

## Classes & Workshops

### May

**Adams County CSU Ext. Garden Classes.** Adams County Fairgrounds Parks Meeting Rooms, 9755 Henderson Rd, Brighton. **5/6: Vegetable Varieties for Colorado, 10-12.** All the specifics of tomato care from irrigation to fertilization to harvest & beyond. 303-637-8016. Register: [tinyurl.com/hdos964](http://tinyurl.com/hdos964)

**CSU Ext. Native Plant Master Program Classes.** **5/16: Basic Botany, 6-9pm.** **5/14 & 5/31: Wildflowers of Green Mountain, 8:30am–12:30pm.** **5/18: Plant Families of Colorado, 6-9pm.** **5/24: Painting the Native Landscape, 11:30am-4pm.** Register: [npm.eventbrite.com](http://npm.eventbrite.com)

**Denver Botanic Gardens.** 1007 York St, Denver. **5/4: Introduction to Xeriscape, 6-7:30pm, \$20-\$24.** **5/5: A Simple Guide to Planning a Seed Garden, 3pm.** **5/6: Invitation to Ikebana: Contemporary, 2-4pm; DIY Herbal Gifts, 2-5pm.** **5/7: Passive Solar Greenhouse Growing, 9:30-12.** **5/11: Crops in Pots, 6-8:30pm.** **5/13: Edible Wild Foods Gourmet, 9-12.** **5/16: Gardening for Pollinators, 6-9pm.** **Birds & Bees Walk, 4:15 & 5:15pm.** **5/18: Converting Lawn to Xeriscape, 6-7:30pm.** **5/19: Beginning Farmers Workshop Series: Growing for Market, 9-3; Workshop: Native Pollinator Habitats, 9am.** **5/20: Ancient Art of Wild Fermentation, 10-noon.** **5/21: Seasonal Discoveries Tour, 2-3pm.** **5/23: Seven Principles of Water-Smart Gardening, 6-8pm.** **5/25: Lecture: Rock Gardening: Reimagining a Classic Style, 6:30pm; Tour: Rock Alpine Garden, 4:15 & 5:15pm.** **5/26: Workshop: Trough Garden Planting, 9am.** **5/30: Be a Bee Advocate Workshop, 6-9pm.** **5/31: Every Drop Counts Tour, 9:30-10:30am; Juno: Queen of Irises w/ Tony Hall, 6-8pm.** **6/2: Workshop- Residential Greywater Reuse, 9am-4pm.** Registration: [BotanicGardens.org](http://BotanicGardens.org) or (720) 865-3500.

**The Gardens on Spring Creek.** **5/6: Gardening for Insects – or Not! 10-noon, \$18; Introduction to Urban Homesteading, 1-3pm, \$18.** **5/20: Just Drip It! Covers the basics of drip irrigation, 10-noon, \$10; Tree Pruning Secrets Revealed, 1-3pm, \$18.** **5/25: Just Drip It, 5:30-7:30pm, \$10.** 2145 S Centre Ave, Ft. Collins. [fcgov.com/horticulture](http://fcgov.com/horticulture) or 970 416-2486

**Growing Gardens Greenhouse Beekeeping series.** **5/20: Honeybee Colony Care I I, 9-noon.** St John's Episcopal Church, 1419 Pine St, Boulder. For more info: [growinggardens.org](http://growinggardens.org)

**Gulley Greenhouse Classes,** Fort Collins. **5/6: Photography w/ Michael Wilcox, Loveland Photographic Soc., 10 am, \$15 Teens & Adults.** **5/13: Art in the Greenhouse w/ Trish Murtha-Loveland Watercolor Artist, 10 am, \$30 Teens & Adults.** **5/20-21: Master Gardeners will answer your gardening questions 10-4, Free.** **5/20: Habitat Hero w/ Ann Grant, Wildscape Ambassador for Audubon Rockies, 9 am. Free.** **5/27: Rethinking the Role of Food in Your Life & Community w/ Dawn Thilmany McFadden, CSU Prof. & Agribusiness Ext. Economist, 10 am \$15, Teens & Adults.** [www.gulleygreenhouse.com](http://www.gulleygreenhouse.com), 970 223-4769. 6029 S. Shields, 80526.

**Harding Nursery.** **5/6: Growing the Best Tomatoes in the Pikes Peak Region w/ Larry Stebbins, 9-11am; Fairy Gardens, 1pm.** [Hardingnursery.com](http://Hardingnursery.com) 721 N Powers Blvd, Colorado Springs 719-596-5712

**Harlequin's Gardens Nursery.** **5/13: Combating Climate Change in Your Garden, 10am.** **5/20: The Whole is Greater than the Parts: From Native Plants to Native Landscapes, 10am.** **5/21: Natives in the Garden, 1pm.**

5/27: Native Bees for the Youngsters, 10am. 6/3: Beneficial Insects, 10am; Growing Antique Roses for Beauty, Fragrance, & Reliability, 1pm. Pre-registration advised. [www.HarlequinsGardens.com](http://www.HarlequinsGardens.com) 4795 26th St, N. Boulder. 303 939-9403.

