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Dear Friends

of The Arboretum,

If you haven’t already done so, I urge you to read Peter Atkins’ remarks— he speaks of a number of positive developments here at The Arboretum. I hope you will also read about the Baldwin Bonanza Festival of Plants 2002, which promises to be the best yet—and that you will plan to attend the Preview Party on Friday, May 3rd and the sale and other activities on the 4th and 5th.

Our Annual Meeting in October was interesting and well-attended. After hearing exciting remarks from Arboretum staff and a financial report from foundation treasurer Perry Wilder, we thanked several non-returning board members for their service on the foundation board:

Donicee Nash, who deserves special thanks for her leadership as board president during the important transition to an Arboretum-wide CEO and to co-governance of The Arboretum by the county and the foundation,

Marcia Bent, who served on the Executive Committee and played a major role in the last two Baldwin Bonanzas,

Kathy Gillespie

and

Jerry Miller, who served their terms with distinction, and

Scott Wilcott, who served on the Executive Committee and chaired both the foundation’s Finance & Investment Committee and its Investments Subcommittee.

Bill Hildeburn, Maribeth McGinley and Brian Nash were newly elected to the foundation board. They are highly qualified, and we welcome them and look forward to working with them.

The meeting concluded with a talk and slide show by Nancy Goslee Power, the noted Southern California landscape designer who’s now at work on the conceptual long-range plan which will guide future developments on the grounds of The Arboretum.

Finally, on behalf of the foundation board of trustees, I would like to extend heartfelt thanks to all of you—listed elsewhere in this newsletter—who responded generously to our Annual Appeal, raising a substantial sum which will be used to further enhance The Arboretum and its programs as it works to become a world class arboretum for all of Southern California.

Thank you very much for your interest and involvement! If you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

George A. Brumder

LAFF President
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October - November 2001

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Baldwin Bonanza
Preview Party

Friday, May 3, 2002

4:30-8:00 PM

The Arboretum
301 North Baldwin Avenue
Arcadia, California

Casual Attire - No Host Bar

Yes, I want to order my tickets for the Baldwin Bonanza Preview Party!

Name: ____________________________

Address: ____________________________

City: __________________ State: ______ Zip: __________

Telephone: ____________ E-Mail: ___________________

Number of Tickets: ________ @ $75.00 per person = $ _________

☐ Enclosed check is payable to the Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation

☐ Visa  ☐ MasterCard  ☐ Discover  ☐ AMEX

Credit Card #: ____________________________ Expires: ____________

Signature: ____________________________ RSVP by April 24, 2002

I will be unable to attend, enclosed is my contribution of $ ________

Make your reservation early - tickets are limited

Reservations will be held at the door
Join us for the

Baldwin Bonanza
Preview Party
"by reservation only"

Silent Auction and Plant Sale Fundraiser.
Guests have first pick from thousands of interesting and unique plants.

Garden Galleries 2002
"In Search of Our Roots"

Featuring garden design ideas that illustrate our relationship with plants from around the world.

Designers will present indoor and outdoor design ideas utilizing such themes as:

Heritage Gardens
Beauty and the Feast
Uniting Garden Paths
Wheelbarrow Wonders

Echoes of the Earth
Practical Magic
Ethnobotany Expeditions
Micro-garden Miniatures

Plants For Sale
"Pick & Purchase"

Thousands of plants will be available for purchase including many orchids from The Arboretum Collection, along with numerous plants from participating nurseries. Choices will be endless, including traditional favorites - roses, cacti, flowering trees, staghorn ferns, a large assortment of perennials and unique plant offerings. Vendors will also be offering unusual and interesting gardening accessories.

World Café Food Court
"Ethnic Eateries"

Authentic ethnic fare will be offered throughout the evening. Experience diverse cultural food and flavors from around the globe.

Mark Your Calendar & Make Your Reservations NOW!

See details reverse side
Wednesday, March 6, Mark Acuña will present his lecture in Ayres Hall at 8:00 pm. The world of the indigenous peoples of the Los Angeles region, the Gabrieleno-Tongva, was a world filled with beauty and joy as well as a cornucopia of foods and game. Join in the fun, and learn about local history and native culture and ethno- botany while planning your own Gabrieleno-Tongva garden which will reflect the indigenous Los Angeles Basin Indian use of and love for our native flora. This is a garden of spiritual values, food and drink, medicine and healing plants, and shelter. Re-create a bit of pre-European Los Angeles.

