Phases in Development of Collected Bonsai Trees
Saturday, January 18 • 10 AM–12 PM
Presentation with class discussion of actual, collected Bonsai trees. Topic will cover phases in Bonsai development from initial collection procedures to final refinement.

Application of Wire in Bonsai
Sunday, February 2 • 10 AM–12 PM
Presentation of wiring terms and procedures, followed by hands–on work and demonstration. Students need to bring in soil screening materials, 2.5mm aluminum wire and some Bonsai pots. Also recommended students bring in a Bonsai pine or juniper tree of their own to work on.

Bonsai procedures for Fungus and Pest Management
Saturday, March 28 • 10 AM–12 PM
Presentation of terms, recommended procedures and products available for use in controlling fungus and harmful insects.

Fertilization methodology and procedures in Bonsai
Sunday, April 5 • 10 AM–12 PM
Presentation of terms, recommended procedures and products available to fertilize Bonsai trees. Students will learn recommended general and species specific fertilization procedures for Bonsai trees in all stages of development.
Leaping to SOLUTIONS
Climate Change Symposium

February 29, 2020
10 AM — 4 PM

Looking for a unique way to celebrate Leap Day? Join us on this auspicious day to learn about climate change and its impacts at our climate change symposium.

Featured Speakers

Dr. Jeremy Hoffman
Chief Scientist at the Science Museum of Virginia

Dr. Michael Allen
Assistant Professor of Geography at Old Dominion University

Skip Stiles
Executive Director of Wetlands Watch

Featured Panelists

Scott A. Smith
City of Norfolk Public Works, Coastal Resiliency

Charles J. Bodnar and Sue E. Kriebel
City of Virginia Beach Public Works, Stormwater Engineering Center

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Elizabeth River Project’s
2nd Annual Youth Resilience Expo
February 29, 2020

Students in grades K-12 will showcase innovative solutions that address flooding, resilience actions, and reducing their carbon footprint at their schools.

February

02/02 Bonsai Study Group
02/03 Homeschool in the Garden: Seeds 101
02/04 Horticulture and History of Coffee
02/05 Introduction to Landscape Design (5–Week Class)
02/07 Owl Meet & Greet
02/07 Winter Tree ID Walk & Talk
02/08 Intro to Indoor Plants
  Galantines Essential Oils
02/10 Monday Garden Yoga (4–Week Class)
  Homeschool in the Garden: Garden Lifecycles
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  Light Painting and Writing Photography
  Origami: Valentine Rose
02/12 Wednesday Garden Yoga (4–Week Class)
02/13 Winter Pruning
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02/15 Watercolors: Heron and Reflections in Marsh
  Saturday Yoga: Couples Yoga
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02/17 Little Sprout Explorers: Silly Snails
02/18 Unusual Houseplants
02/19 Wednesday Oil Painting (8–Week Class)
  Conifers of Southeast Virginia
  Mother Nature’s Road Show: Chesapeake Bay
02/20 Thursday Oil Painting (8–Week Class)
02/24 Little Sprout Explorers: Totally Trees
02/25 Ballroom Dancing: Bachata (4–Week Class)
  Shadows in the Night
02/27 Dead of Winter Walk & Talk
02/28 Fairy & Gnome Garden Homes
02/29 Leaping to Solutions Climate Change Symposium

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**Peak Bloom**

First 3 Weeks of March

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  - With Horticulturist Joelle Miller
  - **Friday, March 13 • 10–11:30 AM**

- **Spring Bulbs & Blooms Walk & Talk ✨**
  - With Curator of Herbaceous Plants Michelle Baudanza
  - **Sunday, March 15 • 11 AM–12:30 PM**

- **Narcissus & Other Early Spring Bloomers Walk & Talk ✨**
  - With Director of Horticulture Les Parks
  - **Saturday, March 21 • 10–11:30 AM**

- **Bulbs and Blooms American Sign Language Tour Walk & Talk ✨**
  - With Horticulturist Jeremy Brelan
  - **Thursday, April 9 • 1–2:30 PM**

- **Watercolors - Daffodils ✨**
  - With artist Diana Davis
  - **Saturday, March 21 • 9 AM–1:30 PM**

- **Origami - Daffodils ✨**
  - With paper artist Rich Gray
  - **Tuesday, March 17 • 6:30–8:30 PM**
April

