January

REGISTRATION INFORMATION
Preregistration is required for all classes and programs unless otherwise indicated. Register online, in person, or by phone. Become a member and receive a discount on classes & much more! Membership fees can be included with your registration. All class prices include Garden admission.

MEMBER DISCOUNT POLICY
Members with an individual membership receive a discount on 1 ticket per class. Members with a family membership receive a discount on up to 2 tickets per class for adult classes and up to 6 tickets per program for youth and family programs.

CLASS REFUND POLICY
Cancellations five or more business days prior to the program start date, refunds less 20% processing fee (min. $5). No refunds for cancellations one to four business days prior to program start date. Courses canceled by the Garden due to low enrollment or hazardous weather conditions are fully refunded.

SUSTAINABILITY
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NBG Facilities Day Shift Supervisor Nicole Marlowe (left) assists NBG Assistant Horticulturist Stephen Biela (right) with beekeeping duties. We now have nine beehives located near the greenhouse.
february

02/01  Backyard Composting
       Luminous Colored Pencils (4—week class)

02/07  Garden Yoga (4—week class)

02/08  Rose Pruning
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       Botanical Drawing (3—day workshop)

02/09  Garden Yoga (4—week class)
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02/15  Battery Lawn Equipment

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02/19  Native Perennials of the Southeast
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02/21  Home Gardener Day

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       Basic Turf/Landscape Weed ID & Management—Zoom

02/26  Battery Lawn Equipment

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**Home Gardener Day**
Monday, February 21, 2022

**Growing Wild**

Sponsored by
Virginia Horticulture Foundation

Home Gardener Day brings together gardening enthusiasts of all backgrounds for a day of thought provoking and informative programs. This year’s theme centers on plants as problem solvers with nature and native plants as the common thread throughout the day. This all-day event includes lunch and educational booths to enjoy from like-minded organizations.

**Guest Speakers**

**David Mizejewski**
Naturalist and television host with the National Wildlife Federation speaking on natural gardening in an era of climate change.

**Kim Eierman**
Founder of EcoBeneficial LLC speaking on pollinator gardens and native plant alternatives to turf grass.

**Kathleen Wellington**
A Licensed Professional Counselor in Virginia who has spent 40+ years working in the behavioral health field, speaking on the beneficial connection between nature and mental health.

For more details, registration information, and program updates, please scan the QR code to visit our website:
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Spring Bloom Walk & Talk
With Director of Horticulture Les Parks
Saturday, March 19 • 10–11:30 AM

Spring Bulbs & Blooms Walk & Talk
With Curator of Herbaceous Plants Michelle Baudanza
Saturday, March 26 • 10–11:30 AM or
Thursday, March 31 • 10–11:30 AM

Origami Daffodils
With Paper Artist Rich Gray
Daffodils • March 17 • 6:30–8:30 PM
Tulips • April 14 • 6:30–8:30 PM

Watercolors Daffodils and Tulips
With Artist Diana Davis
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### A Gardener’s Guide to Sustainability 😊
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
**Thursday, April 21 • 1–3 PM**

### Garden Highlights – Earth Day Walk & Talk 😊
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
**Friday, April 22 • 10–11:30 AM**

### Salad Bowl Container Garden Workshop 😊
With Horticulturist Erin Caricofe
**Saturday, April 23 • 9–10:30 AM or 11–12:30 PM**

### Native Pollinators of Tidewater 😊
With Senior Horticulturist Tom Houser
**Tuesday, April 26 • 9:30–11:30 AM**
INTRO TO INDOOR PLANTS
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Tuesday, January 11 • 1-3 PM
$15 ($20 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!

WORM COMPOSTING
With Master Gardener Kandy Keith
Thursday, January 13 • 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 worm compost bin, complete with starter worms! All supplies included.

