

REGIONAL HAPPENINGS

Horticultural Events from Around the Country

NORTHEAST

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

RAP THROUGH JULY 31. **Green Currency: Plants in the Economy.** Botanical art exhibition. American Society of Botanical Artists. New York Botanical Garden. Bronx, New York. (718) 817-8700. www.nybg.org.

RAP MAY 19. **The Story of the American Chestnut.** Lecture. Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens. Boothbay, Maine. (207) 633-4333. www.maine-gardens.org.

RAP MAY 21. **Plant Sale.** Merryspring Nature Center. Camden, Maine. (207) 236-2239. www.merryspring.org.

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

JUNE 3–19. **Fields of Lupine Festival.** Franconia Notch Chamber of Commerce. Franconia, New Hampshire. (603) 823-5661. www.franconianotch.org.

RAP JUNE 11. **Homegrown.** Food and flora festival. Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Brooklyn, New York. (718) 623-7200. www.bbg.org.

RAP JUNE 15–AUG. 31. **Native Buzz: Creative Container Gardening for Pollinators.** Exhibit. New England Wild Flower Society. Framingham, Massachusetts. (508) 877-7630. www.newenglandwild.org.

JUNE 15–19. **This Glorious Earth.** International flower show. Seaport World Trade Center. Boston, Massachusetts. (508) 295-9079. www.wafausa.org.

JUNE 26 & 27. **Connecticut Historic Gardens Day.** Garden tour. Roseland Cottage. Woodstock, Connecticut. (860) 928-4074. www.historicnewengland.org.

Looking ahead

JULY 17–19. **Historic New England Hosta Sale.** Lyman Estate Greenhouses. Waltham, Massachusetts. (781) 891-1985. www.historicnewengland.org.

MID-ATLANTIC

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

MAY 21. **Earthly Delights.** Plant sale, lectures. Friends of Earthly Delights and the Land Conservancy of New Jersey. Pottersville, New Jersey. E-mail: jeanne.will@earthlink.net. www.earthlydelightsnj.com.

MAY 21. **Party with the Peonies.** Private garden tour. Sponsored by Brookside Gardens. Fulton, Maryland. (301) 962-1400. www.montgomeryparks.org/brookside.

MAY 28–OCT. 10. **Green Genes: Mapping the Plant World.** Exhibit. U.S. Botanic Garden. Washington, D.C. (202) 225-8333. www.usbg.gov.

MAY 28 & 29. **Richmond Rose Society Show.** Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Richmond, Virginia. (804) 262-9887. www.lewisginter.org.

MAY 29–JUNE 12. **Bonsai Bling: Azalea Bonsai in Bloom.** Exhibit. U.S. National Arboretum. Washington, D.C. (202) 245-2726. www.usna.usda.gov.

JUNE 18. **Edible Flowering Plants for the Garden.** Workshop. Tudor Place Historic House

Garden Walk Buffalo

FROM HUMBLE beginnings in 1995, Garden Walk Buffalo in Buffalo, New York, has blossomed into one of the nation's largest garden tours comprising hundreds of participating gardens, both private and public. This year's event, set for July 30 and 31, will include many different kinds of gardens, from planted traffic medians to tiny townhouse frontyards and manicured mansion landscapes, all located within walking distance of each other.

"Buffalo has a tremendously creative gardening community," says Jim Charlier, president of Garden Walks Buffalo. "Each garden is customized and personal, and they mesh with the intimate spaces of the area."

In addition to spotlighting urban gardening at its best, Garden Walk Buffalo also gives back to the community through beautification grants. In the last seven years, more than \$30,000 has been donated to various urban gardening projects and groups.

"The thing I'm most proud of is our reach into Buffalo's West side, where there are some streets that haven't seen love in a lot of years," says Charlier. At one point, Charlier's own street in the West side was the only participating garden. Now, there are 16. "Home values have gone up, and so has the walkability and safety of the area. This wouldn't have happened if not for people showing off their gardens for the tours," says Charlier.

For more information, visit www.gardenwalkbuffalo.com. Maps of the self-guided tour will be available online the first week of July.

—Terra-Nova Sadowski, Editorial Intern



and Garden. Washington, D.C. (202) 965-0400. www.tudorplace.org.

