

2011 Class Schedule & Events

Utah Botanical Center & Ogden Botanical Gardens

Workshops, free classes and plant sales all add up to an exciting growing season. See you at the gardens!

MARCH

Fruit Pruning Demonstrations

Take the fear out of pruning apples, peaches, grapes and raspberries by learning the art and science of proper pruning practices. This outdoor event is one of our most popular workshops, so dress for the occasion and come ready to learn. Cost: Free

March 5, 12, 19, 9 am – noon
Call for locations

Backyard Chickens

Backyard chickens can help maintain a sustainable food source, teach kids responsibility, and have gained enormous popularity in the past few years. Learn the basics of selection, feeding, management, predator control, and legalities. Participants receive a coupon for 50% off a 25 pound bag of Start N Grow chicken feed with the purchase of 3 chicks (from Rockin'E Farms). Cost: \$25 Members, \$35 Public

March 26, 9 – 10 am
Location: UBC – Utah House

Landscape Plants Pruning Demonstration

Come learn how to prune your roses, ornamental trees and shrubs, or sit in on a class explaining the basics of fruit tree pruning. Each class lasts one hour and will be repeated each hour. Come for one or all. Cost: Free

March 26, 9 am – noon Location: OBG

APRIL

Fruit Tree Grafting

Find out how to perpetuate that perfect fruit tree. This hands-on workshop will reveal the techniques behind grafting. Participants will receive two apple trees to take home. Cost: \$25 Members, \$35 Public

April 14, 6 – 7:30 pm Location: OBG
April 16, 9 – 10:30 am
Location: UBC Greenhouse

The “Joys” of Raised Bed Gardening

Local gardening authors, Joy Bossi and Karen Bastow, will teach the many advantages of growing vegetables and herbs using the raised bed method. Cost: Free

April 14, noon – 1 pm Location: OBG
April 16, 11 am – noon
Location: UBC – Utah House

Spring Celebration

Celebrate spring, caring for the Earth, and preparing for the growing season. Events include children's activities, tours of the Utah House and Varga Arboretum, and tree plantings in honor of Earth Day. Cost: Free

April 18, 6 – 8 pm
Location: UBC – Utah House

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MAY

Colorful Containers and Perfect Pots

Learn to create and maintain colorful containers all summer long. Learn about many premium annuals available for sun or shade, and how to design your own spectacular displays. Cost: Free

May 19, noon – 1 pm Location: OBG
May 21, 9 – 10:30am
Location: USUBC – Tent on 50 West

Composting Basics

Learn to get the most out of your growing space. Compost is a rich soil amendment that will benefit your garden plants, landscape plants and the environment by diverting material from the landfill. Cost: Free

May 21, 11 am – noon
Location: USUBC – Utah House

Class Information

OBG: (801) 399-8201,
1750 Monroe Boulevard, Ogden

UBC: (801) 593-8969,
725 Sego Lily Drive, Kaysville

Register online at utahbotanicalcenter.org, or call Davis County Extension for classes at the UBC, (801) 451-3403, or Weber County Extension for classes at the OBG, (801) 399-8080.



Plant Sales

Visit our plant sales and help support the gardens while you beautify your landscape.

Spring Celebration Plant Sale

May 19, noon – 6 pm
Location: Ogden Botanical Gardens

May 21, 8 am – noon
Location: Utah Botanical Center –
Tent on 50 West

Fall Garden Fair Plant Sale

September 17, 8 am – 2 pm Location: Utah Botanical Center – Tent on 50 West

JUNE

Easy Tree ID

Enjoy a leisurely stroll through the Varga Arboretum. Come learn from horticulturist JayDeeGunnell of the unique characteristics of over 150 species of trees that perform great in the intermountain area, and which ones might fit best in your own landscape. Cost: Free

June 18, 9 – 10:30 am

Location: UBC – Varga Arboretum

Botanical Watercolor Class

Geared for the novice, but appropriate for all art levels, this class will introduce art and garden lovers to the world of botanical illustrations. Local artist Carolee Glaittli, will inspire you to get out in the garden and enjoy the beauty of nature. All materials provided.

