

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Green Spring Gardens

Fall 2018

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Saturday, September 22 FALL GARDEN DAY PLANT SALE AND MORE

9 am-3 pm. Fall is a great time to plant, and Green Spring Gardens is hosting numerous local plant and garden craft vendors to satisfy your gardening needs. A silent auction, bake sale, live music, food and kids' table add to the festivities. Come and support one of Virginia's most innovative public gardens. FREE Admission. SPONSORED BY FRIENDS OF GREEN SPRING.



Saturday, September 29 Garden Design: SHADE GARDEN INTENSIVE

9 am-noon. (Adults) We love the relief shade offers from the hot sun, but lament how challenging it is have a shade garden. What can a gardener do with shade? Step into the light and learn from area garden professionals Kathy Jentz and Karen Rexrode as we take on the topic of shade gardens. Topics: Made in the (Dry) Shade and Great Plant Combinations for Shade Gardens. \$39/person.

Saturdays November 3, November 10, November 17 Garden Photography Workshop Series

9:30 am-12:30 pm. (Adults) Learn to see and compose great garden images beyond simple photographic documentation. From smartphones to the big DSLRs, photographer and instructor Jim Seith will introduce you to techniques, equipment, composition, processing, software and workflow available to take your images to the next level. Use the beautiful gardens at Green Spring to practice your new techniques. A supply list will be emailed before the first class. \$105/person.

Sunday, December 2 GARDENERS' HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE 隊

12 pm-4 pm. (All ages) 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). SPONSORED BY FRIENDS OF GREEN SPRING.

Registration for fall programs begins on August 7. Register online at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/green-spring or call 703-642-5173.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Saturday, September 1 10 am-11:30 am Plants & Design: Perk Up Your Fall Garden (Adults) September is a great time to inject some autumn beauty into your home garden. Green Spring horticulturist Brenda Skarphol discusses dividing perennials, planting cool-season plants and beautifying your garden with fall season show stoppers so it looks its autumn best. Special emphasis placed on plants for pollinators and other wildlife. \$18/person. Code 290 484 5901

Saturday, October 13 Plants & Design: Flowering Salvias (Adults) Make room in your garden for those eyepopping, traffic-stopping, fall blooming salvias. This genus includes plants with fragrant leaves, culinary uses and flowers that attract hummingbirds. Staff horticulturist Nancy Olney shows you her favorites and shares design, propagation and growing tips. \$18/person. Code 290 488 6301

Saturday, October 13 Extend the Season in Your Edible Garden (Adults) Join Smithsonian Gardens' horticulturalist Matt Burch for a hands-on workshop to extend your edible garden's growing season. Matt recommends cool-season edibles that grow well in our area and shows you how to provide them with winter protection. Work directly in the gardens with Matt planting and constructing various supports and covers that you can duplicate in your own edible garden. Class is outdoors. Please dress for weather and gardening work. \$22/person. Code 290 489 3301

Saturday, October 20 Plants & Design: Gorgeous Spring Bulbs (Adults) After a long, gray winter, nothing delights the eye as much as the sight of the first spring bulbs pushing through the snow, and fall is the time get planning and planting. Horticulturalist Judy Zatsick introduces you to some fabulous spring bulbs that extend spring beauty beyond just daffodils and tulips. Learn how to prepare your soil, techniques and timing for planting, how to encourage reblooming and how to make beautiful bulb and flower combinations for your garden. \$18/person. Code 290 481 3401 Saturday, October 20 9:30-11 am Plants & Design: DIY Children's Garden (Adults) Virginia Cooperative Extension master gardener volunteers share details of their Green Spring Children's Garden makeover to help you plan your own children's garden at school or home. Learn creative ways to incorporate essential elements of a garden play space: digging, hiding, building, climbing, parts and pieces. Get a list of plants that work well in a children's garden. \$18/ person. Code 290 482 8501

Saturday, October 27 10-11:30 am Poisonous Plants Garden Tour (13-Adult) How deadly does your garden grow? A master gardener docent tells tales of wicked plants hiding in plain sight, showcasing obvious culprits, and some surprises. Learn which to weed out and which we can live with. Enjoy refreshments at the Historic House, including edible flowers. \$15/ person. Code 290 483 2001



