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Our Gift Shop is always full of unique plant-related items and new nursery stock comes in by the truckload! So stop by and pick up something special for the garden lover in your life. Members, volunteers, and staff receive a 10% discount. Patron Members and above receive a 20% discount on all items except membership, water, gift certificates, and sale items. See you in the Gift Shop soon!



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Let our Library help you plant new ideas! Members can check out books for free. Just call us before you stop by to look at our collection. The Library is open by appointment only. Dial 760/ 436–3036 x210 to set up a date/time with us.

## **BOOK DONATIONS NEEDED!**

For those of you who like to procrastinate, do a little late "spring cleaning" this year. Find any gently-used books you'd like to donate to the Garden's annual Book Sale and bring them to the Garden anytime during the month of September. The Book Sale will be held at the Fall Plant Sale on Saturday, October 18 and Sunday, October 19.

We can use books on any and all subjects including: fiction, cook books, art, history, and gardening. We can also use any gently-used media you have around the house including: CDs, DVDs, VHS, audio books, and magazines. Be sure to place a sticky note on any item of special value so that we can price them appropriately. Thank you for being a terrific supporter of your Garden!

## ONGOING PROGRAMS

#### Docent-led Guided Tours Every Saturday, 10:30 am

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

Cost: Free with paid 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 fee (to cover expenses) in addition to paid admission or membership.



**1st Monday of each month, 8 am** Discover the fascinating birds and the unique art of bird watching at the San Diego Botanic Garden.

Cost: Free.

## There's Something Special about this Place



If you are reading this, I think you already know that there is something very special about the San Diego Botanic Garden. As President and CEO, I see evidence of this reflected in the continued growth of our annual attendance, membership, donors, and our incredible volunteers. It's a perfect example how the whole – the plants, the vistas, the beauty, the community programs, and, of course, the people

Julian Duval President/CEO

who work, volunteer, and visit here – is far greater than the sum of its parts.

Those who feel the strongest are people who have been involved with the Garden the longest. Now, they may still call us Quail Botanical Gardens (and there is nothing wrong with that) but they will also tell you there is something special about this place whatever the name. The beauty of nature and the search for solace draws people to the Garden, but once you become a regular Garden visitor there is a special relationship that develops. It's similar to the way we make friends and how, over time, those bonds deepen and become even more cherished. The growing number of people who feel a bond or kinship with the Garden bodes very well for its long-term future.

No entity is ever truly an island and the Garden has several neighbors who also make it very special. Our neighbor to the north and west of our Hamilton Children's Garden is the world-famous Paul Ecke Ranch. The Ecke Family has long played an important role in the development of the Garden. It was Paul Ecke Sr. who was among the founders of the Quail Botanical Gardens Foundation. Thanks to his efforts (and many others) the County, which then operated the Garden, was convinced to change the name from Quail Park to Quail Botanical Gardens; thus, changing forever the focus for this special place.

The Ecke Family is no longer owner of the Ranch, but they remain valued friends of the Garden. Our new and most welcome neighbor and owner of that 67-acre special place is The Leichtag Foundation. There is great synergy between the Garden's mission "to inspire people of all ages to connect with plants and nature" and what The Leichtag Foundation envisions for the Ranch – a pursuit of sustainable agriculture connected to historic Jewish agricultural practices and food justice.

The conversation about uniting with our neighbors started with Jim Farley, President/CEO of The Leichtag Foundation, Timothy Baird, Encinitas Union School District Superintendent, Casey Sclar, Executive Director of the American Public Garden Association, and me representing the Garden. Casey helped inspire this unique opportunity for collaboration by noting the similarity of our missions and the unique proximity of the Garden, the Ranch and the School District's Agro-Ecology Learning Center (AELC) which is due to become operational in the fall of this year.

"This adjacency and symmetry of missions simply does not exist anywhere else in the country," says Casey.

Jim Farley and others at The Leichtag Foundation then helped to bring together three additional neighbors that now form the "Encinitas Environmental Education (E3) Cluster." So the six members of the E3 Cluster are: Encinitas Union School District, Magdalena Ecke Family YMCA, San Diego Botanic Garden, San Dieguito Heritage



From left to right: Dr. Timothy Baird, Superintendent, Encinitas Union School District; Jim Farley, President & CEO, Leichtag Foundation; Susan Hight, Executive Director, Magdalena Ecke Family YMCA; Pam Ferris, President & CEO, Seacrest Village Retirement Communities; Roger Bolus, Board Member, San Dieguito Heritage Museum; Julian Duval, President & CEO, San Diego Botanic Garden.