04/01  Landscape for Life (5-Week Class)
04/02  Cupcake Decorating
04/04  Saturday Outdoor Yoga  
       Sustainable Gardening  
       Spring Cleaning Essential Oils
04/05  Bonsai Study Group  
       Girl Scout Outdoor Art Day
04/07  Grow Vegetables, Annuals, and Perennials from Seed  
       Homegrown Tea: Medicinal Plant Gardens  
       Home Solar Seminar
04/09  Bulbs & Blooms American Sign Language Tour  
       Floral Design Workshop: Easter Spring Centerpiece
04/10  Family Twilight Trek
04/11  Watercolors: The Japanese Garden in Watercolor
04/14  Portrait Photography
04/15  Deciduous Azaleas  
       Storybook Tea Party
04/16  Earth Day: Party for the Planet
04/18  Azalea Walk & Talk
04/20  Monday Garden Yoga (4-Week Class)
04/21  Cut Flowers for the Home Gardener  
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       Origami: Butterfly
04/22  Wednesday Oil Painting (8-Week Class)  
       Wednesday Garden Yoga (4-Week Class)  
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04/24  Fairy & Gnome Garden Homes  
       Tidewater African Violet Society Show & Sale
04/25  Azalea Pruning Workshop  
       Annuals for the Long, Hot Summer to Come
04/28  Hummingbird Container Workshop  
       Garden Stars

Home Cleaning Products & Natural Pesticides
With Retired Extension Agent Lynette Swanson
Saturday, February 15 • 10 AM–12 PM  
$25 ($35 for not-yet-members)
Make effective and eco-friendly products for your garden and home. Students will take home cleaning samples.  
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Worm Composting
With Master Gardener Kandy Keith
Tuesday, March 10 • 6:30–8:30 PM  
$40 ($55 for not-yet-members)
Turn your kitchen waste into a dark rich soil conditioner. Each participant will make a working compost bin, complete with starter worms!  
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Backyard Composting 101
With Horticulturist Mary Toth
Thursday, March 26 • 1–3 PM  
$10 ($15 for not-yet-members)
This class will teach you how to compost your food scraps and yard waste, which compost bin fits your needs and how to maximize the composting process.  
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Landscape for Life (5-Week Class)
With Adult Education Manager & Certified Instructor Alexandra Cantwell  
Wednesdays, April 1 – April 29 • 1–3 PM  
$55 ($70 for not-yet-members)
Learn environmentally friendly gardening practices based on the principles of the Sustainable Sites Initiative®. Participants will cover a variety of topics as they assess and design their own properties. Students will receive associated texts and will be awarded a certificate of completion by the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center and US Botanic Garden.  
10 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Sustainable Gardening
With Horticulturist Scott Blair
Saturday, April 4 • 9:30–11:30 AM  
$10 ($15 for not-yet-members)
Learn how developing a more interactive relationship with nature can benefit you. This class covers the basics of utilizing natural conditions, optimizing outdoor space, and learning how to integrate edible plants into your yard.  
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Home Solar Seminar
With Nolie Diakoulas of Convert Solar  
Tuesday, April 7 • 6:30–7:30 PM  
$10 ($15 for not-yet-members)
Learn how solar power will work at your home by creating clean energy and saving on utility costs.
Orchids 101
With Horticulturist Joelle Miller
Saturday, January 18 • 9:30–11:30 AM
or Tuesday, January 28 • 1–3 PM
$35 ($45 for not–yet–members)
Think you can’t grow orchids? Come to this class and learn how easy it can be! All attendees will receive an orchid to take home with them after the class.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Intro to Indoor Plants
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Saturday, February 8 • 11 AM–1 PM
$20 ($30 for not–yet–members)
Learn the basics of houseplant care, and the benefits of why they should be included in your home. Gain an understanding of common houseplants, from ID to troubleshooting—and take home one of your very own!
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Broadleaf Evergreens for Tidewater
With Horticulturist Jeremy Breland
Tuesday, January 21 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Learn about the many species of broadleaf evergreens available to Tidewater gardeners that help keep our yards green through the winter. Walking Required.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Horticulture and History of Tea
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Thursday, January 23 • 1–3 PM
$35 ($45 for not–yet–members)
Learn the horticulture and history behind one of the world’s oldest beverages—Tea! Complete with tea tasting.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Moss Gardening
With Horticulturist Mary Toth
Saturday, January 25 • 9–11 AM
$40 ($55 for not–yet–members)
Learn about bryophyte benefits, growth patterns and the simple art of moss gardening. Participants will create their own living moss wall art piece.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Horticulture and History of Coffee
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Tuesday, February 4 • 1–3 PM
$35 ($45 for not–yet–members)
Learn the horticulture and history behind one of the world’s most widely consumed beverages—Coffee! Complete with coffee tastings from local businesses.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Introduction to Landscape Design (5–Week Class)
With Director of Living Landscapes Brian O’Neil and Senior Horticulturist Linda Saunders
Wednesdays, February 5–March 4 • 1–4 PM
$150 ($175 for not–yet–members)
Let our experts help you develop a vision and create a plan for your outdoor spaces. Throughout this class, participants will develop plans for their home landscapes.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

