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Summer is in full swing at San Diego Botanic Garden. Who doesn't enjoy those extra hours of daylight, or the relaxed and stress-free feeling of being out in nature? How about indulging in summer's many guilt-free pleasures, like a day at San Diego Botanic Garden?

When you visit, we at the Garden Shops invite you to come in and indulge yourself in our inspired-by-nature home and garden decor, art, apparel, toys, books and plants. Better yet, make us your destination for fine gifts for nature-lovers of all ages.



## U.S. Military Personnel and Families Admitted FREE

### Now through Labor Day, September 5th

San Diego Botanic Garden is proud to participate in the Blue Star Museums program of the National Endowment for the Arts, offering free admission to all active duty, National Guard and Reserve members of the U.S. military and their families (card carrier plus 5 immediate family members).

Thanks to the generous support of a Garden member, San Diego Botanic Garden is able to participate in the Blue Star Museums program, a partnership among the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense, and museums across the country.



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**MISSION STATEMENT:** To inspire people of all ages to connect with plants and nature.

On the cover: Lesser Goldfinch perched on rosemary.  
Photo: Rachel Cobb

Blue Star  
Museums



## Message from the President

Julian Duval  
President/CEO

# Laying the Groundwork for Positive Growth

"The Only Thing that is Constant  
is Change" - *Heraclitus*

Gardens are always changing. All our landscape exhibits at San Diego Botanic Garden (SDBG) are always changing. Thankfully under the care of our talented staff their evolution over time has changed them for the better. We routinely hear from long time members and visitors how the Garden has never looked better.

As to be expected, over time there are also changes in the staff that are responsible for managing and caring for the Garden. Two of our senior staff members recently left the Garden. Tracie Barham, who served as our Director of Development for the past nine years, has taken the position of Executive Director for San Diego Coast Keepers. I regret losing Tracie for the great job she has done as the 'in charge' person for our fund development and membership for the Garden. However, I am very happy for Tracie in taking the opportunity to advance her career. San Diego Coast Keepers is most fortunate to have her as their new Executive Director.

A second senior staff member, Pat Hammer, who served over 10 years as our Director of Operations, also left the Garden during the last quarter. Pat was responsible for overseeing all business operations along with human resources, volunteers, and education programs. Clearly, a very full plate that only a very capable person could manage, and Pat did an excellent job. Pat decided it was time for her to retire from her career in public garden service and we owe her a great deal and wish her the best.

Something worth reflecting on is how the Garden has grown and matured during the time that both Tracie and Pat have served SDBG. The growth of our attendance, our membership, and our profile in the community has all been on a meteoric rise during their tenure. We were even able to expand the Garden onto 4.5 acres of city land and create the Hamilton Children's Garden.

Pat and Tracie have also played an important role in laying the ground work for two major projects we are in the midst of currently. One project, supported by County Capital funds, will allow our Horticulture and Maintenance staff to move into a facility designed for them and free up some of our historic structures to better serve visitors to the Garden. This project will soon have its construction documents completed and the plan is to have the facility completed this year. Improvements to our Larabee House and Lawn House are intended for 2017.

A second exciting major project we have is the Dickinson Family Education Conservatory. I have described this project in the

past as a 7,000 sf glass house where truly tropical plants will be displayed while also serving as a much needed larger meeting venue for educational programs. This unique environment will no doubt add a very exotic element to our visitor experience. At the time of this writing we have just submitted our construction documents to obtain our building permit for this \$5.3M project. It is the most ambitious endeavor for the Garden to date and we still have about \$700K to raise in order to make our goal.

At no time in the history of the Garden has there been such positive change as we have currently. I thank both Tracie and Pat for playing important roles in laying the ground work for this positive growth.

We of course need to find new people to take on these important roles. Our search for the Director of Operations position attracted many very qualified applicants and we are very pleased that Ian Cole has come to the Garden to take over for Pat Hammer. Ian is a proven public garden professional with 6 years of experience with the National Tropical Botanical Garden on the island of Maui. His skill set and energy are just what we need to take the operations of the Garden to even greater heights. We likewise have attracted many qualified applicants for the Director of Development position but at the time of writing are still in the process of vetting candidates in our selection process.

In both cases the quality of the applicants we have attracted is also a reflection of the service Pat and Tracie have provided over their employment. They have seen substantial growth in their departments and because of their talent and hard work their positions in the Garden are more attractive to applicants than ever before.

So change is not only inevitable but something to embrace. In fact public gardens under good management are unique as human endeavors that actually appreciate over time. In our increasingly urbanized world the San Diego Botanic Garden will be ever more revered for the treasure it is over time.