WINTER TREE ID
With Horticulturist Scott Blair
Wednesday, January 19 • 1–3 PM
$15 ($20 for not-yet-members)
Learn how to identify trees during the winter! We’ll discuss how and why bark is formed, where to look for clues, and what a bud can tell you.

WINTER PRUNING
With Horticulturist Jimmy Van Meter
Thursday, January 20 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not-yet-members)
Pruning is necessary to shape, revitalize, and properly care for plants as they grow. Learn the proper practices and techniques for pruning trees and shrubs with some hands-on experience after the classroom instruction. Walking required.

MOSS GARDENING
With Horticulturist Mary Toth
Tuesday, January 25 • 1–3 PM
$40 ($55 for not-yet-members)
Learn about the bryophyte benefits, growth patterns and the simple art of moss gardening. Participants will create their own living moss wall art piece.

BROADLEAF EVERGREENS FOR TIDEWATER
With Horticulturist Jeremy Breland
Saturday, January 29 • 10 AM–12 PM
$15 ($20 for not-yet-members)
Our climate allows for an amazing array of broadleaf evergreens that keep our gardens looking lush and green year-round. Come and learn about the numerous options and the design and cultural considerations incorporating them.

BACKYARD COMPOSTING
With Horticulturist Mary Toth
Tuesday, February 1 • 1–3 PM
$15 ($20 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. Indoor presentation followed by an outdoor walking tour. Walking required.

ROSE PRUNING
With Horticulturist Ashton Holiday
Tuesday, February 8 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not-yet-members)
Learn how to properly prune your roses. Indoor presentation followed by an outdoor field demonstration and practice. Walking required.

TIDEWATER TROPICS—Zoom
With Horticulturist Jeremy Breland
Wednesday, February 9 • 6–7 PM
$5 ($10 for not-yet-members)
Discover the incredible array of plants currently growing at NBG that will help you recreate the ambiance of the tropics in your own yard, with a special focus on touring the Subtropical Garden.

ORCHIDS 101
With Curator of Herbaceous Plants Michelle Baudanza
Thursday, February 10 • 1–3 PM
$15 ($20 for not-yet-members)
Think you can’t grow orchids? Come to this class and learn how easy it can be! Tropical Display House tour followed by indoor presentation. Walking required.

BATTERY LAWN EQUIPMENT
With Senior Horticulturist Tom Houser
Tuesday, February 15 • 1–3 PM or Saturday, February 26 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not-yet-members)
Senior Horticulturist Tom Houser will discuss our Horticulture Department’s initial impressions of our newest battery equipment as well as switching to battery powered lawn equipment at home. Tools discussed will include walk behind mowers, string trimmers, blowers, hedge trimmers and chainsaws. He will also explain basic terminology used for battery powered equipment.

NATIVE PERENNIALS OF THE SOUTHEAST
With Director of Horticulture Les Parks
Saturday, February 19 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not-yet-members)
This talk will explore the benefits of incorporating native plants, perennials in particular, into the landscape. Attendees will also be introduced to the large number of native perennials available to today’s gardeners for a variety of landscape situations.

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Hand Tools
With Senior Horticulturist Tom Houser
Tuesday, March 8 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)
Senior Horticulturist Tom Houser will discuss some of his favorite high quality hand tools, ranging from basic weeding tools to specialized pruning equipment and top quality pruning saws. There will be a handout with sources for the tools as well as approximate prices.

Dig and Divide in the Pollinator Garden
With Nursery Manager Pat Sisson
Tuesday, March 29 • 9:30–11 AM
$25 ($35 for not–yet–members)
Learn the proper way to divide and transplant a variety of perennial plants that participants will then take home. Walking required.

Introduction to Invasive Plants
With Volunteer and Certified Horticulturist Allen Carter
Tuesday, April 5 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)
Learn what makes a plant species “invasive” and how they cause economic and ecological harm. Investigate identification, growth characteristics, and possible control measures for various species. Species discussed will be those found in Tidewater Virginia and identified as invasive on the Virginia Invasive Species List.