Mark Acuña will bring handouts, photo panels, plant descriptions and notes on their usages, a selection of live native plants, and an assortment of artifacts.

A few tribal members will likely join Mr. Acuña at the presentation, so expect a traditional song or two.

A Celebration of Heritage

Mark Acuña was born on April 6, 1938, in Los Angeles and raised in San Gabriel by his grandparents four blocks from the San Gabriel Mission and two blocks from the Gabrieleno-Tongva Tribal Council Center. He has been a resident of Claremont since 1977. His current affiliations include:

- California Indian Affiliation: Gabrieleno-Tongva descendant and member of the Gabrieleno-Tongva Tribal Council (tracing back to the late 1700’s).
- Spanish Heritage Affiliation: Machado family line back to Jose Manuel Machado (1757-1810) Californiano.

Mark earned his Bachelor’s (1964) and Masters (1966) from California State University at Los Angeles in English (specializing in early American Literature) and Art History.

From 1966 to 1998 he taught at Mount San Antonio Community College (Mt. SAC), retired in May of 1998 and was also a Faculty Advisor (N.A.I.S.A.: Native American Intertribal Student Alliance). While at Mt. SAC, he developed and/or introduced a number of programs including transforming his Freshman Composition class into a California Indian Studies Class, and worked with the Mt. SAC Library to develop an extensive Indian Research Collection. He also founded the Mt. SAC TEATRO and wrote and directed a number of plays. As Visiting Professor at Pitzer College (Fall 2000) he presented a class on “Culture and the Land: an ethnobotanic history of the Gabrieleno-Tongva and their impact on the Los Angeles Basin.”

He is currently a consultant with The Southwest Museum (Los Angeles) in cooperation with the Los Angeles Board of Education on teacher training regarding the history of the indigenous people (Tongva) of the Los Angeles Basin.

Over the years his tribal activities and responsibilities have included:

- Committee Head: Tongva-English Dictionary Committee.
- Tribal Liaison to Heritage Park (The City of Santa Fe Springs) and coordinator on the reconstruction of the village of Chokiishngna 1998-2000.
- Work with the Forest Service (San Gabriel Mountains) for the establishment of Haramokngna (Red Box Native American Interpretive Center) in the San Gabriel Mountains near Mt. Wilson. He has served as Tribal Ethnobotanist-in-Residence at the Center.

- Work with the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden education program in the retraining of docents; translated scientific and English common names of the native plants in the collection to Tongva.
- Researcher on the ethnobotany of the Tongva people as well as work on a book on Tongva history and culture.
- Past editor of Tovangar, the Newsletter of the Gabrieleno-Tongva Tribal Nation.

Contributed by Jim Bauml
Baldwin Bonanza 2002 marks the 32nd Festival of Plants. This annual outdoor event will take place at The Arboretum in Arcadia, May 3, 4 & 5, 2002.

Baldwin Bonanza 2002 kicks off with the traditional reservation-only Preview Party, Silent Auction and Plant Sale Fundraiser, Friday, May 3 from 4:30 to 7:30 pm. The evening is always exciting. Most important, guests will have first pick of thousands of exciting and hard-to-find plants. There will also be more than a dozen popular area restaurants serving samples of their most delicious cuisines, a Silent Auction with many fabulous items and Garden Vignettes complete with their landscape designers to meet, greet and speak. An invitation is enclosed in this newsletter. Be sure to sign up for this special evening today as tickets are limited!

Plant Sale

The public Plant Sale on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5 will be from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm each day. Orchids from The Arboretum Collection, along with numerous plants from participating nurseries will be for sale. Choices will be endless, including traditional favorites—roses, cacti, flowering trees, staghorn ferns, a large assortment of perennials and many other unique plant offerings.

Complementing the Plant Sale will be a series of Garden Chats taking place throughout the weekend. Leading these informative sessions will be garden designers and nursery staff, talking about garden trends, exciting new plants, "how-to" sessions, and more. These chats will take place hourly and are free with general admission.