A Historical Approach to Understanding Roses
With Curator of Woody Plants Mary Mantey
Tuesday, February 11 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Understand wild species roses and the cultivation of roses from antiquity through today. Take a closer look at the roses of the past and their importance throughout history to better understand hybridization and roses of today. Hands on pruning. Walking required.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Winter Pruning
With Horticulturist Jimmy VanMeter
Thursday, February 13 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Pruning is necessary to shape, revitalize, and properly care for plants as they grow. Learn the proper techniques for pruning trees and shrubs with some hands-on experience after the classroom instruction. Walking required.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Conifers of Southeast Virginia
With Senior Horticulturist Carl Simmons
Wednesday, February 19 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Learn about the conifers that grow well in Hampton Roads, and our experiences with a variety of them here at the Garden, followed by a walking tour. Walking required.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Bee Facts and Honey Tasting
With Assistant Horticulturist Stephen Biela
Tuesday, March 3 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($25 for not–yet–members)
Taste honey from the West Coast to New England and from our own backyard of Hampton Roads. We’ll compare unfiltered honeys to generic honey from the supermarket all the while discussing Apis mellifera, the honey bee.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Horticulture and History of Wine
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Thursday, March 5 • 6–8 PM
$35 ($45 for not–yet–members)
Learn the horticulture and history of wine, along with an overview of the wine–making process—complete with wine tasting!
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

A Tale of Two City Trees
With Horticulturist Scott Blair
Tuesday, March 10 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Explore how two trees came to be famous (or infamous) in the urban landscape. In this class we will discuss two trees that have, for better or worse, pushed our understanding of how we interact with nature.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

*CEUs are continuing education units equal to hours of participation in an accredited program designed for professionals with certificates or licenses.
CEUs available to participants completing courses at Norfolk Botanical Garden are as follows:

VNLA : Virginia Nursery & Landscaping Association
VSLD: Virginia Society of Landscape Designers
Camellias 101
With Senior Horticulturist Carl Simmons
Wednesday, March 11 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Join this introduction to camellias and their care, as well as an overview of the history of them here at NBG, and the camellia in general, followed by an outdoor walking tour. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Heat Loving Perennials
With Horticulturist Joelle Miller
Tuesday, March 24 • 1–3 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Discover some of the best perennials for our area, focusing on plants that will thrive in our heat and humidity. Featuring plants that still look good when others are struggling in the heat of our late summer weather. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Introduction to Invasive Plants
With Assistant Horticulturist Allen Carter
Tuesday, March 31 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Learn what makes a plant invasive and how this differs from “weeds.” Students will discuss the Virginia Invasive Species Working Group and review invasives of VA. Learn identifying characteristics, life histories, and control measures for listed plants. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Grow Vegetables, Annuals, and Perennials from Seed
With Nursery Technician Pat Sisson
Tuesday, April 14 • 1–3 PM
$20 ($30 for not–yet–members)
Learn how to sow a variety of seeds, then take home some of your very own, as well as a plant! 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Native Substitutes for Invasive Plants
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Tuesday, April 14 • 1–3 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
As we continue to learn about the negative impacts of invasive plants, we’re left with a need to replace them – but with what? Join us as we cover a variety of common invasive plants, and what wonderful natives can take their place. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Deciduous Azaleas
With Horticulturist Cotton Tomson
Wednesday, April 15 • 1–3 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Learn all about the beautiful deciduous azaleas NBG has to offer in the classroom followed by a walking tour of Native Azalea Point. Walking required. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Cut Flowers for the Home Gardener
With Horticulturist Mary Toth
Thursday, April 21 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)
Discover what varieties of cut flowers you can easily grow in your own backyard. Learn when and how to plant along with when to harvest flowers to be used in arrangements all season long. Participants will take home their own flower arrangement. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Azalea Pruning Workshop
With Senior Horticulturist Tom Houser
Thursday, April 23 or Saturday, April 25 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Learn everything you ever wanted to know about azaleas and more! This class will focus on planting and hands–on pruning techniques. Walking required. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Annuals for the Long, Hot Summer to Come
With Director of Horticulture Les Parks
Saturday, April 25 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
With its hot and humid summers, Coastal Virginia can be a challenge for gardeners to have color throughout the season. However, there are many annuals up to the task that not only survive, but thrive in this climate. This presentation will share what works best in local gardens. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Hummingbird Container Workshop
With Horticulturist Danette Blevins
Tuesday, April 28 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$40 ($55 for not–yet–members)
Create a colorful and lush planter that will invite new friends to your yard. All supplies included. 2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Additional garden classes featured for EARTH DAY and Bonsai Working Group (See Page 4 & 5)
### Intro to Botanical Illustration
With Artist Lynne Frailing
Friday, January 10 • 9:30 AM–1:30 PM
$60 ($75 for not–yet–members)
Students will learn techniques that help create a realistic drawing and watercolor piece. Seasonal specimens will be used as subject matter.