Museum, Seacrest Village Retirement Communities and The Leichtag Foundation.

Each partner will be further strengthened by sustaining this relationship. The Garden has just signed a lease for use of greenhouse space on Leichtag Foundation Ranch land adjacent to the Garden; and the Ranch will not be charging rent in lieu of the Garden providing horticultural advice and propagation services to the Ranch.

Also of significant importance are our future plans with the Encinitas Union School District. Their soon-to-open AELC is right across Quail Garden's Drive from the Hamilton Children's Garden where we have just begun fundraising efforts to add the Education and Events Pavilion (EEP). The School District has already been advising us on the design of the facility anticipating that they will enter into a use agreement for the EEP which will augment the functioning of the AELC.

On April 4, 2014, all six entities convened and signed a memo of understanding outlining their agreement "to develop educational, experiential learning and multigenerational programs around the nexus of agriculture, horticulture, nutrition, science, sustainability, community building and the local history and agricultural traditions of Encinitas." The City of Encinitas is very fortunate to be home to this unique assemblage of institutions.

The creation of the E3 Cluster, this union of partners, is just another example of the whole being greater than the sum of its parts. I am very pleased that the Garden plays an important role in making this hub in Encinitas a special place for all of greater San Diego and beyond.

#### Kumeyaay Elder Jane Dumas Remembered As a Friend to the Garden

Jane Dumas, a cherished friend of the San Diego Botanic Garden, made it her mission to share the knowledge, language, culture, and medicine of her people, the Kumeyaay, with organizations throughout San Diego County. A great advocate for the Native American community, Jane is remembered by many at the Garden for her work in the creation and development of the Native Plants and Native People Trail. Jane's invaluable contributions to the Trail included providing the Kumeyaay names of the native plants found along the Trail, as well as their practical and medicinal uses. It was from her mother, a revered medicine woman and midwife, that Jane learned about native plants and their power to heal. Jane died of natural causes on May 3 in a nursing home in Lakeside. The tribal elder was 89.



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# Upcoming Events

## Thursday Family Fun Nights

#### Every Thursday, 4:30 – 8 pm



Funded in part by the City of Encinitas and Mizel Family Foundation Community Grant Program. Sponsored in part by The Rancho Santa Fe Rotary Club.

Families are invited to pack up the kids and enjoy some outdoor fun at Thursday Family Fun Nights currently taking place at the San Diego Botanic Garden from 4:30 - 8 pm, now through August 28. The renowned Hamilton Children's Garden will be open from 4:30 - 8 pm. Live, kid-friendly entertainment, from 6 - 7 pm. Bring a blanket or low chair to sit on.

#### Entertainment Line Up

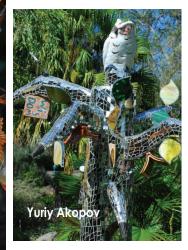
July 10	YMCA Expressions Dance Team
July 17	Hullabaloo
July 24	Clint Perry and the Boo Hoo Crew
July 31	Puppet Potpourri: Dragons, Damsels and "Gourdian" Angels
August 7	Buck Howdy
August 14	Zimbeat - Kenya
August 21	Clint Perry and the Boo Hoo Crew
August 28	Hullabaloo
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Buck Howdy

## Sculpture in the Garden July 2014 – April 2015

This unique exhibition showcases sculptures from 33 talented artists set against the beautiful backdrop of the Garden's lush and natural 37 acres. Curator Naomi Nussbaum of Naomi Nussbaum Art & Design has orchestrated an eclectic exhibition ranging from functional garden artwork to large abstract pieces 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.

Cost: Free with paid admission or membership.



## **Photo Contest**

San Diego Botanic Garden's 2015 calendar will feature spectacular moments in the Garden captured by you. Everyone is invited to submit their photos to be considered for inclusion. Each participant will be allowed to enter up to three photos for consideration. The photos must be taken in San Diego Botanic Garden. Each photo must be accompanied by a one sentence description of the photo along with the date and location the photo was taken. Entry form and information can be found at SDBGarden.org and at the Gift Shop.

Deadline August 15, 2014. For more information go to SDBGarden.org/events.htm

## **Insect Festival**

#### Saturday, July 12 and Sunday, July 13, 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. The Insect Festival is sponsored by the County of San Diego Department of Agriculture Weights and Measures, K&M Pest Solutions and the San Diego Botanic Garden.

