

# Every Blooming Thing

November - December 2015





### A Year in the Gallery at NHG

With a sneak peek at plans for 2016

NHG's new gallery space opened with a warm and festive reception on December 5th of 2014. Since that time, we've hosted six unique shows—with the seventh opening soon—and met many wonderful new friends.

We'd like to give thanks to the local artists who have shared their works with us during our first year. From full-time artists to busy working folks who create in their spare time, each has presented a collection of works representing an appreciation for nature or gardening through subject, media or function. This is our goal with this space: to connect the dots between gardening and nature with the profound appreciation of beauty and color that artists share with the world around them.



Artist Marian Hirsch led classes on garden sketching.

Special thanks to Plano artist Marian Hirsch, who presented her beautiful pastel and watercolor works during our first two shows, and a special collection of floral oil works during our March show. Since then, Marian has returned to NHG to lead two classes on sketching the garden, an interest shared by many NHG guests who crave another means of creative interaction with their gardening efforts. If you haven't yet seen the gallery at NHG, plan to stop in on your next visit: the gallery is open any time the store is open, year-round.



# Receptions are held monthly and are also during Open House events, and they're free, casual and open to all.

Coming in 2016: more fantastic works by state and local artists. Highlights include a very unique exhibit by the **Nomadic Fungi Institute.** NFI archivist Brad Ford Smith has culled together images, models and documents that help illustrate one hypothesis for the existence of Nomadic Fungi. Look for more news on this exhibit planned for March-April, and read more about Nomadic Fungi online at www.WorldOfNomadicFungi.com.

The gallery is located between the patio and the tropical greenhouse, just adjacent to the central part of the garden center.



If you or an artist friend create beauty and express your love of nature and gardening through your subject, media or function, please let us know.

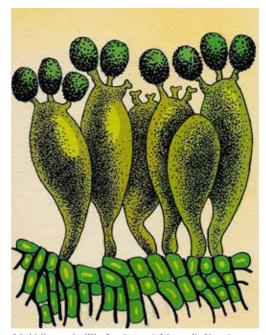
### We're looking to build new relationships and find more beautiful works to share.

Email us at feedback@nhg.com with submissions. Include any photos or links you have to works available and we will follow up via email to see about a meeting.

### Thank you!



The Copperwood Forest at Night III by Kimberly Merck-Moore.



Mold Spores by The Institute of Nomadic Fungi.



Gallery receptions will be held monthly in 2016.

# November-December 2015 Events

# Winter Snapshot

Select Tulips,
Hyacinths,
Dutch Iris,
and Crocus.
Plant after
mid-December.



### Establish

new plantings with monthly applications of root stimulator.



Decorate your own fresh-cut, American-grown Christmas tree for the holidays.



### Discover

your creativity in our handson wreath workshops.



**Protect** plants from severe temperatures by mulching.



Enjoy longlasting winter color such as pansies, violas and snapdragons.



# Holiday Open House & Gallery Reception!

Friday, December 4, 5-7pm
Celebrate the season at this special holiday event.

Stroll through the Gallery and enjoy fabulous artworks inspired by nature. Peruse vendors with local and handmade gifts. We'll have workshops, POP UP Classes, and décor demonstrations as well as samples of seasonal flavors to enjoy while you shop.

### Greenery + Wine: Wreath Decorating Workshop Saturday, December 5, 4-6:30pm

Enjoy a glass of wine while customizing your own fresh, evergreen wreath in this NHG holiday tradition. We'll begin with an 18" blank noble fir wreath and embellish with hand-wired

greenery and seasonal accents. Bring pruners and gloves from home, or plan to purchase in-store before the class. Wire and other supplies provided.

Advance registration is required by Wednesday, December 2nd at 6pm. \$65 per attendee; seating is limited to 25 per workshop. Sign up at nhq.com or call 214-363-5316.

### Succulents & Terrariums Workshop with Cynthia Koogler of Flower Child Plants



#### Saturday, November 14 2-4pm

Our next **Bring Your Own Container** workshop gives you two choices! Create a sculptural succulent grouping OR work with lush tropical foliage. It's a chance to make a unique, personal gift for the holidays!

\$40 fee per container includes a \$20 gift certificate good toward the purchase of your materials that day. Visit nhg.com or call 214-363-5316 to pre-register before Thursday, November 12th at 6pm. Workshop is limited to 25 participants.

### Holiday Wreath Building Saturday, December 12 4-6:30pm

Learn hands-on how to build a fresh wreath from scratch. Each attendee will receive a wreath frame, greenery and assorted accents for embellishing. Bring pruners and gloves from home, or plan to purchase in-store before the workshop. Wire and other supplies provided.

Advance registration required by Wednesday, December 9th at 6pm. \$85 per attendee; seating is limited to 15 per workshop. Sign up at nhg. com or call 214-363-5316. We'll enjoy wine and cheese

while we create, so invite a friend and make the evening a festive part of your holiday plans!





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# Holiday Open House December 4th, 2015



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## Beautiful, Unique Bulbs for Spring

By Sandi Schwedler, TCNP, Senior Buyer



Clockwise from top: Allium 'Graceful Beauty,' A. christophii, Allium giganteum, and A. Purple Sensation' (Allium aflatunense). Photos courtesy Abbot Ippco.





Alliums—ornamental members of the onion family—are durable, colorful spring-blooming bulbs that offer unique shape and texture for perennial gardens. NHG stocks ten different varieties for planting through November in shades of white, pink, purple or blue for a splash of vivid spring color. Petite varieties like 'Graceful Beauty' (far left) offer pale white blooms accented with lavender stamens. Classics like *A. christophii* (left) sport shades of pink, star-shaped blooms on large, globeshaped heads. Allium bloom stalks range from 12-48 inches in height, so finding a variety to suit different areas is easy. They make long-lasting cut flowers, too. Plant some of each!