Cut Flowers for the Home Gardener
With Horticulturist Mary Toth
Tuesday, April 12 • 1–3 PM
$20 ($25 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 seeds to start their own cutting garden. Indoor presentation followed by an outdoor walking tour. Walking required.

Deciduous Azaleas
With Horticulturist Dan Fulford
Wednesday, April 13 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)
Learn all about the beautiful deciduous azaleas NBG has to offer in the classroom followed by a walking tour of our collections on site. Walking required.

Native Substitutes for Invasive Plants
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Thursday, April 14 • 1–3 PM
$15 ($20 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.

Plant Sale Preview—Zoom
With Director of Horticulture Les Parks
Tuesday, April 19 • 6–7 PM
$5 ($10 for not–yet–members)
Discover which hardy and rare plants will be offered at this year’s plant sale. You’ll want to have your shopping list handy for this class!

A Gardener’s Guide to Sustainability
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Thursday, April 21 • 1–3 PM
FREE with Garden Admission
Learn sustainable landscape techniques and how to implement them in the Garden, along with exploring other climate conscious practices, and why it’s important.

Salad Bowl Container Garden Workshop
With Horticulturist Erin Caricofe
Saturday, April 23 • 9–10:30 AM or 11—12:30 PM
$35/class ($45/class for not–yet–members)
Love a good salad? Limited space for growing food at home? This workshop will cover growing and harvesting various lettuces and salad greens (and herbs and complimentary planter vegetables!) in containers. We’ll discuss leaf lettuces, head lettuces, and other salad greens like spinach and mizuna. You will build and take home a container brimming with salad potential. The knowledge you come away with can later be applied to larger containers, or raised or ground beds when you are ready to increase your yield.

Hummingbird Container Workshop
With Horticulturist Danette Blevins
Wednesday, April 27 • 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.

Azalea Pruning
With Senior Horticulturist Tom Houser
Thursday, April 28 • 9:30–11:30 AM or
Saturday, April 30 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15/class ($20 for not–yet–members)
This class will focus on when and how to prune azaleas, and what you can do with those overgrown azaleas in your yard. The class will include hands–on training (weather permitting) and discuss choosing the right tools for the job. Walking required.
create

Cultivate your creativity with these garden-inspired workshops. All supplies included.

**Wednesday Oil Painting (8–Week Class)**
With Artist Adele Loomans
Wednesdays, February 16–April 6 • 9:45–11:45 AM
$150 ($175 for not–yet–members)

**Thursday Oil Painting (8–Week Class)**
With Artist Adele Loomans
Thursdays, February 17–April 7 • 9:45–11:45 AM
$150 ($175 for not–yet–members)

**Watercolors**
With Artist Diana Davis
Saturdays • 9 AM–1:30 PM
Chicken • January 22
Owls • February 19
Daffodils and Tulips • March 19
Landscape • April 9
$60/class ($75 for not–yet–members)

**Origami**
With Paper Artist Rich Gray
Flowers in a Vase • January 13 • 6:30–8:30 PM
Orchids • February 8 • 6:30–8:30 PM
Daffodils • March 17 • 6:30–8:30 PM
Tulips • April 14 • 6:30–8:30 PM
$15/class ($25 for not–yet–members)

**Digital Photography**
With professional photographer Dee Akright
6:30–8:30 PM
Light Painting & Writing • Tuesday, January 18
Beginning Flash Photography • Thursday, February 17
Travel Photography • Tuesday, March 22
Macro Photography • Tuesday, April 12
$40/class ($55 for not–yet–members)
Bring your camera and manual.