Also, some plants like our iconic dragon trees native to the Canary Islands can live many hundreds of years and achieve unbelievable dimensions as huge living sculptures. So let's all make a pact to come back in say 500 years to see how the SDBG dragon trees have grown and changed.



Photo: Rachel Gault



## Upcoming Events

### Thursday Family Fun Night

**Now through August 25**  
**4:30 – 8 pm**

Pack up the kids and enjoy some outdoor fun at Thursday Family Fun Night, every Thursday evening from June 2 – August 25 from 4:30 – 8 pm. From 6-7 pm don't miss family-friendly entertainment, like San Diego's own Hullabaloo, designed to amuse both children and adults.

Due to construction anticipated to begin on our Dickinson Family Education Conservatory, access to some parts of Hamilton Children's Garden may be limited, and the open lot on the north side of Hamilton Children's Garden will be closed to guests. Some concert dates in July and August may be moved to the San Dieguito Heritage Museum, right across the street from the Hamilton Children's Garden entrance.

Garden lovers of all ages are also invited to come during Thursday Family Fun Night to take advantage of extended evening hours in the Garden. It's a whole different feel in the Garden during these special summer months, so come and enjoy your Garden!

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

**Funded in part by the City of Encinitas and Mizel Family Foundation Community Grant Program.**

## THURSDAY FAMILY FUN NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

### July 7 • Little Catbird

Little Catbird plays family friendly, feel-good music!

Live shows are interactive, engaging, sometimes silly and always full of good music!

### July 14 & August 25 • Hullabaloo

Hullabaloo is a free-range, organic kid-folk band. They are a foot-stomping, wing-flapping celebration of song that honors and entertains kids and families.

### July 21 • Twinkle Time

Twinkle Time brings a colorful, high energy pop concert fusing education, language, arts and pop culture.

### July 28 • Zimbeat

"African Music and Storytelling". Musicians from Zimbeat will perform traditional songs from Africa featuring large thumb pianos or Mbiras and Marimbas from Zimbabwe. Children are encouraged to participate. Local musician and storyteller, Garit Imhoff, leads this evening's entertainment.

### August 4 & 18 • The Boo Hoo Crew

Touted as one of the 'hardest rocking kids bands on the planet' The Boo Hoo Crew is fun for kids of all ages!

### August 11 • Patty Hall

Join Patty for a special set of her "Jumpin' Up" songs at this night of fun for families.



## Calling All Volunteers

We need your help to make our Gala in the Garden a success!

Please contact Development Special Events Coordinator  
Doreen Prager via email at [dprager@sdbgarden.org](mailto:dprager@sdbgarden.org) or by  
calling her at 760/ 436-3036 x218.

## **Sculpture in the Garden**

### **Now – April 2017**

### **Daily 9 am – 5 pm**

This unique exhibition showcases sculptures from 26 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 & Ladybug Festival**

### **July 23 and 24, 10 AM – 4 PM**

This one-of-a-kind event features thousands of fascinating creepy-crawlies including live insects, lizards, snakes, ladybugs 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 K&M Pest Solutions and the Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club.**

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



Photos: Rachel Cobb



## **Summer Jazz Concert featuring**

### **The Big Band and Jazz Hall of Fame**

### **Sunday, August 7, 5pm – 8pm**

Spend the evening listening to the sounds of the Big Band and Jazz Hall of Fame Orchestra perform to the music of Glen Miller, Benny Goodman, Tommy Dorsey, Count Basie, Artie Shaw, Stan Kenton and many more.

The BB&JHF Orchestra consists of musical talents playing authentic arrangements of these famous big bands. CD's will be available for purchase the day of the concert.

**Cost: Adult member \$15, adult non-member \$25, youth member \$5, youth non-member \$10.**

## **Save the Dates**

**Orchid Clinic, October 1**

**Fall Plant Sale, October 15 and 16**

**Fall Festival, October 29**

**Garden of Lights, December 3 – 23, 26 – 30**



Photo: Nick Rudnick



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**your favorite SDBG events!**

## Summer Classes

### Living Wall / Vertical Garden

**Saturday, July 9 • 9 am -12 pm**

**Saturday, August 13 • 9 am -12 noon**

**Saturday, September 24 • 9 am -12 noon**

**Register today! These classes will sell out!**

Learn the basics of planting a living wall in just 3 hours! Because of its popularity, we are holding one class per month. Students will be planting a 10"x20" wall of succulent varieties. Living walls can be used exterior or interior with multitudes of colors, textures and sizes. The possibilities of striking patterns and unique designs are endless.

Instructor: Mary Lou Morgan.