YOGA FOR GARDENERS

Monday classes begin September 10 YOGA FOR GARDENERS 9:30-10:30 am. (Adults) 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. \$125/11 sessions. Code 290 426 2401

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

Sunday, October 28

Floral Workshop: Floral Pumpkin Patch

1-2:30 pm. (16-Adult) Use vibrant fall flowers and dried materials to create a miniature scarecrow and floral pumpkin patch in time for Halloween. Designer Chuck Mason leads you through this creative arrangement sure to delight all ages. Please register for both program (\$39) and supply fee (\$25). Code 290 488 4601

Saturday, November 3

Floral Design Workshop: Fall Floral

1-2:30 pm. (Adults) Enjoy autumn's rich colors and textures by bringing them into your home. Learn step -by-step how to create a unique, take-home floral design that celebrates the 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 program (\$39) and supply fee (\$25). Code 290 433 6301

Sunday, November 18

Workshop: Thanksgiving Table Arrangement 1-2:30 pm. (16-Adult) Make a beautiful Thanksgiving centerpiece to make your dining table festive. Designer Chuck Mason will leads you through fresh flower designs and techniques for adding dried materials and fresh fruit to your floral creation. Please register for both program (\$39) and supply fee (\$25). Code 290 484 6701

Saturday, December 1

Winter Wreath Workshop

10-11:30 am. (14-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 program (\$39) and supply fee (\$25). Code 290 484 6901

Register at

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/green-spring or call 703-642-5173. Out-of-county registrants add \$2 for programs \$45 or less; \$15 for programs more than \$45.

Saturday, December 8

Floral Design: Holiday Table Arrangement 1-2:30 pm. (Adults) Enjoy the lush, holiday colors and textures by bringing them into your home. Learn how to create a unique, take-home floral design that celebrates the 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 program (\$39) and supply fee (\$25). Code 290 412 6601

Green Spring Gardens' Gift Shops and Garden Gate Plant Shop

At the Horticulture Center Gift Shop - garden pottery, tools, books, gifts, and nature-inspired jewelry At the Historic House Gift Shop - tea, tea accessories, and Victorian-inspired gifts At the Garden Gate Plant Shop - plants that do well in our local growing conditions and are included in Green Spring's gardens FROGS receive 10% off at all Green Spring's shops.



GARDEN TALKS With Virginia Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners

Friday, September 14 1:30-2:30 pm Garden Talk: Plant More Natives (16-Adult) Learn how to incorporate native plants into your garden for maximum ecological impact and beauty. VCE master gardeners show you many types of easy-care, native plants that help our native bees and birds and brighten your garden with dazzling color. \$10/person. Code 290 483 3601

Friday, September 28 1:30-2:30 pm Garden Talk: Planting Trees & Shrubs (16-Adult) Learn how to select trees and shrubs that thrive in Northern Virginia. Understand how to handle bareroot, balled, wrapped and container plants. Receive helpful guidance from VCE master gardeners on planting, feeding and caring for new trees and shrubs. \$10/person. Code 290 489 3501

FINE ARTS CLASSES



Saturday, September 8 2-4 pm Visual Arts Workshop: Seeing Beauty (Adults) Photography instructor Tuan Pham helps you seek artistic beauty, sharpen your perception of the natural world and capture that new vision for your photography or other visual arts. Lessons teach insightful observation by masters in arts, science, and mysticism, combined with the presenter's experience in nature photography and mindfulness practice. Use your new mindful sight to broaden what is beautiful in your world and artwork. \$34/person. Code 290 431 3701