**Floral Design Workshops**
With Horticulturist Mary Toth
Thursdays • 1–3 PM
Rustic Winter Centerpiece • February 10
Fruit Skewer Centerpiece • March 24
Easter Spring Centerpiece • April 14
$45/Workshop ($60 for not–yet–members)

**DIY Suet Feeder Workshop**
With Adult Education Manager Alexandra Cantwell
Wednesday, January 12 • 1-3 PM
$30 ($35 for not–yet–members)
Become your backyard bird's best friend when you learn how to make your own suet blocks! Participants will create custom blends to attract a variety of feathered friends, and take home several blocks themselves, complete with a suet holder and reusable molds! All supplies included.

**Hanging Macramé Planter Workshop**
With Katie Hunt of BeHome Style
Saturday, January 29 • 10 AM–12 PM
$40 ($50 for not–yet–members)
In this workshop, you'll learn the basic macramé knots in a fun, relaxed environment. All of the supplies will be provided, including beads and fabric dye if you want to get really wild!

**Natural Soapmaking Workshop**
With instructor Kollyn Zeder
Thursdays • 6:30–8:30 PM
January 20 • February 17 • March 24 • April 14
$50 ($65 for not–yet–members)

**Quilling**
With instructor Kollyn Zeder
Saturday, January 22 • 9:30–11:30 AM
Thursday, March 10 • 6:30–8:30 PM
$25 ($35 for not–yet–members)

**Luminous Colored Pencils (4–Week Class)**
With Instructor Alisha Brown
Tuesdays, February 1–February 22 • 10 AM–12 PM
$70 ($85 for not–yet–members)
Students learn the techniques involved in creating their own colored pencil masterpiece over this comprehensive 4 week course. Students bring a reference photo of their choice.

**Sumi-e: Japanese Ink Painting (5–Week Class)**
With Artist Norene Spencer
Tuesdays, March 1–March 29 • 11 AM–1 PM
$85 ($110 for not–yet–members)

**Botanical Drawing (3–Day Workshop)**
With Artist Lynne Frailing
Tuesday, February 8– Thursday, February 10 • 9:30 AM–12:30 PM
$125 ($150 for not–yet–members)
Come learn pencil and pen techniques to create a realistic composition from live specimens. Students will use sight tools to capture shape and form quickly. This is a great foundation for future Botanical Illustration classes as value, line and composition are explored.

**Nature Journaling**
With Artist Lynne Frailing
Saturday • 9:30 AM–12:30 PM
March 5 or March 26
$60 ($75 for not–yet–members)
Learning to see is part of enjoying the natural world. This course will offer basic techniques to develop your ability to make a visual and written journal of what we find in the Camellia Garden and other areas of NBG.

**Botanical Illustration (4–Day Class)**
With Artist Lynne Frailing
April 5, 7, 12, 14 • 9:30 AM–12:30 PM
$250 ($275 for not–yet–members)
This 4 day course is designed for students with drawing and watercolor experience working with botanical subjects. Students will need to bring their own botanical subjects to class. Class will include drawing with sight tools, composition, layering of transparent watercolor, using value for emphasis and form.
live well

Sow the seeds for your healthy lifestyle.
All supplies included.

Garden Yoga (4–Week Class)
With Certified Instructor Julie Paddock
Mondays • 9:30–10:30 AM
January 3 – January 24
February 7 – February 28
March 14 – April 4
$40/session
($55 for not–yet–members)

Beginner T’ai Chi
(8–Week Class)
In partnership with the Tidewater T’ai Chi Center
March 3 – April 21 • 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
March 3 – April 21 • 10:30–11:30 AM
$100 ($120 for not–yet–members)

Homegrown Tea: Medicinal Plant Gardens
With Herbalist Mary K Scott
Saturday, February 12 • 10 AM–1 PM
$45 ($55 for not–yet–members)

Get to Know Your Bike! Basic Bike Anatomy and Repairs
With Local Bike Shop NFK
Thursday, April 21 • 5:30–7:30 PM
$20 ($25 for not–yet–members)

Owl Meet and Greet
With Wildlife Rehabber Dana Lusher
Thursday, January 20 • 6:30–8:30 PM
$15 ($25 for not–yet–members)

Owl Prowl
With Wildlife Rehabber Dana Lusher
Thursday, March 17 • 7–9 PM
$15 ($25 for not–yet–members)

Owl Night
Join us for a guided tour of the Garden in search of these magnificent night hunters—after meeting them in person! Walking required.

