



ADKINS ARBORETUM

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EVENTS AT A GLANCE

FALL OPEN HOUSE & NATIVE PLANT SALE

September 6-8

NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN TRIP

September 18

BEER GARDEN

September 28

FAIRYFEST

October 12

RECEPTION FOR ARTIST MARY MCCOY

October 26

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE/WREATH SALE

December 7

RECEPTION FOR ARTIST JEREMY JOSEPH

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LONGWOOD CHRISTMAS TRIP

December 16

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FALL 2019 CALENDAR

ART EXHIBITS

Howard and Mary McCoy

Wild Lines, site-specific sculptures in the Arboretum's forest, continues through September 30. Every other spring since 1999, Centerville environmental artists Howard and Mary McCoy have roamed the Arboretum's forest looking for what they like to call "invitations" to make art. This year, they chose to create sculptures solely with the vines that grow up into the forest's trees. Using them to "draw" in space, the McCoy's made frantic scribbles of bittersweet vines around living trees, twirled prickly greenbrier vines into rings, and trimmed grapevines dangling from high branches to make a wide hoop suspended like an airborne portal between the trees.

Alison Hall Cooley

Sensuous and infectious playful, Easton artist Alison Cooley's mixed media works are all about change and fleeting interactions. In her show, *Tidal*, on view through September 27, her offhand scribbles and pools of deep, seductive blues and greens evoke watery movement and shifting atmospheres. Working with acrylic ink, oil pastel, pencil, pen, and marker on yupo paper, a super-smooth, waterproof synthetic paper, she marries drawing and painting in deceptively casual dialogues between color and linework, texture and smoothness, tension and flow.

Mary McCoy

Environmental artist Mary McCoy is a firm believer in letting nature speak for itself. In her show, *Listening*, on view October 1 through November 29, natural materials including bones, pressed leaves, butterfly wings, and turtle shells mingle casually with poetry, pencil drawings, and colorful acrylic paint. Sometimes meditative, sometimes thought-provoking, and often comic, her works range from tiny panels to wall-sized sculptures. Familiar to many Arboretum visitors for the outdoor sculptures she creates in collaboration with her husband, Howard McCoy, in this gallery show, McCoy offers an intimate look at her encounters with nature on her riverside farm near Centerville. **There will be a reception to meet the artist on Saturday, October 26 from 3 to 5 p.m.**

Jeremy Joseph

There's a playful innocence about the sprightly birds in Easton artist Jeremy Joseph's oil paintings. On view December 3 through January 31, his show, *Winter Birds Dream of Summer*, is full of stories begging to be imagined. Painted in wintry shades of the palest blue-grays accented with a few bright bits of color and touches of collage, these are highly simplified scenes, but they are warmed and made enticing by the curious things going on. Birds gesture like courtiers, hop in the air around a bare stick of a tree, or carry houseplants on their backs. These paintings are all about sparking the process of creative imagination, a talent Joseph has developed not only in his own artwork but as a longtime art teacher at Easton Elementary School. **There will be a reception to meet the artist on Saturday, December 14 from 3 to 5 p.m.**



Howard and Mary McCoy, "Whorl"



Alison Cooley, "Tidal 9220" (diptych), mixed media on panel, 40" x 60"



Mary McCoy, "What Does a Butterfly Know?", butterfly, iron-on transfer, and acrylic on panel, 6" x 6" x 1/2"



Jeremy Joseph, "For the Tidewater Apartment", oil and collage on board, 26" x 29"

