

Late August-Sept Classes, Workshops, Presentations, Meetings

Denver Botanic Gardens. 8/26: Beginning Bonsai, 9:30-3:30, \$105/\$95 includes materials; **Principles of Pruning**, 9:30-4:30, \$105/\$95; **8/29: Free day. 8/30: Weds Hikes with the Gardens: Wild Mushroom Basics**, 9-3, \$40/\$35. **9/7: How to Plant a Tree: Tree & Shrub Selection & Planting**, 6-9pm, \$44/\$39; **Bluegrass & Other Lawn Grasses**, 6-8:30pm, \$31/\$26; **Keynote Talk & Panel – Where Does Your Water Come From?** 6:30-8pm, \$20/\$15. **9/8: Workshop - Succulent Living Frame**, 9-1, \$85/\$80. **9/9: 9/9: Best Fall Planted Bulbs for Perennializing**, 1-3pm, \$31/\$26. **9/15: Workshop - Grow Year-Round with Aquaponics**, 9-3, \$53/\$49. **9/28: DBG Water-wise Gardens Tour**, 4:15 & 5:15, \$12/\$10; **Lecture: The Summer-Dry Garden w/ Saxon Holt**. 6:30-8pm, \$20/\$15. 1007 York St, Denver, Botanicgardens.org

Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield. Beginning Farmers Workshop Series - 9/8: Indoor Growing, 9-3, \$20, at Rebel Farm, 5445 W Evans Ave, Denver. **9/30: Food Preservation Boot Camp**, 9-4:30, \$120/\$108, DBG at Chatfield. 8500 W Deer Creek Canyon Rd, Littleton.

Denver Rose Society. 8/26: Rocky Mtn District Arrangement Seminar, 9:30-4, \$35 at Kilmers, 7481 Bon Terra Lane, CO Springs; **August Rose Garden Tour**, 9-10:30 at Hudson Gardens, Littleton. **9/14: On a Silken Thread: Spider Fact or Fancy**, 7-9pm, free, at DBG. **DenverRoseSociety.org, (303) 880-7415.**

Echter's Garden Center Classes, 5150 Garrison St, Arvada. Free – No Registration Req. Unless Noted. **9/2: Landscaping Your Colorado Garden**, 10–11 am.; **Planting for Success**, 2–3 pm. **9/9: Gardening in the Fall**, 10–11 am; **Planting Fall Bulbs**, 2–3 pm. **9/16: Harvesting & Preserving Herbs**, 10 -11 am; **The Late Season Garden**, 2–3 pm. **9/23: Terrariums: Gardens Under Glass**, 10–11 am (Materials fee: \$75. Reg. req.); **Succulent Planter Workshop**, 2–3 pm, (Materials fee: \$75. Reg. req.). **9/30: Orchids**, 10–11 am; **The Art of Bonsai**, 2–3:30 pm. 303-424-7979, www.echters.com

Fort Collins Nursery. 9/17: Classic Miniature Gardening, 11-12:30 & 1:30-3. \$40. Reg & info: FortCollinsNursery.com or (970) 482-1984. 2121 E. Mulberry St.

The Gardens on Spring Creek. 9/2: Summer Bounty, 1-3pm, \$35. Recipes for ways to cook with this summer's fruits & vegetables; **Southern Rocky Mtn Fungi**, 10-12, \$18. **9/9: Homemade Garden Salves & Balms**, 10-12, \$30; **Making Herbal Jellies**, 1-3pm, \$30. **9/23: Macro (Close up) Photography in the Garden**, 10-12, \$40; **Beekeeping through the Four Seasons: Fall**, 1-3pm, \$18. **9/21: 10/7: Preparing Your Yard for Fall & Winter Bird Feeding**, 10-12, \$18. 2145 S Centre Ave, Ft. Collins. fcgov.com/horticulture or (970) 416-2486.

Growing Gardens Greenhouse. 10/19; Beekeeping Series: 8/26: Fall & Winter Care, 9-12. 1630 Hawthorn Ave, Boulder, growinggardens.org

Hudson Gardens. 9/5: Meet the Vegetable Gardener, 9:30-11:30. Drop by the Vegetable Garden to observe Colorado Master Gardener Volunteers doing what they do best! **9/13: Overwintering Honeybee Hives**, 6-8pm, \$30. **9/16: Meet the Beekeeper**, 9:30-11:30, free. Stop by the Apiary while Hudson Gardens' beekeepers are working their hives, and observe live, active beehives and real-life

management techniques. Register: shop.HudsonGardens.org or (303) 797-8565 X306. 6115 S Sante Fe Dr, Littleton.

