# save the dates

#### **Bird Migration Walks**

Saturdays, May 6 & September 9, 8-10 a.m. Join Wayne Bell to look for birds in the Arboretum's forest and meadows.

**Shore Shakespeare Company presents** A Midsummer Night's Dream Friday-Sunday, June 2-4

Fall Night Out at the Nursery Friday, September 8, 2-7 p.m.

# Open House at the Nursery

Saturday, September 9, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, September 10, noon-4 p.m.

# **Another Kind of Magic**

Saturday, September 23

#### Fairy Festival

Saturday, October 14

# Fall 'Celebrating Natives' Garden Tour

Saturday, November 4

#### Holiday Open House & Wreath Sale Saturday, December 2

**Candlelit Caroling Celebration** Saturday, December 9



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# artexhibits

The Arboretum sponsors art exhibitions throughout the year, including an annual juried show and outdoor environmental art. Call 410-634-2847, ext. 0 or e-mail info@adkinsarboretum.org for gallery hours.

Few artists paint birds as spirited and full of character as **Kevin Garber**'s. On view through January 27, the watercolors, stone lithographs, and mono prints in Bird Chronicles are loosely sketched and brushed with colorful washes, yet they are also full of curiously precise details that clearly identify each species. A master printmaker, Garber lives in Bozman in Talbot County and has been drawing and painting birds for more than forty years. His casual style belies his skill in capturing their animated stances and individual personalities.

Celebrating the Arboretum's mission of conservation, the 2017 Juried Art Show, Discovering the Native Landscapes of Maryland's Eastern Shore, will be on view January 31 through March 31. Now in its eighteenth year, this annual show draws entries in a wide variety of mediums, from painting and sculpture to photography and crafts by artists from the Mid-Atlantic region and beyond. This year's juror, Katherine Markoski, Ph.D., is Director of the Kohl Gallery and Lecturer in Art History at Washington College. She will discuss her choices for the show at a reception Saturday, February 11 from 3 to 5 p.m.

The magic of momentary effects of light and atmosphere permeate **Mark Muse**'s exquisite landscape photographs shot in Maryland, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania. For Muse, who lives in Shepherdstown, West Virginia, photography is an excuse for going out into nature and becoming immersed in its beauty. On view April 4 through June 2, his achingly beautiful images capture the soaring sweep of tree trunks, the intricacy of billowing leaves and grasses, and the vigor and fragility of bare branches spreading toward the sky. There will be a reception to meet the artist on Saturday, April 22 from 3 to 5 p.m.

Monday

**PLANT** OF THE WEEK Cornus stolonifera

redtwig dogwood

February 2

Tuesday

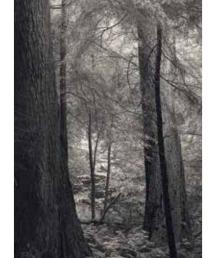
Sunday



Mark Muse, Hemlocks, 16" x 24", archival pigment print Kevin Garber, Gambel's Quail, 20" x 13", watercolor

Mark Muse, Rattlesnake Run Headwaters, 15" x 10", archival pigment print





Saturday

Landscape Design Workshop

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

First Saturday

Saturday

First Saturday

**Guided Walk** 

10 a.m.

Nursery Open House

Native Table ticket

Photos by Kellen McCluskey, Joanne Murphy

Ann and Richard Rohlfing llustrations by Barbara Bryan

Thursday

Wednesday

Nature as Muse

9-11 a.m.

2016 Juried Art Show winner, Pamela Phillips Place of Passage, work on paper

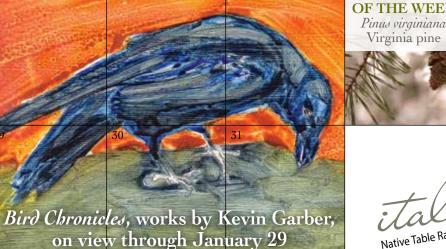
Friday

Watercolor I

10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Kevin Garber, Roseate Tern, 13" x 20", watercolor







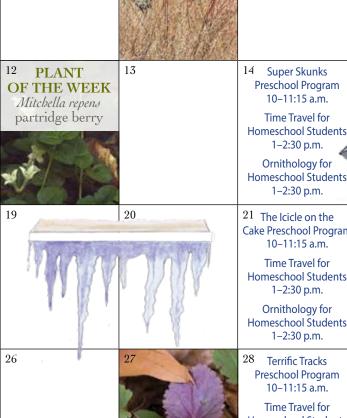
Dog Walk



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**Preschool Program** 10-11:15 a.m. omeschool Students 1-2:30 p.m. OF THE WEEK Ornithology for Packera aurea **Homeschool Students** 