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Nature Sketchers 1-3 p.m.	SEPTEMBER 2019		4	5 Dog Walking 10-11 a.m.	6	7 Bird Migration Walk 8-10 a.m. First Saturday Walk 10 a.m.
8 Fall Open House & Native Plant Sale noon-4 p.m.	9	10 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Conoclinium coelestinum</i> blue mistflower	11 Beaver Blast preschool program 10-11:15 a.m.	12 Beaver Blast preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	13 Open Botanical Art Studio with Lee D'Zmura 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	14 Dog Walking 10-11 a.m.
15	16	17 New York Botanical Garden Trip Wednesday, September 18 8 a.m.-10 p.m.	18 Discovering Daddy Longlegs preschool program 10-11:15 a.m.	19 Discovering Daddy Longlegs preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	20 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Aralia spinosa</i> devil's walkingstick	21 Smithsonian Museum Day-Free Admission SOOP 'N WALKS 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
22 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Cornus amomum</i> silky dogwood	23	24	25 Tucking in the Garden preschool program 10-11:15 a.m.	26 Tucking in the Garden preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	27	28 BEER GARDEN 4-6 p.m.
29 Food Lab Forest Walk 1-2:30 p.m.	30 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Viburnum prunifolium</i> blackhaw	31 <i>Wild Lines</i> , site-specific sculptures by Howard and Mary McCoy, on view through September 30 <i>Tidal</i> , mixed media works by Alison Cooley, on view through September 27				

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
OCTOBER 2019		1	2 Migration Station preschool program 10-11:15 a.m.	3 Migration Station preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Dog Walking 10-11 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	4	5 First Saturday Walk 10 a.m. Collecting & Processing Native Seeds Workshop 1-4 p.m.
6 Nature Sketchers 1-3 p.m. Anything Can Happen Day! Walk 1-2:30 p.m.	7 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Aster pilosus</i> frost aster	8	9 Enchanted Forest preschool program 10-11:15 a.m.	10 Enchanted Forest preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	11 Open Botanical Art Studio with Lee D'Zmura 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	12 Dog Walking 10-11 a.m.
13 Exploring the Tree in the History of Art: Renaissance 1:30-2:30 p.m.	14	15 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Baccharis halimifolia</i> sea myrtle	16 Possum Magic preschool program 10-11:15 a.m.	17 Possum Magic preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	18 Color Pencil I 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	19 SOOP 'N WALKS 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
20 Exploring the Tree in the History of Art: Romantic Era 1:30-2:30 p.m.	21 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Botrychium dissectum</i> cut-leaf grape fern	22	23 Colorfest preschool program 10-11:15 a.m.	24 Colorfest preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	25 Color Pencil I 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	26 Reception for artist Mary McCoy 3-5 p.m.
27 Exploring the Tree in the History of Art: Contemporary Artists 1:30-2:30 p.m.	28 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Erigeron americanus</i> hearts-a-bustin	29	30 Whoo Goes There? preschool program 10-11:15 a.m.	31 Whoo Goes There? preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	32 <i>Listening</i> , works by Mary McCoy, on view through November 29	

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NOVEMBER 2019		1	2	3	4	5
6 Nature Sketchers 1-3 p.m. Garden Hardscaping 1-2:30 p.m.	7 PLANT OF THE WEEK <i>Quercus falcata</i> southern red oak	8 Bees, Bats, and Snakes!	9 The White Oak Hotel preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Bees, Bats, and Snakes! Oh, My! 1-2:30 p.m.	10 Dog Walking 10-11 a.m.	11 The White Oak Hotel preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	12 Dog Walking 10-11 a.m.
13 Needle Felting 101: Sculpting with Wool 1-4 p.m.	14	15 Turkey Trot preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Sustainable Landscape Maintenance for the Chesapeake Bay Watershed 1-2:30 p.m.	16 Turkey Trot preschool program 10-11:15 a.m. Time Travel for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m. Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers 1-2:30 p.m.	17	18 Watercolor: Fall Leaves 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	19 SOOP 'N WALKS 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
20 Painting with Wool 1-4 p.m.	21	22	23	24	25	26
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STEWARDSHIP

All Adkins Arboretum Stewardship programs count as continuing education for Maryland Master Naturalists.

Native Plant Landscape Series

Garden Hardscaping

Sunday, November 3, 1-2:30 p.m.