Harlequin's Gardens Sustainable Nursery. 8/27: Low Tech Greenhouse Design & Operation, 1pm. 9/17: Pruning for Strength, Health & Beauty, 1pm. Pre-reg. advised. www.HarlequinsGardens.com 4795 26th St, N. Boulder. (303) 939-9403.

Tagawa Gardens. 9/9: Planting Fall Bulbs for Spring Color, 10-11am; Choosing & Planting the Right Tree for the Right Location, 12-1:15pm; Soil Testing Workshop, 2-3:30. 9/10: Fall Lawn Care, 1-2pm. 9/16: Fall Chile & Tomatopalooza: Preserving Fresh Chilies & Peppers, 10-11am; Biggest, Tastiest, & Weirdest Tomato Contest, 12pm. 9/23: Growing Great Garlic, 10-11am; Herbal Infused Cooking Oils, 2-3pm. 9/30: Beekeeping: Bee the Solution, Not the Problem, 10-11am; 7711 S. Parker Rd, Centennial. TagawaGardens.com, (303) 690-4722.

Oct, Nov, Dec Classes, Workshops. Presentations, Meetings

Colorado Horticultural Therapy Institute, Fundamentals of Horticultural Therapy Class, Oct 19-22, Anchor Center for Blind Children, 2550 Roslyn St, Denver. Pre-registration req. Learn how to combine a passion for gardening and helping people through the innovative field of horticultural therapy. **The Institute trains horticultural therapists to work in a wide range of settings from hospitals & schools to public gardens & rehab facilities.** The certificate program is accredited by American Horticultural Therapy Assoc. Students also earn college credit through Colorado State University. Class cost: \$800 (\$650 for full-time students). www.htinstitute.org or [303-388-0500](tel:303-388-0500) for more info.

Denver Botanic Gardens. 10/5: Garden Guru Tour, 10-11am. 10/7: Beginning Bonsai, 9-3pm, \$105/\$95; Putting Your Rose Garden to Bed, 10-12, \$32/\$27. 10/8: Folk Cures & Kitchen Remedies, 9-12, \$65/\$60. 10/12: Beginning Rocky Mtn Gardening, 6-8:30pm, \$90/\$80; Creating a Hobby Greenhouse, 6-8:30; Battling the Japanese Beetle, 6:30-8pm. 10/29: Bat Encounter, Live! 1-2pm & 2:30-3:30. 11/2: Pollinator Summit – Every Flower Counts, 8-4, \$35 includes lunch. 11/4: Understanding Front Range Soils, 9-12, \$92/\$85; 11/7: All Natural Skin Care, 6-8pm, \$68/\$63. 11/16: Gifts from the Herb Garden, 6-8pm, \$59/\$54. 1007 York St, Denver. Botanicgardens.org

Fort Collins Nursery. 10/15: Spooky Miniature Gardening, 11-12:30; Classic Miniature Gardening, 1:30-3. 11/19: Classic Miniature Gardening, 11-12:30 & 1:30-3. 11/18: Holiday Open House. 12/10: Holiday Miniature Gardening, 11-12:30; Classic Miniature Gardening, 1:30-3. Classes \$40. Reg. & info: FortCollinsNursery.com or (970) 482-1984. 2121 E. Mulberry St

The Gardens on Spring Creek. 10/14: Design in the Gardens, 10-12, \$18; Artisan Pumpkin Desserts, 1-3pm, \$30.. 11/18: Create Your Own Indoor Bonsai, 10-12, \$45. 2145 S Centre Ave, Ft. Collins. fcgov.com/horticulture or (970) 416-2486.

Plant Sales & Shows

Sept 9-10

Rocky Mtn Bonsai Society Show & Sale, 9-9. View majestic trees on a miniature scale. Features about 80

of the society's finest specimens. Denver Botanic Gardens, 1007 York St.

CO Dahlia Society's Annual Northern CO Show at Loveland Public Library, 1-4 pm.
www.coloradodahlias.net.

Sept 23

Rocky Mtn African Violet Council Fall Sale, 9-3. Explore a variety of African violets & their beautiful relatives, grown & tended by members of Rocky Mtn African Violet Council. Tagawa Gardens, 7711 S. Parker Rd, Centennial.