**Pikes Peak Urban Gardens. 5/20: Bugs in the Garden: Organic Methods for Controlling Unwanted Insects & Other Pests in Your Vegetable Garden**, 10-11:30am, \$10. 1001 E. Van Buren St., CO springs. [ppugardens.org](http://ppugardens.org) 719-651- 3416

**Sturtz & Copeland Classes. 5/17: All About Roses**, 6-8pm, free. [sturtzandcopeland.com](http://sturtzandcopeland.com). 2851 Valmont Rd, Boulder. (303) 442-6663.

**Tagawa Gardens. 5/5 & 5/7: Touch of the Tropics: Hot Weather Container Gardening** w/ Rob Proctor, 11am-1pm May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1-3pm May 7<sup>th</sup>. 5/6: **Pruning 101** w/ Craig Miller, 1-2pm. 5/13-5/14: **35<sup>th</sup> Annual Mother's Day Open House**. 5/19: **Interactive Perennial Gardening Demo**, 11am-1pm. 5/20: **Planting Combinations for Great Pocket Gardens**, 1-2pm. 5/21: **Interactive Perennial Gardening Demo**, 1-3pm. 7711 S Parker Rd, Centennial. [TagawaGardens.com](http://TagawaGardens.com) or 303 690-4722.

## June

**CSU Twilight Garden Series, Fort Collins. 6/13: Celebrating Native Plants-** Native Woody & Perennial Plant Walks, Designing with Native Plants Tips & Tricks at The Gardens on Spring Creek, 2145 Centre Ave. 6/20: **Promoting Pollinators-** Bee Friendly Plants, Native Pollinators, Plants that Attract Butterflies at Trial Gardens, 1401 Remington St. 6/27: **Bringing the Trial Gardens Home-** Top Perennials from CSU Trials, New Perennial Display/Research Garden Tour, New and Unique Annuals at Trial Gardens. Tuesdays, 6-8pm. \$10 one event, all 3 events \$25. More info: 970-491-7019 [hortla.agsci.colostate.edu](http://hortla.agsci.colostate.edu)

## Meetings

**Denver Rose Society.** Monthly meeting open to the public at Denver Botanic Gardens Plant Society House, 1007 York St. [Denverrosesociety.org](http://Denverrosesociety.org), 303 880-7415. Visitors & guests always welcome.

**Dig & Dream Garden Club** meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 12 noon at Smokey Hill Library, 5430 Biscay Circle, Centennials. We share gardening ideas & have speakers on many topics. Join us for a meeting, meet friendly men & women who love to garden. Info: Gayle 720-427-7194, Aggie 701 663-2006

## EVENTS, WORKSHOPS, PRESENTATIONS

**Harlequin's Gardens Nursery. Annual May Day Celebration 5/6 & 7, May Day Sale 5/1-7,**

### May 6-June 4

**Desert Canyon Farm Open Days Workshops**, 1270 Field Ave, Canon City. 5/6: **Gardener's Roundtable** w/ James – bring questions, 10-11am; **Hops (Growing, Harvesting, Using)**, 1-2pm. 5/7: **Growing an Herb Garden in Arid S. Colorado**, 1-2pm; **Ways to Welcome Pollinators to Gardens**, 2:30-3:30pm. 5/13: **How to Use Tonic Herbs for Health & Well-Being**, 10-11am; **Cattail Moonshine & Other Plants You'll Want to Know**, 1-2pm. 5/14: **Plants for Fairy & Miniature Gardens**, 1-2pm; **Basic Beekeeping**, 2:30-3:30. 5/20: **Feed Yourself Year Round from Your Garden**, 10-11am; **Homesteading... Establishing a Semi-Self sufficient property**, 1-2pm.

5/21: Plant a Garden to Attract Wild Birds, 1-2pm; Beekeeping Insights, 2:30-3:30pm. 5/27: Herbs for Delicious Potatoes, 10-11am; Using Weeds as Food & Medicine, 1-2pm. 5/28: Edible Flowers & Ways to Cook with Them, 1-2pm; Attract Monarch & Other Butterflies to Gardens, 2:30-3:30pm. 6/3: Plants of the Desert Garden Tour, 10-11am; Making Herbal Salves Demo, 1-2pm. 6/4: Herbs for a Fragrance Garden, 1-2pm; Desert Canyon Farm Tour Walk-About, 2:30-3:30. No pets, Info: [DesertCanyonFarm.wordpress.com](http://DesertCanyonFarm.wordpress.com)

### May 6

**Pikes Peak Herb Fest**, 9-4 rain or shine. Over 50 local vendors. Lush herbs, fruit trees, vegetable starts, seeds. Local food, herbs for body, mind & kitchen. Tour a tiny house, attend great classes, free chai on tap. [PeakHerbFest.com](http://PeakHerbFest.com) for list of vendors & more info. Aspen Pointe Café in the El Paso County Citizens Service Center, 1675 Garden of the Gods Rd, CO Springs. \$3 adults, \$1 seniors, students & children free.

