



PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Green Spring Gardens

Winter 2019

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www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/green-spring

One Monday a Month

10-11:30 am

GARDEN SPROUTS: NATURE PLAYGROUP

(3-5 yrs.) Join our Nature Playgroup. Your preschooler enjoys nature-themed activities while you meet other playgroup parents one Monday a month. A staff member is on hand to put out nature sensory bins, direct games and activities or lead a garden walk. An adult must accompany a registered child. Register for each playgroup individually. January's theme is Evergreens. February's theme is Seeds.

DC0.0468	Jan. 14	\$8/child
DC0.177A	Feb. 11	\$8/child



Sunday, December 2

GARDENERS' HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

12-4 pm. Free Open House. Treat yourself to a day of holiday fun in the garden featuring decorations and seasonal displays, live music, holiday breads and ornaments for sale and free refreshments. This festive day is for gardeners of all ages. Bring the children to a holiday puppet show by Bob Brown Puppets at 1 pm and 3 pm (\$5/person; advance registration recommended). Call 703-642-5173.
 SPONSORED BY FRIENDS OF GREEN SPRING.

Saturday, February 2

WASHINGTON GARDENER MAGAZINE SEED EXCHANGE

12:30-4:30 pm. (Adults) Washington Gardener Magazine is co-hosting the fourteenth annual Seed Exchange at Green Spring Gardens with lectures, face-to-face seed swap and more. Bring your extra seeds to swap and leave with a bag full of seeds, new garden friends and expert planting advice. \$15 for verified Friends of Green Spring members and WG subscribers (Code FB6.F726); \$20 for others (Code FB6.C33F).

Saturday, February 16

15TH ANNUAL ECOSAVVY SYMPOSIUM

Beauty, Integrity and Resilience- Can A Garden Have Everything?

8:30 am-12:30 pm. (Adults) Explore ways to achieve beautiful gardens without negatively impacting the environment. You can make a difference by changing the way you approach design, plant choice, planting techniques and maintenance. Learn how to meet your aesthetic goals while providing the structure and resources necessary to create a healthy habitat for the insects and birds you love. \$58/person. Code 986.B59A. PRESENTED BY VCE MASTER GARDEBNS.

Registration for winter programs begins on November 21. Registration is ongoing for December programs readvertised here. Register at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes or call 703-642-5173. Out-of-county registrants add \$2 for programs up to \$45; \$15 for programs \$46 and up.



HARRY ALLEN WINTER LECTURE SERIES

Sundays in January, February and March, 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

A popular, annual series of presentations by authors, garden designers, scientists and other garden enthusiasts on the cutting edge of horticulture. After the lecture, meet the speaker(s) and enjoy refreshments. \$10 advance registration for Fairfax County residents (\$12 out-of-county residents); \$12 at the door.

Sunday, January 13

Vegetables Love Flowers

1:30-2:30 pm. (Adults) Learn how to grow an organic garden where good bugs eat bad bugs, pollinators are abundant and the beautiful bouquet on the table came from your garden! Flower Farmer Lisa Ziegler tells all as she shares why flowers are the missing piece in many vegetable gardens as they attract pollinators, beneficial insects and other good creatures to complete the circle of life. Learn how to garden without using any pesticides that can harm and kill the very beneficial creatures we want to live in the garden. Book signing to follow this lecture. Code 92A.6AF4

Sunday, January 20

What's Buggin' You?