Fee: \$15 members/\$20 non-members

Michael Jensen and a design team from **Unity Landscape Design/Build** will help you plan for garden circulation and unique features, design "rooms" for outdoor living, choose materials for patios and walks, and incorporate sustainable practices.

This series culminates in the Spring Garden Tour on May 30, 2020. Check adkinsarboretum.org for details and ticketing information.

Collecting & Processing Native Seeds Workshop

Saturday, October 5, 1-4 p.m.

Fee: \$15 members/\$20 non-members

In this workshop led by **Leslie Cario**, we'll clean, sow, stratify, and store seed for future phases of the Native Plant Propagation Initiative. If the weather cooperates, we will hike to different plant communities within the Arboretum for field identification and to collect seeds.

Bees, Bats, and Snakes! Oh, My!

Wednesday, November 6, 1-2:30 p.m.

Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members

Learn about some of Maryland's misunderstood wildlife that play important roles in our ecosystems. This talk by DNR Wildlife Education and Outreach Specialist **Kerry Wixted** will feature the importance of Maryland's native bees, why we should care about their wasp relatives, and information on unique spiders that "sing," dance, and raid. The talk will also delve into local mammal species and will bust myths about bats, foxes, and coyotes. Information on local snakes, why we should care about them, and ways to help all wildlife in any backyard setting will round out the program.

Sustainable Landscape Maintenance for the Chesapeake Bay Watershed

Wednesday, November 13, 1-2:30 p.m.

Fee: \$15 members/\$20 non-members

Whether you do your own landscape maintenance or hire outside help, you can keep your property looking good and ensure that your trees thrive, all while contributing to the health of the Chesapeake Bay. Join **Cheryl Corson**, a landscape architect and writer who has cared for five rural acres in Maryland for the past 15 years, to review basic sustainable care for rain gardens, mowed areas, ornamental beds, and trees. There will be plenty of time for discussion.



MARYLAND MASTER NATURALISTS

Applications are being accepted for the 2019-2020 Maryland Master Naturalist program. Classes meet at the Arboretum from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month from October through July. For more information or to apply, contact Jenny Houghton at jhoughton@adkinsarboretum.org or visit the Maryland Master Naturalist website at extension.umd.edu/mastnaturalist. The Maryland Master Naturalist program is offered in partnership with Pickering Creek Audubon Center, Phillips Wharf Environmental Center, and ShoreRivers.



Fall Open House and Native Plant Sale

Friday, September 6, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Saturday, September 7, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sunday, September 8, noon-4 p.m.

Prepare for fall in the garden!

Shop the region's largest selection of landscape-ready native trees, shrubs, perennials, ferns, and grasses for fall planting. Guided walks, discount for members.

TRIPS

New York Botanical Garden

Wednesday, September 18, 8 a.m.-10 p.m.

Fee: \$135 members/\$170 non-members includes transportation, driver gratuity, and admission to the garden and the Burle Marx exhibit

Explore the NYBG gardens and grounds, including the contemporary designed Native Garden and *Brazilian Modern: The Living Art of Roberto Burle Marx*, a stunning large-scale horticultural tribute that explores the Brazilian modernist and his contributions to plant discovery, conservation, and garden design.



A Longwood Christmas

Monday, December 16, noon-9 p.m.

Fee: \$75 members/\$95 non-members

Please register by December 1 to ensure trip will proceed.

We're headed back to Longwood Gardens! Join us in the Conservatory for organ singalongs, strolling carolers, performances, and holiday horticulture that showcases more than 6,000 seasonal plants. Outside, illuminated stars, colorful fountains, and a half-million lights fill the landscape with festive cheer.



BEER GARDEN

SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 28 | 4-6 P.M.

\$10 ADULTS in advance, \$15 at the door

\$5 AGES 3-18, free for ages 2 and under

Advance registration is appreciated! Beer and food are an additional fee. Seating is limited; please bring a blanket or chair.

