

October, 2016 Calendar

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

CHECK IN VISITORS CENTER FOR CLASS LOCATION!



SAVING THE MONARCHS & MILKWEEDS **October 1, 10 am-noon**

Learn about native milkweed varieties and local efforts to harvest seeds and establish monarch waystations to ensure survival of these creatures. Executive Director Michael Womack also will tell you how to get involved in your home garden or community conservation efforts. General Admission includes class fee, members free.



ORCHIDOLOGY **Thursday, October 6, 7 pm**

On-going Orchid monthly class series and information exchange, for novice to experienced growers, with Orchid Curator Sam Jones, in the Education Station classroom. Monthly topics range from different orchid genera to specific orchid culture techniques. FREE for all orchid lovers! Orchids for sale at most meetings. For information, call 361-290-7429.

WILDLIFE IN FOCUS PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

October 8-September 30, 2017

One hundred fifty full-color award-winning photographs from the 2015 *Wildlife in Focus* biennial photography competition will be displayed, with photographers' metadata, on art pillars along the Mary Hope Brennecke Nature Trail. The varied collection was shot by photographers partnering with South Texas landowners, judged in segmented categories of birds, mammals, invertebrates, reptiles/amphibians and specialties. The exhibition is included in general admission, and may be viewed from 9 am to 6 pm daily, except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas. For more information, contact the Botanical Gardens, 361-852-2100,

www.stxbot.org; or *Wildlife in Focus*, 361-881-9316, wildlifeinfoocus.org.



MAKING MINIATURE GARDENS! **Saturday, October 8, 10-noon**

Staff Horticulturist Carol Krank talks about containers and accessories to create your own miniature container garden, perfect for fairies, gnomes and other tiny garden guests. Materials available to purchase separately for a hands-on workshop following lecture. General admission includes class fee, members free.



MOONLIGHT IN THE GARDENS **October 14, 5:30pm**

South Texas Botanical Gardens & Nature Center's 10th annual signature fall fundraiser, at the Solomon P. Ortiz International Center, 402 Harbor Dr., relocated to the scenic Corpus Christi Ship Channel, due to highway improvements. Presented for the third year by **CITGO Corpus Christi Refinery**, the casual event's food and beverage line-up includes Astronomical Appetizers, Stellar Spirits bars, plus Best Steak on the Planet and Saturn's Sweets. The Martian Music Bar on Apollo's Patio, Pictures with Parrots in Jupiter's Jungle Room, Starlight Silent Auction, Grand Galaxy high-end Auction, Visitors from the Planet Plant, a wine pull, plus Nep-Tunes and dancing with rock and pop band *Flashback* will keep guests entertained throughout the evening in a tropical garden atmosphere. Individual seating \$125 per person, \$100 for members. Sponsorships available. Reservations required by October 1. Attire is Garden Party casual to Star Wars glitz. Information, 361.852.2100, www.stxbot.org.

TAMAULIPAN THORNSCRUB OF SOUTH TEXAS

Saturday, October 22, 10-noon

Enjoy an informative 'Native Habitat Trail Walk' and visual presentation with members of the Native Plant Society of Texas (NPSOT) as they identify and explain natural history of many natives in our nature trail and wetland areas, plus their value in the landscape and butterflies they host. General admission includes class fee, members free!



PROPAGATION 101 **Saturday, October 29, 10-noon**

As you do fall pruning, learn how to recycle those cuttings and seeds to create new plants, with Nueces Master Gardener Certified Propagation Specialist Rosemary Plank. Class fee included in general admission. MEMBERS FREE!