Fall Festival

Saturday, September 23
9 a.m.-3 p.m. (All ages) Join us at Green Spring Gardens for the annual Fall Festival! The festival will have activities for the entire family, including demonstrations for children and adults, a silent auction, a book sale, and a bake sale. Vendors will be selling a large variety of plants and other items. Enjoy some musical entertainment. Admission is free. Sponsored by the Friends of Green Spring (FROGS). For more information, contact Green Spring at 703-642-5173.

Getaway - Chanticleer Gardens

Thursday, September 7
7 a.m.-7 p.m. (Adults) Includes motor coach, admission, guided tour and lunch. For garden lovers, Chanticleer in Wayne, Pennsylvania is not to be missed. With 35 acres of dynamic and creative garden displays, it is a beautiful blend of art and horticulture. Trip departs from Green Spring Gardens at 7 a.m. and returns at 7 p.m. Trip cancellation deadline: Aug. 24, 2023. $179 per person. Code LMA.FS80
Adult Programs

Plants & Design - Perk Up Your Fall Garden
Saturday, September 2
1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. (Adults) September is a great time to inject some autumn beauty into your home garden. Green Spring horticulturist Brenda Skarphol discusses beautifying your garden with fall season show-stoppers like asters, goldenrods, and salvia. Special emphasis placed on plants for pollinators and other wildlife. Program will take place outside. Dress for the weather. $19 per person. Code 101.Y9R5

Garden Talk - Fall Bounty Vegetable Garden
Saturday, September 9
10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (16-Adult) Planting a fall vegetable garden extends the gardening season so you can continue to harvest fresh produce. Many cool-season vegetables like carrots, broccoli, cauliflower, and Brussels sprouts produce their best flavor and quality when they mature during cool weather. Extension master gardeners show you how. $12 per person. Code 23B.UELI

Fall Garden Tour
Saturday, September 16
10 a.m.-11 a.m. (Adults) Enjoy a guided tour of Green Spring’s beautiful demonstration gardens with an Extension Master Gardener docent. Hear about our 18th century origins and our mission today. Find inspiration in our horticulturists’ plant choices and garden bed designs and take their ideas home to try in your own landscape. Garden tours run rain or shine. $12 per person. Code AWK.2FQE

Garden Talk - Tips on Growing Beautiful Bulbs
Friday, September 29
1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. (Adult) Colorful bulbs can turn an ordinary garden into extraordinary. Planted in mass displays, small groupings, or containers, they are a welcome sight in any garden. Now is the time to plant bulbs for bright, beautiful color next spring. Learn about a variety of beautiful bulbs from Extension Master Gardeners and how to plant and care for them. $12 per person. Code 9FF.PBAP

Flight in the Night
Saturday, September 30
10 a.m.-11 a.m. (16-Adult) Join Green Spring horticulturist Adam Bucher for a short lecture about flying animals that are active at night here at Green Spring, including owls, bats, and insect pollinators and their host plants. Learn how you can support these nighttime pollinators at home by adding host plants to your garden. $19 per person. Code O5Y.0YL4

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Adult Programs cont.

Winter Wreath Workshop

**Saturday, December 2**
10 a.m.-11:30 a.m., 1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. (16-Adult) Create a beautiful winter wreath to take home for your front door after Green Spring staff members demonstrate the dazzling possibilities. Greens, forms, ribbon and cones included in the $25 supply fee. Please register for both the program and supply fee. $42 per person.

10 a.m. - Code **YIB.Q7U**
1 p.m. - Code **YIB.O8TU**

Getaway - Holiday Williamsburg

**Wednesday, December 6**
6:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m. (16-Adult) Get away to Colonial Williamsburg for a guided look at the picturesque buildings and streets decked in their holiday splendor. Learn about the materials, construction techniques and traditions of Colonial Williamsburg decorations. Enjoy lunch at one of the historic taverns followed by free time to explore and holiday shop. Price includes motor coach, entrance fee, tour, and lunch. Bus departs Green Spring Gardens at 6:30 a.m. and returns at 8:00 p.m. Cancellation deadline: November 22.