Join us for the second annual Beer Garden! Kick back (or dance) to the big, driving sound of **The High & Wides** while enjoying local craft beer and homemade root beer from **Bull & Goat Brewery**, fresh seafood from **Bay Shore Steam Pot**, and small-batch ice cream from **Nice Farms Creamery**. Take a leisurely stroll in the woods, join in a game, or just sit back and listen to The High & Wides' mountain musical traditions re-imagined for a new century.



Fairyfest



Bring your wings for a day of magic!

Saturday, October 12, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

\$10 for adults and children ages 3 and up; free for children ages 2 and under

Follow a trail of fairy houses along enchanted forest paths, hunt for gnomes in Emily's Play Garden, and join in a meadow maypole dance. Make magical crafts, take a dragon tram ride, and try your hand at archery and magical games. Live entertainment by Shore Shakespeare and the Sammati Dance Troupe. Unicorn rides, food and drink, and ice cream from Nice Farms Creamery will be available for purchase.

Holiday Open House & Wreath Sale

Saturday, December 7
10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Ring in the season with local greenery for a beautiful Eastern Shore holiday!

Shop for handmade evergreen wreaths crafted from the bounty of the Arboretum's forest and gardens, and find the perfect gift in the gift shop or in **Paul and Irene Aspell's** pop-up art and pottery shop. To volunteer for wreath-making, contact Kathy Thornton at kthornton@adkinsarboretum.org or 410-634-2847, ext. 33.

YOUTH AND FAMILY

The Great Fairy House Challenge

Create a fairy house to share at the Arboretum's fourth annual Fairyfest!

Fairy houses must have a maximum size of 2' x 2' x 2' and should appear to be made entirely of natural components. Platforms or manmade support materials can be used for easier transport but must be hidden by natural components. Grasses, leaves, sticks, moss, pebbles, shells, bark, seed pods, flowers, miniature pumpkins, and pinecones are common materials. Non-native seeds should not be used.



Fairy houses must be dropped off in our Visitor's Center along with a completed registration form during operating hours between October 4 and 6. Gift baskets and memberships will be awarded in the following categories at Fairyfest: Golden Fairy, Most Magical, Simply Spellbinding, and Eternal Enchantment. Fairy houses may be collected beginning October 13. Any houses not claimed by October 19 become the property of Adkins Arboretum. Visit our website to download your registration form. *Good luck!*

Acorn Academy Nature Preschool

Wednesdays, September 11-November 13, 10-11:15 a.m.

Thursdays, September 12-November 14, 10-11:15 a.m.

Fee: \$100 members/\$125 non-members for series of ten classes. Thanks to a generous grant from the PNC Foundation, the fee is waived for Caroline County residents.

Possoms, squirrels, and owls—oh, my! Welcome fall with your preschooler at Adkins Arboretum. Classes include nature walks, stories, songs, snacks, and an art project to take home. An instant play group for caregivers and tots alike, the nature preschool helps children learn socialization skills while they explore the wonders of the great outdoors. Nature ABCs, 123s, and nursery rhymes are part of the fun. Classes meet on *Wednesdays or Thursdays from 10 to 11:15 a.m.* Register at adkinsarboretum.org or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

Time Travel for Homeschoolers

Thursdays, September 12 to November 14, 1-2:30 p.m.

Fee: \$110 members/\$135 non-members (\$10 sibling discount)

Time-travel your way through the history of Maryland's Eastern Shore! Did you know that dinosaurs and woolly mammoth once roamed our land? Or that Woodland Indians harvested tulip trees for their dugout canoes and settlers used pokeberries to make ink? Homeschoolers will explore the history of Maryland's Eastern Shore through fun, hands-on activities, including target practice with homemade bows and arrows, natural dyes, and a model archaeological dig. This program is for ages 6 to 8; advance registration is required.

Maryland's Mammals for Homeschoolers

Thursdays, September 12 to November 14, 1-2:30 p.m.