Guided Walk 10 a.m. **Juried Art Show** Watercolor I Reception 10 a.m.-1 p.m **Early Morning** 3-5 p.m. Members' Walk Paintbrush Party 8-9:30 a.m. 7-9 p.m OF THE WEEK Ilex opaca American holly Dog Walk

2017 Juried Art Show, Discovering the Native Landscapes of Maryland's Eastern Shore, on view through March 31



OF THE WEEK

spring beauty

Ornithology for

**Homeschool Students** 

1-2:30 p.m.

through March 31



**PLANT** 

Sassafras albidum

sassafras

OF THE WEEK

noon-4 p.m.

April 30—Tuckahoe

Multi-Use Trail Walk



features an Italian feast for twenty in the Arboretum setting of your choice. Wine along the woodland paths? Antipasto on the wetland bridge? Molto bene! Catering will be provided by Piazza Italian Market of Easton, specializing in fresh, premium, uniquely Italian food.

Ticket sales begin January 15 and end April 28, when the winning ticket will be drawn as part of the Arboretum's Night Out at the Nursery event. Only 100 tickets will be sold. Take a chance at adkinsarboretum.org, or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

\$100 per ticket; deadline for entering is April 28, 2017 at 6 p.m. Dinner party date and time to be mutually determined by the winner, Piazza, and Adkins Arboretum.

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

#### **Landscape Design Workshop**

Saturday, February 4, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Fee: \$105 members/\$130 non-members/ \$165 member couples This intensive, hands-on design workshop addresses typical challenges of gardening in the Chesapeake Bay region. With help from landscape designers Meredith Watters and Jennifer Connoley and urban forester Robin Morgan, you will leave with ideas, a conceptual plan to incorporate plants and hardscape into your landscape, and confidence to begin transforming your home landscape for your enjoyment and pride.

#### Life Underground: Healthy Soil, Healthy Plants, **Healthy Planet**

#### Wednesday, March 22, 1-2:30 p.m.

Fee: \$15 members/\$20 non-members Soil microbes have a huge impact on how plants grow and react to stress situations. It's a wild world down there, and some of the interactions will surprise you! Join **Dr. Sara Via** to learn what healthy soil is, how you know if you have it, and how to build it if you don't. A hands-on demonstration will follow.

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

#### **The Native Garden at the National Arboretum** Wednesday, April 26, 1-2:30 p.m.

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

at the Adkins Arboretum Nursery.

In recent years, the National Arboretum in Washington, DC, has placed more emphasis on native plants. In addition to native plantings at the Old Capitol Columns and in other areas, its Native Garden has been under development for decades and is a delight in every season. Join landscape architect and Adkins Trustee Barbara McClinton for an illustrated "tour" of the Native Garden's history, habitats, and bed of commonly available native cultivars that gardeners might try at home, many of which are available

### **SPEAKER**

#### **Story Circle with Amy Steward**

Thursday, April 13, 4-6 p.m. Fee: \$15 members/\$20 non-members Join us for a good story on a twilight evening at the Arboretum! Local writer Amy Steward will share insights into the life of Arboretum founder Leon Andrus, gleaned from her interview of

his friends, colleagues, and the autobiography he began at age 99. Her personal connection to the story lends a twist. Light refreshments, cash wine bar.

#### TRIP

# SAVE THE DATE

**New York Botanical Garden: Chihuly Experience** Saturday, October 28, 2017

For the first time in more than ten years, the artwork of world-renowned sculptor Dale Chihuly will be featured in a major exhibition in New York. CHIHULY will be a new experience, with monumental installations within and around the most celebrated sites in the New York Botanical Garden's landscape. The new exhibition will also feature a display of Chihuly's drawings. Watch for details in the spring calendar.



#### **ARTS • CRAFTS • WRITING**

# BOTANICAL ART PROGRAMS

#### Materials lists will be provided.

# **Botanical Art: Watercolor I**

#### Fridays, January 20 & 27, February 3 & 10 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Fee: \$135 members/\$165 non-members

Prerequisites: Botanical Drawing I & II Watercolor is the traditional medium used in creating

botanical art. This program taught by **Kelly Sverduk** will focus on introducing basic watercolor techniques and color mixing using a limited palette. Class exercises and projects will provide participants with a fundamental understanding and mastery of those techniques.