Garden Galleries 2002: In Search of Our Roots

A highlight of Baldwin Bonanza, “Garden Galleries” will return in 2002 with an ethnobotanical focus exploring our “plant-people” heritage on a global scale. “Garden Galleries 2002: In Search of Our Roots” will feature garden design ideas that illustrate our relationship with plants from the ground up and from around the world. Featured designers will present indoor and outdoor design ideas against such backdrop themes as:

- Heritage Garden: Plants & Gardens from around the Globe
- Echoes of the Earth
- Beauty and the Feast (Edible Gardens)
- Practical Magic (Medicinal Gardens)
- Ethnobotany Expeditions
- Wheelbarrow Wonders
- Microgarden Miniatures

A new feature of Baldwin Bonanza 2002, the World Café Food Court, will complete the exploration of the “plant-people” ethnobotanical relationship. Food from cultures around the world will be presented and served throughout the weekend.

Baldwin Bonanza 2002
Date & Times:
Preview Party & Plant Sale
Friday, May 3, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
Members Only Plant Sale
Saturday, May 4, 8:00 - 9:00 am
Public Plant Sale
Saturday, May 4, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm
Sunday, May 5, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Mark Your Calendar

South Coast Classic Model Horse Exhibit
February 9 & 10 9:00am - 4:30pm
Mushroom Fair
February 17 9:00am - 4:30pm
Monrovia Rock Hounds
March 2 & 3 9:00am - 4:30pm
Environmental Education Fair
March 9 9:00am - 3:00pm
Orchid Show
March 23 9:00am - 4:30pm
March 24 9:00am - 4:00pm
Spring Iris Show
April 12, 13, 14 9:00am - 4:30pm
April 7 9:00am - 4:30pm
Insect Fair
April 20 & 21 12:00 - 4:30 pm
Botanical Art Exhibition
April 20 thru 28 9:00am - 4:30pm
Pacific Rose Society Show
April 27 1:00 - 4:30pm
April 28 9:00am - 3:30pm
MUSHROOMS
Saturday, February 2
9:00 am - Noon
Lecture Hall A
Dr. Jerry Turney,
Instructor
$25 / $30 non-members
This class will provide a basic overview of
the fungal kingdom with emphasis on mush-
room identification. Learn the basic
characteristics used to
identify mushrooms
and other fleshy fungi.
Find out which
mushrooms are safe to
eat and which ones to
avoid. Jerry also takes
the class out on The
Arboretum grounds
to seek out and identify
mushrooms right in
‘our own backyard.’
Also included is a field
trip to our local
mountains to collect
mushrooms.

GARDEN SPROUTS - SATURDAY KIDS
GARDENING CLUB!
KIDS AGES 5 - 8
1st Saturday
of each month
January - June
9:00 - 11:00 am
Roots and Shoots Garden:
enter at Old Ranch Rd.
(off of Colorado Blvd.)
Lisa Beach, Instructor
Members: $25 per quarter
or $10 each Saturday
Non-members: $30 per
quarter, or $12 each
Saturday
We’ll plant and tend our
garden, play nature
games, and learn
gardening crafts!

WINTER QUARTER:
GARDEN JOURNALING FOR JANUARY!
January 5
Come make nature
prints and flower
photos!

INDOOR GARDENING
February 2
Plant seeds and make
your own terrarium!
GARDEN ART DAY!
March 2
Come make mosaic
stepping stones &
artful watering cans!

SPRING QUARTER
PLANTING VEGGIES
April 6
It’s planting day in the
Vegetable Garden!!
YUMMY FLOWERS
May 4
Learn to make tasty
treats from our flower
friends!
HARVEST PARTY!
June 1
Come and enjoy the
food you grew and the
friends you made!

WEEKEND
BOTANICAL ART
CLASSES: OTIS
COLLEGE OF ART
AND DESIGN
Saturdays and Sundays:
9:30 am - 4:30 pm
Peacock Café
Annex & Lecture Hall
Sally Jacobs and Gilly
Schaeffer, Instructors
Call Otis College for
information/registration
310/665-6850.

BOTANICAL
WATERCOLOR
TECHNIQUES
Gilly Schaeffer, Instructor
6 Saturdays, February 2, 9,
March 2, 16, April 6, 13
A beginning/intermedi-
ate course emphasizing
the realistic portrayal of
botanical subjects with
attention to accuracy.