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

## **Summer Jazz Concert** featuring The Big Band and Jazz Hall of Fame Orchestra Sunday, August 3, 5 – 7 pm

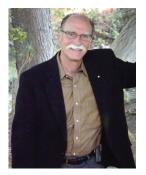
Spend the evening listening to the sounds of the Big Band and Jazz Hall of Fame (BB&JHF) Orchestra perform to the music of Glen Miller, Benny Goodman, Tommy Dorsey, Count Baise, Artie Shaw, Stan Kenton, and many more. The BB&JHF Orchestra's talented musicians play authentic arrangements of these famous big bands. CD's will be available for purchase the day of the concert.

Cost: Adults: Member \$15, Non-member \$25; Children (3-12 years): Member \$5, Non-member \$10.

## Free Admission and Discounted Membership for Active Duty Military

Thanks to the ongoing generous support of Frances Hamilton White, San Diego Botanic Garden will once again participate in the Blue Star Museums program of the National Endowment for the Arts. Active duty military and their families (card carrier +5) will have free admission to the Garden from now through Labor Day, September 1, 2014. In addition, Frances is kindly continuing to underwrite two-thirds of the cost of basic memberships for active duty military families through December 31, 2014. For more information, please contact Stasi at 760/436-3036 x214.

## Julian Honored As Horticulturist of the Year



The San Diego Horticultural Society (SDHS) proudly recognized Julian Duval as Horticulturalist of the Year at the Flower & Garden Show at the Del Mar Fairgrounds in June 2014. Julian, a self-described 'nature nut' was honored for his remarkable service in horticulture in Southern California. For the past 20 years, Julian has served as President and CEO of the San Diego Botanic Garden.

"The Garden is truly a special place to be a part of. I feel very fortunate that I have had the opportunity to work with so many talented staff members, donors, benefactors, and volunteers

over the years, all of whom have helped to make my job a success," said Julian.

### Save the Dates

Orchid Fair October 3 – 5

Fall Plant Sale October 18 – 19

Garden of Lights December 6 – 23, 26 – 30

## **Summer Classes**

#### Photoshop in the Garden

#### Saturday, July 19, 9 am – 1 pm

Instructor Bob Bretell will demonstrate cool effects like layering texture, selective color, black and white, and how to get more out of your image than you thought possible using Photoshop Elements. Bring your camera and a laptop with Adobe Photoshop Elements.

Instructor: Bob Bretell

Cost: Members \$59, Non-members \$71. Register by July 11.

#### **Stress Management and Healing Classes**

## Thursdays, July 17 & 31, August 14 & 28, September 11 & 25, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Learn to reduce stress and release daily tension with Reiki Master Mary-Joy Neuru in the beautiful environment of the Walled Garden. Six biweekly classes will incorporate education, meditation, relaxation and healing exercises 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, visit ReikiDanceIntl.com

Instructor: Mary-Joy Neuru

## Cost: Members \$30, Non-members \$36 per class or \$150/\$180 for the series of six classes.

Register one week prior to the date you would like to attend.

#### Build Your Own Hydroponic Summer Garden

Saturday, July 19, 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

Cost: Members \$75, Non-members \$90. Fee includes materials. Register by July 11.

#### Pen and Ink for Botanical Illustration

A Two-Day Workshop

#### Saturday, August 9 and Sunday, August 10, 9:30 am – 4 pm

This class will cover the different techniques used to convey shading, the importance of using different line weights and choosing the appropriate paper. The class will focus on the legume family with a short lecture of the diagnostic characters given by instructor Lesley Randall. Students may select to draw a plant from any of the many families displayed in the Garden. All levels of experience are welcome.

The class is presented by the San Diego Botanic Garden with the Botanical Artists Guild of Southern California.

Cost: SDBG and BAGSC Members \$200, Non-members \$220. A materials list will be sent upon registration. Register by August 1.

#### Making Native American Flutes – Adults Saturday, August 17, 10 am – 1 pm

Build an end-blown flute made of bamboo. Prepare, sand, and paint a flute with natural pigment paints made at the workshop. Each student will learn how to create music on their flute.

Instructor: Martin Espino

Cost: Members \$70, Non-members \$84. Materials fee paid to instructor: \$25. Register by August 8.

#### Build Your Own Hydroponic Fall Garden

#### August 30, 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 Cost: Members \$75, Non-members \$90. Fee includes materials. Register by August 22.

# Cooking Class with Chef Elizabeth, the Opera Singing Chef

#### Sizzling Sides from your Garden

Saturday, August 30, 2 – 4:30pm

It's always nice to get new recipes to use with your garden harvested veggies. Asparagus en Croute with a Lemon Tarragon Sauce. Asian Braised String Beans. Black-Eyed Pea Salad with Bacon and Mustard Vinaigrette and for a little something sweet, Apple Cake with Pinot Grigio and Chipotle. Tastings and recipes offered for each dish taught.

