Tower Hill Botanic Garden

Events

July / August / September 2018

Gardens
Open 10am–5pm Tuesday – Sunday
Thursdays, June – August, open until 9pm

Farmer and the Fork
Formerly Twigs Café
Open at 11am when the Garden is open
Last seating 2:30pm
(8:30pm on Free After Three Thursdays)

The Garden Shop
Open when the Garden is open

Library
Visit towerhillbg.org for hours

Contact Us
508.869.6111
towerhillbg.org

Stay Connected

Mass Cultural Council

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Garden Wisdom Wednesdays

Upcoming: Garden Heirlooms
August 8, 8–9AM
Join us to learn about the cultivation of heirloom garden plants, from bulbs to herbaceous perennials, and the stories behind them.

Gardens & Nature Exhibits and Free Events

Visit the Tower Hill Botanic Garden to explore its collection of plants, flowers, and natural habitats.

Healthy & Wellness

Join us for a discussion about how gesneriads and their relatives can thrive in your garden. Learn the differences between gesneriads and other houseplants, and tips for growing them successfully.

Instructor: Betsy Williams
Thursday, September 22, 2–3PM
Member $25, Non-member $35

Art, Design, & Craft

Flower & Leaf Creative Workshop
Saturday, September 29, 1–4PM
Learn the basics of floral design and create your own arrangements using a variety of flowers and foliage.

Instructor: Karen Keefe, Certified Zentangle Trainer
Sunday, September 16, 1–4:30PM
Member $45, Non-member $60

Trips & Tours

Bedrock Gardens, Lee, NH & Inisheer, Aran Islands, Ireland
Member $150, Non-member $175; includes transportation, admissions, and guided tour.

Leaves & Honey Workshop
Thursday, August 9 (RAIN DATE: AUGUST 30)
Learn the basics of beekeeping and the importance of pollinators in our ecosystem.

Instructor: Laura Hacker
Sunday, August 5, 1–3:30PM
Member $50, Non-member $60; includes guided tour.

Children, Youth, & Families

Join us for fun activities designed specifically for kids and families.

YOUNG GARDENERS

Children’s Gardening Workshops

Grow Your Own Herbs Workshop
Saturday, August 25, 1–3PM
Learn the basics of herb gardening and how to grow your own herbs at home.

Instructor: Kathy Connolly
Member $20, Non-member $25

Elevating Bees: The Whole Story
Thursday, August 23, 6:30–7:45PM
Explore the fascinating world of bees and their role in pollination.

Instructor: Sam Jaffe, Caterpillar Lab
Member $15, Non-member $20

Yoga in the Garden

Wednesdays (no class July 4), 6–7:15PM
Practice gentle-to-moderate flow yoga.

Instructor: Phyllis Savage & Betsy Szymczak
Member $5 per adult, $3 per child; includes guided tour.

Ain’t Misbehavin’- A Quigong Tai Chi
Thursdays, July & August only, 6–7:15PM
Learn the ancient Chinese practice of Quigong Tai Chi.

Instructor: Betsy Szymczak
Member $50, Non-member $60; includes guided tour.

Journaling for the Garden Lover
Thursday, August 9 (RAIN DATE: AUGUST 30)
Explore the art of journaling as a tool for reflection and self-discovery.

Instructor: Karen Gee
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Event Calendar

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Landscape Photography Workshop
Thursday, August 16, 5–6:30PM
Learn the basics of night photography, then lead you outdoors to practice your skills.

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Thursday, August 2, 8:30–10PM
Join us for a family-friendly event to see caterpillars up close.

Instructor: Instructors: Phyllis Savage & Betsy Szymczak
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Firefly Walks  (All ages)
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Join us to explore the gardens of Tower Hill at night and see the beautiful bioluminescent insects.

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Gardens in the Garden

**WISDOM WEDNESDAYS**

*New York Times Bestselling Author*

**Liz Lemon Swindle**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Liz Lemon Swindle will inspire you to connect more deeply with the world of gardening. The author of The Garden in My Head will lead a conversation about the beauty, meaning, and wisdom in gardens and gardeners. 

**DIRECTIONS TO A LITTLE SEEDLINGS (AGES 2 & UNDER)**

*Liz Lemon Swindle*

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Join us as we hike our mile-long loop trail and explore a new theme each month. See what nature has to offer on these guided walks.

**FARM & THE FORK**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Join our talented horticultural team on the last seating of the season at the Table of Living Food. Come together to enjoy family-friendly food and fun. 

**GARDENS & NATURE**

**PLANTS & FLOWERS**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

This year’s vegetable garden demonstrates the many different varieties of vegetables being grown, as well as modern-day uses. The vegetable garden tour is included with admission.

**PLANTS & FLOWERS**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Learn the basic techniques for painting with pigmented inks. INSTRUCTOR: SUZANNE HAUERSTEIN. Member $45, Non-member $55. Materials included.

**ART, DESIGN, & CRAFT**

**FLOWER & CRAFT**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Create your own distinctive, beautiful bracelets, earrings, and more. INSTRUCTOR: MARY BETH HAYES, SEMPER VIRENS FLOWERS. Member $45, Non-member $55. Materials included.

**ART, DESIGN, & CRAFT**

**FLORAL JEWELRY**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Learn how to design an eco-print scarf. INSTRUCTOR: BETSY WILLIAMS. Member $75, Non-member $85. Materials included.