BOTANICAL
DRAWING
& ILLUSTRATION
Sally Jacobs, Instructor
6 Sundays, February 3, 17,
March 3, 17, April 7, 14
Observe plants and
draw them accurately.
Suitable for all levels.
Develop perceptual
accuracy, analyze light,
and produce tone-
values. Work is primar-
ily in pencil. Indoor
classes make use of The
Arboretum’s flora.

BOHNAL
ILLUSTRATION II:
DRAWING PLANTS
6 Wednesdays
February 6 - March 13
9 am - Noon
Lecture Hall A
Sally Jacobs, Instructor
$180 / $200 non-members
A continuation of
Botanical Illustration I:
Basic Drawing. Learn
accurate rendering of
plant and leaf subject
matter. Subjects include:
leaf anatomy, leaves
and attachments, flower
dissection, flower
drawing in different
viewpoints, flower with
leaves, and roots.

EARLY FLOWERING
TREE TALK & WALK
Saturday, February 9
10 am - Noon - Please be
prompt or you may be
left behind!
Lecture Hall A
Dr. Jerry Turney,
Instructor
$15 / $18 non-members
This talk begins with
the Magnolia collection,
and continues on to
other flowering trees.
Learn where they grow
best, their size and
basic forms, and how
to utilize them in your
garden. An opportunity
to learn from an expert.
Dr. Turney is a certified
arborist and a plant
pathologist.

PALM SEMINAR
Friday, February 15
8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Ayres Hall
Sponsored by California
State University,
San Bernardino
$139 members
and non-members
Call 909/880-5977 for
information/registration
This full day covers:
Selecting, Moving, and
Planting Palms; Tough
Palms for Tough
Places; Diseases and
Pests; Practical Field
Application of Re-
search - Preinstallation
and Installation; and
Maintenance for Palm
Trees. This profes-
sional seminar (Pest
Control and ISA
Continuing Education
units available), is
open to anyone
interested in palms. For
more information:
www.regweb.com/
wsu/palms.
GOURDS IN THE GARDEN & TRELLIS-MAKING WORKSHOP
Sunday, Feb. 17
1 pm - 4 pm
Lecture Hall A and Peacock Cafe Annex
Leigh Adams and Gail Shair, Instructors
$30 / $36 non-members
This class covers the how-tos of growing, pollinating and harvesting gourds. Learn to identify gourd shapes, plan your garden, and to control pests and diseases. You will receive gourd seeds of several varieties.

Make a wonderful sturdy natural trellis to support gourd vines or any lightweight plant. A beautiful addition in the garden, a trellis adds charm and character. Bring clippers, gloves, and a cordless screwdriver. All materials provided.

VEGETABLE GARDENS
Wednesday, February 20
9:30 am - Noon
Lecture Hall A
Ralph Crane, Instructor
$15 / $18 non-members
FREE vegetable plants!!! Have you ever grown your own vegetables? Learn to plan your spring and summer garden, techniques on soils, fertilizers, raised beds, watering and pest management. Ralph will also talk about planting corn, tomatoes, squashes, all beans and more. Sunset Magazine even highlighted Ralph’s soil conditioning formula for healthy and productive crops. Provide an opportunity for painters to learn from one another and provide a place for those wishing to concentrate on their painting in an encouraging and supportive environment.

WATER MANAGEMENT FOR YOUR GARDEN
Saturday, March 2
10 am - 11:30 am
Lecture Hall A
Dr. Jerry Turney, Instructor
$15/$18 non-members
An introduction to water management fundamentals. Learn how much water to apply to lawns, shrubs and trees, and how often; how to program automated sprinkler systems to conserve water.

BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP
8 Mondays
March 18 - May 6
9:30 - 11:30 am
Education Greenhouse
$35 / $42 non-members
Enjoy painting fresh flowers from The Arboretum with fellow watercolor enthusiasts. This is a self-directed workshop (no official instructor) that will

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION III: COMPOSITION
6 Wednesdays
March 20 - April 24
9 am - Noon
Lecture Hall A
$180 / $200 non-members
Sally Jacobs, Instructor
Create a pleasing and interesting composition for your botanical sketches. Demonstrations will take you step by step from sketch to final composition. Botanical Illustration II: Drawing Plants course is recommended before you take composition. Bring your sketches to the first class.

