"Growing & Learning" In The Garden
San Diego Gives
Fall Garden Festival
FALL 2021
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The mission of The Water Conservation Garden is to educate and inspire through excellent exhibits and programs that promote water conservation and the sustainable use of related natural resources.

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**FALL INSPIRATIONS AND GROWTH**

Fall is one of the most beautiful times of the year as it symbolizes a time of change. This fall is quite different than Fall 2020. The things we learned as an organization, community, state, and country this past year have allowed us the wonderful opportunity to open schools and events—creating more opportunity for education at The Garden.

With change comes growth, and The Garden is excited to bring back our educational team, expand our programs, celebrate together through events, offer more exclusive shopping in our gift shop, and meet our members’ needs through ongoing health and wellness classes.

The Garden is here to inspire you to make small changes that can greatly impact your daily life, whether that is to enhance your residential space, connect with your neighbors, or embark on a new fitness routine—there is something for everyone. Fall is happening at The Garden. Stop by to see the wonderful “changes” it has to offer.

See you at The Garden,

Jennifer Pillsbury
Executive Director/CEO

**Interested in joining a Non-Profit Board of Directors?**

We are actively recruiting new members. Looking for areas of expertise in finance, estate planning, construction, legal, fundraising, small business management and marketing to name a few.

Visit TheGarden.org/board for more information.

**The following are agencies that constitute the Joint Powers Authority (JPA) that owns The Garden and provides major funding:**

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**THE WATER CONSERVATION GARDEN**

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The Garden is FREE to the public the 2nd Friday of every month!

**ADMISSIONS**

- Last admission to The Garden is 3:15pm
- *Thursdays last admission is 5:15pm

**Please note The Garden will be closed:**

- New Year’s Day
- Easter Sunday
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

**GIFT SHOP**

- Tuesday – Sunday | 10:00am – 4:00pm*
- *Thursdays the Gift Shop closes at 6:00pm

Get Social With Us! #wcgarden | Keep up with the latest on news, events and more!
Fall is in the air, school is in session, the days are shortening, and cooler weather is near. Now is the time to sow the soil for a colorful fall/winter veggie garden. What happens and where do you start in San Diego’s Mediterranean, dry, and arid climate when this season is in a drought and curious little ones want to help? Let’s plan, prepare, and grow colorful crops and fresh greens no matter where you live, no matter the climate, and with helping hands.

The soil is warm and the air is cooling, and people often ask, “What can I plant in the fall/winter in San Diego?” The fall season in San Diego is subtle, there is a slight shift in temperature and the weather begins to wane. Some might call fall in San Diego a second spring. This is what we wait for and when we begin to transition our gardens to cool-weather crops. The best plan is to start with crops characteristic of fall and to plant these crops early. Now is the time to plant cool-weather crops like leafy greens, broccoli, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts and root vegetables; carrots, radishes, beets, etc. Planting drought-tolerant or low-water-use plants such as herbs like Thyme, Rosemary, Marjoram or flowering Lavenders, Yarrows and Sages are a great beauty and save water! Note: Landscape rebates are available in San Diego.

Now is the time to get little helping hands interested in a fall/winter harvest. The Garden and Ms. Smarty-Plants™ offer many gardening workshops and hands-in-the-dirt opportunities including the the new MSP Growing Gardeners Program. Check out TheGarden.org and MsSmartyPlants.org for details.

Helpful Fall/Winter Garden Tips:

- Pull those weeds and summer crops, but leave a few crops that will go to seed
- Time to fertilize and add compost
- Loosen or aerate your soil and allow air and moisture to filter through
- Replace or refurbish mulched areas
- Have fun and help someone grow their interest in a fall/winter garden

Writer and Photographer: Ria Custodio
Dr. Seuss said, “You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book!” He couldn’t be more right! Join Ms. Smarty-Plants™ on the 3rd Wednesday of every month for a featured holiday-themed story followed by a craft. Storytime is free with Garden entry.

**Batty for Bats!**

**FUN FACTS**

There are approximately 1,400 species of bats worldwide.

Bats are some of our greatest pollinators.

The Bumblebee Bat is the smallest bat in the world. (Picture of Bumblebee Bat)

They are the only mammals that can actually fly.