**ART, DESIGN, & CRAFT**

**FLORAL STILL LIFE PAINTING**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Create detailed botanical studies of summer blooms and design an eco-print scarf. INSTRUCTOR: BETSY WILLIAMS. Member $75, Non-member $85. Materials included.

**ART, DESIGN, & CRAFT**

**UNDERWATERLILIES BY WILLIAM SCULLY**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

We'll explore Tower Hill's gardens in search of unusual lilies. An interactive presentation about the cultivation of lilies, the history of lilies in America, and the story of the man who introduced lilies to America. 

**ART, DESIGN, & CRAFT**

**THE ART OF JUDGING LILIES**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Join our talented horticultural team on an introduction to the science of lily evaluation. 

**ART, DESIGN, & CRAFT**

**CHERRY BLOSSOMS**

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**HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**QUIGONG TAI CHI**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Practice gentle-to-moderate flow yoga. Bring your own mat. All levels. Walk-ins welcome.

**HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**TRAVEL TO BEDROCK GARDENS IN LEE, NH**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

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**HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**YOGA MINI-RETREAT**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Bring your own mat. 

**HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**EXHIBITS**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

Display of hand-harvested lilies and exhibitions. In celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Lily Festival, Tower Hill will celebrate the beauty and colors of blooming lilies and will open its gates for visitors.

**EXHIBITS**

**IF I RAN THE FLOWER GARDEN: FUNKY & CHIC**

*September 22 – October 6, 10:30–11:30AM*

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**EXHIBITS**

**LOVE IS IN THE AIR**

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**EXHIBITS**

**BOYOLANT FOUNTAIN & STATUE**

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**EXHIBITS**

**BORDER BATTLE**

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**EXHIBITS**

**LILIES OF THE THIRD ROUND**

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The image contains a calendar for Tower Hill Botanic Garden, detailing various events and workshops throughout the summer months. The events are categorized by month and include workshops on building, natural dyeing, herbaling, and more. Specific dates and times are provided for each event, along with descriptions of the activities, such as creating carnivorous plants, learning about pollinators, and enjoying music in the beer garden. The calendar also highlights special days such as Labor Day, and mentions events like a talk on butterflies, a lecture on growing lilies, and a picnic and concert. The garden tour is available on specific days and times, providing a comprehensive guide to the garden's offerings during the summer.
**August Aflutter**

**GARDEN TOUR / 2–3**

**GARDEN Tour / 2–3**

**August Aflutter**

**Pollinator Palooza**

**SUMMER 2018**

**SHOW / 10**

**Film Screening / 2–3:30**

**Art of Judging Lilies / 2–3**

**Learn & Grow / 2**

**Garden Tour / 2–3**

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## SUMMER 2018

**August Aflutter**
**Pollinator Palooza**
Saturday & Sunday, August 25–26. Join bee experts as they organize saving urban bee populations... Learn more →

**October Oddities**
Let’s Lift Growing Competition / October 1–8
This October, get ready for the weird and wonderful in the Garden and beyond as we increase efforts to improve lives through appreciation of the natural world. Learn more →

**Members Only Picnic & Concert**
**Pride Flag Raising**
**Community Appreciation & Volunteer Recognition**
Saturday, August 11, 10 am–12 pm
Come celebrate the incredible work of our friends and neighbors who volunteer their time to support Tower Hill Botanic Garden and... Learn more →

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**August Aflutter Pollinator Palooza**

**Saturday, August 25, 10AM–5PM**

Celebrate pollinators and the plants they depend on as we increase efforts to improve lives through appreciation of the natural world. From pollinator hotels to the live caterpillar exhibit, these competitive shows feature brilliant blooms, fascinating foliage, and the chance to learn from experts. Join the parade, sample live music, and auction under the harvest moon. Come dressed as your favorite pollinator, join the parade, sample live music, and auction under the harvest moon. Spread your wings at this celebration of Worcester Pride Week.

**September 1, 10AM–5PM**

Celebrate Labor Day and the harvest with live music, nature photography, and a fascinating foliage show. Join us as we celebrate the plants pollinators depend on. Learn about native species and how to attract them to your garden. Enjoy food trucks, kids activities, and free after three Thursday activities. Share a meal at our new Farmer and the Fork café. As Tower Hill is taken over by bizarre plants, new exhibits highlight our commitment to celebrating pollinators and the plants they depend on. Come dressed as your favorite pollinator, join the parade, sample live music, and auction under the harvest moon.

**October Oddities Let’s Cut Growing Competition / October 6-8**

Grow? / 10:30–11:30

Meet at Harvard Forest

Return at 5:30 pm / rain or shine

Bedrock Gardens & Massachusetts Botanical Society present “October Oddities: Let’s Cut Growing Competition” – October 6–8. The competition begins on October 6 at 10:30 am, and the final judge chooses the winner on October 8 at 2 pm. Trophies for the winner, top two runners-up and one honorable mention will be awarded. Entries must be made at the competition site, and must include a description of the plant(s), growing conditions, and any other information deemed appropriate by the entrant. Entries may be made in the morning of any day. Entries made in the morning will be judged at the end of the day. A minimum of 10 entries is required for judging.

**November 24, 10AM–5PM**

**Thanksgiving Show**

Learn & Grow / 1

Harvard Forest Tour

Learn more at towerhillbg.org