$259 per person. Code **XX1.H76O**

Learn about the Christmas Bird Count

**Saturday, December 9**
10 a.m.-11 a.m. (16-Adult) Learn about the history of the Christmas bird count and how Green Spring has played a part in collecting bird count data. Birding enthusiast and FROGS board member Tatiana Lisle will explain a bit about how the bird count data is used and the kinds of birds that she is seeing at Green Spring. Learn about ‘count circles’ and how you can participate in future counts. $12 per person. Code **GPI.969G**

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Floral Design Workshop - Fall Floral  
**Thursday, September 14**  
10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. (16-Adult) Enjoy autumn’s rich colors and textures by bringing them into your home. Learn how to create a unique floral design that celebrates the season with the help of certified floral designer Betty Ann Galway. Learn tips and tricks of the trade to practice on your own designs at home. Please register for the program and $35 supply fee. Instruction for this program is provided virtually via Zoom. $42 per person. Code BA9.D4CL

Floral Design Workshop - Gourd-gious Arrangements  
**Saturday, October 14**  
10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (16-Adult) Create an eye-catching succulent and pumpkin arrangement with Green Spring horticulturist Parker Jennings. Mix balance, scale, proportion, and contrast to add flair to your fall decor. Your guests will be impressed with this conversation piece. Please register for the program and $35 supply fee. $42 per person. Code B3L.B8WV

Watercolor Workshop - Trees & Leaves  
**Saturday, October 21**  
10 a.m.-4 p.m. (16-Adult) See the world of trees through a painter’s eyes with the help of artist and instructor Dawn Flores. Dawn will provide special instruction for creating beautiful and accurate leaves, bark and branches and give technical demonstrations on line, shape, value and color to help you improve your drawing and watercolor skills. Work through your new leaf and tree drawing/painting skills in class with instructor guidance. Supply list will be emailed before class. Bring a lunch. $102 per person. Code 429.C4AN

Floral Design Workshop - Holiday Table Arrangements  
**Thursday, November 16**  
1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. (16-Adult) Enjoy the lush holiday colors and textures by bringing them into your home. Learn how to create a unique floral design that celebrates the Thanksgiving season with the help of professional floral designer Betty Ann Galway. Learn tips and tricks of the trade to practice on your own designs at home. Please register for both the program and $35 supply fee. Instruction for this program is provided virtually via Zoom. $42 per person. Code 47G.02YS

Watercolor Workshop - Watercolor Pencils  
**Saturday, November 18**  
9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (16-Adult) Artist and instructor Marni Maree shows you various ways to use watercolor pencils and how versatile they can be... From coloring sketches in your journal to full-blown paintings! Bring a stool or a blanket in case the weather allows the class to go outdoors. A supply list will be emailed before class. Bring a lunch. $110 per person. Code WE7.GBTU

Floral Design Workshop - Holiday Sparkle  
**Thursday, December 14**  
1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. (16-Adult) During the hustle and bustle of the holidays, treat yourself to a morning of fun and learning. Learn how to create a beautiful floral present for yourself or a loved one with the help of certified floral designer Betty Ann Galway. Learn tips and tricks of the trade to practice on your own designs at home. Please register for both the program and $35 supply fee. Instruction for this program is presented virtually via Zoom. $42 per person. Code Q0V.XZWJ

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**At The Horticulture Center**  
Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Sunday, Noon-4:30 p.m.

**From May 30 until July 23**  
- Potomac Valley Watercolorists - Mixed Media  
  **Art reception:** Sunday, June 4, 1-3 p.m.

**From July 25 until September 17**  
- Foto Forum-Photography  
- Lake Barcroft-mixed media  
  **Art reception:** Sunday, July 30, 1-3 p.m.