1:30-2:30 pm. (Adults) What was that insect I saw in the garden last summer? Why didn't I see many butterflies last summer? How can I have more fireflies in my backyard? Bring your bug questions and stories to this mid-winter information exchange about insects. Join entomologist Nate Erwin for a colorful slide show of insects and their associated plants and then join a lively discussion about those spineless creatures that do so much for and in our gardens. Code 37D.92B6

Sunday, January 27

The Gardens of Piet Oudolf

1:30-2:30 pm. (Adults) Join the Friends of Green Spring in viewing the documentary, "Five Seasons: The Gardens of Piet Oudolf." This documentary immerses viewers in Oudolf's work and takes us inside his creative process, from his beautifully abstract sketches, to theories on beauty, to the ecological implications of his ideas. Discussion to follow. Code EB8.D4A8

Sunday, February 3

Pushing Limits of Tropical Plants

1:30-2:30 pm. (Adults) Botanist and plant breeder John Boggan grows and writes about hardy palms, bananas, begonias, gesneriads and just about anything else that's tropical or exotic to the DC area. John shares his experience and trials of growing these beautiful tropicals and how you can have success pushing the growing zones. Code 864.45EF

Sunday, February 10

Ideas from Europe for U.S. Gardeners

1:30-2:30 pm. (Adults) Winter is the perfect time to plan garden improvements. Garden designer and international traveler Carolyn Mullet shares design images from her European garden travels that we can adapt and use for our own garden designs. Carolyn shows you how to modify these "foreign" inspirations, both fun and functional, and how to find your own inspiration. Code 1D2.ABE4

Sunday, February 17

Selecting and Planting Trees

1:30-2:30 pm. (Adults) Trees are the keystone plants of a garden. With careful selection and proper planting, they can thrive with minimal care, rewarding us with beauty, shade, energy savings and wildlife habitat. National Arboretum Head of Horticulture Scott Aker turns us into smarter consumers and gardeners as he illustrates how trees are marketed to homeowners. He offers tips on proper planting techniques and demonstrates a quick and easy way to determine a tree's health. Learn about trees that are well-adapted to our area and that Scott recommends to homeowners. Code 803.A0B9

Sunday, February 24

Uncommon Cut Flower

1:30-2:30 pm. (Adults) Make the most of your gardening efforts by growing plants that are beautiful outside and inside as cut flowers and fillers. Horticulturalist Karen Rexrode shares some favorite plants that are both beautiful ornamental garden plants and unusual cut flowers. These lovely arrangements exercise your creativity, give you confidence in plant combinations and allow you to appreciate individual plant details. Code 648.0997

Sunday, March 3

Rose Care 101

1:30-2:30 pm. (Adults) Learn the fundamentals for selecting and growing fabulous roses. Lewis Ginter Botanic Garden horticulturalist Laurie McMinn will introduce you to old family heirloom roses as well as many new roses that may become your favorites! Laurie shares the essentials of rose care and beyond, including pruning for spring plant health, nurturing great blooms, and identifying pests and diseases. Your roses will thank you! Code 402.44A7

Out-of-county registrants add \$2 for programs up to \$45; \$15 for programs \$46 and up.

FINE ARTS & WORKSHOPS

Saturday, January 12 1-2:30 pm
Floral Design Workshop: Winter Blues
 (16-Adult) Don't let the chill in the air keep you from enjoying outdoor riches. Create a fun, fresh winter floral arrangement to adorn your home with the help of certified floral designer Betty Ann Galway. Please register for program and \$30 supply fee. Program cost is \$39/person. Code 401.5E45

Saturday, February 9 2-3:30 pm
Floral Design Workshop: Valentine Topiary
 (16-Adult) Branch out for Valentine's Day by making a topiary arrangement with assorted flowers and Valentine trim. Floral designer Chuck Mason leads you through this fun, floral project that you can keep for yourself or give away. Register for program and \$30 supply fee. Program cost is \$39/person. Code 6A2.CAAE

Saturday, February 23 1-2:30 pm
Floral Design Workshop: Dutch Design
 (16-Adult) Create a lush compote arrangement that holds the promise of spring. Certified floral designer Betty Ann Galway leads you step-by-step in putting together these beautiful, early spring flowers and light greens to take home. Later, reuse the container and practice what you have learned at home. Please register for program and \$30 supply fee. Program cost is \$39/person. Code B5C.5872