Instructor: Chef Elizabeth Cost: Members \$30, Non-members \$36. Register by August 22.

#### **Compost Workshops**

Saturday, September 13, 10 am – 12 pm

Presented by the Solana Center for Recycling

Students will learn the basics of backyard composting and vermicomposting (composting with worms). Using trial-tested advice and demonstrations, our expert educators will teach you all you need to know to get started with a bin that fits your needs and lifestyle. To register, visit solanacenter.org. **Cost: Free with paid admission or membership**.

#### New Plants for Southern California

#### Saturday, September 20, 10 am – 12 pm

Wendy Proud of Mountain States Wholesale Nursery will introduce you to some exciting plants for our dry Southern California landscapes. New to Southern California, these plants have been used in low-water areas like Arizona. Plant sale will follow her presentation.

Instructor: Wendy Proud, Mountain States Wholesale Nursery Cost: Members \$10, Non-members \$12. Register by September 12.

#### Photo Workshop - Focus on Orchids

#### Saturday, September 20, 9 am – 1 pm

Bob Bretell has been shooting orchids for 20 years and will demystify the frustrations many camera enthusiasts have capturing these exotic flowers on digital. During this workshop, you will learn how to look for and create the "sweet light" that will make your photos jump off the page. All levels are welcome.

#### Instructor: Bob Bretell

Cost: Members \$59, Non-members \$71. Register by September 12

#### **Succulent Wreath Class**

Tuesday, September 16, 9 am – 2 pm

Take home a beautiful succulent wreath that you make yourself. Taught by the San Diego Botanic Garden's Wreath Team.

Cost: Members \$60, Non-members \$72. Fee includes materials. Register by September 5.

#### WaterSmart Landscape Makeover Series: Saving Water One Zone at a Time

## Saturdays, August 30, September 13, September 27, and October 11

San Diego Botanic Garden, San Diego County Water Authority, and DeLorenzo International are teaming up to offer a WaterSmart Landscape Workshop Series. This FREE series is designed to provide homeowners with a comprehensive overview and the basic skills necessary for the successful conversion of a traditional turf yard in to a WaterSmart Landscape. To register, please contact Angela Benson of DeLorenzo International at 619/295–5115 x221 or via email at abenson@delorenzointl.com.

# Tips on Saving Water in Your Garden

#### By Kelly Mooney Water Resource Specialist San Diego County Water Authority

Being residents of Southern California, we all know that water is one of our most valuable natural resources. In fact, more than half of the water used in homes is on landscapes, according to Jason Foster, Director of Public Outreach and Conservation at the San Diego County Water Authority.

Although we have come a long way over the past 20 years in improving our regional water supply, Maureen Stapleton, General Manager of the San Diego Water Authority says "Water conservation and water use efficiency will always be an essential part of our region – and they are especially critical when (we are) in drought."

At the San Diego County Water Authority, we have come up with the following tips to help you to save water in your garden. Making your garden more water efficient doesn't need to break your budget. Especially when many no- and low-cost actions, like the ones we've listed below, can really save you a lot of water (and expensive water bills!) in the long run.

## Water Saving Tips:

**Repair irrigation line leaks and broken sprinkler heads.** • You can save up to 10 gallons per minute per leak.

#### Adjust sprinklers to prevent overspray and runoff.

• You can save up to 15 to 25 gallons per day.

#### Don't overwater.

(1) Reduce each irrigation cycle by 1 to 3 minutes or eliminate one irrigation cycle per week. Use a landscape calculator or watering index to learn how much water different parts of your yard require.You can save up to 25 gallons per minute.

(2) Water only when the top inch of soil is dry.

(3) Replace batteries in your irrigation controller each spring and fall, and adjust your programming based on the season.

• You can save 15 to 25 gallons for each minute or up to 250 gallons per cycle.

**Use a hose nozzle that shuts off when you release the handle.** • You can save up to 18 gallons per minute.

Water in the late evening or early morning to reduce evaporation and interference from wind.

• You can save 20 to 25 gallons per day.

Apply a 3-inch layer of mulch over planting areas, keeping the mulch 6 inches away from plant stems and tree trunks to avoid mildew.

• You can save 20 to 30 gallons per day per 1,000 sq. ft.





Mediterranean Garden at SDBG

Install drip irrigation systems for trees, shrubs and flowers to get water to plant roots more efficiently.
You can save 20 to 25 gallons per day.

