strawberry a Suitcase?
- Eating With Your Eyeballs
- Native Plants/Native People

Lemonade Berry



Photo: Rachel Cobb

## TOURS FOR GIRL AND BOY SCOUTS

San Diego Botanic Garden is a delightful place to schedule your next Girl or Boy Scout outing. Come to learn about plants and critters that make the garden their home, or to experience the beauty of nature. Including time to explore the Hamilton Children's Garden is the perfect way to end your visit. Tours are available for second grade or older with a minimum of eight scouts. A self-guided tour is available on our website for grades K-1. There is a special discounted rate for Scout groups. Your group can schedule a docent-led visit or do a self-guided one by filling out the tour request form on our website.



## Birthday Parties

The Hamilton Children's Garden is available for birthday parties for children ages 6 – 12 (up to 20 children and 20 adults). For more information visit [SDBGarden.org/hcg-home.htm](http://SDBGarden.org/hcg-home.htm)



Photo: Rachel Cobb



## Summer Classes

### Garden Photography Workshop

Saturday, July 6, 2013, 9 am – 1 pm

Do you love nature? Are you passionate about photography? Learn proven techniques from local plant and garden photographer, Bob Bretell, who will teach you how to create award-winning flower and garden portraits. You will learn the creative use of natural light under all conditions, artistic effects using movement and depth of field, and how to simplify your composition for maximum impact. All levels welcome.

**Cost: Members \$59, non-members \$69**  
**Register by June 28**

### Youth Photography Camp

Session I: July 8 – 12, 9:30 am – 11:30 am  
Grades 3rd – 5th

Session II: July 15 – 19, 9:30 am – 11:30 am  
Grades 6th – 8th

Professional photographer Jennifer Nelson will be leading this camp with an eye toward appreciating the beauty around us. Students will go out and shoot each day and practice lighting, composition, portrait photography and center of interest techniques. As students wander through the garden, Jennifer will point out particular aspects of their surroundings, and teach how to watch and listen for native life.

**Cost: Members \$164, non-members \$197**  
**Register by June 28 Session I, July 5 Session II**

### Cooking Classes with Chef Elizabeth, the Opera Singing Chef

#### Food and Wine Pairing

Saturday, August 3, 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

First is a Roasted Root Vegetable Salad (beets, fennel, onion and red pepper with white wine vinegar pesto dressing, served atop pasta with goat cheese, fresh cherry tomatoes and sliced mushrooms). Next will be Chicken with spinach, ricotta, roasted red pepper, pine nuts and parmesan wrapped in croute and baked. For dessert, a Chocolate Red Wine Cake with Port. This decadent cake is from Chef Elizabeth's new book: "Sonoma's Gold" due out this fall. There will be three different wines sampled during this class. Register soon, as this class fills up.

**Register by July 26**

### Harvest Meal

Saturday, September 21,  
1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

On the menu: Potato Pancakes with Pear Cherry Chutney. This stunning chutney will bring brightness to any dish. Delicious with a great balance of tangy and sweet. Roast Leg of Lamb with a Middle Eastern Couscous. This couscous is accompanied by sautéed onions, carrots, peppers and golden raisins and traditional spices. Mini Apple Gratin with cinnamon whipped cream.

**Register by September 13**

**Cost Per Class: \$25 Members, \$30 non-members**

### Stress Management and Healing Classes

July 30, August 13, 27,  
September 10 and 24

Learn to reduce stress and release daily tension with Reiki Master, Healer, and Teacher, Mary-Joy Neuru in the beautiful environment of the Walled Garden. Six bi-weekly classes will incorporate education, meditation, relaxation and healing exercise using Usui Reiki and Alchemy Singing Bowls. Each class will focus on one or two chakras, starting with information about the specific chakra and exploring reasons why energy gets stuck in the body. For more information about Mary-Joy, Reiki or Healing Bowls visit [ReikiDanceIntl.com](http://ReikiDanceIntl.com).

**Cost: Members \$40, non-members \$48**  
**Register by July 5**

### Build Your Own Hydroponic Summer Garden

August 3, 9 am – 12 pm

Learn the principles of the hydroponic wick method by building your own sustainable garden to take home. Instructor: Alex Kallas of AgPALS. Fee includes materials.

**Cost: Members \$75, non-members \$90**  
**Register by July 26**

### Bloomers & Zoomers: Drawing Plants and their Pollinators

Wednesdays, August 7, 14 & 21,  
3 pm – 4:30 pm

Youth Ages 5 - 9

This class is set up in three sessions: pencil, ink, and printmaking. Starting with pencil and moving to ink, students will translate what's interesting about what they see

amongst the flowers and creatures into a screen print that will go onto a T-shirt. Each participant will take home a shirt printed with his/her design, and one with the work of the whole class. Taught by Dale McLeod, a retired high school Graphic Arts teacher.

**Cost for three sessions: Members \$60, non-members \$72. Materials: \$8.**

**Register by July 31**

### Backyard Chickens Class

Saturday, September 21, 9 am – 11:30 am

Join Paul Barbano to find out the basics: Are backyard chickens legal? Which breed is best for you? Start with chicks or full-grown hens? Paul will also discuss housing and outdoor pens; feed, water, sunlight, and shade; common chicken problems; and answer your questions.

