



### Operating Hours

Starting May 5, open until 8:00pm on Thursdays

**UBC Botanical Garden**  
Daily 9:30 am - 5:00 pm

**Shop in the Garden**  
Daily 9:30 am - 5:00 pm

**Nitobe Memorial Garden**  
Weekdays 11:00 am - 4:30 pm\*  
\*Closed Saturday May 7

**Greenheart Canopy Walkway**  
Daily 10:00 am - 4:30 pm\*  
\*Closed Thursday May 12

For up-to-date hours and directions [visit our website](#).



### Volunteer Orientation

Our upcoming [Volunteer Orientation](#) is Thursday May 5 from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm with Brian Campbell. The topic is pollination.

This is a great time to get involved and support this amazing place. We offer training, complimentary tours and special access to our educational materials.

Great opportunities are available to volunteer at A Growing Affair Plant Sale or for the Tourism Challenge.

Visit our [website](#), contact us by [email](#) or call 604.827.3907 for more information.

### Tax Time & Charitable, Estate Giving

It's tax time! There are two types of taxes, voluntary and involuntary. With voluntary taxes, you decide which areas of charity you wish to support and make a donation. A tax receipt will arrive and your taxes will be reduced. With involuntary taxes, you pay your tax bill in full and get no say in how the government plans on using your money. UBC Botanical Garden often fields questions about the best methods to support garden projects and tax effective strategies to maximize charitable investment.

Come join John Fleming and Krista Sheppard for an information session, Wednesday May 18, on the power of charitable giving and estate planning. Visit the [registration page](#) for more information.



### 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.

Follow us on [twitter](#), [facebook](#) and [instagram](#). Our handle is @ubcgarden.



### This Saturday: A Growing Affair Plant Sale

Saturday May 7, 2016, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Free admission to the sale & admission by donation to the Garden  
Only a few more days until UBC Botanical Garden's annual plant sale, A Growing Affair. Designed to inform and empower plant lovers of all ages and to engage the local community with a deeper appreciation for all things growing, the event offers new and experienced gardeners an unparalleled selection of plants available for purchase. Enjoy music, food, children's activities and much more. [Learn more](#).



### May in the Garden

This year, like last, will go down as one of the better years for flowers and strong, healthy growth. Conditions are so similar to last year's that I could just insert the May 2015 in the Garden article, change a few names, and no one would be the wiser. Let's see...because spring arrived early on the West Coast this year (a month ahead of schedule in some cases), the normal discussion of May flowers is somewhat academic. So, what's to see in May? Read more on [our blog](#).



### Don't miss these great tours, workshops and performances in May:

#### Wild about Workshops

May 5 – [Water Conservation Workshop](#): Low flow gardens with Egan Davis  
May 15 – [Botanical Illustration: Drawing on iPad](#) with Dana Cromie  
June 4 – [Bees in the City Workshop](#) with Erin Udal and Brian Campbell

#### Giddy about Garden Tours

May 7 – [Native Birds and Plants in Your Backyard](#) with Bird Studies Canada  
May 26 – [Ethnobotany in BC Tour](#) with Tamara Litke and Chris Bale

For a complete list of tours, workshops and performances, visit our [website](#).



### Horticulture Training Program Information Session

May 19, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Boost your career with this eight-month, full-time program designed to give you the skills and experience you need to enter 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](#).



### Shop & Garden Centre Update: Ready for Spring

New merchandise has just arrived! Our new planter pots and statuary are great additions for your special garden favourites.

Got questions about your patio, balcony or garden plantings? Master Gardeners are in attendance on weekends from 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm to provide the answers.

Starting May 5 the Shop will be open Thursdays from 9:30 am - 8:00 pm. Join us for coffee and a snack and browse through books, tools, children's toys, many local gifts and, of course, our choice of special plants in the Garden Centre. [Learn more](#).

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