Native Pollinators of Tidewater
With Senior Horticulturist Tom Houser
Tuesday, April 26 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)

Wintering Water Birds
With Horticulturist Sarah Davis
Tuesday, January 11 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)

Come learn which water birds frequent our area during winter. We will briefly go over descriptions of the more commonly seen birds, and then walk around the grounds and see what there is to find. Geared for beginning birders, please bring binoculars if you have them.

The Importance and Benefits of Honey Bees
With Assistant Horticulturist Stephen Biela
Thursday, January 27 • 9:30–11:30 AM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)
We’ll discuss the impact bees have on our lives. Learn about honey, the economic, environmental, and entrepreneurial impact this tiny bug has on our society.

Moth Night
With Maurice A. Cullen, Russ Halvorsen, Nate Gilbert of the Butterfly Society of Virginia
Thursday, April 14 • 8–10 PM
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)
Come learn about moths beginning with an indoor presentation of mounted specimens of both local and tropical moths, with a question and answer session. Participants will then move outside to see what species of moths are attracted to sheets using both UV and mercury vapor lights. Bait stations will also be set up for moths that are not particularly attracted to lights.

explore
Let curiosity take root with our nature and wildlife programs.

Earthly Offerings: Spring Apothecary Plants
With Herbalist Mary K Scott
Saturday, May 5 • 10 AM–1 PM
$45 ($55 for not–yet–members)
Explore the beneficial magic emerging from the soil in Spring! Lessons on how to harvest and extract the healing constituents through several different methods. Weather permitting, we will explore NBG grounds to identify our plant allies this special season. Everyone will take home a chickweed salve!

Coffee Tasting
With Bear House Coffee Roasters
Tuesday, March 8 • 1:30–3 PM
$20 ($25 for not–yet–members)
Learn about the nuances of coffee, from roasts to regions, complete with a coffee tasting featuring three different roasts. Bear House Coffee is locally roasted and supports organic, shade-grown, fair trade coffee.
Intro to Entomology 1  
With Dr. Shawn Dash from Hampton University  
Tuesday, January 18 • 6:30–7:30 PM  
Via Zoom  
$5 ($10 for not–yet–members)  
The lecture is focused on understanding 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 - from predators, parasitoids, and prey, to decomposers and pollinators that drive the ecosystems in our gardens and local habitats.

Native Orchids of Virginia  
With Dr. Lisa Wallace from Old Dominion University  
Tuesday, January 25 • 6–7 PM  
Via Zoom  
$5 ($10 for not–yet–members)  
Orchids are among the most diverse and specialized plants on earth and are found around the world. In this course learn about the unique features of orchid life, the species that live in Virginia, and the ways that scientists are trying to preserve species in their native habitats.

All About Invasive Species  
With ODU graduate student, Devani Jolman  
Tuesday, February 22 • 9:30–11 AM  
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)  
A major ecological issue is the increasing presence of invasive species in our current environment. Come and learn about the ecology of invasive species, the implications of their presence, and how you can be a part of the answer.

Basic Turf/Landscape Weed ID and Management  
With Horticulture Associate of Virginia Tech Dr. Laurie Fox  
Tuesday, February 22 • 6–7 PM  
Via Zoom  
$5 ($10 for not–yet–members)  
When Sun Tzu said “To know the enemy is to defeat them”, he must have been talking about weeds! Learn how to identify the most common landscape weeds in Hampton Roads and how to manage them with Dr. Laurie Fox from Virginia Tech.