Turn off your irrigation 1 to 3 days before it's expected to rain. Turn it back on when your soil is dry.

• This can save you hundreds or potentially thousands of gallons of water.

Upgrade to a "smart" irrigation controller that automatically adjusts watering times for hotter weather and stops watering when it rains.

• You can save 40 gallons per irrigation cycle.

Replace a portion of lawn with native or Mediterranean plants. These plants do best when planted after winter rains begin. • You can save 33 to 60 gallons per day per 1,000 sq. ft.

Control weeds that compete for water

Harvest Rainwater

Sign up for one of the WaterSmart Landscape Makeover Workshops at the San Diego Botanic Garden. For more information see page 6.

Check out WaterSmartSD.org for how-to resources, rebates and inspiration for living WaterSmart.

# Low Water Gardening for Coastal San Diego

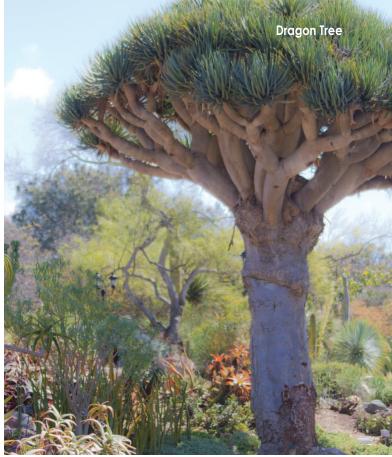


Gardening in Southern California brings much joy and some unique opportunities. We are lucky in the San Diego area to be able to cultivate such a wide assortment of plants and basically grow them year around.

Sometimes, as die-hard plant nerds (that many of us can be), we tend to push the limits. We want to grow everything and in many cases we can. We feel as though we must try to grow that frost tender plant in an area that does sometimes get frost. Or we want to grow fruit that really needs a longer cool period than we normally get each winter. And we just *have* to grow plants we remember from our childhood even if we grew up in a climate much different than San Diego. All these zealous horticultural tendencies are normal, and there is no better location than San Diego to try.

There is one area as good gardeners where we also need to be good stewards – and that is water. We must control our impulses and think before we plant. We need to limit our water consumption. With good planning we can begin to seek out and plant those plants that are just as beautiful but require less water.

If you are planting a new garden, plan your garden to be water efficient. Using low water plants or native plants can significantly reduce water requirements. Use the natural conditions like sunny or shady areas to your advantage and choose plants accordingly. Grouping plants that have similar water needs is a great design technique that will also save time and money on watering. Consider the use of rock, mulch, paths (wood, concrete or pavers), and patios as alternative to turf. A green lawn is a suburban ideal that drinks more than 20,000 gallons of water each year. There are many other







beautiful and unique landscaping options that look great and use less or no water and will save you money in the long run.

The San Diego County Water Authority is a great source of information to find the best low water and native plants to choose for your garden. In partnership with San Diego Botanic Garden they offer free WaterSmart Landscape Makeover Workshops at the Garden throughout the year. Check our class listing on page 6 for the next class.

When designing your garden include the irrigation system in your plan. Nothing saves water like a well-designed irrigation system. There are many different systems on the market so it might be a good idea to call in an expert. Local experts are familiar with the needs of our community and can offer many proven techniques.

As mentioned earlier, grouping plants is a great practice. Group your plants into watering zones. Place the thirstiest plants near the house where they can drink roof runoff. Further out, make a "transition zone" for plants that need supplemental irrigation. Farther still, make a "natural zone" for native plants that can survive on rainfall alone.

Think Native! Many local landscape plants are more drought tolerant than most people think. Often people water their plants and gardens 30-80% more than they need. Look at the plants that we have growing in the Garden in our California Gardenscapes or around our Native Plants and Native People Trail.

For most plants the best time to plant is in the fall or early winter so that roots can establish over our rainy season. Of course, most winters we don't really get too much rain so additional watering is necessary. Newly planted plants, and especially trees and large shrubs need more water for the first year or two. Most perennials and smaller fast growing shrubs need extra water for 6-8 months, especially in the summer. Generally, if you want fast growth initially, water more, but when the plants get larger cut back on the watering. This will restrict future growth and eliminate a lot of unnecessary pruning and trimming. Happy gardening!



