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Naples Botanical Garden Announces its 2024 – 2025 Season

Naples Botanical Garden: A Living Canvas

NAPLES, FL – October 3, 2024 – Launching fall 2024, Naples Botanical Garden celebrates *Naples Botanical Garden: A Living Canvas*. From small displays to large landscapes, explore how we arrange plants for both form and function. Like a painter plans a mural, we carefully plan our collections and their reflections in our community offerings, to continually reframe nature and how to celebrate it. Click on the events below or visit <u>naplesgarden.org</u> for pricing, details, generous community sponsors and supporters, and so much more!

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2024 - 2025 Exhibitions

Nature Journaling Invitational

Nov. 9, 2024 – June 22, 2025

Fogg Café

Stepping into the canvases of their natural environments, these 16 budding artists have cultivated their talents by exploring nature and self. This exhibition highlights artwork created during Naples Botanical Garden's creative aging program, Nature Journaling: Botany Through Art. This program provides older adults with a renewed sense of purpose, improved well-being, and a deeper connection with others and the nature around them.

Frame & Flora

Jan. 25 – May 26, 2025

Cultivated gardens & Preserve

The Garden is a museum overflowing with colors, textures, scents, and the most exquisite compositions curated by our team of plant professionals. Wander through the Garden "galleries" and immerse yourself in each living canvas.

Eternally Curious: A Journey of Creation and Growthby Tanya Trinkaus
Glass

April 26 – June 29, 2025

Kapnick Hall

Using bold and charismatic strokes, Tanya Trinkaus Glass explores the vibrant pulse of the Garden's plant collection with ceaseless curiosity. Works in acrylic, oil, charcoal, and pastel inspire the viewer to experience nature through an artist's perspective, exploring Naples Botanical Garden as a living canvas.

Artists in Bloom

July 19 – Oct. 26, 2025

Kapnick Hall

Naples Botanical Garden bursts with life and inspiration, a muse for amateur and professional creators alike. Through diverse media, *Artists in Bloom* explores the artist's endless pursuit to interpret the unique compositions found in their landscapes. This exhibition is organized by Naples Botanical Garden in partnership with United Arts Collier.

2024 – 2025 Events & Festivals

Music in the Garden

Oct. 12, Nov. 9, Dec. 14, 2024; Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8, April 12, May 10, and June 14, 2025

Area musicians grace the outdoor performance stage overlooking the Water Garden on select Saturdays, monthly from October through June. Sit back and relax in your favorite tropical setting and enjoy the musical stylings of our local talent! Showtimes: October – May, 2 – 4pm; June, 12 – 2pm.

Día de los Muertos Celebration

Nov. 2 & 3, 2024

Join us in the Garden for a joyous Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)

Celebration. This event lasts all weekend, from 10am – 7pm on Saturday,

November 2 and 10am – 4pm on Sunday, November 3. With origins in Mexico,
this colorful holiday is a time to share memories of loved ones and celebrate our
families and friends. Discover the holiday's significance and its rich culture
through performances, music, displays, and arts and crafts stations.

Johnsonville Night Lights in the Garden

Nov. 29 – Dec. 23, 2024; Dec. 26 – Dec. 30, 2024; and Jan. 1 – Jan. 5, 2025

Stroll the Garden illuminated in thousands of lights and behold the magic of winter in the tropics. This beloved annual tradition returns, offering a seasonal staple that is distinctly Southwest Florida. Enjoy live music each night, photo ops, a living bromeliad tree, and festive treats and libations for purchase.

Plein Air Fest

Jan. 25, 2025

Celebrate art in the Garden! Find inspiration in nature as nearly 20 local artists work in the tradition of painting *en plein air* ("in the open air"). Visitors can ask questions, engage in conversation, and gain insight into a variety of artistic

practices. Art-themed family activities will provide a hands-on experience, and aspiring artists of all ages are invited to get creative and make their own piece of plein air art to take home.