### Intro to Watercolor
With Artist Lynne Frailing
Tuesday, February 25 and Friday, February 28
9:30 AM–12:30 PM
$100 ($125 for not–yet–members)
Watercolor allows great expression and refined detail. This class will present techniques used in botanical illustration by using seasonal live specimens.

### Intro to Drawing
With Artist Lynne Frailing
Saturday, March 28 • 9:00 AM–12:00 PM
$60 ($75 for not–yet–members)
Drawing what we see is a basic botanical illustration technique, and both pen and pencil will be used in this class to learn shading, highlighting, and contour techniques using live botanical specimens.

### Wednesday Oil Painting (8–Week Class)
With artist Adele Loomans
Wednesdays, February 19 – April 8 • 9:45–11:45 AM
Wednesdays, April 22–June 10 • 9:45–11:45 AM
$150 ($175 for not–yet–members)

### Thursday Oil Painting (8–Week Class)
With artist Adele Loomans
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### Digital Photography
With professional photographer Dee Akrigh
Studio Photography • Thursday, January 23 • 6:30–8:30 PM
Light Painting and Writing Photography
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$40 ($55 for not–yet–members)
Bring your camera and manual.

### Origami
With paper artist Rich Gray
Tuesdays • 6:30–8:30 PM
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### Intro to Cross Stitching
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Students will learn the basic stitches to help get started on a project. All supplies included.

### Design Your Own Bluebird Box
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With instructor Kollyn Zeder
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Learn how to create edible art using frosting with professional pastry chef Kollyn Zeder. Students will prepare classic food that will be sampled at the end of class followed by a question and answer period for those with medical concerns (diabetes, high blood pressure, cancer) to learn options specifically for their needs.

### Cupcake Decorating
With instructor Kollyn Zeder
Thursday, April 2 • 6:30–8:30 PM
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### Ikebana
With Rie Russo
Wednesdays, April 22, May 6, May 20, June 3, June 17 and July 1 • 11 AM–2 PM
$325 ($350 for not–yet–members)
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$45 ($55 for not–yet–members)
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Garden Yoga (4-Week Class)
With Certified Instructor Julie Paddock
Mondays, February 10–March 2, March 16–April 6, and April 20–May 11 • 9:30–10:30 AM
Wednesdays, February 12–March 4, March 18–April 8, and April 22–May 13 • 9:30–10:30 AM
$40 ($55 for not-yet-members)

Saturday Yoga
With Certified Instructor Julie Paddock
Morning Yoga • January 18 • 9:30–10:30 AM
Couples Yoga • February 15 • 9:30–11 AM - Partner encouraged.
Outdoor Yoga • April 4 • 9:30–10:30 AM
$10 ($15 for not-yet-members)

Ballroom Dancing (4-Week Class)
With Instructor Rick Hockman
Tuesdays • 6:30–7:15 PM
Rumba • January 21–February 11
Bachata • February 25–March 17
Waltz • March 31–April 21
$40 ($55 for not-yet-members)

Beginner T’ai Chi (8-Week Class)
In partnership with the Tidewater T’ai Chi Center
Thursdays, January 23–March 12, and March 26–May 14 • 9:30–10:30 AM
$100 ($120 for not-yet-members)

Intermediate T’ai Chi (8-Week Class)
In partnership with the Tidewater T’ai Chi Center
Thursdays, January 23–March 12, and March 26–May 14 • 10:30–11:30 AM
$100 ($120 for not-yet-members)

Winter Wellness
With Community Herbalist Mary K Scott
Saturday, January 11 • 10 AM–1 PM
$55 ($75 for not-yet-members)
Explore herbal folk methods to ensure a healthy season with plant power! Experience a wonderful afternoon learning how to concoct fire cider, teas, syrups, onion plasters and an overview of many beneficial tinctures specific for cold and flu prevention. Each participant will receive a bottle of elderberry syrup.