GREEN SIDE UP: THE BASICS OF GARDENING
6 Wednesdays
2:30 - 4:30 pm
Education Greenhouse
Lisa M. Beach, Instructor
Come and learn the ins and outs of basic gardening skills!

BASIC THEME GARDENS
6 Wednesdays
March 6 - April 10
$65 / $80 non-members
3/6 Plant a Pot of Posies: Container Garden Basics
3/13 Food for Thought: Vegetable Garden Basics
3/27 Got Water?: Drought Tolerant Garden Basics
4/3 Gardens All-a-Flutter: Butterfly & Hummingbird Garden Basics
4/10 Flower Power: Edible Flower Garden Basics

NEW SERIES: GARDENING AND COOKING IN A MEDITERRANEAN CLIMATE
6 Tuesdays
March 19 - April 23
10 am - Noon
Lecture Hall A
Jill Vig, Instructor

NEW SERIES: "FRESH!": CELEBRATING THE TABLE!
This new Arboretum series encompasses all things wonderful about the kitchen table - from the garden that grows the food to recipes, seasons, and festive decorations that celebrate our love for eating. Join cookbook authors, restaurant chefs, caterers, florists, gardeners and other "foodies" as they instruct two-hour workshops. Sessions include demonstrations, tastings, some hands-on, and loads of

INFORMATION: Call (626) 821-4623 or (626) 821-4624 for information or to register for a class. Please fax to (626) 821-4642 or mail your registration form with your method of payment to: Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007-2697.

Reservations are required for all classes, programs and events. Registration on the day of the program is allowed if space is available.

REGISTRATION ONE CLASS/EVENT PER FORM PLEASE

Class/Event

LAFF Member

No. of people

Total

Non-Member

No. of people

Total

Please make checks payable to: Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation (LAFF)

Signature required for all credit card charges

Discover/MC/Visa/Amex # Exp. Member No. (if applicable)

Name Address City State Zip Telephone ( )
Interested in training as a chef’s helper in exchange for free attendance? Call Peg Rahn at 626-441-2075 Mon-Fri from 9-5. For information/registration, call 626-821-4623.

**PLANT PROPAGATION**
Saturday, March 23
9 a.m. - Noon
Education Greenhouse
Steve Williams, Instructor
$20/$25 non-members
Steve Williams, Plant Sale Propagator from the Huntington Botanical Gardens, will demonstrate the basics of plant propagation, including cuttings, seeds, layering and division and grafting. You’ll work on cuttings, and then take home the seeds and cuttings.

**FANATIC GARDENERS**
8 Thursdays
March 28 - May 16
March 8
March 29 – May 17
9:30 a.m. - Noon
Lecture Hall A
Jan Smithen, Instructor
Currently filled. Call 626-821-4623 to join the waiting list.

**IKEBANA**
8 Fridays
March 29 – May 17
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Lecture Hall B
Reiko Kawamura, Instructor
$65 / $80 non-members
$24 materials fee payable to the instructor
Learn Japanese cultural traditions and practice the techniques of Moribana, Heika and landscape arrangements. Bring a 10" to 12" shallow container, clippers and a needle holder (frog) to the first class.

**HOW TO PLANT AND MAINTAIN SLOPES AND HILLS**
Saturday, April 6
10 a.m. - Noon
Lecture Hall A
Kelly Kubica, Instructor
$15 / $18 non-members
Much of the land available for building in Southern California today is in previously unused hilly areas. This class addresses the proper planting and maintenance of slopes with regard to plant materials. Topics include erosion control, three-level planting, weed control, hydroseeding and fire and water issues.

**ARBOR DAY TREE PLANTING CEREMONY**
Friday, April 19
11:30 a.m.
Free with admission to The Arboretum
Join us for our Arbor Day Tree Planting Ceremony! Local school students will participate in a ceremony celebrating Arbor Day and add to The Arboretum collection by helping us plant new trees on the grounds. Special thanks to Arcadia Rotary Club for sponsoring the 2002 Arbor Day program.