Fee: \$110 members/\$135 non-members (\$10 sibling discount)

What makes a mammal a mammal? Can you name the 102 mammal species that call Maryland home? Why are there no black bears on the Eastern Shore? All of these questions and more will be answered as we hit the trails in search of clues about **Maryland's mysterious mammals**. Track and scat surveys, skull studies, and journaling will be part of the learning experience, with highlights on some of the region's most fascinating species, including beavers, deer, bats, groundhogs, coyotes, and foxes. This program is for ages 9 to 12; advance registration is required.

BOTANICAL ART PROGRAMS

New!

Materials lists will be provided.

Open Botanical Art Studio with Lee D'Zmura

Second Fridays, September 13, October 11, November 8
9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Fee: \$25 members/\$30 non-members per session

Participants will receive individual instruction and critiques and learn about a new concept, technique, or plant species. Based upon that topic, a project that will be due and discussed at the following month's workshop will be assigned. This will encourage participants to work to enhance their skills and to develop the incentive to work independently.

Registration is limited to 10 students to ensure that each artist receives quality individual coaching. October's session will be held in the pavilion.

Color Pencil I

Fridays, October 18 & 25, November 1, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Fee: \$165 members/\$195 non-members

Learn basic color pencil techniques in this workshop led by **Lee D'Zmura**. Sessions include demonstrations of techniques, exercises that explore application and tonal effects, and individual projects.

Watercolor: Fall Leaves

Friday, November 15, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Fee: \$65 members/\$80 non-members

Botanical illustration depicts the botanical features of the subject while expressing its unique character through composition, design, and interpretation. This workshop led by **Lee D'Zmura** explores the wonder of colors and fragility of the fall leaf to produce a study of a single leaf.

WALKS

Dog Walks

First Thursdays, 10-11 a.m.

Second Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.

Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members

Join Arboretum staff and/or volunteers for a stroll along the best paths for exploring with your furry friend.

Bird Migration Walk

Saturday, September 7, 8-10 a.m.

Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members

Join Wayne Bell to look for birds in the Arboretum's forest and meadows.

First Saturday Walks

September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7
10 a.m.

Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members

Join a docent naturalist to discover the Arboretum's rich and unique native plant habitats. Explore mature and young native forests, meadows, a wetland, rain and pollinator gardens, the Native Plant Nursery, and the children's teaching garden. Tours begin at the Visitor's Center and last approximately one hour.

Nature Sketchers

First Sundays: September 1, October 6, November 3,
December 1, 1-3 p.m.

Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members

Led by fine artist and Maryland Master Naturalist **Diane DuBois Mullaly**, this monthly nature walk along the Arboretum trails allows stops for sketching in graphite, ink, or watercolor. Each walk will focus on what's in bloom, budding, or of interest along the paths.

Food Lab Forest Walk

Sunday, September 29, 1-2:30 p.m.

Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members

Join the ethnobotanical research team from the **Eastern Shore Food Lab at Washington College** for a guided tree walk exploring historical foodways and future food resources, including fruits, nuts, leaves, sap, and roots. Discover how a permaculture approach toward plant functions supports ecological stewardship and food security. Learn about resources the Food Lab is developing to bring the flavor of native landscapes into your kitchen.

Anything Can Happen Day! Walk

Sunday, October 6, 1-2:30 p.m.

Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members.

Go on a treasure hunt in the Arboretum's glorious habitats with Master Naturalist **Margan Glover**. Who knows what we'll find as the seasons change? All ages are welcome.



Saturdays, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Fee: \$25 members/\$30 non-members

Following a guided walk with a docent naturalist, you'll return to the Visitor's Center for a delicious and nutritious lunch along with a brief talk about nutrition. Copies of recipes are provided. All gift shop purchases are 20% off on Soup 'n Walk days.

Sunny Meadows, Bluebirds, & Dragonflies

Saturday, September 21

Search for golden brown grasses and yellow and purple flowers while keeping an eye and ear out for bluebirds and dragonflies. Plants of interest include milkweed, black-eyed Susan, goldenrod, Indian grass, big bluestem, and sumac berries.