Saturday, March 2 9:30 am-3:30 pm
Watercolor Workshop: Wonky Watercolors
 (16-Adult) Embrace imperfection as you experiment with watercolor techniques and textures. Instructor Marni Maree demonstrates drawing and painting techniques using only a few colors. Try your hand at these demonstrated techniques and enhance your skill set and appreciation of what you can do with this medium. Supply list emailed before class. Cost is \$93/person. Code FB7.8985

Saturday, March 2 1-2:30 pm
Floral Design Workshop: Bird Nest Bouquet
 (16-Adult) Take your design skill to the next level with the creation of a floral design armature, a wonderful mechanic for supporting blossoms in a floral arrangement. Certified floral designer Betty Ann Galway takes you step-by-step in creating a stick armature "bird nest" to fill with spring flowers. Please register for program and \$30 supply fee. Program cost is \$39/person. Code E9C.5EBB

Sunday, March 24 2-3:30 pm
Floral Design Workshop: Spring Flower Basket
 (16-Adult) Making beautiful flower arrangements in handle baskets can be challenging. Floral designer Chuck Mason helps you expand your skill set by showing you how to design an arrangement in and around the basket handle for a beautiful spring floral piece. Later, reuse your basket to practice what you have learned. Please register for program and \$30 supply fee. Program cost is \$39/person. Code E14.F107

Find unique gifts at Green Spring's Garden and Tea Gift Shops

At the Horticulture Center gift shop—
 garden pottery and décor, tools, books,
 gifts and nature-inspired jewelry

At the Historic House gift shop—tea, tea
 accessories and Victorian-inspired gifts

Gift cards can also be purchased for use
 at Green Spring Gardens (at the shops or
 for programs) as well as at other Fairfax
 County Park Authority sites and RECenters.

**Friends of Green Spring receive 10% off at
 Green Spring Gardens' gift shops.**

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GARDEN TALKS WITH MASTER GARDENERS

Friday, January 25 1:30-2:30 pm

Garden Talk: Container Gardens for the Yardless

(Adults) Whether in flower pots, hanging baskets or window boxes, container gardens are beautiful, easy and rewarding. Learn how to create a dazzling display with eye-catching perennials and annuals. Join Extension Master Gardeners to gain information and inspiration for your container gardens. \$10/person. Code DD9.51D6

Friday, February 8 1:30-2:30 pm

Garden Talk: Grow Your Herbs

(Adults) Bring out the best in food by adding the fragrance and flavor of homegrown herbs. Extension Master Gardeners teach you how to plan, plant and harvest herbs in your garden or in a container. \$10/person. Code 2D0.E926

YOGA FOR GARDENERS

Monday classes begin January 7 9:30-10:30 am
YOGA FOR GARDENERS

(Adult) This class features a gentle introduction to the Vinyasa method which helps participants increase the strength, flexibility and endurance necessary for gardening. Class held indoors. The cost of this 8 class series is \$93/person. Code 6E6.95D1

ADULT PROGRAMS

Saturday, January 26 10-11 am

Plants & Design: Planning & Planting Garden Themes

(Adults) Selecting a specific, structured theme for a garden can inspire creativity by narrowing plant and material choices, hardscaping options and decorative elements. Is your garden a place for meditation and retreat? Are you inspired by a trip to Morocco? Need a showcase for your collection of farmhouse antiques? Focus on a theme that works with your interests and architecture, and the rest becomes easy. Landscape designer Lynley Ogilvie shows you how to identify a strong theme and allow it to guide your decisions in the garden. \$18/person. Code B6E.1413

Saturday, March 2 10-11:30 am

Spring Tasks for a Great Garden

(Adults) Horticulturalist Brenda Skarphol shows you things you can do to prepare your garden for a beautiful spring. Learn what plants you can and should divide now, the most effective pruning techniques and more to set your garden up for fresh spring growth. \$18/person. Code 656.6BC1

GREEN SPRING GARDENS' GETAWAYS

Trips may be canceled for inclement weather, and a full refund will be given. If weather is questionable, please call 703-642-5173. Registrant cancellations received by the trip cancellation deadline will receive a full refund. For registrant cancellations received after the deadline, no refund will be given.

