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Volunteer Orientations

We have two upcoming orientations to help you get to know the Garden better. Please join us:

- **April 27, 9:30 am to 1:30 pm**
- **May 5, 9:30 am to 1:30 pm**

The Garden is blooming and we have numerous volunteer support positions including Greenhouse Ambassadors and Garden Guides. We are also looking for volunteers to join our annual A Growing Affair best sale on Saturday May 7, 2016. Special Guest Richard Louv will be making a special appearance to sign his new book, *Vitamin N*. If you would like to join us on a tour, contact Tamara at garden.volunteer@ubc.ca or 604-827-3907.

For more information visit our website.

Event Alert: A Growing Affair Plant Sale

**Saturday May 7, 2016, 10am – 4pm**

Free admission to the sale & admission by donation to the Garden.

UBC Botanical Garden, 6804 SW Marine Drive, Vancouver, BC

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Learn something new at UBC Botanical Garden with these great tours, workshops and performances in April:

- **April 21 – Earth Day Evening Tour: Past, Present & Future of our Garden with Egan Davis & Taka Minow**
- **April 27 – Volunteer Orientations: Plant Identification**
- **April 29 – Container Growing of Espalier Fruit Trees Workshop**
- **April 29 – Moss Gardening Workshop**
- **April 30 – Dance & Poetry in the Asian Garden with Shona Ellis**
- **May 1 – Forks East to West Workshop**
- **May 6 – Past, Present & Future of our Garden Tour with Egan Davis & Taka Minow**

For a complete list of tours, workshops and performances visit our website.

April in the Garden

Like last year, we’re well on the way to one of the warmest springs in recent memory. A number of plants flowered in three weeks early and many familiar April-blooming plants long since put out their flowers (how about those magnolias and cherries?). But again like last year, there are plenty of plants sitting tight, waiting to flower as they normally would—or at least within only a week or two of their usual time. On this local conservative bloomer is many in the genus *Rhododendron*, a group of plants that normally doesn’t umber a around four hundred and fifty species varieties and cultivars in the Garden.

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Why Are Crows Ruining My Lawn! (a.k.a. Living with European Chafer Beetle in Vancouver)

Kerrie van Gaalen, one of UBC Botanical Garden’s staff members, has written a helpful and informative article on European Chafer Beetles and how to combat them. Read more on our blog.

The Garden welcomes Celeste Snowber as our new Artist in Residence

UBC Botanical Garden is thrilled to welcome Dr. Celeste Snowber as our new Artist in Residence. This position is both important and exciting because it enhances our mission to connect the community to our plant collection through new and creative avenues. Celeste is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Education at Simon Fraser University. As a dancer, poet, scholar and educator, her work focuses on arts-based research methods which unite scholarly inquiry with the creative process. Read more about this unique partnership and Celeste’s seasonal performances through the year on our blog.

Horticulture Training Program
Information Session
April 20, 5 pm - 7 pm

Running from late summer to spring, this eight-month, full-time program is designed to give students the skills and experience necessary for entering the field of horticulture. Completion of 1100 hours of classroom and hands-on practical instruction and supervised practical work will lead to Levels 1 & 2 Apprenticeship technical training credit. Learn more on our website.

About the Garden

Established in 1916, UBC Botanical Garden curates a collection of ca. 50,000 accessioned plants representing approximately 7,000 taxa from temperate regions around the world.

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