Trees in our Communities: How Trees Help Us  
With Community Forestry Specialists Meghan Mulroy and Kendall Topping  
Thursday, March 3 • 9:30–11:30 AM  
$15 ($20 for not–yet–members)  
Meghan Mulroy-Goldman will discuss the importance of trees in our communities as well as the importance of community forestry management. She will also cover how to help increase the Urban Tree Canopy, starting with trees in your own backyard. Kendall Topping will discuss the role of urban forests in maintaining biodiversity in local ecosystems. She will also cover the creation of wildlife corridors and their role in mitigating habitat islands.

Birds of Prey a Soaring Natural History  
With Dr. Shawn Dash from Hampton University  
Wednesday, March 16 • 6:30–7:30 PM  
Via Zoom  
$5 ($10 for not–yet–members)  
Delve into the natural history of these magnificent creatures and learn about life cycles, mating, migration, hunting, and histories in general. Prepare for fall hawk migration projects and enjoy this in-depth look at these icons of the sky.

Living Life Less Plastic  
With Christina Trapani with Eco Maniac Company  
Tuesday, April 19 • 1–3 PM  
Free with Garden Admission, Registration Required  
Looking for ways to lessen your plastic use? Need some information and inspiration? Look no further than Ecomaniac. Not only will this class stress why reducing plastic is important with steps of how to do so, but students will participate in a hands-on activity of making a reusable shopping bag from old t-shirts! Shirts will be provided, but students are welcome to bring their own.

Rain Gardens  
With Horticulture Associate of Virginia Tech Dr. Laurie Fox  
Wednesday, April 20 • 6–7 PM  
Via Zoom  
$5 ($10 for not–yet–members)  
Rain gardens are a popular way to manage storm water, but is one right for your landscape? Learn about site assessment, design, installation, cost and maintenance with Dr. Laurie Fox from Virginia Tech.
YOUTH PROGRAM REGISTRATION
Unless otherwise noted, NBG Member adults may register a free chaperone ticket with a registered child participant for in-person programs. Not-yet-members tickets must be purchased for all attending children and adults for all in-person programs. For additional information or to register for a class, visit our website or email us at: youthed@nbgs.org.

VIRTUAL WINTER PROGRAMS
In January and February 2022, we invite families to participate in our hybrid virtual programs! All virtual programs include hands-on materials to be used during a live Zoom session with one of our NBG Youth Educators. Make sure to check our website for the full listing of virtual programs.

- Nature Journaling Series
- Plants & People Tour
- Read Across America Day
- Little Sprout Explorers
- Homeschool Garden Science

NatureKid TO-GO KITS
Complete fun and educational activities from the comfort of home. Study bird behaviors, build a terrarium for an air plant, start your spring veggie garden, and more!

- Birds in Winter
- Nature Scientists
- Triassic Terrariums
- Fairy & Gnome Spring Homes
- Jr. Spring Gardeners

IN-PERSON SPRING PROGRAMS
Our in-person youth and family programs will return in March 2022!

Little Sprout Explorers
Introduce your pre-K aged children to nature and science concepts through crafts, hands-on exploration, walking tours, and a story time to support the topic of each themed program.

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Learn about botany, water ecology, environmental science, and so much more! Homeschool programs are generally recommended for students ages 6-11.

Critter Club
Learn about the animals who call the Garden home through habitat investigation, crafts, and other hands-on, scientific activities.

Family Twilight Trek
Dissect an owl pellet and decorate a set of binoculars, then go on a sunset walk through the Garden. Recommended for ages 5+ with caregiver participation. Moderate walking required. All child and adult participants must have a registered ticket for this program.
Friday, March 18 • 6–7:30 PM
Friday, April 15 • 6:30–8 PM
$10/child $5/adult for NBG Members.
($15/person for not-yet-members.)

Into the Woods Adventure Day
Bring your Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts to NBG to earn their Into the Woods Pin! This program includes self-guided and guided activities and an Into the Woods pin for each participating Scout.
Saturday, March 26 • 11 AM or 2 PM
$15/Scout and $12/adult and sibling tag-alongs. Adult NBG members may chaperone for free.