**Cost: Members \$30, non-members \$36 plus \$75 per student materials paid directly to the instructor at the class.**

**Pre-registration is required.**

**NO students accepted on day of class.**

**Member Discount Codes:**

**July 9 - LV9, July 13 - LV13,**

**September. 24 - LV24**



### Flower Photography Artistic Effects

**Saturday, July 9 • 9 am - 1 pm**

**Saturday, September 24 • 9 am - 1 pm**

**One of our most popular classes!**

Join acclaimed flower photographer Bob Bretell in the garden as he teaches you how to use natural light to create beautiful and unique flower images. Bob will demonstrate how to use textured glass and camera movement to create painterly impressionistic effects as well as his signature style of "Painting with Light".

A digital slide presentation of student work will end this fun and informative workshop.

Instructor: Bob Bretell

**Cost: Members \$59, non-members \$71. Please register by one week prior to class.**

**Member Discount Codes:**

**July 9 - FP9, September 24 - FP24**

### Free Compost Workshops

**Saturday, July 9 • 10 am – 12 pm**

Presented by the Solana Center for Environmental Innovation

In our 2-hour, interactive workshop, you 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. We invite you to join us to learn more about composting and how it can benefit your garden, home, and community.

**Cost: Free.**

**Please register at [Solanacenter.org](http://Solanacenter.org)**

### The Art of Painting on Silk - Introduction

**Wednesday, July 27 &**

**Thursday, July 28 • 9:30am – 4pm**

This two-day class is an enjoyable introduction to painting on silk taught by Instructor Jamie Kirkell. She makes it easy with a 'how to' approach to understanding the design, paint, and magic of painting on silk. Jamie received her training in Java under the watchful eye of a batik master, who shared his skill sets and rich understanding of this art form with her. Each student will have an opportunity to develop their own unique designs on beautifully painted scarves.

**Cost: Members \$135, non-Members \$162 plus a \$50 materials fee that is paid directly to the instructor on the first day of class.**

**Please register by July 15.**

**Member Discount Code: SILK27**

### Mixed Media Botanical Art

**Saturday, July 30 • 9 am – 4 pm**

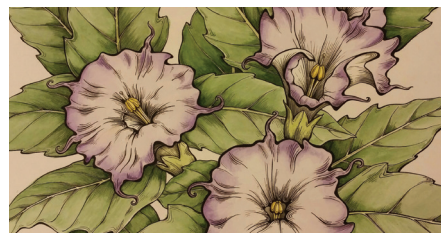
This class will focus on the bold nature of pen and ink. Using ink, students will use strong lines to enhance shape and create movement. By adding watercolor, colored pencil (or both) students will develop a striking design reminiscent of a woodcut. No experience is necessary for this class.

Taught by Lesley Randall, an accomplished Botanic Illustrator and San Diego Botanic Garden's Plant Curator.

**Cost: Members \$75, non-members \$90. Materials list is available online.**

**Please register by July 22.**

**Member Discount Code: MIXED30**



### Build Your Own Hydroponic Summer Garden

**Saturday, August 13 • 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 \$80, non-members \$96.**

**Fee includes materials.**

**Please register by August 5.**

**Member Discount Code: HYDRO0116**

### Pine Needle Basketry

**Saturday, August 13 • 10 am – 4 pm**

Learn how to coil a beautiful basket around an unusual stone center. It's an easy way to start a basket and you'll find yourself looking for exciting things to use for centers in your basket such as brooches, old earrings, stones, pendants, etc. Students will learn how to weave so stitches are identical on both sides of the basket. Pine needles and Irish linen thread provided, but your new skills can be used to coil many common plants.

Nadine Spier's work is exhibited internationally, been published in many books and magazines, and received top awards. She has produced 3 DVD's on basket-making.

Instructor: Nadine Spier

**Cost: Members \$50, non-members \$60 plus \$37 per student materials paid directly to the instructor at the class.**

**Member Discount Code: PINE13**

### Succulent Wreath Class

**Tuesday, September 20 • 9 am – 2 pm**

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

**Cost: Members \$65, non-members \$78.**

**Fee includes materials.**

**Please register by September 16.**

**Member Discount Code: WREATH09**

### Mosaic Garden Jewels

**Thursday, September 22 • 10 am – 1 pm &**

**Thursday, September 29 • 10 am – 12 noon**

During this 2 day class, create a beautiful mosaic using ocean rocks and glass beads. Students will learn how to glue and grout colorful beads to create flowers, plants, or other shapes resulting in attractive garden art. Instructor: Candy Sharda.