Cost: \$25 Members, \$35 Public

June 18, 11 am – noon

Location: UBC – Utah House

Annual "Art in the Gardens" Gala

Join us to commemorate 17 wonderful years as a treasured spot in Ogden. Admire art created by local artists, listen to live music, and watch culinary demonstrations in the beauty of the gardens or enjoy a tour. There will also be an open clinic where we will diagnose plant problems, identify plant pests, and answer other horticulture questions. Cost: Free

June 23, 3 – 8 pm Location: OBG

JULY

Budding Workshop

Come learn the science and art of propagation by budding with hands-on instruction. You are guaranteed to walk away with new skills.

Cost: \$25 Members, \$35 Public

July 16, 9 – 10:30 am

Location: UBC – Greenhouse

Solar Energy 101

Interested in learning more about home solar options? Join us to learn about options for residential power and hot water systems in Utah, including design, installation and state and federal tax incentives. Cost: Free

July 16, 11 am – noon

Location: UBC – Wetland Discovery Point

AUGUST

Wildflower Tour (Garden Members Only)

Members Only Wildflower Tour – Join us in beautiful Jackson Hole for a guided wildflower experience in the Teton Mountains & surrounding areas. Find all the details in our newsletter or at our website:

ogdenbotanicalgardens.blogspot.com

Cost: \$499.00 per person/
double occupancy

August 3 – 5

Location: Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Making the "Perfect" Salsa

Learn how to prepare the perfect concoction of garden fresh vegetables and make a salsa that will be your new favorite party food. Experts will be on hand to demonstrate how to prepare different salsa recipes. Cost: Free

August 18, noon – 1 pm Location: OBG

August 18, 5 – 6 pm

Location: UBC – Tent on 50 West

Food Preservation

Learn to preserve the harvest. This fun, hands-on workshop in the Utah House kitchen, will cover safe food preservation techniques including drying, freezing and canning. Cost: Free

August 20

Session I, 9 – 10:30 am

Session II, 11 am – 12:30 pm

Location: UBC – Utah House

SEPTEMBER

Flower Seed Saving Basics

UBC Greenhouse Manager Richard Anderson will take you through the steps of harvesting and saving your favorite flower seeds. Cost: Free

September 15, noon – 1 pm Location: OBG

September 17, 9 – 10:30 am

Location: UBC – Tent on 50 West

Garden Fair Festival

This year's festival celebrates the 10-year anniversary of the Utah Botanical Center. Bring the entire family and enjoy classes and activities centered on the fall harvest. Cost: Free

September 17, 8 am – 2 pm

Location: UBC – Tent on 50 West



OCTOBER

Apples Galore

Our apple and cheese tasting event is quickly becoming everyone's fall favorite. Join us to sample Utah's finest artisan cheeses and locally grown apples, the perfect combination for a perfect way to end the season. Cost: Free

October 13, noon – 2 pm Location: OBG

October 13, 5 – 7 pm

Location: UBC – Tent on 50 West

Pumpkin Palooza

Bring the family, dress in your Halloween best and enjoy a pumpkin extravaganza. Walk through the pumpkin lit Varga Arboretum and then let the kids participate in some nature related crafts and face painting. Don't miss this fun free family activity. Cost: Free

October 24, 6 – 8 pm

Location: UBC – Varga Arboretum

NOVEMBER

Wreath Making Class

Learn techniques that you'll use for years to come to make fun wreaths for holiday decorating. You may want to go home and make them for all the people on your gift list. All supplies will be furnished, but bring a glue gun if you have one. Cost: \$25 Members, \$35 Public

November 12, 11:00 am – noon

Location: UBC – Utah House