Saturday, September 15 9:30 am-3:30 pm Watercolor Workshop: Extreme Closeups (Adults) Focus in on the details of a flower, fruit or vegetable (or anything else) to create beautiful and interesting watercolor paintings with the help of artist and instructor Marni Maree. Close focus is a great way to see things differently as close up details become abstract shapes and then dramatic compositions. Learn and practice watercolor techniques such as wet in wet, pouring, lifting, glazing and more. Bring a lunch. Supply list will be emailed to you before class. \$93/person. Code 290 433 9901 Friday, October 12 Garden Talk: Design, Color & Structure (16-Adult) We've all admired gardens with coordinated color and strong foundations. Let VCE master gardeners show you how trees and shrubs can provide structure and year-round interest, and how to add seasonal splashes of color with annuals and perennials to make your house pop. \$10/ person. Code 290 482 5101

Friday, October 26 Garden Talk: Composting Autumn Leaves (16-Adult) Instead of dragging your garden and yard waste out to the curb week after week, make those leaves work for you by learning how to turn them into black compost for the garden. VCE master gardeners show you how to set up your composting station and what it takes to get it cooking. \$10/person. Code 290 487 5701

Saturday, October 6 9:30 am-3:30 pm Watercolor Workshop: Trees & Leaves (16-Adult) Artist and instructor Dawn Flores provides 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. Supplies emailed before class. Bring a lunch. \$93/person. Code 290 431 6301

Saturday, October 13 Floral Design Demonstration: Tablescapes (Adults) Looking for some design inspiration for your autumn and winter table? Floral designer Betty Ann Galway demonstrates various tablescape ideas that you can replicate at home to make a splendid and festive table. \$43/ person. Code 290 433 6701

Saturday, October 27 Art Workshop: Materials & Techniques (15-Adult) Come to Green Spring Gardens to get an introduction to art techniques and materials. The enthusiastic beginner can sample different art materials such as charcoal, pastel, watercolor, acrylic, oil paints and more as you work through small projects with the guidance of artists Caroline and Erik Hottenstein. Learn about different types of art paper, canvases, print making and chemical safety. \$67/person. Code 290 433 9801

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, unless otherwise noted. 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 703-324-3988.

Thursday, September 13 Thursday, October 18 Garden Tour & Tea (Adults) Tour the glorious fall demonstration gardens with a master gardener docent who will inspire you with stories of Green Spring past and present. Afterwards, enjoy a traditional English afternoon tea. \$32/person. Reservations required.

Sunday, September 16 1-3:30 pm Murder Mystery Tea

(Adults) Local author D.M. Quincy discusses the historical mystery novel and her experiences as a writer of the genre. Hear about her lively and suspenseful novels set in Regency London and the challenges of creating an authentic historical backdrop. Afterwards, enjoy some crime-solving at the tea table. Clues will be provided and at the end of tea, the murderer will be revealed! \$45 (program + tea)/ \$18 (program only). Reservations required.

Saturday, October 6 Special Fall Garden Tour and Tea (Adults) Take the garden path less traveled and explore the beauty of fall on a docent-led tour of Green Spring's woodland stream valley and ponds. Stroll through this lush, naturalistic area and discover its varied plantings, streambank, magnolia bog, and wildlife. Hear the story of our c. 1830 Spring House and the mysterious ruin nearby. \$32 (tour and tea)/\$12 (tour only). Reservations required.





Sunday, October 14 A Chat with Dorothy Parker (Adults) Interpreter Elaine Flynn performs as the incomparable Dorothy Parker, celebrated wit, critic, writer and social satirist during the 1920s. With trademark humor, she takes merciless aim at the social foibles of the day, revealing why she was considered a legend in her own time. \$45 (program + tea)/ \$18 (program only). Reservations required.

Sunday, November 11 1-3 pm What a Coincidence

(Adults) What are the odds? Some coincidences seemingly changed the course of history, yet historians debate the value of happenstance in interpreting the past. Hear theories on why coincidences happen and what they mean, and discover some of the most remarkable known coincidences and chance events in human history. \$32 (program + tea)/ \$12 (program only). Reservations required.

Sunday, November 18 1-3 pm Holiday Windows

(Adults) Black Friday marks the start of holiday shopping season when retailers offer their most extravagant window displays. Hear about the history of holiday window dressing and view magical holiday windows past and present as we unveil the festive season through the shopping glass. \$32 (program + tea)/ \$12 (program only). Reservations required.