#### **Botanical Art: Watercolor II**

Fridays, March 3, 10, 17, & 24, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Fee: \$135 members/\$165 non-members

Prerequisite: Watercolor I

Kelly Sverduk will walk students through the process of completing a botanical painting using the techniques introduced in previous classes. Students will prepare a graphite study and then transform the drawing into a watercolor painting. Emphasis will be placed on composition, color mixing, and watercolor.

### **Advanced Graphite**

Fridays, April 14, 21, & 28, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Fee: \$95 members/\$120 non-members Prerequisite: Botanical Drawing II

Join **Lee D'Zmura** to improve your drawing skills. Working with your choice of subject, you'll complete a botanical art piece in pencil. Each class will include new techniques and individual critiques.

# **Advanced Painting Workshop: Paw Paw Flower**

#### Fridays, May 19 & 26, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Fee: \$135 members/\$165 non-members

*Prerequisites: Watercolor I & II* 

Paint a branch and bloom from one of the Arboretum's paw paw trees in this workshop taught by Kelly Sverduk. Instruction will focus on drawing, watercolor work, and detail work of flower and leaves.

#### **Butterflies and Insects Workshop**

Friday, September 8, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Fee: \$105 members/\$130 non-members Prerequisite: Colored Pencil II

This program taught by **Lee D'Zmura** introduces the techniques used to document a preserved butterfly or insect specimen. Each participant will receive an insect, draft a detailed drawing of that insect, and complete the colored pencil study on Mylar film.

### **Paw Paw Fruit Workshop**

Friday, September 29, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Fee: \$90 members/\$110 non-members

Discover and paint a native fruit found on the Arboretum grounds. Join Kelly Sverduk to create a small botanical watercolor painting of this interesting and little-known fruit.

## **Advanced Painting Workshop: Host Plant**

Friday and Saturday, October 6 & 7, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ee: \$130 members/\$160 non-members

Prerequisites: Watercolor I and II This course taught by **Kelly Sverduk** will focus on the relationship between native pollinators and their host plants. Participants will create detailed drawings of their chosen

subjects and then bring those drawings to life in watercolor.

## **ILLUMINATION SERIES** WITH LEE D'ZMURA

#### **Botanical Illumination**

Friday and Saturday, June 2 & 3, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Fee: \$115 members/\$145 non-members Prerequisite: Illumination I

Illumination is the centuries-old art of painting decorative letters adorned with gold. Design and complete an illuminated letter that incorporates native plants found at the Arboretum.

#### **Illumination I**

Friday, October 13, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Fee: \$75 members/\$90 non-members This workshop focuses on the processes and skills of creating illuminated letters. Based on historic style, the project will be completed using gold paint.

#### Illumination II

Friday, October 27 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Fee: \$75 members/\$90 non-members Building on skills learned in Illuminated Letters I, this workshop features illumination styles developed in the Celtic and Renaissance traditions. Additional techniques will be introduced as students complete the two projects.

## **Illumination French Matting**

#### Friday, November 10 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Fee: \$35 members/\$40 non-members

French matting is the decorative matting that frames many botanical art pieces. Both application of marbled paper and painted borders will be introduced. Each participant will complete two mats.

#### **Paintbrush Party Friend and FUNdraiser** Friday, February 10, 7-9 p.m.

Uncork your inner artist and support Adkins Arboretum! Delight in making your very own masterpiece, all while enjoying music, refreshments, and good company. Bring your friends for step-by-step instruction by local artist Sarah Lyle to complete a painting to take home at the end of the night. No experience is necessary. Paintbrush Party will be held at Goodwill Fire Company, 212 Broadway, Centreville.

#### **Getting Started with iPhone Photography**

Saturday, March 11, 1-4 p.m.

Fee: \$55 members/\$70 non-members

Ever wonder how to take better photos with your iPhone's camera? In this workshop with landscape photographer Karen Klinedinst, you'll learn techniques to improve your iPhone photography and basic tips for editing and finetuning your photos directly on your iPhone. Prerequisite: A working knowledge of your iPhone 6 or later. A list of iPhone apps will be emailed to you prior to the workshop.

