

REYNOLDA GARDENS

OF WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY

WINTER / SPRING 2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, events are held or begin in the Education Wing of the greenhouse.

General admission is \$5.00/Friends of Reynolda Gardens and Wake Forest University staff, faculty, and students free. Registration is not required.

Programs may be cancelled or postponed due to inclement weather. For more information on programs or to register (where requested or required), call the Education Office 336.758.3485 or e-mail gardens@wfu.edu.

TUESDAY GARDENING SERIES PLUS

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 8 AT 12:30 P.M.

Grafting Dwarf Conifers and Japanese Maples

These plant species, prized by collectors, are propagated by winter grafting. The discussion and demonstration will include plant selection, tool care, and grafting techniques. An informal practice session will follow the program.

Carl Weston, Providence Farm Ornamentals

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 15 AT 10:00 A.M.

Black Winter Périgord Truffles—Not Just an Import Anymore

A discussion on the uses of this legendary, delicious fungus and the conditions under which it is cultivated and harvested, plus an opportunity to meet Friday, the Border Collie, who locates truffles on the speaker's Stokes County farm.

Jane Morgan Smith, Keep Your Fork Farm

FEBRUARY 22 AT 12:30 P.M.

How to Transform a Nice Garden into a Gorgeous Garden

Learn how to integrate the textures, colors, shapes, and foliage variation of deciduous plants and conifers, as well as stone, into an existing design to create balance, harmony, and beauty. There will be plenty of time for questions.

Cindy Jones, Oak Ridge Shrubbery and Landscape

TUESDAY MARCH 1 AT 7:00 P.M.

Cultivating Jewels in the Garden: Growing Brambles

A discussion of the array of varieties and types of raspberries and blackberries; plant selection and management; reliable sources; and extending the harvest. The emphasis will be on successful growing in the home landscape. Plant orders may be placed at the program.

Ray Tuegel, Plum Granny Farm, and Matthew Mayers, Backyard Gardener

TUESDAY MARCH 8 AT 4:00 P.M.

Welcome to Community Gardening!

An opportunity to meet the newly appointed coordinator of community gardening efforts in Forsyth County; learn about how to establish new gardens; find out about the resources available through Cooperative Extension; and mingle with fellow community gardeners. Refreshments will be served. Free.

Mary Jac Brennan, Community Gardening Coordinator, Forsyth County Cooperative Extension

TUESDAY MARCH 15 AT 7:00 P.M.

Science Café: Your Brain—10 Myths Busted

As part of Brain Awareness Month, Wake Forest neuroscientist and contributor to *Scientific American* explores what we know—and what we think we know—about the human brain. Free.

Dwayne Godwin, WFU School of Medicine Professor of Neurobiology and Anatomy



TUESDAY MARCH 22 AT 12:30 P.M.

Goatscaping—A Natural Alternative for Pest Plant Control

Property owners are increasingly turning to the use of goats to remove unwanted vegetation, particularly in areas that are difficult to access. A discussion of the process and results, followed by an opportunity to observe the goats at work, weather permitting.

David Norman and Kim Nafe, Piedmont Goatscapers

TUESDAY MARCH 29 AT 12:30 P.M.

Plants for Collectors: Daylilies

A photo tour of daylilies developed by the speakers at their Surry County farm and registered with the American Hemerocallis Society, plus many that are being evaluated as possible future introductions. The discussion will focus on hybridizing new varieties of daylilies, as well as their general cultivation.

Paul Foster and Brian McKinlay, Daylily Meadows

TUESDAY APRIL 5 AT 7:00 P.M.

Plant Sale Preview

Highlights of plants that will be at this month's sales. Free.

Gardens Staff

TUESDAY APRIL 12

No program today. Come to the Tomato Plant Sale from 5:30 until 6:30 p.m.

TUESDAY APRIL 19 AT 7:00 P.M.

Science Café: Toward Building a Sustainable Local Food Environment



An examination of the challenges and successes of community gardens as revealed in a 2010 study of Forsyth County Community Gardens sponsored by the WFU Translational Science Institute.

Sara A. Quandt, WFU School of Medicine, Professor of Public Health Sciences

TUESDAY APRIL 26 AT 4:30 P.M.

Topics in Sustainability: Author Bill McKibben on the Impact of the Local Foods Movement

Author and environmentalist Bill McKibben will discuss his latest book, *Eaarth*, and the impact of local farmers, gardeners, and food vendors on human health, the economy, society, and the environment. Co-sponsored with the WFU Center for Energy, Environment, and Sustainability. Free; no registration. Teachers receive CEU certificate of attendance.

TUESDAY MAY 3 AT 5:30 P.M.

Cooking Fresh From the Garden

Giving a new interpretation to the term a la minute, meaning prepared when ordered, the chef will demonstrate how to use the day's best harvest in fresh, delicious dishes. Weather permitting, the program will be held in the garden. Space is limited; registration required. General admission \$15.00/\$10.00, Friends of Reynolda Gardens and WFU faculty, staff, and students.

Greg Waddell, Career Chef

TUESDAY MAY 10 AT 4:00 P.M.