**ARBOR DAY TREE TRAM PROGRAM**
Friday, April 19
3:30 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.
Instructor: Jim Bauml
$2 / $3 non-members
Celebrate Arbor Day at The Arboretum! Learn about the trees at The Arboretum and take a tram ride through 127 acres of beautiful gardens and landscapes. Jim Bauml, Senior Botanist at The Arboretum, will share his insights. Space is limited.

**SUMMER “FRESH” SERIES**
Thursdays: 4 - 6 pm
Saturdays: 10 a.m. - noon
Class:
$45 / $50 non-members
Series:
$160 / $190 non-members
June 15, Saturday
BBQ Sauces and Outdoor Cooking
June 27, Thursday
Celebrating the 4th of July
11 July, Thursday
Summer Jams
July 25, Thursday
Cooking Cool

**Baldwin Bonanza Garden Chats**
Saturday, May 4
10 a.m.: Wonderful World of Palms
Phil Bergman
11 a.m.: Gardening in the Mediterranean Style
Jan Smithen
1:30 p.m.: Unusual Garden Plants
Tom Jesch
3:30 p.m.: Amazing Bamboos
Ralph Evans

**BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION CLASSES:**
9 a.m. - noon
Botanical Illustration I
Basic Drawing
June 3, 5, 10, 12
Olga Eysymontt
Botanical Illustration II
Drawing Plants
June 17, 19, 24, 26
July 1, 3
Olga Eysymontt
Botanical Illustration III
Composition
July 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24
Olga Eysymontt
Color Pencil:
July 29, 31, Aug. 5, 7, 12, 14
Olga Eysymontt
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"FRESH – Celebrating the Table!"

From the garden that grows the food to recipes, seasonings, and festive decorations that celebrate our love for eating – this new Arboretum series encompasses all things wonderful about the kitchen table and is sure to tempt, tantalize, and be a sell-out!

You are welcome to join us at any or all of the two-hour classes being held this spring and summer by cookbook authors, restaurant chefs, caterers, florists, gardeners and other “foodies”. Classes include demonstrations, tastings, some hands-on culinary activities, and loads of scrumptious ideas and information for you to use in your own home. From barbequing to setting a decorative holiday table, this series will inspire you and give you the tools to create your own magic.

A Special Thanks

Many thanks go to Gary Jones for providing our new cooking cart, which will debut this spring and be an integral part of the series. Our appreciation also goes out to all who responded to our call for kitchen items. It is not too late if you still want to donate your functional but unwanted gadgets and gizmos for a tax-deductible donation! From pots and pans to garlic presses and ice-cream makers, we need it all!

Calling all Chef Helpers

If you're interested in training as a chef's helper in exchange for free class attendance, call Peg Rahn at 626-441-2075 Mon-Fri from 9-5.

For more information or to register for classes, please call 626-821-4623.

Contributed by Gail S Bair

Fresh Course Schedule

Courses can be taken on an individual basis or as a full series. There is a discount for series registration. Thursday classes will be held from 4-6 pm; Saturday classes from 10 am - noon.

Spring Series

March 21: Maase's Magic - Hank Maase, Jacob Maase Florists
April 11: Spring Dinner - Stephen Mary, Ritz-Carlton Chef
April 20: Designing & Using a Culinary Garden - Leigh Talmo, Parkway Grill Garden Curator
May 16: Life's A Picnic - Peggy Dark, Kitchen for Exploring Foods and Sue Campoy, Julienne's
May 30: Innovative Chinese Cuisine for the Western Table - Michael Yeung, Executive Chef, P.F. Chang's
$45 per course for members / $50 for non-members
$200 for series for members / $240 for non-members

Summer Series - Save the Dates

June 15: BBQ Sauces and Outdoor Cooking
June 27: Celebrating the 4th of July
July 11: Summer Jams
July 25: Cooking Cool
$45 per course for members / $50 for non-members
$160 per series for members / $190 for non-members

Creating a Legacy

Plant the Seeds Today

Creating an estate plan—and ensuring it remains up-to-date—is something most people avoid. However, the process is an important one. An outdated or incomplete plan can lead to high settlement costs, or leave your beneficiaries without the inheritance you planned for them. In developing your estate plan, ask yourself:

• Does this plan divide my estate (including cash and other assets) in the way I wish?
• Does it help safeguard my own financial security during my lifetime? (If possible, does it increase my expendable income right now?)
• Does it keep my income and estate taxes as low as possible?
• Does it include continued support of the charitable causes I'm helping today?