**At Historic House**  
Wednesday-Sunday, Noon-4:30 p.m.

**From May 30 Until July 23**  
- Jeanne McIntyre - mixed media  
- Courtney Clark - watercolor  
  **Art reception:** Sunday, June 4, 1-3 p.m.

**From July 25 until September 17**  
- Shona D’cruz - Mosaics  
- Deb Schneider - Oils  
  **Art reception:** Sunday, July 30, 1-3 p.m.
Youth & Family

Garden Sprouts - Nature Playgroup
Monday, September 1, October 9, November 13, December 11
10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (3-5 yrs.) Your preschooler enjoys nature-themed toys and puzzles while you meet other playgroup parents one Monday a month. Through games, songs, activities, and a garden walk we explore seasonal topics. Kids must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who does not need to register for the program. $12 per child.
September 11 - Code C72.HWO1
October 9  - Code C72.KLQ4
November 13 - Code C72.2TAL
December 11 - Code C72.0TL6

Garden Artists - Flower Pressing
Sunday, September 17, October 15
1 p.m.-2 p.m. (5-Adult) Learn the process of flower and leaf pressing and create your own beautiful botanical creation to take home. Garden flower tour included. All attendees, including parents, must be registered for the program. $15 per person.
September 17 - Code WGX.M7JD
October 15 - Code WGX.T8GT

Garden Artists - Seasonal Nature Prints
Saturday, November 18
1 p.m.-2 p.m. (3-Adult) Shapes and patterns are everywhere in nature. Enjoy a walk through the gardens to discover your favorite patterns in nature and then turn them into prints you can take home and keep forever. From leaves to seeds to petals, come explore the art nature has to offer. All attendees, including parents, must be registered for the program. $10 per person. Code CPA.FH2W

Family Fun - Excellent Evergreens
Saturday, December 9
1 p.m.-2 p.m. (4-Adult) Learn about the wonderful world of evergreen trees and plants that really stand out this time of year. Enjoy a seasonal walk through the gardens and make an evergreen craft to decorate your home. All attendees, including parents, must be registered for the program. $10 per person. Code 4FD.FOXI

Family Fun - Monarch Migration
Saturday, December 9
1 p.m.-2 p.m. (4-Adult) Learn about the amazing migration of the monarch butterfly as we search the garden for caterpillars and butterflies. Discover the secrets of this butterfly’s life cycle, from egg to flight and beyond. Take home a monarch-themed craft. All attendees, including parents, must be registered for the program. $10 per person. Code E09.22TL

Family Fun - Glasshouse Exploration
Saturday, December 16
1 p.m.-2 p.m. (5-Adult) Escape the cold winter weather and transport yourself to the tropics. Explore our glasshouse and learn about their history as well as the plants in our collection and their warm native environments. Create your own mini glasshouse with seeds to take home. All attendees, including parents, must be registered for the program. $10 per person. Code O1l.CPG1

Brownie Girl Scouts - Letterboxer
Sunday, September 17
3 p.m-4:30 p.m. $14 per person, $12 for supplies. Code A4C.7B47

Fur, Feathers, and Ferns - Bear Adventure
Saturday, November 4
1 p.m.-2:30 p.m. $11 per person. Code 40B.5KR0

Green Spring Gardens Gift Shop
Looking for the perfect gift?
The Gardeners' Gift Shop in the Horticulture Center offers a broad selection of horticulture and nature books, gardening tools, gloves, t-shirts, and other gardening-themed gifts. Garden-inspired fashion accessories, decorative arts, home décor, and cards also are available.
Hours: Monday-Saturday, 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. and Sundays noon-4:00 p.m.