**Cost: Members \$30, non-members \$36. A \$30 materials fees is paid directly to the instructor on the first day of class. Please register by September 16.**

**Member Discount Code: MOSAIC09**

# Identifying and Protecting You and Your Family From Zika Virus Carriers

Julie Tsecouras, MPH, CPH  
Environmental Health Specialist

Julie Tsecouras, the Environmental Health Specialist from the County of San Diego, provided these helpful tips to preventing mosquito breeding, protecting yourself and your family from the diseases mosquitos can spread, and reporting any high mosquito activity to the proper authorities.

## The New Invaders

Two invasive mosquito species, *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*, were recently found within San Diego County. Both of these mosquitoes can carry viruses that can cause serious diseases including dengue, chikungunya, and Zika. Dengue, chikungunya, and Zika are found in Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

Fortunately, there have been no locally-acquired mosquito-transmitted cases of these diseases in the County. The invasive *Aedes* mosquitoes are black with white stripes on their legs and back. In contrast to other mosquito species, these mosquitoes aggressively bite during the day both indoors and outdoors. In addition, they will lay eggs in any small standing water source such as plant saucers, some bromeliads, cups, vases, tires, children's toys, and rain barrels. Eggs can survive months without water.

The County of San Diego Vector Control Program (VCP) is asking residents to help stop the spread of these new mosquitoes by remembering three simple words: Prevent, Protect, and Report.

## Prevent

Preventing mosquito breeding is the first line of defense against the invasive *Aedes* mosquitoes. Mosquitoes can successfully breed in as little as a ½ inch of water, so even flowerpot saucers and children's toys can trap enough water to be a source of mosquito breeding. Please check inside your homes and yards for these small water sources and dump out any standing water. Plant saucers can be filled with sand or fine gravel so they do not create standing water.

Many exotic bromeliads have “cups” or “tanks” which can hold a small amount of water in them. This stagnant water is ideal for mosquitoes to lay their eggs in. To prevent this, flush out the “cups” or “tanks” with a water hose to clear out the mosquito larvae, or use a bacterial larvicide to kill mosquito larvae. Common brand names include Mosquito Dunks, Quick Kill and Aquabac.

It is also important to maintain swimming pools, keep the water circulating in fountains and ponds, clear debris from rain gutters, and fix leaking outdoor faucets to eliminate areas where mosquitoes can breed. Place screens on rain barrel openings and prevent water from accumulating around the base. Mosquito fish called *Gambusia affinis* can be placed in unmaintained swimming pools, ponds and water troughs, to eat mosquito larvae and prevent



them from growing into adults. Mosquito fish may be picked up for free at distribution sites throughout the county. Check SDVector.com for a list of free distribution sites.

## Protect

Protecting yourself from mosquito bites is easy to do. Wear long sleeve shirts, pants, socks and shoes when outside, especially at dawn and dusk. Apply a mosquito repellent that contains DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus, or IR3535 when going outside. To stop mosquitoes from entering your home, place screens on windows and doors. If you already have screens, make sure there are no holes or tears.



## Report

Report mosquito breeding sources and high mosquito activity to the County Vector Control Program. You are encouraged to report mosquito bites received indoors during the day, and mosquitoes matching the description of *Aedes albopictus* or *Aedes aegypti*. Reports can be made online; by phone, mail, email, or in person.

For more information on the Vector Control Program and how to be an active partner in the ongoing efforts to stop the spread of the invasive *Aedes* mosquitoes in San Diego County, contact the Vector Control Program at: SDVector.com or 858/ 694-2888.

## Tips to prevent mosquito breeding:

- Remove water and wipe down indoor and outdoor containers that hold water twice a week.
- Fill plant saucers with sand or fine gravel so they do not create standing water.
- Put screens over rain barrel openings.
- Keep fountains and swimming pools operational or place mosquito fish, free from the County.

# HERBALLY YOURS

By Nan Sterman

*Garden expert, designer, and author Nan Sterman specializes in low water, sustainable, and edible landscapes. San Diego Botanic Garden is proud to name Nan as this year's Paul Ecke Jr. Award of Excellence Honoree. She will be recognized for her achievements at our annual Gala in the Garden on Saturday, Sept. 10 from 4:30 – 9 pm. Tickets and more information are available at [SDBGarden.org/gala](http://SDBGarden.org/gala).*

## **Bay. Marjoram. Oregano. Rosemary. Thyme. Mint.**

There was a time when these herbs were dried up leaves in little bottles on a shelf in my kitchen cabinet. But soon after I started my first garden, I discovered how easy they are to grow, without much water, right in my own backyard.

