

SOUTH TEXAS Botanical Gardens & Nature Center

June, 2016 Calendar

(Fees for Saturday Classes included in General Admission/members FREE!)

CHECK IN VISITORS CENTER FOR CLASS LOCATION

Education Calendar
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“Nature’s Brush Strokes” juried art exhibition April through September

Features 30 outdoor reproductions of original works by area artists. Colorful wildflower and native plants in 30 x 60” vertical format, displayed along the Mary Hope Brennecke Nature Trail. Funded by Hotel Occupancy Tax funds by a City of Corpus Christi Arts & Cultural Commission Grant. Included in general admission. The Botanical Gardens is open daily, 9am to 6pm.

Orchidology Thursday, June 2

The *Orchidology Class* meets at 7 p.m., Thursday, June 2, at the South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples. Meeting the first Thursday of each month, the orchid class series—taught by Orchid Curator Sam Jones—is an on-going Orchid information exchange, for novice to experienced growers, in the Education Station classroom. Monthly topics range from different orchid genera, climate and acquisition to specific orchid culture techniques. This class is FREE for members and non-members! Orchids for sale at most meetings. Information: 361-290-7429.



Drip Irrigation & Catch-Can Audits Saturday, June 4

Learn how to test your home irrigation system to determine its efficiency from Nueces Master Gardener & Irrigation Efficiency Specialist Suzy Murry. Also learn more about drip irrigation and how you can install your own system, from 10am-noon, Saturday, June 4.



Super Succulents Saturday, June 11

Learn how to combine a variety of these water-efficient plants and creative containers to create living art for your home and patio by Merlien Wilder of Gill Landscape Nursery, from 10-noon, Saturday, June 11.



Fathers’ Day Free Weekend Saturday/Sunday, June 18/19

Just say “It’s Fathers’ Day” and Dad gets in free Saturday & Sunday of Fathers’ Day weekend, June 18 and 19, at the South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. Take a walk with the important dad in your life-- enjoy the gardens, Resident Reptiles, Gator Lake, trails, boardwalk, Parrot Talk at 1:30 pm both days, and other fun guy stuff! Sorry only dads are free—all other non-members pay general admission! But buy the special dad in your life a membership this weekend, at 20% off, for a year’s worth of free admission, Turner’s Gardenland, Nature’s Boutique and other discounts, FREE Saturday classes, plus 250 Reciprocal Gardens! Information, 361-852-2100, stxbot.org.



Reading our Palms Saturday, June 18

Learn the wide variety of palms grown easily in the Coastal Bend, and tricks to trying more challenging varieties from local South Texas Palm Society expert Daryl Smith, 10-noon, Saturday, June 18.

Hot Bloomers Saturday, June 25

Whether you want knock-out summer color for your front landscape, or soothing shades for patio pots, our HOT BLOOMERS seminar, from 10-noon, Saturday, June 25, covers it. *Gill Landscape Nursery’s* Debbie Pinkerton shows you the latest hues and hybrids that can take the heat.

Kids Summer Nature Camps, Monday-Friday, 8:45 am to noon.

AGES 5-7

June 13-17

June 20-24

June 27-July 1

AGES 8-12

July 11-15

July 18-22

July 25-29

Birds & Reptiles

Recycle/Repurpose

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COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION

Tuition: \$75 members, \$90 others
Class size will not exceed 20
PREPAID REGISTRATION! 361-852-2100

BLACKLOCK’S Kids Basic Birding Camp, Wednesday-Friday, 9 am to 1 pm

AGES 8-13

July 6-8

Campers learn basic bird identification techniques & bird biology using fun games & challenges, with acclaimed entertaining birder, educator, author & naturalist Gene Blacklock, & other guest speakers. \$75 per child members; \$90 others.

(Class size will not exceed 20.) Prepaid Registration required by June 29. 361-852-2100