Friday After 5

Fridays in February, March, and April 2025

Make the Garden your go-to Friday night spot, as we stay open late with extended hours! With live music, pop-up markets, and flower shows select evenings. The Berger Shop in the Garden and Fogg Café will be open, serving a full menu.

Sunset Wednesdays

Wednesdays in Feb., March, and April 2025

Bask in the beauty of a Naples sunset—the perfect way to celebrate midweek, as the Garden stays open late Wednesdays from winter to spring. Take a stroll overlooking the Preserve to see the best of the tropics and restored Florida landscape by dusk, and complete your experience with dinner and drink specials at Fogg Café.

Annual Ikebana Exhibition

Feb. 14 – 16, 2025

Discover this meditative art and fall in love with the spirit of Ikebana. View Ikebana arrangements, attend demonstrations, participate in hands-on activities for the kids, and stock up at the Ginza-style marketplace for all you need to take up this immersive pastime. This exhibition is presented in partnership with Naples Ikebana International #160, the local chapter of Ikebana supporters, experts, and enthusiasts.

Naples Orchid Society Annual Show & Sale

Feb. 21 – 23, 2025

Celebrate the beauty and elegance of orchids during this annual event. Discover eye-catching orchid displays, drop in on live demonstrations, and shop a wide selection of blooming plants and orchid care supplies. Presented in partnership

with the Naples Orchid Society.

Naples Flower Show & Garden Market

March 14 & 15, 2025

The Naples Flower Show & Garden Market has blossomed into one of the largest annual juried flower shows in Florida. This year's show will be an inspiring celebration where guests can enjoy spectacular floral designs, botanical arts, tropical plants, educational displays, floral photo ops, and demonstrations. A market with local and national vendors offers an array of botanically-inspired items and plants to take home. Presented in partnership with the Naples Garden Club.

Hats in the Garden

March 28, 2025

Since 2004, *Hats in the Garden* has been a highlight of the Naples event season. Now, as we celebrate our 21th year, Joan Clifford takes the lead on what promises to be an unforgettable event. Encompassed by the beauty of Naples Botanical Garden, guests will enjoy a champagne celebration, extraordinary luncheon, and a one-of-a-kind runway show.

Blooms & Brews

April 19, 2025

Tip a glass to the plants that make beer happen! Savor the sunset, experience the Garden by night, enjoy bites available for purchase from Fogg Café, and sample craft beers from an assortment of microbreweries. Tickets include live music, beer samples, and a commemorative Blooms & Brews glass. This event is for individuals 21+ only.

Family Wonder Days

May 24 & 25, 2025

Garden-wide adventures await with a weekend of wonderful games, activities, and scavenger hunts for the whole family! Grab an activity guide and journey through the lush landscape to observe the birds, pollinators, and plants that make

the Garden special. Local performers add to the fun with family-friendly music throughout the weekend.

Tasting the Tropics

July 5, 2025

Enjoy the Garden's most fruitful season with this tasty festival! Take your taste buds on a trip across the globe to sample fruit from the tropics—and learn about some of the less well-known fruiting plants we grow here! Treat yourself to a variety of activities including demonstrations, guided tours, and delicious tastings of the tropical fruit plants of the Garden.

Waterlily Weekend

Sept. 6 & 7, 2025

The Garden abounds with more than 500 waterlily specimens on display throughout 1.5 acres' worth of ponds and pools. This two-day festival celebrates these water nymphs at their peak bloom with special tours, demonstrations, family activities, and curator talks.

For media questions, please contact media@naplesgarden.org.

About Naples Botanical Garden

Naples Botanical Garden is where plants and people thrive together. In addition to our 170-acre showcase for tropical plants, the Garden offers a uniquely beautiful, natural, and ever-changing experience to bring our diverse community together to enjoy companionship, refuge, learning, and celebration. Every Garden ticket or membership purchase supports Naples Botanical Garden's conservation efforts.

Seasonal hours of operation are 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (8 a.m. early entry for Members). Visit <u>naplesgarden.org</u> for details.

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