**Cost: Members \$30, non-members \$36**  
**Register by September 13**

### Succulent Wreath Class

Tuesday, September 24, 9 am – 2 pm

Take home a beautiful succulent wreath that you make yourself. Taught by the SDBG wreath team. Fee includes materials.

**Cost: Members \$60, non-members \$72**  
**Register by September 13**

### Ongoing Programs

#### Docent-led Guided Tours

Saturdays, 10:30 am

Meet at the Visitor Center. On last Saturday of the month, the tour focuses on water-wise plants.

**Cost: Free with admission or membership.**

#### Botanical Printers

1st Sunday of each month, 9:30 am

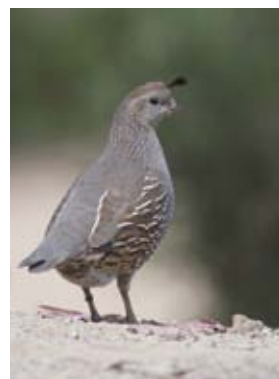
Volunteers can help raise money for the Garden by creating gift cards using natural elements to be sold in the Gift Shop.

**Cost: \$20 initial fee to cover expenses.**

#### Bird Watching

1st Monday of each month, 8 am

Discover the fascinating birds and the unique art of bird watching at the San Diego Botanic Garden.



# Garden Hosts Annual Spring Reception



Garden Members Bill and Marilyn Kovach take advantage of the Tomatomania® pre-sale.



Garden President and CEO Julian Duval enjoys the Spring Reception with (left to right) Dr. Wendy Graham, Dr. Tom Bartol and Katie Pelisek.

On a lovely March evening, over 125 Larabee and Benefactor Society members, Arbor Vitae Guild members and Corporate Partners attended San Diego Botanic Garden's 4th annual Spring Reception in the Garden's Ecke Building and adjacent patio. The event, a thank you to these valued members, also kicked off the Herb Festival, Spring Plant Sale and Tomatomania® Weekend. Attendees participated in a special Tomatomania® pre-sale, sampled delicious hors d'oeuvres from Lance Roll, the Flavor Chef, and delighted in a fascinating talk by Herb Festival keynote speaker Holly Shimizu, Executive Director of the U.S. Botanic Garden. Ms. Shimizu discussed the important role public gardens play in engaging people, especially

children, with plants and nature. She also shared some memorable and funny stories from the gardening show "The Victory Garden," which she hosted.

It was a wonderful night and an opportunity to recognize the ongoing commitment and support of our charitable giving society members. Their meaningful gifts provide additional funding for our educational programs and enable our world-class botanic garden to grow and thrive. Please consider upgrading your membership today to make even more of a positive charitable impact on the Garden and to enjoy exclusive events such as the Spring Reception. For more information, please call Jill Kastrup, Membership Manager at 760/436-3036 x215 or e-mail [jkastrup@SDBGarden.org](mailto:jkastrup@SDBGarden.org).

## Use Your IRA to Benefit the Garden

If you have an IRA and are age 70 ½ or older, you may benefit from a provision in the tax bill which allows you to contribute up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to San Diego Botanic Garden without paying income taxes on the money.

If you are required to take distributions from your IRA, you may be paying taxes on the gains, especially with the recent growth in the stock market. Consider using your IRA to help San Diego Botanic Garden grow, and pay no tax on the gains. This win-win option is available until December 31, 2013. Contact Tracie Barham at 760/436-3036 x216 or [tbarham@SDBGarden.org](mailto:tbarham@SDBGarden.org) to learn more.

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Ruth Larabee believed in the importance of preserving open spaces and gardens for the enjoyment and education of the community. This belief led her to bequeath her 30-acre estate for just that purpose, a gift that became San Diego Botanic Garden. Planned giving is the cornerstone of the Garden's history and the key to its future.

The Arbor Vitae Guild was established to honor the Garden's friends who have indicated that they have included the Garden in their will, trust, or other deferred giving method. Gifts of all sizes are welcome, as they ensure the Garden's natural beauty and vitality for the enjoyment of future generations. We invite you to begin a conversation about how a planned gift can benefit you now and the Garden in the future. Please contact Tracie Barham, Director of Development, at 760/ 436-3036 x216 for more information.

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Ticket prices are \$175 per person through August 9, when they increase to \$200 per person. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. For more information, please contact Jennifer Turner (760) 436-3036 x218 or visit [SDBGarden.org](http://SDBGarden.org).



2013 Paul Ecke Jr Award of Excellence Honoree  
Pam Slater-Price, former San Diego County Board Supervisor

**Would you like to bring a friend each time you visit the Garden?**

Join or renew your membership at the \$125 Steward level of the Larabee Society for the option to decline a second adult card and instead bring one accompanying guest whenever you visit the Garden! In addition to all Basic Membership benefits, Steward level members also receive:

- A total of four guest admission tickets
- An invitation to the Annual Spring Reception
- Early access to the Fall Plant Sale at 8 am on Saturday
- Recognition in our *Quail Tracks* newsletter

Steward level membership is \$125 per year and includes your children or grandchildren under age 18. You can purchase your membership online at [SDBGarden.org](http://SDBGarden.org) or by calling Jill at 760/436-3036 x215.



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Corporate partners receive recognition on our web site and on signage in the Garden, family membership benefits, guest admission tickets, invitations to special events, and other attractive benefits, depending on their level of support. For information on how your organization can support the Garden as a Corporate Partner, please contact Nancy Kelly, Deputy Director of Development, at 760/436-3036 x219.

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