If you consider where these herbs originate, it's easy to understand why they grow so well in our dry gardens. All they require is full sun (at least six hours daily), lean soils and no fertilizer. While they are waterwise once established, they need water to become established and on occasion after that. Use drip irrigation to target water directly onto the soil. Remember that while young plants have small rootballs, roots spread as branches and leaves grow. Those new roots need water too, so irrigate the entire planting beds rather than individual plants. Or grow the herbs in pots of well-draining potting soil.

These herbs are evergreen and can be harvested year-round in all but the coldest and hottest regions of the county. Harvest bay leaf-by-leaf. Harvest the others by snipping off branches. Take only as much as you need. The rest will continue to grow.

All these herbs flower, most in spring. Cut back spent flower stalks of oregano, mint, marjoram and thyme after blooms fade. Bay flowers are barely noticeable and rosemary's blue flowers are part of its year-round attraction.

Oregano, mint, marjoram, rosemary, and thyme are available in so many types and varieties that your head will spin just trying to decide which to plant, especially when you layer on their ornamental value. Here's a list to start with but don't limit yourself, try several to find your favorites.

Once you realize how easy growing, waterwise, and delicious these garden herbs are, you too will walk right past those bottles of dried up leaves on the market shelves.

### **Rosemary** *Rosmarinus officinalis*

Whether upright or horizontal growing, this woody shrub has deep green, needle-like leaves with a strong, resinous aroma. Don't be shy about rubbing a needle between your fingers to release its essence. That's the best way to know whether you'll like cooking with it. Upright rosemary grows four to six feet tall and usually as wide.

"Prostrate" groundcover rosemaries grow one to three feet tall and up to eight feet wide.

'Tuscan Blue' grows five to six feet tall and four to five feet wide, with bright blue flowers. 'Barbecue' grows as tall but spreads only two to three feet; perfect for a narrow sunny spot.

'Huntington Carpet' grows just a foot or two tall and up to eight feet wide.



Rosemary



Bay

Photos: Rachel Cobb

Rosemary is native to Portugal, Spain, Canary Islands, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia, Algeria, Cyprus, Turkey, Greece, Italy, and France.

### Sweet Bay *Laurus nobilis*

Bay is a large, conical tree, up to 30 feet tall and 20 feet wide. If that is too large for your garden, a new cultivar called ‘Little Ragu’ is rated at six to eight feet tall and wide. If that is too large, grow bay in a ceramic container, at least 30 inches tall and wide. The container limits the size of the rootball, in effect dwarfing the tree. Bay leaves are shiny deep green, leathery, and pointed. ‘Saratoga’ is a slightly smaller tree with rounded leaves. All are beautiful grown as specimens, screens, or hedges.

*Sweet bay is native to Libya, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Cyprus, Israel, Lebanon, Syria, Turkey, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Greece, Italy, Slovenia, and France.*

### Oregano *Origanum vulgare*

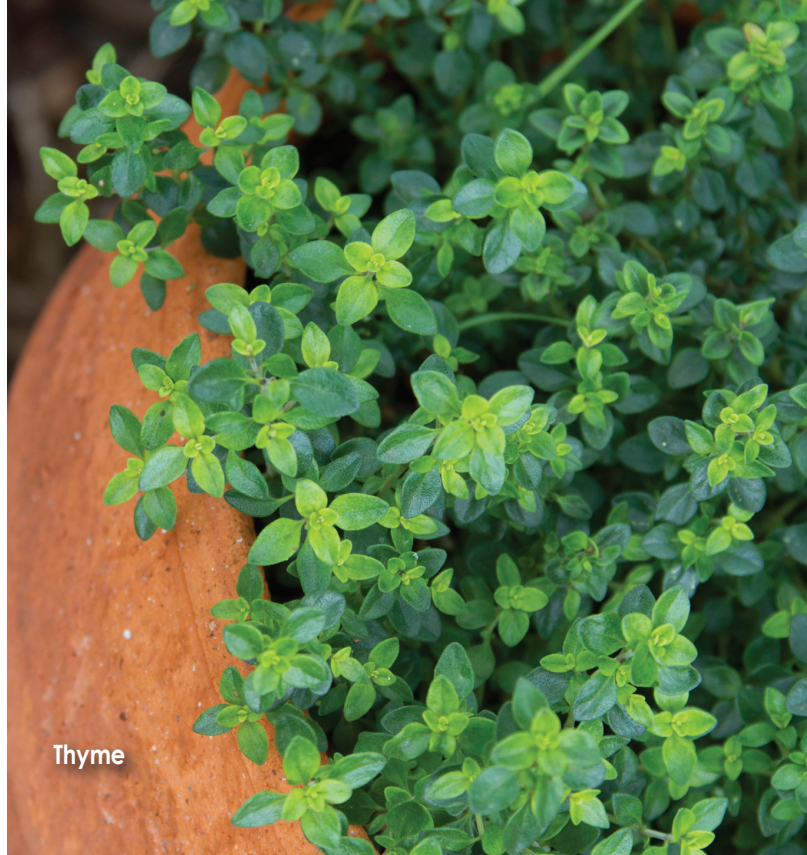
Oregano is a low, spreading perennial with soft, rounded green leaves. Plants grow no more than six inches tall and a foot or so across, making oregano a great groundcover. In the kitchen, it flavors a mean marinara or salad dressing. There are countless varieties of oregano, including some with gold leaves and some variegated. Choose based on aroma and appearance. Group at least three plants together for the visual impact and for a good supply for cooking. There are ornamental oreganos as well. Some are scented, others not so much.