As personal or family circumstances change or as tax laws are modified, your estate plan should be updated. If not, you may miss opportunities to help those you care about. A competent attorney or trained financial professional can provide the help you need.

If you are interested in including The Arboretum of Los Angeles County as a beneficiary of your estate, we encourage you to contact us. A number of attractive recognition opportunities exist to thank those foresighted individuals who choose to support The Arboretum through a planned gift. In addition, the tax benefits of an estate gift to The Arboretum can help you achieve your own financial goals.

Please call Peter Atkins at (626) 821-3230 to schedule a no-obligation consultation.

(This information is not intended as legal advice. For legal advice, please consult an attorney.)

Contributed by Victoria Thurlow
ART IN APRIL!

The Botanical Artists Guild of Southern California and The Arboretum are co-sponsoring an exciting new event, Botanical Art at The Arboretum, April 20-28, 2002.

Combining science and art to communicate the structure and growth patterns of plants, botanical illustration is a centuries-old art-form that is attracting renewed interest and study. As you’ll see in this stunning exhibit, botanical drawings and paintings are scientifically accurate and impart knowledge about a given plant—such as the arrangement of the roots or the relative position of one blossom to another. But, in addition to its technical clarity, in the hands of a gifted painter, the plant comes alive with artistic flourish.

Sales of botanical paintings are achieving record numbers, spurred by a series of successful exhibitions of contemporary botanical art. There have been sell-out shows around the world recently, and select pieces from this show will be available for purchase as well. Lectures and demonstrations will be ongoing for the duration of the event, and all programs are free with general admission to The Arboretum. Visit www.arboretum.org for details.

The artists in Botanical Art at The Arboretum are members of the southern California chapter of the American Society of Botanical Artists. Many have had their work included in international juried shows, receiving awards for outstanding work. Paintings by members can be found in private collections throughout the country. Most of the artists have studied with Olga Eysymontt who teaches at The Arboretum and Otis College of Art and Design.

Be sure to visit The Arboretum to see this exceptional show!

Contributed by
Sally Jacobs & Gail Shoir

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION

INTEREST SOARS. WHY?

IN A WORD...IT'S OLGA!

Interest in the Botanical Illustration classes at The Arboretum has skyrocketed over the last year. One of the most successful class offerings has a list of over 25 eager artists waiting to become students of Olga Eysymontt.

Olga brought Botanical Illustration to The Arboretum as a class offering in 1998. Current students drive from all over southern California including Riverside, Chatsworth, Redondo Beach, and Newport Beach to learn from her. Olga’s wonderful botanical illustrations have been included in numerous exhibitions throughout the United States including exhibits in New York, Denver, St. Louis and the LA County Museum of Art Rental Gallery.

Olga received her BFA from Rochester Institute of Technology in Printmaking and Painting. She has been an instructor at Otis College of Art since 1990.

Olga is currently on maternity leave. We wish Olga a joyful few months and look forward to her return in the Spring.

Olga Eysymontt (left) and Jill Berry, Arboretum Program Manager.

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

On April 19, The Arboretum, the Arcadia Rotary Club and two elementary schools in Arcadia will celebrate Arbor Day with a tree planting and dedication ceremony held at 11:30 am. The general public is invited to the planting ceremony. Each year the Arcadia Rotary Club generously sponsors the Arbor Day activities at The Arboretum.

This year three Magnolia stellata ‘Royal Star’ trees will be planted as part of the celebration. The Star Magnolia is a deciduous species from Central Japan.

This tree grows relatively quickly to 20 feet high and 15 feet wide and blooms in late winter with fragrant white flowers before the leaves emerge. It will be planted in the Meadowbrook Section as an addition to our extensive Magnolia collection.

In the afternoon, Jim Baum, Lead Botanist, will conduct a Tree Tram Program at 3:30 pm and 4:30 pm. Come and learn about the many trees at The Arboretum and why they are important. Tree Tram Programs will start at the Tram Loading Station outside The Arboretum Gift Shop. Cost of the program is $2 for members, $3 for non-members.