Girl Scout Outdoor Art Day
Bring your Daisy, Brownie, and Junior Girl Scouts to the Garden to earn their Outdoor Art Badges!
Sunday, April 10 • 11 AM or 2 PM
$15/Scout and $12/adult and sibling tag-alongs. Adult NBG members may chaperone program for free.

NEW! Girl Scout Journeys
Make NBG the destination to complete your nature, plant, and science-based journey activities! Beginning in 2022, Youth Educators will offer guided and self-guided activities to assist Girl Scouts with completing some of their respective journey requirements. Troops are responsible for purchasing their own badges and patches from the Council for journey completion.
CHILDREN’S BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Book a birthday party in the WOW Children’s Garden! Pricing starts at $250 and includes a WOW classroom rental, themed table decorations, Garden admission for party guests, and paperware for the party.

COMPLIMENTARY PARTY ADD-ON: January—March parties include a flowerpot to decorate and flower seeds to plant for each attending child.

DELUXE PARTY OPTION: April parties can upgrade to the Deluxe Dinosaur Party! The deluxe option includes dinosaur decorations for the classroom, and a dinosaur-themed terrarium and goodie bag for up to 10 children. The Deluxe Dinosaur Party pricing starts at $350. Additional terrarium and goodie bag kits can be added for an additional fee. Deluxe parties include all the standard rental amenities.

HEAV Homeschool Day: Earth Day!

We have partnered with our friends at the Home Educators Association of Virginia to celebrate Earth Day, everyday! Visit the Garden on Earth Day to complete guided and self-guided activities related to pollution, water conservation, ways to reduce your carbon footprint, and more! Recommended for children ages 3+ with significant chaperone participation.

Friday, April 22 · 10 AM – 4 PM
$8/child for NBG Members. Adults may chaperone for free with a registered child.
($12/child and $10/adult for not-yet-members. Tickets include Garden admission.)

TUNES FOR TOTS

Shake, rattle, and roll with us every Tuesday morning in March and April at 10 AM in the WOW Children’s Garden! Tunes for Tots is a free program that is included with Garden admission, and requires chaperone attendance.

2021—2022 SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Our school programs are back in full swing! For the 2021—2022 school year, we are offering self-guided or guided field trips to the Garden, as well as in-person and virtual outreach opportunities.

All of our programs are Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL) aligned, and are a great way to reinforce concepts relating to nature, botany, environmental science, and so much more!

Scan the QR code to visit our School Programs website page for more information!

SPRING SCOUT PROGRAMS

Bring your Scouts to the Garden for a guided or self-guided program this spring! Each offered program allows participating Scouts to earn the corresponding badge, patch, pin, or loop!

Some options include:
- GSCCC Explore NBG Patch
- Brownie Bug Badge
- Junior Flower Badge
- Various Outdoor Art Badges
- Lions “Ready, Set, Grow”
- Tigers “My Tiger Jungle”
- Wolves “Grow Something”
- Bears “Fur, Feather, & Fern”
- Into the Woods Adventure

Don’t forget to register for our Webelos/AOC Into the Woods Adventure Day in March and Girl Scout Outdoor Art Day in April! For the full listing of our Scout programs, visit the NBG website or email youthed@nbgs.org.

BRIDGING CEREMONIES

Book a guided or self-guided Girl Scout program, and then visit Friendship Pond to complete your bridging ceremony!

DELUXE OPTION: Add a one-hour WOW classroom rental to your bridging ceremony!

NATURE QUEST APP ACTIVITIES

Did you know we have an app specifically for fun activities you can do at the Garden?

Scan the QR code to unlock our Nature Quest activities on your phone browser, or download the app from the Google Play or App Store.

Activities are regularly added and updated, so make sure to visit often!