*Oregano is native to most parts of Europe, Asia, and Africa.*

### Marjoram *Origanum majorana*

Marjoram is an oregano cousin that looks and grows nearly identically though the leaves have a milder and almost muskier essence. Grow just like oregano.

*Marjoram is native to Cyprus and Turkey.*



### Thyme *Thymus vulgaris*

English thyme, garden thyme and French thyme are all the same herb called by different names. These too are low growing, spreading perennials but with tiny rounded leaves and an essence all their own. Most are green leaved but some are silver, bright green, soft green or variegated. Thymes grow only eight to ten inches across and less than six inches tall. Look for other species of culinary thymes, chose your favorite based on its fragrance. Grow ornamental thymes for their beauty as well.

*Thyme is native to Morocco, Italy, France, and Spain.*

### Spearmint *Mentha spicata*

Every garden needs some mint but NOT in the ground. In the ground, this creeping perennial takes over in no time. Instead, grow spearmint and all mints in wide, low containers, each with several drain holes. Cover the holes with window screen before filling the container with well-draining potting soil. Prop up the pot so there is air space between the ground and the drain holes. That might sound extreme but it is the best way to keep this incredibly aggressive plant from colonizing the garden.

Peppermint is a cross between spearmint and watermint (*Mentha aquatica*).

Like with other herbs, choose your favorite mint based on its aroma. *Spearmint is native to Cyprus, Lebanon, Syria, Turkey, Albania, Bulgaria, Former Yugoslavia, Greece, and Italy.*

Nan hosts “A Growing Passion,” a TV show aired locally on KPBS about all the ways that San Diego and California grow. See past season shows at [AGrowingPassion.com](http://AGrowingPassion.com). Nan is also author of “California Gardener’s Guide VII,” “Waterwise Plants for the Southwest,” and the upcoming “Hot Colors, Dry Garden.” For more information on Nan, please visit [Plantsoup.com](http://Plantsoup.com).

# SOW HCG

## Seeds of Wonder • Hamilton Children's Garden

### For Children

Questions regarding Seeds of Wonder and the Hamilton Children's Garden?  
Please contact Susanne at [SOW@SDBGarden.org](mailto:SOW@SDBGarden.org) or call 760/ 436-3036 x222



### 4th of July Parade 10 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 am and the parade

will start at 10:30 am sharp. After the parade, you are welcome to stay and enjoy the garden.

### Insect & Ladybug Festival July 23-24 10 am – 4 pm

Please check page 5 for information on the Insect & Ladybug Festival.



### Ongoing programs for children

Free with admission or membership. Occasionally a program may be modified or cancelled without prior notice. Craft activities are not available on rainy days.

### Birthday Parties for Children

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

### School Group Visits

Detailed information and tour request forms for self-guided and docent guided group visits can be found on our website at [SDBGarden.org/hcg\\_tours.htm](http://SDBGarden.org/hcg_tours.htm)



### Upcoming Events

### Summer Youth Program Enrichment Camps 2016 Ages 8 – 10 • 9 am – 12 noon



Join us for five weeks of fun and educational activities at San Diego Botanic Garden's Summer Youth Enrichment Camps. Each week will be focused on a different method of experiencing nature in a safe, exciting and age appropriate way. Camps are led by trained staff members who are experts in their field. Come for one week or all five! Space is limited to 20 campers per week. Go to [SDBGarden.org/camps](http://SDBGarden.org/camps) or call 760/ 436-3036 x 201 to reserve your space today!