JUNE 21. **Pollinator Conservation Planning.** Short course. Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation. National Plant Materials Center. Beltsville, Maryland. (855) 232-6639. www.xerces.org.

JULY 2. **Tour of Back Mountain Gardens.** Garden tour and flower show. The Back Mountain Bloomers Garden Club. Dallas, Pennsylvania. (570) 696-5082. www.backmountainbloomers.org.

SOUTHEAST

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

RAP MAY 21 & 22. **Bonsai Society Show.** Atlanta Botanical Garden. Atlanta, Georgia. (404) 876-5859. www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org.

RAP MAY 24. **Kitchen Cabinet Remedies.** Class. The State Botanical Garden of Georgia. Athens, Georgia. (706) 542-1244. www.uga.edu/botgarden.

MAY 27-29. **Iris Festival.** Sumter, South Carolina. (803) 436-2640. www.irisfestival.org.

RAP MAY 27-29. **South Florida Cactus and Succulent Society Plant Show and Sale.**

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden. Coral Gables, Florida. (305) 667-1651. www.fairchildgarden.org.

JUNE 4. **Crescent Hill Garden Club Tour.** Louisville, Kentucky. (502) 899-1899. www.crescenthillgardentour.org.

RAP JUNE 5, 12, & 19. **Orchids in the Windowsill.** Class. Memphis Botanical Garden. Memphis, Tennessee. (901) 636-4128. www.dixon.org.

RAP JUNE 11. **Using Hypertufa in the Garden.** Workshop. Cape Fear Botanical Garden. Fayetteville, North Carolina. (910) 486-0221. www.capefearbg.org.

RAP JUNE 15. **Birmingham Fern Society's Show & Sale.** Birmingham Botanical Gardens. Birmingham, Alabama. (205) 414-3950. www.bbgardens.org.

RAP JUNE 25. **Tropical Fruit Festival.** Rare Fruit Council. Mounts Botanical Garden. West Palm Beach, Florida. (561) 233-1757. www.mounts.org.

Looking ahead

JULY 1-OCT. 23. **Tiffany at Biltmore.** Art and garden display. Biltmore House & Gardens. Asheville, North Carolina. (800) 411-3812. www.biltmore.com.

NORTH CENTRAL

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

RAP MAY 22. **Art in the Garden Fair.** Taltree Arboretum & Gardens. Valparaiso, Indiana. (219) 462-0025. www.taltree.org.

RAP JUNE 3. **Piet Oudolf's Landscapes in Landscapes.** Lecture. Fernwood Botanical Garden & Nature Preserve. Niles, Michigan. (269) 695-6491. www.fernwoodbotanical.org.

RAP JUNE 3-5. **Garden Fair.** Outdoor living marketplace. Klehm Arboretum & Botanic Garden. Rockford, Illinois. (815) 965-8146. www.klehm.org.

RAP JUNE 4. **Coleus Sale.** Polk County Master Gardeners. Des Moines Botanical and Environmental Center. Des Moines, Iowa. (515) 323-6290. www.botanicalcenter.org.

JUNE 11. **Summerfest.** Herb-themed program. Illinois Herb Association. Washington Park Botanical Garden. Springfield, Illinois. (217) 762-7983. www.specialtygrowers.org/whats_new.htm.

RAP JUNE 11 & 12. **Show of Summer: Botanica.** Flower show and exhibits. Garden Club of America. Chicago Botanic Garden. Glencoe, Illinois. (847) 835-5440. www.showofsummer.com.

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JUNE 13–17. **Creativity Rocks: International Design Conference.** Association of Professional Landscape Designers. Cleveland, Ohio. (717) 238-9780. www.apld.org.

RAP JUNE 19–SEPT. 25. **Gnome and Garden.** Garden art display. Holden Arboretum. Kirtland, Ohio. (405) 946-4400. www.holdenarb.org.

JUNE 24–26. **Peace Festival 2011.** International Peace Garden. Dunseith, North Dakota. (204) 534-2303. www.peacegarden.com.

SOUTH CENTRAL

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

RAP JUNE 4. **Hot Bloomers for Summer Landscapes & Patio.** Seminar. South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center. Corpus Christi, Texas. (361) 852-2100. www.stxbot.org.

