



# FREE EVENTS & SPECIAL PROGRAMS

## DAILY

### EXPLORATION STATION: Garden activities for all

*Free!*

Explore the fun of plants, animals and gardening with seasonal activities for you and your family. Look for Ambassadors throughout the Gardens and enjoy seasonal activities. Hands-on fun helps you make the most of your Gardens visit.

**FREE DROP-IN EVENT. ADULT CHAPERONE REQUIRED FOR CHILDREN.**

*Parking fees apply.*

## FEBRUARY 18

### MALLARME CHAMBER PLAYERS

### FAMILY CONCERT: Hipster Horns

Meet hornists Rachel Niketopoulos and Chris Caudill as they take you through the evolution of the horn. From hunting horn to symphonic brass, learn about the role of horns in music.

SUNDAY, FEB. 18, 1-2 PM.

LOCATION: DORIS DUKE CENTER.

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT [MALLARMEMUSIC.ORG](http://MALLARMEMUSIC.ORG).

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**MARCH 16-18**

## ART AND NATURE: Artwork inspired by Duke Gardens

**Free!**

Enjoy an artist's perspective of the Gardens. This exhibit celebrates the beauty and diversity of all of Duke Gardens with an optional focus on pollination.

Two- and three-dimensional work by local artists demonstrates how the Gardens inspire them and serves insects, birds and mammals.

**FREE DROP-IN EXHIBIT FOR ALL AGES.**

**ADULT CHAPERONE REQUIRED FOR CHILDREN.**

FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 1-4 PM.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, EXHIBIT OPEN FROM 10 AM-4 PM.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 4:30- 6 PM, PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN ARTISTS' RECEPTION.

SUNDAY, MARCH 18, EXHIBIT OPEN FROM NOON-4 PM.

LOCATION: DORIS DUKE CENTER.

*Parking fees apply on weekdays from 9 am to 5 pm, and Saturday and Sunday after 1 pm.*

**APRIL 12-MAY 17**

## MEET THE KEEPERS

*Jason Holmes, curator; Lindsey Fleetwood, horticulturist; and Nick Schwab, assistant horticulturist, Duke Gardens*

**Free!**

Plan your Gardens visit to include this special opportunity to meet the keepers of the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden. Jason will explore fascinating facts about plants and gardening. Lindsey will introduce you to the chickens and explain their preferences, including dust baths. Nick will explain what and how a bee eats and how they communicate.

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THURSDAYS, 1:30-3 PM, APRIL 12-MAY 17.

APRIL 12: GARDENING.

APRIL 19: BEES.

APRIL 26: CHICKENS.

MAY 3: GARDENING.

MAY 10: BEES.

MAY 17: CHICKENS.

LOCATION: CHARLOTTE BRODY DISCOVERY GARDEN.

*Parking fees apply on weekdays from 9 am to 5 pm.*

*Interested in learning from the experts at Duke Gardens? By becoming a member today, you can save 20% on most education programs.*

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## APRIL AND MAY 2018 REMEMBRANCE POPPIES IN THE CHARLOTTE BRODY DISCOVERY GARDEN

**Free!**

This spring the meadow planting in the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden will display red poppies to honor the centennial conclusion of World War I. The red poppy has become the symbol of that war since shortly after the war when a poet wrote about the red poppies blooming on the fields of Flanders. The Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden honors the impact of all home gardeners in the United States who planted “War Gardens” to provide food products to alleviate shortages around the world. War Gardens then became known in WWII as Victory Gardens.



## APRIL 7 SARAH P. DUKE GARDENS SPRING PLANT SALE

**Free!**

Spring brings out the gardener in all of us. The Spring Plant Sale provides a special opportunity to acquire unique plants grown here at Duke Gardens, as well as quality plants from local nurseries that have proved their worth in North Carolina gardens. Duke Gardens’ members have first access to purchase plants on Friday, April 6, from 4-6 pm, and a member discount throughout the Saturday sale hours. Memberships are available on site during the preview sale and on the day of the sale.

GARDENS’ MEMBERS OPENING: FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 4-6 PM.

PUBLIC SALE OPENING: SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 8 AM-NOON.

*Further information at [gardens.duke.edu](http://gardens.duke.edu).*

## APRIL 27-A MEMBERS ONLY EVENT PLANT A TREE FOR ARBOR DAY!

**Free!**

Join us at Duke Gardens to celebrate Arbor Day and learn how to plant a tree so that it thrives. Discover how to assess a tree’s root system and to correct depth and circling roots before you plant. The horticulturist will discuss how to prepare the hole, whether to amend the backfill soil and how to water the tree in after planting. You can come back and visit the Arbor Day tree over the years to see how well it is doing. Other Arbor Day activities will be available.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 10 AM-NOON.

LOCATION: INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE DORIS DUKE CENTER.

*Free drop-in event for Duke Gardens Members, please see page 4 for membership information. Parking fees apply.*

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## JUNE 3

# MALLARME CHAMBER PLAYERS FAMILY CONCERT: Music from Africa

Join Diali Cissohko on the kora and other members of Kaira Ba in this introduction of African instruments. Hear traditional and original music infused with rhythms and tunes inspired by the African diaspora.

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 1-2 PM.

LOCATION: DORIS DUKE CENTER.

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT MALLARMEMUSIC.ORG.

## JUNE 18-23

# NATIONAL POLLINATOR WEEK

**Free!**

Explore the Gardens from a pollinator's perspective and celebrate National Pollinator Week. We will have activities and scavenger hunts that let you see the Gardens as a grocery store for bees, butterflies, hummingbirds, moths and bats, to name a few.

**FREE DROP-IN EVENT. ADULT CHAPERONE REQUIRED FOR CHILDREN.**

MONDAY-SATURDAY, JUNE 18-23.

PICK UP ACTIVITIES FROM ANY AMBASSADOR STATION IN THE GARDENS.

*Parking fees apply.*

## JULY 7 & 8

# BONSAI EXPO

*Presented by the Triangle Bonsai Society and Duke Gardens*

**Free!**

Join us this summer to enjoy the Bonsai Expo at Duke Gardens. The Triangle Bonsai Society will display an amazing array of these carefully pruned plants. This 2-day exhibit will include more than 40 bonsai created in multiple styles from a wide range of plant species, including maple, azalea, pine, elm, juniper, bald cypress, crabapple, ficus and more. You will have the opportunity to learn the basic steps of creating a bonsai at daily demonstrations.

**FREE DROP-IN EXHIBIT FOR ALL AGES.**

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SUNDAY, JULY 8, NOON-4 PM.

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