**Cost: Members \$135/ 5-day week and \$108/4-day week.  
Non-Members \$150/5-day week and \$120/ 4-day week.**

**Week 2: Playful Survival Camp  
July 5 – 8 (4 days)**

**Week 3: Color in the Garden –  
Art Camp  
July 11 – 15 (5 days)**

**Week 4: Plants, Worms and  
other Bugs – Gardening Week  
July 18 – 22 (5 days)**

**Week 5: Garden Fun Week  
July 25 – 29 (5 days)**



Drawing:  
Ruby Johnson





## **PLANTS IN FOCUS ART SHOW**

### **August 1 – 31**

### **9 am – 5 pm • Daily • Ecke Building**

Winning photos from the Jerusalem Botanic Garden (JBG) and San Diego Botanic Garden's joint photography competition will be on display in the Ecke Building at SDBG the entire month of August. Budding photographers of all ages were asked to put 'plants in focus' in their viewfinders to capture the change of seasons at the JBG and SDBG. Select photos from ages 10 and under, 10 – 18 years, and 18 years and older will be on display at both gardens in 2016.



## **NATURAL IMAGES BY BOB BRETELL**

### **September 1 – 16**

### **9 am – 5 pm • Daily • Ecke Building**

Nature photographer and popular local photography instructor Bob Bretell, who frequently teaches classes at San Diego Botanic Garden, will display his images in the Ecke Building the first two weeks of September. Don't miss seeing Bob's unique vision of the natural world.



Photo: Rachel Cobb

## **San Diego Botanic Garden (SDBG) hosts the Annual Director of Large Gardens (DLG) Conference.**

Held once a year, the DLG Conference brings together 40 executive directors and CEO's from the largest and most prestigious public gardens in North America. This year, San Diego Botanic Garden was honored to host this event. Discussions this year included the advancement and importance of public gardens, climate change, organizational structure, branding, and more. The DLG Conference was private and restricted to DLG members and selected guests including: Julian Duval, President & CEO of the San Diego Botanic Garden; Casey Sclar, PhD, Executive Director of the American Public Garden Association; John Clark, President & Executive Director of the Center for Plant Conservation; and Kate Sackman, Executive Director of the Botanic Garden Conservation International U.S.

Conference meetings were held in the Ecke Building and attendees enjoyed beautiful San Diego weather, a VIP tour of SDBG and the Leichtag Foundation, a horticultural tour of the San Diego Zoo, a Hornblower Cruise around San Diego Bay, a send-off dinner hosted by generous SDBG supporters Carol and Martin Dickinson at their Rancho Santa Fe Home, and a VIP luncheon and tour at Patrick Anderson and Les Olson's private garden in North County.

# Volunteer and Docent News

## April Volunteer of the Month: DAN PETERSEN

A native Californian, Dan met his wife at San Diego State University, where he received his degree in business. Dan then went on to move all over the country while working in project management. His mother fostered his interest in gardening, and in high school, he took care of 6 neighbors' yards while taking horticultural classes at a local community college. At the Garden, Dan has helped in propagation, carpentry and wherever else he might be needed. His fondest memory at the Garden is building the Tea House for SDBG's display at the San Diego Fair. The Tea House is now part of the SDBG's Bamboo Garden. Dan enjoys working with knowledgeable gardeners and having a chance to continue learning and reviewing plant identifications and requirements here at the Garden..



## May Volunteer of the Month: JUDY FOCHT

After being born in South Carolina, Judy moved all over the U.S. with her family, eventually landing at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, where she worked until she retired. She then moved to California to be close to one of her three children. Judy's daughter-in-law introduced her to SDBG and the rest, as they say, is history. She spends most of her time in the Gift Shop, volunteering at special events, and conducting children's tours. Judy loves volunteering in a place that is so well-loved and where volunteers want to make it even better... while in the process of making us all a little better. Her fondest memories include her first view of the Succulent Display Garden, bringing her grandchildren to explore in the Garden, volunteering at the Chocolate Festival, and listening to the wind rustle through the Bamboo Garden.



## June Volunteer of the Month: ANN HOEPPNER

Originally from the East Coast, Ann spent summers growing up on family driving trips to 46 of the then 48 states. She moved to San Diego in 1983 and spent the next 25 years as a Certified Financial Planner - or as she calls it - "making order out of chaos." She joined the Garden after moving to Encinitas and is especially fond of the Bamboo Garden. Ann usually helps at special events, especially during the Fall Plant Sale. She also enjoys joining an occasional work party, helping out in propagation, and bravely manning a position at First Tuesdays. Learning more about the 4,000 species of plants at the Garden, spending time with a great bunch of people, and sharing her love and enthusiasm with guests are what Ann enjoys most about being in the Garden. Her fondest memory was cast during last year's Garden of Lights when, during the rain, wind and cold, she got to be a "reindeer" bringing Santa to the Gazebo and back again.



**Enrich Your Life!  
Become a Volunteer**

Join us for our next Volunteer Orientation where you'll meet interesting people, learn about our beautiful Garden, and find how to get more involved. Pictured are some of our newest volunteers from May Orientation. Won't you join us?