RAP JUNE 6–10. **Earth Partnership for Schools Summer Institute.** Youth gardening training program. Dyck Arboretum of the Plains. Hesston, Kansas. (620) 327-8127. www.dyckarboretum.org.

JUNE 11. **Festival in the Park.** Will Rogers Gardens. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. (405) 943-0927. www.okc.gov/parks/will_rogers/index.html.

RAP JUNE 11. **Through the Garden Gate Tour.** Flower, Garden and Nature Society of Northwest Arkansas. The Botanical Garden of the Ozarks. Fayetteville, Arkansas. (479) 442-4640. www.bgozarks.org.

RAP JUNE 12. **St. Louis Garden Tour.** Missouri Botanical Garden. St. Louis, Missouri. (314) 577-5180. www.mobot.org.

JUNE 16–18. **A Little Bit of Heaven in 2011.** Convention. The Gardeners of America/Men's Garden Clubs of America. Overland Park, Kansas. (913) 722-5562. www.tgoa-mgca.org.

RAP JUNE 18. **Burden Center Garden Festival.** Burden Horticulture Society. Baton Rouge, Louisiana. (225) 763-3990. www.burdenhorticulturesociety.com.

RAP JULY 3. **Daylily Show.** Botanica, the Wichita Gardens. Wichita, Kansas. (316) 264-0448. www.botanica.org.

SOUTHWEST

AZ, NM, CO, UT

RAP JUNE 5. **Annual Garden Tours.** Santa Fe Botanical Garden. Santa Fe, New Mexico. (505) 471-9103. www.santafebotanicalgarden.org.

JUNE 16. **Green Roofs for the West Sympo-**

Lavender Festival Debuts in Colorado



FROM JULY 15 to 17, the Lavender Association of Western Colorado (LAWC) will hold its first annual Lavender Festival in Palisade, Colorado. The event will highlight the many uses of the plant, from perfume and bouquets to cooking and crafts.

“There are so many things you can do with lavender,” says LAWC President Kathy Kimbrough, “it’s not just a pretty face in the garden.” She is hopeful that the festival will help promote the herb as a local alternative cash crop, because it is well suited for the area’s dry weather and high altitude.

Festival participants can attend workshops, demonstrations, and seminars revolving around the herb. There will be activities for kids, and vendors will be selling lavender spa items, confections, fresh and dried bundles, and much more. The Colorado State University Extension and local growers will be there to offer advice for cultivating lavender as well.

“The farm tour is going to be the big event,” says Kimbrough. “We’re going to visit four lavender farms, watch an essential oil distillation, eat lunch with a lavender-inspired menu, and end with a wine and cheese reception at a local winery.”

The festival is set to coincide with the peak of the bloom season, featuring 15 different varieties of lavender. Tickets and more information are available at www.coloradolavender.org.

—Terra-Nova Sadowski, Editorial Intern

sium. Denver Botanic Gardens. Denver, Colorado. (720) 865-3500. www.growwest.org.

RAP JUNE 17. **A Night of Wine and Roses.** Flower arranging and hors d’oeuvres. Desert Botanical Garden. Phoenix, Arizona. (480) 941-1225. www.dbg.org.

JUNE 17. **Weird Plant Sale.** Tucson Botanical Gardens. Tucson, Arizona. (520) 326-9686. www.tucsonbotanical.org.

RAP JUNE 25. **Hummingbird Festival.** Co-sponsored by Arizona Game and Fish Department. Speakers, crafts, and plant and

hummingbird merchandise sale. The Arboretum at Flagstaff. Flagstaff, Arizona. (928) 774-1442. www.thearb.org.

JUNE 25. **Pollinator Celebration.** BioPark Botanic Garden. Albuquerque, New Mexico. (505) 768-5300. www.cabq.gov/biopark.

Looking ahead

JULY 11–17. **Crested Butte Wildflower Festival.** Garden tours, gardening workshops, and cooking and photography classes. Crested Butte Nordic Center. Crested Butte, Colorado. (970) 349-2571. www.crestedbuttewildflowerfestival.com.