Here's a list of Low Water Plants growing in the San Diego Botanic Garden and recommended for the San Diego Area. For a complete list visit: http://www.sdbgarden.org/PDF/plants/lowwaterplantslist.pdf

- Arbutus 'Marina' Marina Madrone
   Hamilton Children's Garden
- *Brachychiton populneus* Bottle Tree Hamilton Children's Garden
- Callistemon viminalis Weeping Bottlebrush Walled Garden
- Pinus torreyana Torrey Pine Rainforest, Canary Islands
- *Prosopis* x 'Phoenix' Phoenix Chilean Mesquite Hamilton Children's Garden
- *Quercus agrifolia*, Coast Live Oak Hamilton Children's Garden
- Acca (Feijoa) selloniana Pineapple Guava Subtropical Fruit Garden, Hamilton Children's Garden
- Buddleja 'Lochninch' & 'Petite Pink' Butterfly Bush Hamilton Children's Garden
- *Callistemon* 'Violaceus' & 'Pink Stiletto' Bottlebrush Hamilton Children's Garden
- Ceanothus 'Yankee Point', 'Joyce Coulter', 'Ray Hartman', 'Centennial' & 'Concha' California Lilac California Gardenscapes
- *Duranta erecta* 'Sweet Memory' Sky Flower, Golden Dewdrop Central American Garden
- Heteromeles arbutifolia Toyon
   California Gardenscapes, Fire Safety Garden
- Lavandula dentata 'Goodwin Creek' French Lavender Hamilton Children's Garden, Herb Garden
- Leucophyllum 'Lynn's Legacy', Texas Ranger Fire Safety Garden, 'Cimarron' & 'Compacta' Hamilton Children's Garden
- *Tecoma stans* 'Golden Sunrise' & 'Orange Jubilee' Yellow Bells Mexican Garden, Hamilton Children's Garden
- *Gaura lindheimeri* (select varieties) Gaura Subtropical Fruit Garden, Hamilton Children's Garden
- Helichrysum italicum (select varieties) Curry Plant Lawn Garden, Herb Garden
- *Verbena lilacina* Lilac Verbena Hamilton Children's Garden, California Gardenscapes
- Hylocereus undatus Dragon Fruit
   Subtropical Fruit Garden
- *Vitis californica* 'Roger's Red' Roger's Red Grape California Gardenscapes
- Agave attenuata Foxtail Agave
   Mexican Garden
- Dracaena draco Dragon Tree
   Old World Desert, Canary Islands
- Echinocactus grusonii Golden Barrel Cactus
   New World Desert



**Birthday Parties** For children ages 1 – 12

# For Children Upcoming Children's Events

On Saturdays and Sundays, we reserve the picnic area in Seeds of Wonder or the Hamilton Children's Garden and provide special activities like plant potting, rock painting, easel painting, and bubble play for birthday parties. Please visit our website http:// www.sdbgarden.org/birthday.htm for detailed information or contact Susanne at SOW@SDBGarden.org, if you would like to book a party.

#### **Field Trips**

For Information on School Field Trips and Scout Tours, please contact Victoria Johnson at VJohnson@SDBGarden.org

## 4th of July Parade

#### 10:00 am

Join us for our annual 4th of July Parade through the Garden. Bring decorated strollers and wagons (no bikes please) and wear red, white and blue! We will meet at Seeds of Wonder at 10:00 am and parade will start at 10:30 am sharp. After the parade, you are welcome to stay and enjoy the garden.

#### **Insect Festival**

Activities for children will be offered during the Insect Festival on Saturday, July 12 and Sunday, July 13. For detailed information on this event, please see page 5.

#### Questions regarding Seeds of Wonder and the Hamilton Children's Garden? Please contact Susanne at SOW@SDBGarden.org or call 760/ 436-3036 x 222

## Seeds of Wonder Programs Ongoing

Hamilton Children's Garden Programs Ongoing

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 Not offered on August 12 and 19 10 am – 12 pm



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 - 10:30 am**.

#### Wednesdays Not offered on August 13 and 20 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 Not offered on August 14 and 21 10 – 11 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 questions about our mini railroad. A nature-related craft and plant potting will be offered. *The Preschool Explorer Sprouts* will guide children through seasonal activities the first Thursday of every month.

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## Nine to Five - Seven Days a Week

Find out which vegetables and fruits are in season and help us water the raised plant beds in the Incredible Edible Garden. Don't forget to check out the worm composting bin! Pot a succulent plant into a biodegradable pot to take home and watch it grow in your yard. Spell your name in plants in the Spell and Smell Garden. Have fun in the sand and use big wood blocks to build a balsa fort in the Earth Builder area. In the Art Garden, you can paint pictures on giant chalk boards or draw on paper with chalk pastels. Try out all the different instruments in the music garden and make some "noise". Get your feet wet in the Mountain Stream and let boats and floating toys go down the stream. When the sun is out, try reading the time by the shadow cast on the sundial and find your way through the maze. Be creative with huge foam blocks, ramps and balls at the Tropical Surround, or enjoy reading a book from our Book Nook. Last but not least, have an amazing time playing in Toni's Tree House!