Out-of-county registrants add \$15.

Monday, March 4 10 am - 10 pm Code A19.B220

Wednesday, March 6 8 am - 8 pm Code A19.15C5

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW GETAWAY

Includes motor coach, preview materials and admission. The 2019 PHS Philadelphia Flower Show, Flower Power, ties in to the 50th anniversary of Woodstock. This year's show will also be hosting the Florists Transworld Delivery World Cup, a floral design competition. Each competitor representing a different country will make four different floral designs, all of which will be on display. Bring a lunch or enjoy the atmosphere and food of the Reading Terminal located across the street.

Trip cancellation deadline: February 15, 2018. The cost of the trip is \$142.

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HISTORIC GREEN SPRING TEA PROGRAMS

Programs are by reservation only and require prepayment to Fairfax County Park Authority. A traditional English tea is included in each tea program. Groups may call to reserve a private tour or program with a tea. **For reservations, please call Historic Green Spring at 703-941-7987, TTY 711 (Virginia Relay).**



Sunday, January 27 1-3:30 pm

Wild Women of Washington, D.C.

Reservations required

\$42 (program + tea)/ \$18 (program only)

(Adults) Author Camden Schwantes discusses her book "Wild Women of Washington, D.C.: A History of Disorderly Conduct from the Ladies of the District." From newspaperwomen and suffragettes to rebellious first ladies and socialites, hear about the exploits of some brave, pioneering, and decidedly unladylike ladies!

Sunday, February 10

1-3 pm

Art of the Heart

Reservations required

\$32 (program + tea)/ \$12 (program only)

(Adults) Love has been a subject for artists throughout history. In honor of St. Valentine's Day, enjoy representations of the emotion on canvas. Discover art that shows love of many kinds – romantic, maternal, brotherly and patriotic. Be inspired, amused, moved and elevated as we delve into the heart of art.

Sunday, February 24

1-3 pm

A Scottish Afternoon Tea

Reservations required

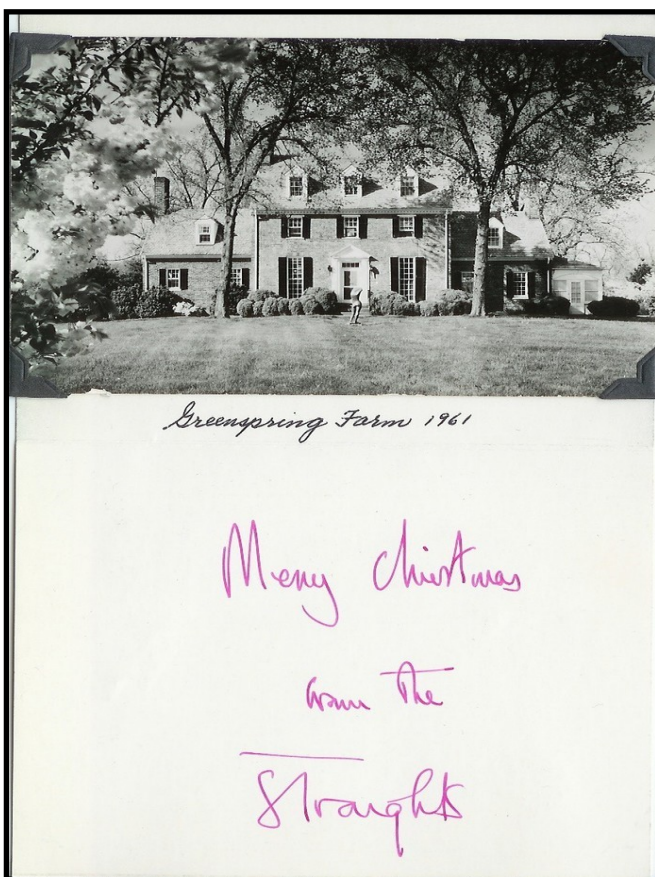
\$32 (program + tea)/ \$12 (program only)

(Adults) Learn about Alexandria's proud Scottish heritage as you discover the true identity of the Scots and the traditions and symbols that define them. Hear about the delicacies Scotland has brought to the tea table and enjoy a singularly Scottish-style afternoon tea.