### May 6 & 20

**Purge Your Spurge & Get Free Plants! 5/6 at ReSource**, 6400 Arapahoe Rd, Boulder. **5/20 at CSU Extension**, 888 E Illiff Ave, Denver. Pull myrtle spurge from your garden (a common plant that, if left unchecked, can quickly outcompete native plants & invade natural areas) and bring it to one of these events to receive free native plants. 9 – noon. Check “purge your spurge” on Facebook for more info.

### May 18

**Bonfils Stanton Lecture at Denver Botanic Gardens: Restoring Nature’s Relationships with Doug Talley**, entomologist and wildlife ecologist, author of *Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens*. 6:30-8:00 pm

### May 20

**Bloomapalooza at the Butterfly Pavilion**. 9-5. This nature filled extravaganza celebrates the wonder of flowers and the pollinators who make their growth possible. 6252 W 104<sup>th</sup> Ave, Westminster [www.butterflies.org](http://www.butterflies.org) 303 469-5441

**Northern Water Conservation Gardens Fair**, 9:30-2. Seminars, expert advice, Conservation Gardens tour, updates on technology & more. Free, 220 Water Ave, Berthoud. [www.northernwater.org](http://www.northernwater.org)

### June 8-10

**Four Corners Horticultural Conference**, at Fort Lewis College. Horticultural All Stars David Salman, Mike Kintgen, Kelly Grummons, Mike Bone, Don & Donnie Barnett, Andrew Hatch, Jim Klett, Pat Hayward & Jeff Wagner. Learn from the experts about crevice, rock, alpine & steppe gardens; native & water-wise plants including cacti; DogTuff grass & xeric groundcovers; conifers; and orchids. Details & registration at [durangobotanicalsociety.com](http://durangobotanicalsociety.com)

### Sun, June 11

**Pikes Peak Urban Gardens** hosts a screening of award winning documentary *Seed: The Untold Story*, featuring Vandana Shiva, Dr. Jane Goodall, Andrew Kimbrell, Winona Laduke, Raj Patel. Details & registration Colorado Springs. [PPUG.org](http://PPUG.org) 719-651- 3416

### July 23-28

**35<sup>th</sup> Perennial Plant Symposium** held this year in Denver. Includes 28 class sessions, 6 industry tours, trade show & endless networking. Full details & registration at [www.ppdenver.com/#hortiholics2017reunion](http://www.ppdenver.com/#hortiholics2017reunion).

## PLANT SHOWS & SALES

**May 6 & 7, 13 & 14, 20 & 21**

**Growing Gardens 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Plant Sale**, 8am-4pm. Organic and Bee-Safe tomato, veggie & herb starts are grown right in our own community greenhouse. [growinggardens.org](http://growinggardens.org) 1630 Hawthorn Ave, Boulder. (303) 443-9952

**May 11-13**

**Denver Botanic Gardens Spring Plant Sale.** Preview party Thurs 4-8. Sale Fri 8-6 & Sat 8-5. Fifteen plant divisions, including Herbs, Grown at the Gardens, Hanging Baskets, Plant Select, Water-Smart, Roses, Mixed Succulents & more. Staffed by experts to answer your plant questions and offer excellent advice. Free admission to the plant sale & the Gardens. %10 member discount on plants. [Botanicgardens.org](http://Botanicgardens.org) 1007 York St, Denver. 720-865-3501

**May 12-14**

**Gardens on Spring Creek Spring Plant Sale.** The Gardens will have just what you need to grow a beautiful landscape, bountiful veggie garden, and lively containers this spring! Members only Friday 3-6, Public hours Saturday 9-4 & Sunday noon-5. Proceeds support horticulture programs at CSU, FRCC, High Plains Environmental Center, & The Gardens. 2145 S Centre Ave, Ft. Collins. [fcgov.com/horticulture](http://fcgov.com/horticulture) or 970 416-2486

**Sat, May 13**

**Boulder Garden Club Annual Plant Sale.** 9-noon. Unitarian Universalist Church, 5001 Pennsylvania Ave, Boulder. [Bouldergardenclub.org](http://Bouldergardenclub.org)

**Happy Transplants 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Sale.** Perennials, annuals, vegetables, herbs. 9-3pm or until sold out. Vectra Bank Parking Lot, SW Corner of 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave & Irving, Westminster.