## **Scavenger Hunt**

Material for a scavenger hunt through the Hamilton Children's Garden can be found in one of the flyer boxes at the shed in the Earth Builder area. We will post a new scavenger hunt for each month!

Seeds of Wonder

## Art Garden Happenings

Daily, except first Tuesday of the month and some Sundays Not offered August 9 - 24

Study posters featuring our Artist of the Month and Plant of the Month and then do a mixed media project, which is inspired by this artist or plant. Craft activities are always open ended and suitable for all skill levels.

## Summer Camp

#### Art In The Garden With Abrakadoodle Art

Session I: July 14 – 18, 9 am – 3 pm Session II: July 21 – 25, 9 am – 3 pm Session III: July 28 – August 1, 9 am – 3 pm (Ages 7-12)

Come and create art and experience the beauty of nature at Abrakadoodle Art Camp. Each day campers visit a different part of the Garden to explore rainforests, waterfalls, giant bamboo, dragon trees, lily ponds and more! Campers will create paintings, drawings, sculptures and prints inspired by our outdoor adventures with an art show at the end of the week! For more information or to register, visit abrakadoodle.com/ca07.htm or call 760/ 731-0555.

Cost: Members \$179, Non-members \$189. Cost includes admission to the Garden, all art materials, and a camp t-shirt.

## Youth Photography Camp



Session I: August 4 – 8, 9:30 – 11:30 am (Grades 3 – 5)

Session II: August 11 – 15, 9:30 – 11:30 am (Grades 6 – 8)

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. Photographs will be critiqued the next day. A portfolio will be compiled of the week's work. As students wander through the garden, Jennifer will take time to point out particular aspects of their surroundings, and will teach how to watch and listen for native life. As a special treat, she will also focus on and demonstrate the wonders of the butterfly cycle.

Instructor: Jennifer Nelson

Cost: Members \$164, Non-members \$197. Register by July 25 for Session I and by August 1 for Session II



## **Bloomers & Zoomers**

Drawing and printing plants and their pollinators

Saturdays August 9, 16, 23, 9 – 11 am

Design and print your own botanical T-shirt! We'll take field trips around the garden looking for plants and flying creatures to draw. Later we'll make hand cut and photo stencils to transfer your drawing onto a T-shirt for you to take home. The class includes three sections: pencil, ink and printmaking. Using pencil and ink we'll translate what we see into a screen print that'll go onto your T shirt. Each participant will take home a shirt printed with their design - plus one with the work of the whole class.



Instructor: Dale McLeod, retired high school Graphic Arts Teacher

Cost for three sessions: Members \$75, Non-members \$90. Materials fee paid directly to the instructor: \$10 Register by August 1.

## **Making Native American Flute**

#### Children (8 – 16 years) Saturday, August 17, 1– 4pm

Make a traditional Native American-style, end-blown flute from bamboo that is easy to play. Learn to decorate the flute, sand it, play it, and even create your own music.

#### Instructor: Martin Espino

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Cost: Members \$50, Non-members \$60. Materials fee paid directly to the instructor: \$20. Register by August 8.

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# Volunteer and Docent News

## June Docent of the Month: JANE HUNT

Originally from Pennsylvania, Jane found the Garden after reading about a composting class offered here, and then (by mistake) showed up for her class on Ladybug Day. She was enchanted by all of the ladybug antennae and costumes, as well as the liveliest bunch of tiny human ladybugs she's ever seen – giggling and having a ball! Jane joined on the spot. Since then she has served as a Volunteer Coordinator for many of our high profile events including the Fall Plant Sale, the Garden of Lights, and more.

## May Volunteer of the Month: KAREN MAY

A volunteer at the Garden since 2009, Karen is one of those rare individuals – a California native! After graduating from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), Karen was a social worker from Los Angeles to Sonoma to San Diego. She grew up in Orange County surrounded by orange groves and helped her dad prune numerous fruit trees in their backyard. Her parents had an organic garden, so most meals included fresh fruits and vegetables from the garden. Her dad was also a very aggressive composter (even before it was cool). Karen feels fortunate to be able to help keep this gem of a Garden thriving. She feels the friendships she has made here are immeasurable.