On April 20th and 21st we will be giving away free tree seedlings to children ages 12 and under.
GARDENING AND COOKING IN A MEDITERRANEAN CLIMATE

When one thinks of the Mediterranean, visions of beautiful gardens and azure skies may be the immediate reaction, but the thought of delicious cuisines involving olives, citrus, rosemary and nuts also make the mouth begin to water.

In the second series of this popular course, participants will not only learn about the culture of many food plants native to the Mediterranean, but half of each class will be spent with a master chef who will teach you how to utilize that food plant in your own kitchen!

The Arboretum and Jill Vig, class instructor, welcome Stephen Mary, chef at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Pasadena, and formerly of Parkway Grill, as we debut a new way to learn about and cook with wonderful fresh foods.

The gardening part of the class will continue to focus on the delights of gardening in a Mediterranean environment, looking at the classic elements one finds in these regions of the world.

Series Overview

The first hour of each course will be dedicated to a particular plant, plant family, or theme common to Mediterranean climates. During the second hour Stephen Mary will demonstrate delicious cuisine using the same plants, and of course provide many samples and recipes.

The Tuesday classes will be held at The Arboretum from 10 am-noon.

Course Schedule:
March 19: Delicious Citrus
March 26: Rosemary—Savory and Sweet
April 2: Olives, Olives, Olives!
April 9: Gorgeous Garlic
April 16: Herbs from the Garden
April 23: A Feast of Roses

The cost is $80 for members and $95 for non-members. (This is a series-only course; unfortunately we cannot accommodate single-class sign-ups.)

About the Instructors

Jill Vig, curator of The Arboretum’s Water Conservation Garden and former instructor of the popular basic gardening series Green Side Up, is also a certified arborist, horticulturist, Master Gardener, landscape designer and member of the Board of Directors of the Southern California Horticultural Society.

Stephen Mary is a graduate of the Southern California School of Culinary Arts, and has worked as a chef at Bistro 45, Abiento, Parkway Grill, and is currently with the Ritz-Carlton in Pasadena. For the past few years, he has also been an integral part of the Harvest Parties in The Arboretum’s Roots & Shoots program where he teaches children how to prepare delicious dishes from food grown in the garden.

Contributed by Jill Vig and Gail Shair

SATURDAY KIDS GARDENING CLUB!

KIDS AGES 5 – 8: BECOME A GARDEN SPROUT
On the first Saturday of each month, from 9:00 – 11:00 am, come to the Roots and Shoots Garden and learn to plant, tend a garden, play nature games and make creative fun garden crafts. Spring quarter starts April 6.

April 6: Planting Veggies!
It’s planting day in the vegetable garden

May 4: Yummy Flowers!
Learn to make tasty treats from our flower friends

June 1: Harvest Party!
Come and enjoy the food you grew and the friends that you have made

Members: $25/quarter or $10 each Saturday
Non-members: $30/quarter, or $12 each Saturday

LOS ANGELES ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION FAIR

March 9, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Come join the fun and learn about the environment and our natural resources. There will be lots of imaginative exhibits, displays, demonstrations, nature games and hands-on activities to teach the importance of conservation and ecology. Free with admission to The Arboretum.

INSECT FAIR

April 12, 13, 14
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Come see local and exotic insects, spiders and scorpions. There will be special educational displays, books and supplies, bug shirts and toys, along with bug collecting equipment. Free with admission to The Arboretum.
"GARDENING UNDER MEDITERRANEAN SKIES"

This fall the third annual “Gardening Under Mediterranean Skies” symposium, jointly produced with the Strybing Arboretum and Pacific Horticulture Magazine, will be held at The Arboretum for the second time.

The five Mediterranean regions of the world have mild temperate climates that include both a rainy season in winter and drought conditions in summer. California, the countries surrounding the Mediterranean Sea, the Western Cape of South Africa, Chile’s central coast and southern and southwestern Australia, all make up the areas categorized as Mediterranean zones and share many similarities in botanical specimens and horticultural practices.

Watch for more about this exciting program later this year.

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ADMISSION:
$5 Adults, $3 Students and Seniors, $1 Children 5-12, Free for children under 5 and Arboretum members

HOURS:
9:00 am to 4:30 pm Daily.
Closed December 25.
WEBSITE: www.arboretum.org