**High Plains Environmental Center Grand Opening & Native Plant Sale**, 9-3. 2968 Bluestem Willow Dr, Loveland. [Suburbitat.org](http://Suburbitat.org)

**Loveland Garden Club Plant Sale, Antique & Artisan Market**, 9-2. Annuals, perennials, vegetable starts, herbs, silent auction, live music, garage & bake sale, vintage garden collectibles, artisan market. All Saint's Episcopal Church 3448 N Taft, Loveland.

**May 19-21**

**Horticulture Art Society of CO Springs Gigantic Annual Spring Plant Sale.** Friday & Saturday 9-5, Sunday 9-4. Achieve your gardening dreams while supporting the Horticultural Art Society's public gardens in your community. Our friendly, knowledgeable and passionate volunteer gardeners can help you find those unique and fabulous plants suited for your specific garden needs. H.A.S. Demonstration Garden, 222 Mesa Rd & Glen Ave, CO Springs.

**May 20-21**

**Denver Master Gardener 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Plant Sale**, Saturday 8-3, Sunday 10-3. Featuring heirloom tomatoes, New Mexico chiles, annuals & perennials. Master Gardeners on hand to answer all of your questions! Rain or shine. CSU Denver Extension, 888 E Iliff Ave, Denver. 720-913-5270

**May 20**

**Front Range Organic Gardeners & The Herb Society of America- Rocky Mtn Unit 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Plant Sale.** Sat, 9-1. Huge selection of organically grown herbs, tomatoes, vegetables, annuals,

perennials. Cash only. Denver Presbytery Center. 1710 S. Grant St., Denver.

**Sat, June 3**

**Fairmount Heritage Rose Sale**, 8am until sold out. Follow signs to Chapel in the Pines. Fairmount Cemetery, 430 S. Quebec St, Denver. 303-399-0692

**Sun, June 4**

**Colorado Water Garden Society Annual Plant Sale**. CWGS Members Only, 9am – 10am; General Public, 10am – 2pm, The Hudson Gardens & Event Center. Contact: Vicki Aber, (303) 423-9216 For more details, go to: <http://www.colowatergardensociety.org/>

**Garden Tours**

**Sat, June 3**

**Whittier-Mapleton 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Garden Tour**, Boulder, 10am-3pm. Showcasing eight outstanding gardens in the historic Mapleton Hill neighborhood. All tickets sales directly support Whittier International School. \$15 before June 3<sup>rd</sup>, \$20 day of event. [WhittierGardenTour.com](http://WhittierGardenTour.com)

**Sat, June 10 & July 1**

**Colorado Native Plant Society Denver Area Garden Tour**, 8am-4pm. Tour eight Denver area gardens on 6/10 for \$35. Tour 5+ Boulder gardens on 7/1 for \$30. Visit [CoNPS.org](http://CoNPS.org)

**17<sup>th</sup> Annual Enchanted Gardens of Northwest Denver Tour**. Tickets \$15 before May 15, \$20 after, available at the Conflict Center. Proceeds benefit [www.conflictcenter.org](http://www.conflictcenter.org) 303-433-4983

**Old Town Lafayette Garden Tour**, 9am-2pm. Five cottage gardens, Artist Demo at 10am at Sister Carmen's Community Garden. Free artist reception & demonstration at 2pm at The Collective, 201 N Public Rd. Tickets \$10, Advance tickets \$8 at Lafayette Florist.

**Sat, June 17**

**Park Hill Garden Walk**, 9am-3pm. Proceeds benefit Greater Park Hill Community, Inc. Info & tickets: [Parkhillgardenwalk.org](http://Parkhillgardenwalk.org)

**Loveland Garden Tour & Art Show, "Unique Cottage Gardens."** Benefits Loveland Youth

Gardeners. 8am-2pm. \$15 in advance, \$18 day of tour. Lovelandyouthgardeners.org

### **June 24 & 25**

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Purely Ponds Parade of Ponds self guided Charity pond tour.** 9-5. All net profits will be matched & donated to the Boys & Girls Club of the Pikes Peak Region by Purely Ponds Fine Landscapes. Tickets with tour map just \$5. Available online at [purelyponds.com/parade-of-ponds/](http://purelyponds.com/parade-of-ponds/) & at all 3 Pioneer Sand locations in CO Springs, Monument, & the Black Forest. 717-896-0038

**7th annual FOX (Friends Of eXtension) Open Garden Tour in Colorado Springs,** 9am-3pm, Patty Jewett neighborhood, \$20. Proceeds support projects for CSU Extension in El Paso County. For ticket info: [extensionfriends.org](http://extensionfriends.org).

### **Sat, July 1**

**Co Native Plant Society Boulder Garden tour,** 8am-12pm. Tour 5+ gardens for \$30. Visit [CoNPS.org](http://CoNPS.org).