#### Photo Editing on Your iPhone and iPad

Saturday, March 25, 1-4 p.m. Fee: \$55 members/\$70 non-members

Have you ever taken a photo with your iPhone that could

use some improvement? Join Karen Klinedinst and learn how to edit, fine-tune, and perfect your photos directly on your iPhone and/or iPad. Bring images on your iPhone or iPad to the workshop. Prerequisite: A working knowledge of your iPhone 6 and/or iPad 2 or later. A list of iOS apps will be emailed to you prior to the workshop.

# WRITING

# **Nature as Muse**

First Wednesdays, 9-11 a.m.

Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members Discover writing as a way of exploring nature. The group is open to anyone who enjoys scribbling lines of thought across parts of trees now bound with rings or glue.

# **GUIDED WALKS**

#### **Dog Walks** Thursdays, 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.

# **First Saturday Walks**

January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, 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.

# **Early-Morning Members' Walks**

#### Second Wednesdays, 8-9:30 a.m. *Must be a member—join today!*

The Arboretum woods are a magical place early in the morning. Join Nursery Manager Joanne Healey and guest guides for an early morning walk. Explore your guide's favorite trails, talk about animal tracks they've come upon, stop to identify bird calls, or search for the first emerging plants of spring. The focus of each walk will change with the seasons. Dress for the weather. Cancellations only in extreme weather.

# January 11: Jim Wilson, Veteran birder

February 8: Sarah Hilderbrand, Maryland Department of Natural Resources

March 8: Mike Quinlan, Maryland Master Naturalist April 12: Pat Robinson, Maryland Master Naturalist

# **Nature's Interconnections: Spring Ephemerals**

Sunday April 23, 1-2:30 p.m. Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members. All ages are welcome.

Spring at Adkins Arboretum offers a dazzling diversity of flowers that emerge and are gone in the blink of an eye. Join Arboretum docent and Maryland Master Naturalist Margan Glover to look for early spring's botanical treasures: trout lilies, Virginia bluebells, spring beauties, pink lady's slipper, and more.

# **Tuckahoe Multi-Use Trail Walk**

Sunday, April 30, noon-3:30 p.m. Free for members/free with \$5 admission for non-members Join Master Naturalist **Mike Quinlan** for a steady 5- to 6-mile walk to explore the new Tuckahoe State Park trail. We'll follow the trail to the end, double back until we reach park headquarters, and then head west to pick up the Tuckahoe Creek Trail to the Arboretum.

# SOUP 'N WALKS

# Nature, Nurture, and Nutrition

Fee: \$20 members/\$25 non-members Following a guided walk with a docent naturalist, 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.

#### **Winter Greens & Distinctive Bark** Saturday, February 18

Look for green plants that cherish the winter sun and trees with telltale bark. Plants of interest include mosses, cranefly orchid, magnolia and holly leaves, and green stems of strawberry bush

#### **Early Blooms, Songbirds, & Spring Frogs** Saturday, March 18

Listen for early songbirds and spring frogs while searching for early purple, pink, and white blooms. Plants of interest include skunk cabbage, paw paw, spring beauty, and bloodroot.

# **Spring Ephemerals & Pollinators**

# Saturday, April 15

and greenbrier.

Look again! The blooms of ephemeral plants, trees, and shrubs are fleeting. Look for pink, white, and yellow blooms and early pollinators. Plants of interest include pink spring beauty, may apple, dogwood, golden groundsel, spicebush, sassafras, and white beech.

#### **Cool Ferns in the Forest** Saturday, June 10

Step into the woods for natural air-conditioning while searching for lady and New York ferns by the creek, netted chain fern and skunk cabbage in the wetlands, and ebony spleenwort and cinnamon and Christmas ferns hiding in the shade.

#### **Sunny Meadows & Bluebirds** Saturday, September 16

Walk the meadows in search of golden brown grasses and yellow and purple flowers while watching and listening for bluebirds and dragonflies. Plants of interest include milkweed, black-eyed Susan, goldenrod, Indian grass, big bluestem, and sumac berries.

#### **Dazzling Fall Color** Saturday, October 21

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

#### **Nutritious Berries, Nuts, & Seeds** Saturday, November 18

Enjoy the autumn harvest as we hunt for dogwood, hibiscus, partridge berry, oak, loblolly pine, juniper, verbena, ironwood, and strawberry bush. Keep your eyes open for signs of beaver.