Field Trip: Japanese Maple and Conifer Collections

A visit to the home of local grower Jim Holland to see over 100 varieties of maples planted in the ground and additional varieties in the greenhouses and nursery. A discussion of grafting technique and a history of the collection will be followed by a stroll through the property. Plants will be available for sale. Space is limited; registration required. General admission \$10.00/\$5.00, Friends of Reynolda Gardens and WFU faculty, staff, and students.

TUESDAY MAY 17 AT 7:00 P.M.
Science Café: The Science and Engineering of Dams



A discussion of how sites for new dams are investigated, how aging dams are investigated and repaired, and how these studies are conducted using boreholes and geophysical methods to investigate the subsurface, focusing on the geologic and geotechnical issues associated with dam foundations and seepage. *Robert Cannon, PG (Professional Geologist), Principal and Sr. Vice President, Schnabel Engineering*



Science Café is an international movement that brings people together for an evening of discussion about science. This series, which is co-sponsored with SciWorks and Sigma Xi, the Scientific Research Society, is held at Big Shotz Tavern, 109 S. Stratford Road, Winston-Salem. Teachers receive CEU certificate of attendance. Free.



CREATING A BEAUTIFUL KITCHEN GARDEN
February 12, 19, 26 from 10:00 a.m. until noon

Using the Reynolda Gardens Cottage Garden as a model, participants will focus on developing their home gardens and build propagation and management skills necessary for creating a beautiful and productive garden. Space is limited; early registration suggested. General admission \$60.00; \$45.00, Friends of Reynolda Gardens and WFU faculty, staff, and students. *David Bare, RGWFU Greenhouse Manager*

ROSE PRUNING CLINICS
Thursday March 17 and Friday March 18 from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m.; Saturday March 19 from 9:00 a.m. until noon
Learn to prune by working with members of the Winston-Salem Rose Society in the All-America Rose Selections garden. Bring pruners and heavy gloves. Free.

ROSE CARE CLINIC
Saturday March 19 from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m.
A discussion by members of the WSRS on rose selection and care. Free.

ORCHID AUCTION
Saturday March 26 beginning at 9:00 a.m.
Unusual specimens divided from the collection and special selections in bloom. *David Bare, RGWFU Greenhouse Manager*

EDUCATION VOLUNTEERS MEETING
Wednesday March 30, repeated Thursday March 31 at 10:00 a.m.
Introduction to the Educational Programs for Schools. Volunteers lead school groups on walks in the gardens, greenhouses, and woods one or two mornings a week in April and May. Free; registration requested.

MEADOW MANAGEMENT/PRAIRIE RESTORATION ROUNDTABLE
Friday April 1 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.
The public is invited to participate in an examination and discussion of issues related to constructing and maintaining a Piedmont prairie, using the conversion of the historic Golf Links at Reynolda to a managed meadow as a case study. Speakers include Laura Fogo, Regional Biologist, US Fish and Wildlife Service; Ken Bridle, Stewardship Director, Piedmont Land Conservancy; Sue Congelosi, Forsyth County Ranger, Division of Forest Resources, NCDENR; Bob Ragland, Program Manager, Forsyth County Environmental Affairs; Phil Dickinson, Forsyth County Audubon Society; and Miles Silman, WFU Professor of Biology. Supported by the Wake Forest University Center for Energy, Environment, and Sustainability. Free; registration requested. Teachers receive CEU certificate of attendance.

TOMATO PLANT SALE
Tuesday April 12 from 5:30 until 6:30 p.m.
Heirloom varieties and others selected by the Gardens staff.

PREVIEW SALE FOR FRIENDS OF REYNOLDA GARDENS
Friday April 15 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m.
Members of Friends of Reynolda Gardens are invited to make their purchases early.

BIG SPRING SALE
Saturday April 16 from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
The best annuals and perennials grown or selected by the Reynolda Gardens staff.

PHAL PHEST—A CELEBRATION OF MOTH ORCHIDS
Saturday April 30 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.
A display of *Phalaenopsis* orchids (called phals by aficionados) in the conservatory. Also known as moth orchids, their array of colors and their exotic form belie the ease of care in the home. Free admission to the display. Selections will be available for sale in the Plant Shop.

WIND SERENADES IN THE GARDEN
Sunday May 8 at 6:00 p.m.
Members of the UNCSCA Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Dr. Michael Dodds, will perform a brief program of works by Strauss, Wagner, and others in the formal gardens. Free.

YOUNG NATURALISTS
June 13 through 17 and June 20 through 24
From 9:00 a.m. until noon each day
Children who have completed grades one through five explore the gardens, greenhouses, woodlands, meadows, and streams of Reynolda with naturalists and scientists. General admission \$115.00/\$100.00, Friends of Reynolda Gardens. See the website for registration information.

Two new ways to get updates from Reynolda Gardens—
REYNOLDA GARDENS NEWS: A monthly e-mail newsletter highlighting events and activities at the Gardens, plus special events that are only announced in the e-letter. Send an e-mail to gardens@wfu.edu to be included.
FACEBOOK: For up-to-the minute news and information, look for Reynolda Gardens on Facebook.

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