Garden Gate Plant Shop
Hours: Monday-Saturday, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and Sundays noon-3:30 p.m., April to October
### 2023 Fairfax County Farmers Markets

**Wednesday**

**McCutchon/Mount Vernon**
- 8 a.m. – noon
- Apr 19 – Dec 20
- Sherwood Hall Regional Library
- 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane

**Oak Marr**
- 8 a.m. – noon
- May 3 – Nov 8
- Oak Marr REC Center, 3200 Jermantown Road

**Wakefield**
- 2 – 6 p.m.
- May 3 – Oct 25
- Wakefield Park, 8100 Braddock Road

### Thursday

**Annandale**
- 8 a.m. – noon
- May 4 – Nov 2
- Mason District Park, 6621 Columbia Pike

**Herndon**
- 8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- May 4 – Nov 9
- Old Town Herndon, 700 Block of Lynn Street
- By the Red Caboose

### Friday

**McLean**
- 8 a.m. – noon
- May 5 – Nov 17
- Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Road
- *CLOSED May 19th for McLean Day 2023*

**Kingstowne**
- 3 – 7 p.m.
- May 5 – Oct 27
- 5870 Kingstowne Towne Center
- In the Giant parking lot

### Saturday

**Burke**
- 8 a.m. – noon
- Apr 22 – Dec 16
- VRE parking lot, 5671 Roberts Parkway

### Sunday

**Lorton**
- 9:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- May 7 – Nov 19
- VRE parking lot, 8990 Lorton Station Boulevard

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**Please look for us on social media:**
- Instagram – @fairfaxfarmmarkets
- Facebook – “Fairfax County Park Authority”

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) EBT cards can now be used at select Fairfax County Farmers Market locations! Thanks to the Virginia Fresh Match Program, our markets match SNAP Benefits so you can purchase extra fruits and vegetables for FREE!

[www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets] | 703-642-0128
HISTORIC GREEN SPRING
TEA PROGRAMS

Dear Diary

Sunday, September 10
1-3 p.m. Diaries reveal how people from all walks of life reacted to the events and mores of their times. Discover why personal writings are important to historians as we explore candid diary pages of the rich, famous, and powerful, along with meaningful first-hand accounts of ordinary people. $38 (lecture + tea); $15 (lecture only)

Past Forward

Sunday, October 8
1-3 p.m. Humans have long tried to envisage the shape of things to come. How did people in the past imagine our world today? From flying cars to futuristic fashions, explore a range of past predictions of the 21st century. Some are hilariously off the mark, others surprisingly accurate. $38 (lecture + tea); $15 (lecture only)

What Are You Afraid Of?

Sunday, October 29
1-3 p.m. Celebrate the spookiest of holidays as we consider the origins and history of fear. Discover what people were afraid of in the past and what frightens us most today. Explore why we sometimes love to be scared and how Halloween became associated with all things frightful! $38 (lecture + tea); $15 (lecture only)

Party Like It’s Times Past

Sunday, November 12
1-3 p.m. As we approach the festive season, enjoy a history of merriment as we explore the human habit of partying and celebration. Discover the origins and importance of all kinds of social gatherings and hear about some of the wildest parties ever thrown. $38 (lecture + tea); $15 (lecture only)

Fall Garden Tour And Tea

Thursday, September 14 & October 12
1-3 p.m. Tour the stunning fall demonstration gardens with an Extension Master Gardener docent. See standout plants of the season and design ideas to inspire your own home landscape. Hear about Green Spring’s roots in the past and our mission today. Then step into the 1784 Historic House for tea. $38 (tour + tea)

Christmas Tea: A Visit From Saint Nicholas

Saturday, December 2 & Sunday, December 3
1-3 p.m. Learn the story behind the most beloved of Christmas poems, “A Visit from Saint Nicholas.” Test your knowledge with our teatime quiz which reveals surprising facts about the poem’s provenance, its authorship, and its influence on how we celebrate Christmas. Seasonal favors and door prizes included. $48 (program + tea).
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Membership benefits include 10% off purchases at the Green Spring Gardens’ gift shops and Garden Gate plant shop; quarterly *Gardenline* and *Programs & Events* newsletters; discounts from selected local nurseries; and notification of Green Spring Gardens’ special events. Visit us at [www.friendsofgreenspring.org](http://www.friendsofgreenspring.org).

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