Green Spring's Tea Gift Shop

Tea, tea accessories and Victorian-inspired gifts are available at the Historic House.

FROGS receive 10% off at the gift shop.



TASTING PARTIES AT HISTORIC GREEN SPRING

English tea NOT included. Enjoy a presentation, then sample different types of a specific food or drink with accompaniments. Learn how to taste with all your senses and expand your culinary knowledge. Register online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes or call 703-642-5173. Out-of-county registrants add \$2.

Saturday, January 12

10-11:30 am

Jam Tasting Party

(Adults) What's the difference between jams, jellies, marmalades and preserves? Find out as you sample an unusual range of these spreadable fruits, served with accompaniments and warm drinks. Hear about their long and fascinating history and learn new and surprising ways to enjoy them. Cost is \$28/person. Code D33.CE12

FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES

Family-friendly workshops for kids (ages 5 and older) with registered adult(s)

Saturday, January 12

Family Fun: Snowglobe Workshop

1:30-2:30 pm. (5-Adult) Walk our wintry landscape then create a winter wonderland of your own. Make a snow globe in a jar with a miniature figurine and glittering snowflakes. Take it home and let it snow! Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. \$10/each. Code BD5.BA72

Saturday, February 23

Family Fun: Winter Arts al Fresco

1-2 pm. (5-Adult) Let nature be your classroom! Combine natural elements and various art media to make a beautiful decoration for your home. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. \$8/person. Code F39.1029

GARDEN BUDS PLAYGROUP

One Monday a Month 10 am to 11 am

GARDEN BUDS

(2-3 yrs.) Meet in the Children's Discovery Garden one Monday a month. Your child enjoys different sensory materials out in the garden, rain or shine. Dress for the weather and explore at your leisure.

Code FF0.CD11	December 17	\$7/child
Code FF0.3A1A	January 28	\$7/child
Code FF0.8DD8	February 25	\$7/child

Looking for Garden Sprouts, our program for 3 to 5 year olds? Check out the cover!

SCOUT PROGRAMS

Out-of-county fees do not apply to scout programs

Saturday, January 12

10 am-noon

BGS-Making Games

Make new games while you make new friends! Have fun playing a mystery game, a party game, and a familiar game where we change up the rules. \$14/scout. Code 39C.48ED

Saturday, February 9

10 am-noon

JGS-Drawing Artist

Learn the basics of sketching and shading as we practice being graphic artists in the beautiful spaces of Green Spring. \$14/scout. Code 4D1.992C

Saturday, March 2

10 am-noon

BGS-Wonders of Water Tea

This special tea program features activities from the WOW Journey. We use tea making to explore water cycle science and where water goes. \$16/scout. Code 0B2.2D86

Saturday, February 23

3-4 pm

Fur, Feathers and Ferns-Bear Adventure

Bears will explore the outdoor world of mammals, birds, plants, and more! They will understand that every living thing has a home—often very close by. Scouts will also discover that almost every living thing's neighborhood is a home to at least one type of another living thing. \$6/scout. Code 40B.A404

Saturday, March 16

12:30-2pm

Grow Something-Wolf Elective

Wolves will learn about the plants that grow in different environments at Green Spring Gardens. They will learn how plants survive in the winter. They will plant seeds to take home. \$11/scout. Code 432.0792

Questions About Registration?

Dear Reader: As you may have noticed, there have been many changes to the Fairfax County Park Authority websites over the last year. This has effected the way our classes are displayed on the Green Spring Gardens' website, as well as the process for searching for them on Parktakes. If you are ever having a problem registering for a class through Parktakes, or are unable to find the classes we are offering, please know that you can call us at 703-642-5173 and get assistance. This technological changeover is still in process, and by the end, it will lead to an even more accessible and dynamic Green Spring Gardens. Thank you for your continued support!