# YOUTH AND FAMILY

# **Acorn Academy Nature Preschool**

Welcome 2017 with your preschooler at Adkins Arboretum! This series of ten classes is open to children ages 3 to 5. Classes include nature walks, stories, songs, snacks, and an art project to take home. An instant play group for moms 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 Tuesdays from 10 to 11:15 a.m. For topics and to register, visit adkinsarboretum.org. Fee: \$60 members/\$75 non-members. Thanks to a generous grant from the PNC Foundation, fees are waived for residents of Caroline County.

# **Homeschool Programs**

The Arboretum offers two homeschool programs for the winter/spring seasons, one for elementary students and the other for middle and high students. Both will meet from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays for ten consecutive weeks beginning February 14 and ending April 18. Youth Program Director **Jenny Houghton** and Environmental Educator **Leslie Adelman** will teach the classes. Age-appropriate reading and writing activities are required. Students should dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes, and bring a pencil to class. Fee: \$70 members/\$85 non-members

# (\$10 sibling discount)

**Time Travel for Homeschool Students (Grades 2–5)** Maryland's Eastern Shore has experienced tremendous change through time. Do you know that the dinosaur Astrodon thrived here in the Early Cretaceous, and wooly mammoths roamed the land during the last polar ice age? Or that Woodland Indians harvested tulip trees for their dug-out canoes, and settlers used pokeberries to make ink? Homeschoolers will explore the history of Maryland's Eastern Shore through exciting, hands-on activities, including target practice with hand-crafted bows and arrows, natural dyemaking, and an archaeological dig.

# **Ornithology for Homeschool Students** (Gr. 6 & up)

Homeschoolers will delve into the science of birds while developing STEM skills in an outdoor, hands-on learning environment. Areas of study include bird physiology, adaptations, identification, flight, migration, habitat, and behavior. Highlights such as owl pellet dissection, live bird cam observations, guest speakers, bluebird box monitoring, and weekly postings to ebird.org will make this an unforgettable learning experience.

# **Environmental Education for School Groups**

Looking for a hands-on, exciting, and enriching spring field trip for your school? Look no further! The Arboretum's environmental education programs are designed for students in pre-k through twelfth grade and are aligned with Next Generation Science Standards. To learn more, visit adkinsarboretum.org.

# **Summer Nature Camps**

For the past twelve years, Adkins Arboretum's Summer Nature Camps have given children the opportunity to enjoy their precious summer the old-fashioned way—outdoors! Campers will make new friends and lifelong memories while exploring the Arboretum's woodland, meadow, stream, and wetland habitats. From grazing on blackberries to splashing in the Blockston Branch, the Arboretum's Summer Nature Camps provide children with a truly enchanted experience.

Camp brochures and registration information will be available online by March 15. Space is limited, and advance registration is required. Sign up your young adventurer to grow with the Arboretum.

Camp Bumblebee (ages 2–3): June 19–23

Camp Pollywog (ages 4-6): June 26-July 1 Camp Paw Paw (ages 7-9): July 10-14

Camp Egret (ages 10-13): July 17-21

Camp Whippoorwill (new this year—a special birding camp for ages 9-13): July 24-28

#### 11th Annual Arbor Day Run Saturday, April 8. Registration begins at 8 a.m. 5K ages 16 and up: \$25 if registered by March 26/

\$30 day of race 5K ages 15 and under: \$15 if registered by March 26/ \$20 day of race

The Fun Run and Healthy Kids Dash are free. Featuring a 5K Run/Walk and a one-mile Family Fun Run/Walk, this popular spring event kicks off with a Healthy Kids Dash at 8:50 a.m. Post-race festivities include refreshments, awards, and a native tree raffle. All registered 5K participants will receive an "Arbor Day 5K" T-shirt. Fun Run and Kids Dash participants may purchase a T-shirt for \$10. Register at adkinsarboretum.org. Registration forms are also available at the Arboretum's front desk. Chip timing provided by BluePoint Race Management.

# **NURSERY SPRING OPEN HOUSE**

Night Out at the Nursery: Friday, April 28, 2–7 p.m. Mark your calendar for a fun afternoon and evening of light fare, live music, a cash wine and beer bar, a raffle, a silent auction, and shopping in a fun and festive atmosphere.

Open House at the Nursery: Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sunday, April 30, noon-4 p.m. Prepare for spring in the garden! Shop the region's largest selection of landscape-ready native trees, shrubs, perennials, ferns, and grasses for spring planting. Guided walks, discount for members. Sale days are crowded; please leave dogs

Visit adkinsarboretum.org for full program descriptions and registration links.