Thursday, December 6 Saturday, December 8 Sunday, December 9 Christmas Candlelight Tea

(13-Adult) Over the centuries many poets have written about the season of giving. Hear a selection of beautiful Christmas poems – traditional and contemporary - that will inspire and entertain you as you relax over a special holiday tea by candlelight. Favor bag and door prizes included. \$45/person. Reservations required.

GARDEN SPROUTS/BUDS PLAYGROUPS

One Monday a Month 10 am to 11:30 am GARDEN SPROUTS: NATURE PLAYGROUP (3-6 yrs.) Join our Nature Playgroup. Your preschooler enjoys nature-themed activities while you meet other 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.

September: "Pollinators" October: "Harvest Time" November: "It's Fall" December: "Animals"

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Sept. 10	\$8/child
Oct. 1	\$8/child
Nov. 5	\$8/child
Dec. 3	\$8/child
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One Monday a Month Garden Buds 10 am to 11 am

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

Sept. 17	\$7/child
Oct. 15	\$7/child
Nov. 19	\$7/child
Dec. 17	\$7/child
	Sept. 17 Oct. 15 Nov. 19

SCOUT PROGRAMS

Saturday, September 8 10 am-noon GIRL SCOUT JUNIORS: FLOWERS BADGE Go on a flower hunt, stop and smell the flowers (literally), make some flower art, and go home with a bouquet of fall flowers. \$14/scout. Code: 290 474 4401

Saturday, October 13 GIRL SCOUT CADETTES: TREES BADGE Trees are important to us all. Learn why as we examine the parts of a tree, visit some trees, get tree crafty, and tend to a tree of your own. \$14/scout. Code: 290 474 5101

Saturday, November 17 12:30 pm-1:30 pm CUB SCOUT TIGERS: TIGERS IN THE WILD Tigers, go for a short hike using the Six Essentials, Outdoor Code, and Leave No Trace Principles. Learn how to identify plants and animals that live at Green Spring Gardens. \$6/scout Code 290 477 7601 Saturday, November 17 2:30 pm-4 pm CUB SCOUT WOLVES: GROW SOMETHING Learn about the plants that grow in different environments at Green Spring Gardens. Discover how plants survive in the winter and then plant seeds to take home. \$11/scout. Code 290 475 0001

FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES

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

Saturday, September 15

Family Fun: Monarch Migration 10 am-noon. (5-Adult) Learn about magnificent monarch butterflies and their migration by participating in our site-wide event. Move through the obstacles in our Monarch Migration Course, at your own pace, moving from egg to butterfly and beyond with games, songs and activities. \$10/ participant. Code 290 487 4701

Saturday, October 13

Family Fun: Chips and Salsa

1:30 pm-2:30 pm. (5-Adult) Harvest tomatoes, tomatillos, peppers, onions, and cilantro from the Salsa Garden. Use these fresh ingredients to make a delicious salsa. Enjoy it with crispy corn chips while learning about the history of corn in Virginia and around the world! \$8/person. Code 290 401 3101

Saturday, November 10

Family Fun: Bird Walk

9 am-10:30 am. (5-Adult) Bring the family to Green Spring Gardens for a guided bird walk through the autumn gardens where birds are preparing for winter. Bring your field glasses if you have them, and we'll provide you with a bird search sheet. Warm up with some hot cider and talk with our guide about the birds we see and hear. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. \$10/person. Code 290 484 7101

Saturday, December 1

Family Fun: Ocean Terrarium Workshop 1:30 pm-2:30 pm. (5-Adult) Learn about oceans and enjoy creating an ocean ecosystem open terrarium complete with coral-shaped succulents, sand, shells and an ocean animal figurine. The program is priced per project, not per person. Multiple people can work on one project. \$12/ project. Code 290 482 3701

GREEN SPRING GARDENS' GETAWAYS

Trips may be canceled for inclement weather, and a full refund will be given. If weather is guestionable, please call 703-642-5173. Registrant cancelations received by the trip cancelation deadline will receive a full refund. For registrant cancellations received after the deadline, no refund will be given. Out-of-county registrants add \$15.