Menu: *minted cantaloupe soup; cauliflower, potatoes, and peas Indian-style; fill rye bread with cream cheese and jam; Pfeffernoise cookies*

Dazzling Fall Color

Saturday, October 19

Fall colors dazzle the eye and pique the appetite. Listen for migrating woodpeckers while watching for changing color on red and orange sweet gum, sassafras, tupelo, sumac, dogwood, yellow paw paw, hickory, beech, and tulip trees.

Menu: *squash stew with beans and kale; potato salad with beets and carrots; double oat bread; pumpkin spice bars with lemon*

Nutritious Berries, Nuts, & Seeds

Saturday, November 16

Enjoy the autumn harvest as we hunt for nutritious berries, nuts, and seeds and check for signs of beaver. Plants of interest include dogwood, hibiscus, partridge berry, oak, loblolly pine, juniper, verbena, ironwood, and strawberry bush.

Menu: *spicy sweet potato soup; broccoli carrot raisin salad; pumpernickel bread; yellow cake with apple cranberry sauce.*

SPEAKER

WOVEN MULBERRIES, ABANDONED OAKS, AND GILDED LARCHES: EXPLORING THE TREE IN THE HISTORY OF ART

Fee: \$15 members/\$20 non-members per program

Join **Benjamin Tilghman**, assistant professor of art and art history at Washington College, for this lecture series that considers instances where artists have made trees the primary subject of their artworks. The series aims toward developing a deeper understanding of the relationships among humans, trees, and the environment as a whole.

Session 1: The Renaissance

Sunday, October 13, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

This program focuses on the Renaissance artists Albrecht Dürer, Albrecht Altdorfer, and Leonardo da Vinci. While all three helped to revolutionize artistic depictions of the natural world, their approaches are different in ways that highlight diverging ideas about nature in the 16th century.

Session 2: The Romantic Era

Sunday, October 20, 1:30-2:30 p.m.

This program highlights Romantic-era artists such as Caspar David Friedrich and John Constable and explores how trees played a role in their attempts to bring together the sublime power of the natural world with changing ideas about the environment and national identity.

Session 3: Contemporary Artists

Sunday, October 27
1:30-2:30 p.m.

This final lecture explores how contemporary artists such as Ai Wei Wei, Andy Goldsworthy, and Giuseppe Penone have used trees to highlight the fraught but meaningful relationship between humanity and the environment.



Needle Felting 101: Sculpting with Wool

Sunday, November 10, 1-4 p.m.

Fee: \$50 members/\$60 non-members

All materials are provided

Needle felting is the art of sculpting wool with special barbed needles, usually on a "platform" of foam rubber or foam core. In this introductory workshop led by **Laura Rankin**, students will learn and practice this completely dry form of felting by making basic 3D shapes, including a ball (used to make an acorn ornament) and a simple figure. They'll also learn to attach appendages and to use templates to make small flat pieces such as ornaments or brooches.

Painting with Wool

Sunday, November 17, 1-4 p.m.

Fee: \$50 members/\$60 non-members; All materials are provided

In this workshop, participants will learn how to "paint" with wool. Instead of using canvas or paper, students will create pictures with dyed wool batt on a 9" x 12" piece of commercial felt using basic needle felting techniques. Each student needs to bring two or three pieces of felt—any color—which can be purchased inexpensively at craft stores. Students should also bring reference photos for the wool creations they will be making—for example, a photo of a still life, a pet, a landscape, or a favorite design.

Holiday Greens Workshop

Saturday, December 7, 10 a.m.-noon

Fee: \$40 members/\$50 non-members

Join floral designer and Arboretum docent **Nancy Beatty** to create an elegant centerpiece to grace your holiday table.

Smithsonian Museum Day Live!

Saturday, September 21

Celebrating culture, learning, and the dissemination of knowledge, Museum Day reflects the free-admission policy of the Smithsonian Institution's museums in Washington, DC. Take advantage of free Arboretum admission, a self-guided walk or audio tour, indoor and outdoor art exhibits, and shopping for plants and nature-inspired gifts.

