



Every Blooming Thing

July - August 2018



Botanical Portraiture:

A Modern Take on Classic Still Life

Inspired by the classic still life, The Gallery at North Haven Gardens is proud to present a special exhibition featuring seven talented local artists, each with a modern approach to these traditional studies. With freedom to bring forth botanicals within a composition, artists captured their unique perceptions. This diverse group show features stunning acrylic and oil paintings, contemporary watercolors, wood sculpture, photography, and more.

Featuring Nanc Gordon, Gaby Pruitt, Martha Burkert, Nancy Mack, Jan Dreskin-Haig, Carolyn Rekerdres & Ted Rekerdres.

Gallery Reception Friday, July 20th from 5-7 pm

A free, casual reception to view the latest collection and meet the artists in person. Work is on view and available for purchase until September 9th.

Pictured right: 'Giant Dandelions' watercolor on paper, 30"x40", by Martha Burkert



Save the Date!
Artist Talk with Martha Burkert
Saturday, August 25th 1-2pm. Free!



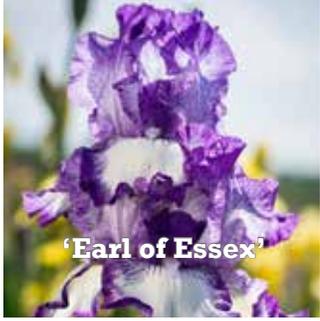
Specialty Bearded Irises Arrive in August

By Cody Hoya, General Manager and Iris Fanatic

Images courtesy of Abbott-Ipco



'Victoria Falls'



'Earl of Essex'



'Mesmerizer'



'Gypsy Lord'



'Concertina'



'Blatant'



'Rock Star'



'Innocent Star'



'Renown'



'Harvest of Memories'

Our specialty bearded iris collection presents an opportunity for experienced collectors and new gardeners alike. If you currently grow bearded iris, you probably love them for their evergreen, drought-tolerant foliage, luxurious spring blooms and easy care attitude. If you don't have any in your garden, consider one (or more!) of the following to add some 'wow' factor to any sunny garden location with good drainage: If you're craving a bold statement, consider 'Gypsy Lord,' a tall variety reaching up to

40" in bloom with up to 9 blossoms per stem. Connoisseurs of form, color and style will appreciate this luxuriously colored specimen. 'Harvest of Memories' offers vivid, golden yellow blossoms on another tall variety. The brightly ruffled flowers are plentiful on each stem, and it has a strong tendency to rebloom. For those seeking something smaller, 'Concertina' is an intermediate variety that reaches just 27" in bloom and offers a peachy, rose-pink bloom with striking blue-lavender

beards. If you're in search of a specialty hybrid that's a truly unique jewel, 'Renown' delivers billowy white blossoms lightly dusted with pale peach and golden yellow. It boasts a sweet fragrance and is a strong rebloomer. See these and many more arriving at NHG in early August. Iris rhizomes are easy to plant, easy to care for, and provide decades of luxurious bloom with minimal input.

Create Your Own Butterfly Retreat

Native Texas wildflowers support butterflies and other important pollinating insects. The best time to plant their seed is in August, so here are some tips for starting your own patch:

Choose a spot that has full sun (at least six hours). **Prepare your site by removing any existing grass or vegetation and raking the soil clean.** It's not necessary to amend the soil; the key is seed-to-soil contact.

Lightly scatter seeds over the soil by hand. If the seeds are very small, mixing them with a lightweight carrier such as coarse sand can help distribute them evenly. You can also turn a light

leaf rake over and carefully draw it across the area. Wildflowers require minimal maintenance, but appreciate light waterings while getting established. **Be on the lookout for invasive weeds** and grasses, such as Bermuda, that can smother your planting. Remember to allow the flowers to go to seed and let the seeds ripen and dry before you mow or remove any spent plants. This way, your wildflowers will spread and return each year on their own.

Try a wildflower patch this year; you'll be so glad you did!



Visit NHG.com for class and event details and registration

July-August 2018

Success with Fall Tomatoes

with NHG's Rusty E. Allen

Saturday, July 7th

1-2:30pm

Free



Workshop with Wine: Succulent Bowls

With light refreshments

Saturday, July 7th

3:30-5pm

\$79



Plants for Hot & Dry Gardens

with NHG's Rusty E. Allen

Saturday, July 14th

10-11am

Free



Watercolor Workshop with Wine: Preserving Highlights & Whites

With artist Marian Hirsch

Sunday, July 15th

1:30-4pm

\$60 + supplies



Book Signing: Gardening Under Lights

With local author

Leslie F. Halleck

Saturday, July 21st

2-4pm

Program free



Chickens!

With Urban Chicken Ranching

Saturday, July 21st

3-4pm: Pullet Sale

4-5pm: Chicken

Class **Free**

Availability and weather permitting



Workshop with Wine: Gelli Printing

with artist Melanie M. Brannan

Sunday, July 22nd

2-4pm

\$85, all supplies

included



Afternoon Tea in the Gallery

Enjoy a 3-course tea with light refreshments

Sunday, July 29th

2-4pm

\$39



Growing Fall Vegetables from Seed

With NHG's Garden Advisor

Brieux Turner

Saturday, August 4th

1-2pm

Free



Native Texas Wildflowers

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen

Saturday, August 4th

2:30-3:30pm

Free

Followed by our next Seed Swap Happy Hour at 4pm!



Seed Swap Happy Hour!

Bring Your Seeds to Share!

Saturday, August 4th

4-5:30pm

Happy hour beverage specials in the cafe. Free to attend and participate.



Pottery Workshop: Garden Bluebirds

with artist Rebecca Boatman

Saturday, August 11th

3:30-5pm

\$69, all supplies along with glazing & firing included



Workshop with Wine: Houseplants in Watercolor

With artist Marian Hirsch

Sunday, August 12th

1:30-4pm

\$60, some supplies

included



Growing Bearded Irises

With NHG's Rusty E. Allen

Saturday, August 25th

10-11am

Free



Interested in a Private Workshop with Friends? We Can Do That!

Please contact

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Native grasses as a lawn? Absolutely!

By Sandi Schwedler, TMCNP
Senior Buyer & Gallery Curator

A lot of time and money is spent mowing, watering, fertilizing and spraying non-native lawns, and with our tough summer dry spells and increasing watering restrictions, homeowners are having trouble keeping up. Interested in an alternative? Short, native bunch grasses (Buffalograss, Blue Grama and Curly Mesquite) can be combined to create a lawn that, once established, will thrive on as little as 5"-12" of rain per year. One of our favorite Texas seed suppliers, Native American Seed, has developed such a mixture that they call **'Thunder Turf.'** Thunder Turf creates a low-growing mat of grasses that you'll only need to mow in early spring—just once per year. It will naturally go dormant in the summer and green up again when fall rains come. It requires no fertilization whatsoever, and actually thrives on neglect. NHG carries this seed mix in several sizes to suit a variety of turf conversion projects. Pictured left is the landscape of the George W. Bush Presidential library, where this grass mixture was used right here in Dallas—and as you can see, it's thriving! If you're interested in transforming your lawn, come in and speak to a garden advisor to get started.