Our next Volunteers Orientation meeting is  
Friday, August 5, 9:30 am – 12 pm. RSVP to  
[sford@sdbgarden.org](mailto:sford@sdbgarden.org) or by calling 760/ 436-3036 x206.

## Docent Meetings – Everyone Welcome

**First Wednesday of the Month**  
**9:30 am – 12 pm**  
**Arrive at 11 am for the program**

**July:** NO meeting

**August 3:** Popular speaker Bill Toone creator of ECOLIFE Conservation will talk about his experiences helping to create a national park in a remote village in Madagascar. Bill has promoted conservation work in many remote regions of the world. Locals might remember Bill for his work with endangered California Condors at the San Diego Zoo.

**September 7:** Docent Mo Price recently toured Australia and will contrast the botanical gardens of Australia with SDBG including plant collections, architecture, volunteer activities and challenges. She will share amusing and interesting facts from the gardens and parks 'Down Under.'

## Spring in Bloom at Annual Reception

The 7th Annual Spring Reception, which celebrated the season, was attended by more than 110 Larabee and Benefactor Society Members and Corporate Partners. A thank you to these Garden supporters, this popular event featured live entertainment, wine, and zesty samples of south of the border cuisine from Jeff Rosan's Terra Catering. The Spring Reception's special guest speaker was Daron "Farmer D" Joffe, The Leichtag Foundation's Director of Agricultural Innovation and Development. Daron's commitment to integrating organic and biodynamic farming has gained national attention. He is a recognized organic/biodynamic farmer, author, educator, speaker and eco-entrepreneur. He is also the author of the acclaimed book *Citizen Farmers: The Biodynamic Way to Grow Healthy Food, Build Thriving Communities and Give Back to the Earth*. As the founder of Farmer D Organics and Farmer D Consulting, he has spent the past 20 years designing and building biodynamic farms and gardens all over the country.

It was a wonderful evening and a great 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 Chelsea Rubino Membership Assistant at 760/436-3036 x214 or e-mail [crubino@SDBGarden.org](mailto:crubino@SDBGarden.org).



Garden President and CEO Julian Duval with Spring Reception attendees Roberta Walker from the County of San Diego, Supervisor Dave Roberts' office (left) and Jeri Deneen of Deneen Powell Atelier, Inc.



Spring Reception guests (left to right) Garden Board member Carol Dickinson, Patricia Seiber, Dickinson Foundation Board member John Seiber and Dickinson Foundation Chairman Martin Dickinson.



## U.S. Bank Foundation Presents Grant Check in Support of Free Tuesdays

Brenda Smith from the Encinitas Branch of U.S. Bank (center) recently presented a generous \$4,000 grant check from U.S. Bank Foundation in support of Free Tuesdays to former Director of Development Tracie Barham (left) and Garden President and CEO Julian Duval.



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San Diego Botanic Garden wishes to thank the following donors for cash and in-kind gifts, including Benefactor and Larabee Society memberships, received prior to April 22, 2016.

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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 the 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 the Director of Development, at 760/ 436-3036 x216 for more information.

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**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 • 4:30 - 9 PM**



2016 Paul Ecke, Jr. Award of Excellence Honoree  
Nan Stermann

On Saturday, September 10 from 4:30 – 9 pm, we will celebrate our 17th Annual Gala in the Garden. The recipient for the Paul Ecke Jr. Award of Excellence, which is bestowed annually at the Gala, is Nan Stermann.

Nan is host, co-producer, and writer of the award winning TV show, *A Growing Passion*, which celebrates the “growing” world; from farms to nurseries to backyards and schoolyards, to native habitats and more. She is a garden designer, author, botanist, and an award-winning garden communicator. She is dedicated to the transformation of planted landscapes from overly thirsty and resource intensive to climate appropriate and sustainable. Her efforts combine age-old techniques with modern technologies.

At the Gala, guests will have the opportunity to explore our garden trails, enjoy fine wine, craft beer, and the best dishes from local restaurants, as well as listen to live entertainment, and view exquisite floral designs.

**Gala ticket prices are \$175 per person through August 8, or \$200 per person after August 8.**

**Sponsorship opportunities are also available.**

**For more information, please contact Doreen Prager at [dprager@sdbgarden.org](mailto:dprager@sdbgarden.org) or visit [SDBGarden.org/gala.htm](http://SDBGarden.org/gala.htm).**

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We thank our corporate and foundation partners for their annual support of the Garden's mission *to inspire people of all ages to connect with plants and nature*. These organizations provide unrestricted cash or in-kind contributions, which fund our educational programs and the overall care and maintenance of this 37-acre botanical oasis.

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