## April Docent of the Month: BETTE CHILDS

When she retired as a Special Education teacher in 2009, one of Bette's goals was to become a Docent at the Garden, however, she took it way further than that! In addition to guiding visitors around our beautiful Garden, Bette became program chairperson of the Docent Board. She works at many special events held at the Garden, and she and a wonderful team of volunteers make succulent arrangements for the Garden's Gift Shop each week.

Bette loves being a Docent and thinks the people at the Garden are great! "It always amazes me to see the volunteer talent that is around me every time she comes to the Garden," she says. Bette is originally from Idaho where she met her husband, Will. They have two children who live in North County, including her son, Craig, who owns and operates Palomar Mesa Growers.

## Volunteer Orientation

#### Saturday, November 8, 9 am – 12 pm

Want to help? Not sure where or when your talents are needed? Join over 300 volunteers who contribute their time to San Diego Botanic Garden. You will meet interesting people while learning and contributing in your own way. 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:** September 11, September 25, October 9, October 23, November 6, November 20, December 4, and December 18.

The Fall Docent Classes will begin soon. Please join us for a wonderful eight-class series learning about different aspects of the Garden. This will prepare you to interact with members and visitors as they ask questions about our delightful Garden. In addition, you can lead weekly tours. But most of all, the Docent Classes provide you with a wonderful education on our Garden's history, the plants,

and the interaction of nature and humans. The classes meet on alternate Thursdays from 9:30 am – 1 pm. Please contact Michelle Kinney at 760/ 436-3036 x206 or mkinney@SDBGarden.org. For more specific information, contact Docent Training Coordinator Linda Stewart at lbs@san.rr.com or 858/ 488-8234.

# Docent Meetings First Wednesday of the Month Everyone Welcome

First Wednesday of the Month. Arrive at 11 am for the program.

#### July 2: No meeting

**August 6:** Kelly Griffin, Manager of Succulent Plant Development for Altman Plants, will share plants that he has discovered on his travels giving Docents insight into their habitats and how they grow.

**September 3:** Shana Lipner, a Clinical Herbalist and Health Educator, will discuss a wide assortment of food, medicine and poisonous plants, how to identify them and their look-a-likes. If they are a food or medicine, she will show Docents how to use them.







# Garden Hosts Annual Spring Reception

In early March, the Garden celebrated the 5th Annual Spring Reception. The event, attended by over 125 Larabee and Benefactor Society Members and Corporate Partners, kicked off the Herb Festival, Spring Plant Sale, Tomatomania<sup>®</sup>, and Bromeliad Bonanza Weekend.

Attendees browsed the Tomatomania<sup>®</sup> pre-sale, sampled culinary creations from Lance Roll, the Flavor Chef, and were treated to a special lecture by Sharon Lovejoy, award-winning, best-selling author and illustrator of nine nature and gardening books. Lovejoy has been recognized for her work in both botany and natural science. In addition to her literary works, Lovejoy has been a design consultant at several gardens, including the Water Conservation Garden at Cuyamaca College, the Red Butte Botanical Gardens in Salt Lake City, and the Cleveland Botanical Gardens. As a recognized gardening expert, she has been a guest on "Today" on NBC, "The Victory Garden" on PBS, HGTV, Discovery Channel, and numerous TV and radio programs from coast-to-coast. Lovejoy spoke on the importance of public gardens like San Diego Botanic Garden and the benefits of teaching children about gardening.

It was a wonderful evening 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.



Below: Dan Petersen, Pat Elledge and Fred Elledge

Left: Sharon Lovejo





Clarence Heidemann, a long-time Dragon Tree Benefactor Society Member, and his family presented Julian Duval, President and CEO, with a painting of the Garden by Dorothy Telford. Clarence received the painting, a landscape outside of the Larabee House, in 1983 as a retirement gift from the County of San Diego. Clarence lived in the Lawn House and maintained the property in Encinitas, now the San Diego Botanic Garden, for many years. He made the donation because he wanted the painting to be enjoyed by everyone at the Garden.

A big thank you to our Presenting Sponsor Great Smiles Pediatric Dentistry & Orthodontics who helped to make our 2014 Fairy Festival a huge success!

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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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Gala ticket prices are \$175 per person until August 8, when they increase to \$200 per person. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. For more information, please contact Jessica Brandon 760/ 436-3036 ext. 218 or visit SDBGarden.org



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If you need to pay admission or renew your membership, please enter through the main Welcome Center. If you would like to become a member and take advantage of this benefit, you can join online or call Stasi at 760/ 436-3036 x214.

#### Add a Nanny or Caregiver to your Membership

Members often ask if a nanny or grandparent can bring their children to the Garden...YES!

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