Sept 23-24

Fall Plant & Bulb Sale at Denver Botanic Gardens, 9-5. Hundreds of bulbs and Grown at the Gardens plants offered, along with expert advice. Sale is on the West Terrace. 1007 York St. Denver. botanicgardens.org

Sat, Oct 14

African Violet Show & Sale at Echter's Garden Center, 10-3. Gloxinia, Gesneriad Growers - a great opportunity to find unusual varieties & learn from experts. **Fall Quilt Show Oct 6-8.** 303-424-7979
www.echters.com, 5150 Garrison St, Arvada.

EVENTS

Sept 8-10

CO Native Plant Society Annual Conference, CO Springs. Fri, Sept. 8: 14th Annual Colorado Rare Plant Symposium, 8:30-4:30, \$10. Slocum Commons, Colorado College. E. Cache la Poudre, CO Springs. Register: Conps.org

Sept 9

Denver Urban Homestead Tour, 10-3. Self-guided tour of local urban homesteads. \$5. botanicgardens.org

Harlequin's Gardens 6th Annual Taste of Tomato. 10-1. A tomato tasting festival! Bring 3 of your favorite homegrown tomatoes for free entry (10 cherry). Gateway Park Fun Center, 4800 N. 28th St., N. Boulder, sponsored by Harlequin's Gardens & CSU Ext. Details: harlequinsgardens.com or (303) 939-9403.

Lafayette Brew Fest at Lafayette Florist. Noon-7pm. 600 S Public Rd, Lafayette, CO.
www.lafayetteflorist.com, 303 665-5552

Sept 15-Oct 29

Chatfield Farms Corn Maze. Get lost in our 7-acre corn maze. Fri & Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5. 8500 W Deer Creek Canyon Rd, Littleton.

Sept 16

Nature's Harvest Festival at The Gardens on Spring Creek, 9-2. Cooking & urban homesteading workshops, butterfly releases, fresh produce tastings, local artisans, kid's activities, food vendors. \$2 suggested donation. 2145 S Centre Ave, Ft Collins. fcgov.com/horticulture or (970) 416-2486.

PPUG Garlic Jubilee at Woodman Heights Community Church, CO Springs, 9-1. \$10. Ppug.org

Giant Pumpkin Festival at Jared's Nursery Gift & Garden Center, 10-5. Pumpkin drop, pumpkin weigh off, music, food & beer. 10500 W Bowles Ave, Littleton. Jaredsgarden.com

Oct 7

Annual Pumpkin & Veggie Weigh-off at Nick's Garden Center, 2001 S Chambers Rd, Aurora. Nicksgardencenter.com, 303 696-6657

Oct 7-8, 14-15, 21-22

Pumpkin Festival at Tagawa Gardens, 7711 S. Parker Rd, Centennial. TagawaGardens.com

Oct 13-15

Pumpkin Festival at Chatfield Farms. Enjoy a day of fall activities at Chatfield Farms. 8500 W Deer Creek Canyon Rd, Littleton.

Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off & Fall Jamboree at Fort Collins Nursery. Cash prizes & awards, live music, beer tent, food trucks, kid's activities. 2121 E Mulberry, Ft. Collins. www.fortcollinsnursery.com

Oct 18 & 19, 25 & 26

Glow at the Gardens, Denver Botanic Gardens. 5:30-9:30pm. 100's of carved, glowing jack-o-lanterns. Live music, face painting, costume contest, scavenger hunt, crafts & LED circus performers. \$10-\$16, tickets limited. Botanicgardens.org 1007 York St. Denver.

Oct 21

Halloween Enchanted Garden at the The Gardens on Spring Creek, 10-2. A day of magical amusement and old-fashioned fun celebrating Halloween, especially planned for children 8 & under. Wear your costume and be ready for some magical (never frightening) fun. \$5 per child. 2145 S Centre Ave, Ft Collins

Nov 24-Jan 1

Blossoms of Light at Denver Botanic Gardens, 5-9pm. This annual holiday lights extravaganza transforms York St. location into a twinkling winter wonderland. \$10-\$20. Tickets limited, 1007 York St, Denver. botanicgardens.org

December - Jan 8

Garden of Lights at The Gardens on Spring Creek. Stroll through whimsically decorated, twinkling Gardens lit by hundreds of thousands of LED lights. Visit with Santa Fri-Suns. 2145 S Centre Dr, Ft Collins fcgov.com/gardens.

SAVE the DATE – Feb 10, 2018

3rd Annual Landscaping w/ Colorado Native Plants Conference at Denver Botanic Gardens. Keynote Speaker: Panayoti Kelaidis. [www:landscapingwithcoloradonativeplants.org](http://www.landscapingwithcoloradonativeplants.org)