

Every Blooming Thing

Spring Issue 2019







Images courtesy of Weeks Roses. L to R: All Dressed UpTM, Celestial NightTM, 'Rio Samba'

Rose Weekend, A 68-Year Tradition

While the procedures of Rose Weekend have changed over the decades, our appreciation for roses as hard-working landscape shrubs has remained constant. Before the mid-1970s, when shifts in the industry re-centered commercial rose growing in California, rose weekend actually began in October. In those days, growers in Tyler would wait until October to cut back their field-grown shrubs, typically a two-to three-year crop. Ralph Pinkus, NHG's founder, along with Ira Duncan, then NHG's rosarian, would



Above: 'Belinda's Dream'



Ira Duncan, NHG's original Rosarian, stands with a collection of roses grown in nursery cans in what is now our front parking lot (circa 1965).

travel to Tyler to collect the blossoms to have on display in the store as a living example from which customers could choose. Orders were placed, the bare-root canes were brought in, and the shrubs were grown out here in Dallas in 'cans' (which in those early years were actual recycled food cans). Customers returned in March to pick up their shrubs, which were then ready

to plant out in the garden.

While we no longer gather blossoms in the field for fall selection, the tradition of growing our collection of bare-root roses here at NHG remains strong. While our guests are selecting trees and holiday greenery after Thanksgiving, the first of the roses begin arriving for potting, continuing into January. Rose Weekend is now a fixture of the first full weekend in March each year, and serves as a happy reminder that spring is about to arrive.

March 2nd & 3rd

See our 2019 Rose List at NHG.com

NHG opens early 8am Saturday

Time for Tomatoes!



Edible Gardening

In DFW, it's important to beat the heat and get tomato transplants in the ground early so they can fully develop and set fruit before hot weather arrives. Join us to learn more about growing tomatoes in north Texas.

Free Classes:
Success with Tomatoes

*Saturday, March 9, 1-2:30pm

*Saturday, March 17, 1-2:30pm



Here's a quick checklist to get you prepared for tomato success:









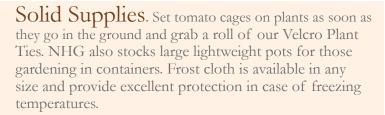


Great Soil. We say this all the time! Amend your garden soil with plenty of organic matter (compost is ideal) and consider adding additional amendments such as worm castings, greensand, and molasses. Be sure to topdress with 2-3" of mulch to conserve soil moisture.

The Right Site. Tomatoes need full sun (at least six hours of direct sun daily) to produce well. They also need good drainage (no standing water) and space to grow. Plan your space accordingly with room for cages and supports as needed. No garden? there are several types that will thrive and produce well in containers.

Healthy Transplants. All the way through March, NHG will be stocked with tomato transplants in a variety of sizes and types. We carry both determinate and indeterminate of both heirloom and modern varieties. There's a huge array of varieties, each one with its own features, benefits, and dedicated gardeners who love it.

Good Fertilizer. Don't forget to pick up one of our outstanding organic fertilizers for tomatoes: NHG Herb & Veggie Food or Espoma Tomato Tone are must haves. Fertilize at planting time, and then again bi-weekly once plants set fruit.



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L to R: Alocasia 'Mojito', Gladiolus 'Mon Amour', Gladiolus 'D-Day', Gladiolus 'Frozen Sparks'

What Can Our Summer Bulb Collection Do For You?

By Sandi Holmes-Schwedler, TMCNP, NHG Senior Buyer

Love that 'tropical look'?

If you want a garden that feels like an island oasis, Elephant ears (Alocasia and Colocasia) are the perfect 'wow' plant. Big, bold leaves—some towering over your head— are great in the ground with afternoon shade or in a container on your patio. Smaller, dwarf varieties like Alocasia 'Mojito' (approx. 3' tall), give you the large green leaves but then surprise you with purple flecks throughout.

Want a cutting garden?

There are many summer blooming flowers that are perfect for cutting to enjoy inside, such as Gladiolas (they're not your grandmother's flowers anymore)! With names like 'Mon Amour', 'D-Day' or 'Frozen Sparks', these newer cultivars can stand as tall as 60" or as short as 20" and offer vibrant colors like blood red, soft yellow and pink, sun-baked orange or purple. Perfect for sun to part shade gardens.

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Gardening in a small space?