Thank you for your generous donations to Green Spring Gardens. These donations, along with our classes and volunteer hours, help to keep Green Spring green!



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Art Shows at Green Spring Gardens

UNTIL DECEMBER 16

At the Horticulture Center:

"Garden Dreams"

Springfield Art Guild

Mixed media

"Shadows and New Views"

Nereide Ellis

Photographs

At the Historic House:

"Art Copies Nature"

Master Art Copyists

Paintings

DECEMBER 18-FEBRUARY 24

At the Horticulture Center:

"Art in the Garden"

Vienna Art Society

Paintings

Reception: January 6, 1-3 pm

At the Historic House:

"Color in the Gardens"

Washington Water Color

Association

Paintings

Reception: January 13, 1-3 pm

FEBRUARY 26-APRIL 28

At the Horticulture Center:

"Beyond the Garden Gates"

NOVA Plein Air Artists

Paintings

"The Beauty of Flowers"

Patty Hankins

Photographs

At the Historic House:

"Nature on Display"

Ravensworth Elementary

School

Mixed Media

Receptions: March 2, 1-3 pm

Horticulture Center Hours

Monday-Saturday, 9 am-4:30 pm

Sunday, noon-4:30 pm

Historic House Hours

Wednesday-Sunday, noon-4:30 pm

PREVIEW OF SPRING 2019 PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

SPECIAL EVENTS:

GARDEN GATE PLANT SHOP SEASONAL OPENING

Saturday, April 6 9 AM-4 PM

VISITOR APPRECIATION WEEK AND NATIONAL PUBLIC GARDENS DAY

Monday, May 6-Friday, May 10

SPRING GARDEN DAY - THE BIG PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 18 9 AM-3 PM

GETAWAYS:

VIRGINIA GARDEN WEEK: LEESBURG

April 29, 2019 8:30 AM-6:30 PM

WINTHERTHUR GARDENS: FOLLIES AND "THE CROWN"

May 2, 2019 8 AM-6 PM

GLEN BURNIE & THE MUSEUM OF THE SHENANDOAH

May 22, 2019 9 AM-5 PM

MAYMONT & LAVENDER FIELDS

June 5, 2019 8 AM-5 PM

HERSHEY GARDEN & HIGH GLEN

June 26, 2019 6:30 AM-6:30 PM

SUMMER CAMPS:

GARDEN SPROUTS (3.5-6 YRS)

June 17-21 9 AM to 12 PM

June 17-21 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM

VIRGINIA HERITAGE (6-11 YRS)

June 24-28 9 AM to 1 PM

HANDS-ON GARDENING (7-11 YRS)

July 1-3 9 AM to 3 PM

NATURE QUEST (6-12 YRS)

July 8-12 9 AM to 3 PM

INSECT SAFARI (7-11 YRS)

July 22-26 9 AM to 1 PM

ARTS AL FRESCO (3 SESSIONS)

July 29-August 2 9 AM to 3 PM (9-13 YRS)

August 5-9 9 AM to 3 PM (7-11 YRS)

August 12-16 9 AM to 1 PM (5-9 YRS)

SUPPORT GREEN SPRING GARDENS - BECOME A FROG (FRIEND OF GREEN SPRING)

Membership benefits include 10% off purchases at the Green Spring Gardens' gift shops and Garden Gate plant shop; quarterly newsletters *Gardenline* and *Program & Events*; discounts from selected local nurseries; and notification of Green Spring Gardens' special events.

<input type="checkbox"/> Membership (1 year)	\$25	Name: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership (3 year)	\$65	Address: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Organization (1 year)	\$150	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Patron (1 year)	\$125	Phone: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Life	\$500	Email: _____

- Please make checks payable to FROGS and mail to FROGS Membership, 4603 Green Spring Rd, Alexandria, VA 22312
- Membership dues and donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.
- You may pay membership dues with VISA or MASTERCARD online at www.friendsofgreenspring.org or over the phone by calling 703-642-5173.



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