Fine Arts, Flowers & Tea, Richmond, VA Friday, October 26* Fee:\$106 (16-Adult) Includes motor coach, exhibit tour and full English tea. Get away to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond to enjoy the 14th Fine Arts & Flowers exhibit, which features dazzling floral design interpretations of masterpieces from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Have a light lunch at the museum and end the day with tea at the Jefferson Hotel. Trip departs Green Spring Gardens at 9 am and arrives back at approximately 6 pm. Cancelation deadline is October 12, 2018. Code 290 493 4101

*Date is incorrect in printed Parktakes

Lewis Ginter Gardenfest of Lights, Richmond, VA Tuesday, December 11 Fee:\$114 (8-Adult) Trip includes motor coach, entrance fee, garden tour and semi-private buffet dinner. Get into the holiday spirit at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens in Richmond. The Gardenfest of Lights features beautiful botanic displays and more than a half million lights arranged in botanical themes throughout the gardens, including an orchid and model train display. Wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather. Trip departs Green Spring Gardens at 2 pm and arrives back at approximately 11 pm. Cancellation date: November 26, 2018. Code 290 491 4101



Art Shows at Green Spring Gardens

August 28-October 28

Horticulture Center

Melanie Bikowski Art & Soul Paintings

Suzie Scollon Birds in Branches Ceramic Tiles

Chris Fedderson The Color of Water **Photographs**

Historic House

Helena O'Neill The Nature We Live In Collages

Receptions: Sun, September 9, 1-3 Horticulture Center & **Historic House**

> Horticulture Center Hours Monday-Saturday, 9 am-4:30 pm Sunday, noon-4:30 pm

Historic House Hours Wednesday-Sunday, noon-4:30 pm

October 30-December 16

Horticulture Center

Springfield Art Guild Art in the Garden Mixed Media

Nereide Ellis Shadows & New Views Photographs

Historic House

Master Art Copyists Why Copy? Paintings

Reception: Sun, November 4, 1-3 Horticulture Center

GARDENERS' HOLIDAY PUPPET SHOW SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

1 pm show and 3 pm show. (2-Adult) Register in advance for one of these festive, holiday puppet shows by a professional troupe. Before or after the show enjoy the Gardeners' holiday open house sponsored by the Friends of Green Spring. \$5/person. SPONSORED BY FRIENDS OF GREEN SPRING.



2018 FAIRFAX COUNTY FARMERS MARKET SCHEDULE

<u>WEDNESDAY</u> Mount Vernon/McCutcheon: Sherwood Library 8 am-noon; May 2-Dec.19

Oak Marr: Oak Marr Recreation Center 8 am-noon; May 2-Nov. 14

Wakefield: Wakefield Park 2-6 pm; May 2-Oct. 31

THURSDAY Annandale: Mason District Park 8 am-noon; May 3-Nov. 1

Herndon: Old Town Herndon, 700 block of Lynn St. 8 am-12:30 pm; April 19-Nov. 8

Fairfax Government Center 3-7 pm; May 3-Oct. 25 (closed on June 7) **FRIDAY**

McLean: Lewinsville Park 8 am-noon; May 4-Nov. 16 (closed on May 19)

Kingstowne: 5935 *Kingstowne Towne Center* 4-7 pm; May 4-Oct. 26

<u>SATURDAY</u> Burke: VRE Parking Lot 8 am-noon; April 14-Dec. 22

Reston: Lake Anne Village Center 8 am-noon; April 21-Dec. 1 (closed on Sept. 22)

SUNDAY

Lorton: VRE Parking Lot 9 am-1 pm; May 6-Nov. 18

For more information, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets or call 703-642-0128.

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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.

Membership (1 year)	\$25	Name:	
Membership (3 year)	\$65	Address:	
Organization (1 year)	\$250		
Patron (1 year)	\$125	Phone:	
Life	\$500	Email:	

• Please make checks payable to FROGS and mail to FROGS Membership, 4603 Green Spring Rd, Alexandria, VA 22312

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- You may pay membership dues with VISA or MASTERCARD online at www.friendsofgreenspring.org or over the phone



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