Essential Oils
With Horticulturist Marisa Cousin and Karianne Drury
Ditch & Switch • Saturday, January 11 • 10–11:30 AM
Ditch the chemicals and switch to a cleaner household and a healthier you. This workshop will focus on the benefits of plant-based, healthy products, making a product to take home as well.
Galentines • Saturday, February 8 • 10–11:30 AM
Join us for a Galentines inspired workshop. Learn all about the benefits and uses of essential oils that not only care for your body’s skin, but will also empower and instill confidence in yourself. Students will take home their own self care product.
Essential Oils 101 Workshop • Saturday, March 7 • 10–11:30 AM
Discover everything you need to know about beginning to live a healthy, chemical free lifestyle, by learning what essential oils are, and how to incorporate them into your life, complete with a take-home item.
Spring Cleaning • Saturday, April 4 • 10–11:30 AM
Get your home and family ready for spring by kicking the toxins to the curb and embrace CLEAN living in its simplest form. Learn the benefits of essential oils and plant-based products that are safe for the entire family, complete with a take-home item.
$15 ($25 for not-yet-members)

Botanical Bartending
With Bartender Eric Hodge
Sundays • 3:00–5:00 PM
Bartending Basics • February 23
Intro to Spirits • March 22
$40 ($55 for not-yet-members)

Homegrown Tea: Medicinal Plant Gardens
With Community Herbalist Mary K Scott
Saturday, March 7 • 10 AM–1 PM
$45 ($55 for not-yet-members)
Design a medicinal plant garden specific to the Tidewater area. Class will include harvesting tips and nutritious recipes specific to supporting your health and well-being. A great start to building your own home apothecary!
dig deeper

Go beyond the basics for a deeper understanding.

Winter Botany: Getting Twiggy With It
With Wetland Scientists Tucker Smith, David Knepper and Dr. Herman Hudson
Beginning: Saturday, January 11 • 9 AM–12 PM
Advanced: Saturday, January 18 • 9 AM–12 PM
$10/class ($15 for not–yet–members)
Learn how to identify your favorite trees in winter with only the twig! Students will focus on 20 of the most common trees and shrubs, and learn tips on how to ID any woody plant in winter. Walking required.
3 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Orchid Pollination
With Dr. Lisa Wallace from Old Dominion University
Tuesday, January 21 • 7:00–8:00 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
In this lecture, we will explore the common and exotic mechanisms by which orchid flowers attract their pollinators for reproduction. Examples from orchids near and far will be discussed.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Telling the Story of the Longleaf Pine
With DCR Longleaf Pine Restoration Specialist Rebecca Wilson
Thursday, January 23 • 6:30–8:30 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
The story of the longleaf pine forest in Virginia is one of opportunity, hubris, loss, and hope. This talk outlines the aspects of history and ecology necessary to understand how Virginia’s Founding Forest went from dominance to near extinction and what it will take to bring it back.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD

Living Shorelines
With Marine Scientist Karen Duhring of the Virginia Institute of Marine Science
Thursday, March 19 • 7:00–8:00 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Living shorelines use natural features to reduce erosion, lessen wave energy and improve water quality. Learn how this type of shoreline stabilization works and what the multiple benefits are for people and coastal wildlife.
2 CEUs: VNLA, VLSD*

Introduction to Entomology
With Dr. Shawn Dash of Hampton University
Wednesday, March 25 • 1–3 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Gain an understanding of insects as the major players in ecosystem form and function. In addition to an ecological summary of the importance of insects, students will explore the diversity of insects.

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explore

Let curiosity take root with our nature and wildlife programs.

Garden Stars
In partnership with the Back Bay Astronomers
Thursday, January 30 • 7–8:30 PM
Tuesday, March 31 • 8:30–10 PM
Tuesday, April 28 • 8:30–10 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Come out for an evening under the stars with the Back Bay Astronomers and their powerful telescopes. Walking required.