WEST COAST

CA, NV, HI

RAP MAY 21. **Ladybug Day.** Ladybug population estimate project. San Diego Botanic Garden. Encinitas, California. (760) 436-3036. www.sdbgarden.org.

RAP JUNE 4. **Drip Irrigation.** Class. The Gardens at the Springs Preserve. Las Vegas, Nevada. (702) 822-7700. www.springspreserve.org.

JUNE 4. **San Clemente Garden Club Garden Tour.** San Clemente, California. (949) 498-2818. www.sanclementegardenclub.com.

JUNE 8. **California Grown Show.** California Association of Nurseries and Garden Centers. Long Beach Convention Center. Long Beach, California. (916) 928-3900. www.cangc.org.

JUNE 10–JULY 4. **Paul Ecke Jr. Flower & Garden Show.** San Diego County Fair. Del Mar Fairgrounds. Del Mar, California. (858) 792-4207. www.sdfair.com.

RAP JUNE 12. **Around the World in 80 Oaks.** Musical garden tour. U.C. Davis Arboretum. Davis, California. (530) 752-4880. www.arboretum.ucdavis.edu.

JUNE 12. **Graywater System Design.** Workshop. Occidental Arts and Ecology Center. Occidental, California. (707) 874-1557 ext. 201. www.oaec.org.

JUNE 15. **Native Plant Tour.** May Arboretum Nursery & Burke Garden. Rancho San Rafael Regional Park. Reno, Nevada. (775) 785-5961. www.washoecounty.us/parks.

JUNE 18. **Aromatic First Aid with Garden Plants.** Garden walk and class. San Francisco Botanical Garden. San Francisco, California. (415) 661-1316. www.sfbotanicalgarden.org.

JUNE 22–26. **Lompoc Valley Flower Show.** Ryon Park. Lompoc, California. (805) 735-8511. www.flowerfestival.org.

NORTHWEST

AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY

MAY 27–JUNE 12. **Portland Rose Festival.** Portland, Oregon. (503) 227-2681. www.rosefestival.org.

MAY 28 & 29. **American Peony Society Convention.** Wilsonville, Oregon. (816) 459-9386. www.americanpeonysociety.org.

RAP JUNE 9. **A Midsummer Gala in the Garden.** Music, food, tours, and art show. Alaska Botanical Garden. Anchorage, Alaska. (907) 770-3692. www.alaskabg.org.

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RAP JUNE 12. **Savor Idaho.** Garden tour, wine and food tasting. Idaho Botanical Garden. Boise, Idaho. (208) 343-8649. www.savoridaho.org.

JUNE 24–26. **Gardening in 3D: Dichotomy, Diversity & Desire.** Study weekend. Portland State University. Portland, Oregon. (503) 224-5718. www.hardyplantsociety.org.

Looking ahead

JULY 15–17. **Sequim Lavender Festival.** Sequim Lavender Growers Association. Sequim, Washington. (360) 670-8150. www.lavenderfestival.com.

JULY 17. **West Seattle Garden Tour.** Seattle, Washington. (206) 324-2061. www.westseattlegardentour.com.

CANADA

RAP MAY 28 & 29. **Toronto Bonsai Society Annual Show.** Toronto Botanical Garden. Toronto, Ontario. (416) 397-1341. www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca.

MAY 29–JUNE 3. **American Iris Society National Convention.** Fairmont Empress Hotel. Victoria, British Columbia. (800) 441-1414. www.bc-iris.org.

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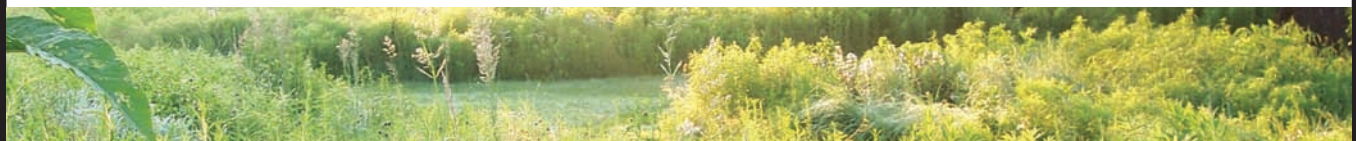
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