Many of our favorite flowers have been cultivated to work in small spaces or containers. Asiatic Lily 'Sugar Love' is the perfect summer-blooming flower that will fill a container with large, soft pink and white flowers and stands only 24" tall. Daylily (Hemerocallis) 'My Reggae Tiger' is a super bloomer that has masses of deep orange flowers all summer long. It packs a punch at just 24" in height. Don't forget about white or pink and white striped Crinum lilies also!

Have a Shade Garden?

NHG receives many varieties of Caladium tubers each year. While they look fragile, they're really the workhorses of the summer shade garden. They can be planted en masse or mixed in containers or borders with other annuals. Caladiums are very versatile and will last through the summer with proper care.

Whether you have sun or shade, large inground beds or pots on the patio, NHG has many varieties of bulk and packaged bulbs that should be planted in early spring and will provide you with the foliage and flowers for which we all garden.

Images courtesy of Abbott-Ipco



Daylily 'My Reggae Tiger'



Asiatic Lily 'Sugar Love'

Spring 2019 Featured Events

Visit NHG.com for a complete listing of events & details

Bonsai Exhibition 2019

Saturday, March 2 9am-5pm Sunday, March 3 10am-5pm

With Bonsai Society of Dallas

Free

Watercolor Workshop: Veils of Blue

With artist Marian Hirsch Sunday, April 7 1:30-4pm

\$60 includes some supplies



Top 20 Perennials for Sun

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen Saturday, May 4 1-2:30pm

Free



Groundcovers & Lawn **Alternatives**

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen Saturday, March 9 9:30-11am

Free



Garden Walk: Spring **Arrangements from Your** Landscape

With NHG's Paula Spletter Saturday, April 13 10-11am

Free



Top 25 Shrubs for Shade

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen Sunday, May 11 1-2:30pm

Free



Xeriscaping with Texas Natives

With Jamie & Sandra of Gardens for Texas Saturday, March 23 1-2:30pm

Free



Workshop with Wine: Hanging Terrariums

With NHG's Paula Spletter Saturday, April 13 3:30-5pm

\$45/each

\$39/each (3+ tickets)



Workshop: **Air Plants & Succulents**

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen Saturday, May 11 3:30-5pm

\$49



Plant & Flower Photography for Beginners

With Elizabeth Mellott Saturday, March 23 1-4pm

Free



Summer Bulb Basics

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen Saturday, April 13 1-2:30pm

Free



Water Gardening Weekend

Enjoy ongoing classes & demos! Saturday, May 18 9am-5pm Sunday, May 19 10am-5pm

Free



African Violet Show & Sale

With Metro African Violet Societies Friday, March 29-Saturday, March 30 10am-4pm

Free



Intro to Warm Season Vegetables

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen Saturday, April 13 9:30-11:30am \$15



Gardening in Small Spaces

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen Saturday, May 25 9-10:30am

Free





Interested in your own workshop with friends?

Contact Dana Wilson, Events Coordinator at dwilson@nhg.com or 214-360-1590 for details & options.

SEEING THE UNSEEN Opening Reception Friday, March 22nd, 5-7pm

Artists in attendance

Receptions are free, casual and open to all Work on display through May 10th, 2019

Featuring work by Shamsy Roomiani, Carrie Garrot, Terri Thoman, Calli Nissen, Aaron Pozos & Sandi & Breck Outland

Pictured (R): Oracle, 17"x17", digital collage, by Shamsy Roomiani



LUMINOUS BY NATURE Opening Reception

Friday, May 17th, 5-7pm

Artists in attendance

Receptions are free, casual and open to all Work on display through July 19th, 2019

Featuring work by Sunny Jacquet, Gregory Arth, Tori Pendergrass & Kim Collins

Pictured (L): Hold On a Little Longer, 9"x12", oil on panel, by Sunny Jacquet





Garden Center + Art Gallery + Café









Saturday, March 2nd Sunday, March 3rd

7700 Northaven Road, Dallas, TX 75230 214-363-5316 nhg.com

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Spring Herb Weekend Friday-Sunday, April 26-28



Free Class: April 27, 11am-12pm Hands-On with Herbs Grow the best herbs for your garden!

Save the date and join us to explore new choices of warm-season herbs with which to

plant, cook, and create.

Whether you love their variety of flavors, their value to pollinators, or their aromatherapy and craft uses, we have a broad selection of herbs to add to your collection and your know-how this spring.

With classes, demos, tours, handouts, and workshops, we've got the information you need if you're just getting started or just getting to know herbs. Come celebrate versatile garden flavors with us during this seasonal event.



PLUS! Our Herb Weekend Special

All our 4" herbs from our extensive collection are \$1.99 each (regularly \$2.49), Friday through Sunday, April 26-28.