Owl Prowl
With Wildlife Rehabber Dana Lusher
Thursday, March 12 • 7–9 PM
Thursday, April 23 • 7–9 PM
$15 ($25 for not–yet–members)
Join us for a guided tour of the Garden in search of these magnificent night hunters—after meeting them in person! Walking required.

Owl Meet & Greet
With Wildlife Rehabber Dana Lusher
Thursday, February 6 • 6:30–8:30 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Join us for an indoors-only presentation featuring a more expanded discussion on our feathered friends!

Mother Nature’s Road Show: Chesapeake Bay
With the Virginia Living Museum
Wednesday, February 19 • 6–7:30 PM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)
Discover the fascinating world of the Chesapeake Bay through the investigation of sponges, seashells and molts of animals that call it home. Learn why salinity is important and meet some of our favorite Chesapeake Bay wildlife up close!

Shadows in the Night
With Dr. Shawn Dash of Hampton University
Tuesday, February 25 • 7–8 PM
$10 ($15 for not–yet–members)
Learn about nature as it comes alive at night! This lecture focuses on nocturnal birds of the eastern united states (but with some worldwide examples) to explore the nighttime world around us, followed by a brief owl prowl, weather permitting.
Considering the exhibit
Nature Connects®
Art with LEGO® Bricks,
LEGO® themed birthday
parties are available in
March, April or May!
Little Sprout Explorers – Series 2
Bring nature to your little ones as we get ready for spring! Each program includes a story, craft, and guided walking adventure in the Garden. Recommended for ages 3-5 with caregiver participation.

Silly Snails
Monday, February 17 · 10–11 AM
Totally Trees
Monday, February 24 · 10–11 AM
Wild Wetlands
Monday, March 2 · 10–11 AM
$25/child for series for NBG Members or $10/child/class. ($15/person/class for not-yet-members.)

Fairy & Gnome Garden Homes
Make a miniature home for the fairies and gnomes in your garden! Gardens include a small air plant. Recommended for ages 4+ with caregiver participation.

Friday, February 28 · 5–6 PM
Friday, April 24 · 6–7 PM
$15/child for NBG Members. Member adults may chaperone for free with a registered child. ($20/person for not-yet-members.)

Homeschool in the Garden – Series 2
Join us for lessons in the best classroom – nature! Recommended for children ages 5-9 with caregiver participation.

Wetlands 101
Monday, March 9 · 10–11 AM
Pollinators 101
Monday, March 16 · 10–11 AM
Recycling 101
Monday, March 23 · 10–11 AM
$25/child for series for NBG Members or $10/child/class. ($15/person/class for not-yet-members.)

Family Twilight Trek
Join us in the WOW Children’s Garden to dissect owl pellets, and then go on an evening walking tour to explore nature as the sun sets. Recommended for ages 3+ with caregiver participation. Walking required. All child and adult participants must have a registered ticket for this program.

Friday, March 13 · 5:30–7 PM
Friday, April 10 · 6:30–8 PM
$10/child and $5/adult for NBG Members. ($15/person for not-yet-members.)

Storybook Tea Party
Join us in the WOW Children’s Garden for a tea party. Each tea party is themed according to one of our favorite Children’s Garden storybooks. Don’t forget to bring your favorite stuffed animal! Recommended for ages 3+ with caregiver participation.

Wednesday, March 18 · 10–11 AM
Wednesday, April 15 · 10–11 AM
$15/child for NBG Members. Member adults may chaperone for free with a registered child. ($20/person for not-yet-members.)

Cub Scout Garden Adventures

Earth Day: Party for the Planet
Join us in WOW for games, activities, and crafts to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day! Recommended for ages 3+ with caregiver participation. All child and adult participants must have a registered ticket for this program.

Thursday, April 16 · 6:30–8 PM
$10/child and $5/adult for NBG Members. ($15/person for not-yet-members.)

GIRL SCOUT OUTDOOR ART DAY
Sunday, April 5
11 AM or 2 PM
$15/scout and $10/adult and tagalongs.
Adult NBG members may chaperone program for free.
Bring your Girl Scouts to the Garden to complete their Daisy, Brownie, or Junior Outdoor Art Badge! Program includes a badge for each participating scout.

WOW Children’s Garden Fountains
OPEN APRIL 11, 2020