The California Leaf-nosed Bat’s hearing is so good they can hear the footsteps of a cricket! (Picture of the CA Leaf-nosed Bat)

**BAT RIDDLE**

Where do bats go to learn things?

To night school.

**POSITIVELY PERFECT Poinsettias!**

You always see this festive holiday plants lining porches and doorsteps. Did you know that poinsettias are a perennial woody shrub that grows as high as 15 feet tall! This plant is native to Mexico, but was brought to the United States by Joel Robert Poinsett, an American ambassador to Mexico. He brought clippings back to his green house and the rest is history! They can bloom in shades of red, pink, white, yellow, purple, and multicolored. December 12th is National Poinsettia Day; so, mark your calendar!
The Garden is excited to bring a community-favorite event back! Check out our exclusive offerings at The Garden’s Fall Garden Festival. November is the perfect time to start your holiday shopping with gifts for friends or family, and the Gift Shop is simply the perfect place to be. Fall is also the best time of year to plant; so, get your garden growing and dig into The Garden’s plant sale selection. There is something fun for everyone!

Join The Garden for sustainable landscaping demonstrations and tours on water harvesting, hillside planting, proper tree planting, plus Free Tree Giveaways with Ms. Smarty-Plants™ thanks to our generous partner SDG&E.

* Landscape Design Consultations are back in person! Reservations required online.

Pre-Register for tours and get free Garden entry. Fall Garden Festival tickets will only be sold at the event entrances.

Learn more and visit: TheGarden.org

** SAVE THE DATE **
Saturday, November 13th
10am - 2pm

** Special Members-Only Preview Sale — 9–10am **

Earth Hero Call to Action!

Take pride in your neighborhood.
Take time to organize a trash pick up and keep the earth clean!
Share with me on social media. #MSPEarthHeros #EarthHero

To accommodate our schools, Ms. Smarty-Plants™ is offering a variety of programs this year. It’s time to get students back to nature or let Ms. Smarty-Plants™ come to you!

- Field Trips to The Water Conservation Garden
- Virtual Field Trips
- In-person full-school assemblies
- In-person grade-level assemblies
- MSP classroom visits

For more info, visit: www.mssmartyplants.org or email SmartyPlants@thegarden.org
SEASONAL WORKSHOPS

October, November, December 2021

iPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY SERIES
Thursday, October 14, 21, 28 and Nov. 4
3-3:45pm on Zoom

Photography principles, paired with iPhone camera settings, can elevate your photos from ordinary snapshots to exquisite moments! Back by popular demand with Docent Instructor Sally Long.

$20 Members / $40 Non-Mbr *cost covers series

HILLSIDE PLANTING
Thursday, October 21
10-11:30am on Zoom

Connie Beck shares slope and hillside solutions for hard to plant spaces. Get inspired and help protect our waterways from runoff pollution. Sponsored by The County of San Diego.

FREE

BACKYARD COMPOSTING BASICS
Saturday, November 6
10am-12pm

Experts from Solana Center share advice and interactive demonstrations, to teach all you need to know to get started with a bin that fits your needs and lifestyle.

FREE

TREE PLANTING FOR SUCCESS
Tuesday, November 9
5-6pm on Zoom

Get step by step instruction on tree planting for success with Tree Life Consulting, then choose a free tree sapling for pickup on Nov. 13 at the Fall Garden Festival. Sponsored in part by SDG&E.

FREE

FALL GARDEN FESTIVAL
Saturday, November 13
10am-2pm

Outdoor demonstrations and tours on water harvesting, hillside planting, proper tree planting, plus Landscape Design Consultations and Free Tree Giveaways with Ms. Smarty-Plants™ thanks to our generous partner SDG&E. See website for schedule.

FREE Garden entry when you pre-register for tours

LIVING ARTWORK: FRAME WORTHY PLANTS
Saturday, December 4
10am-12pm

Create your own custom OPAL Design + Nature vintage frame. Get your hands dirty, branch out, and craft a memorable gift with plantt artist, Crystal Rhanor. All materials included.

$35 Members / $40 Non-Mbr

Details and registration at TheGarden.org.
CLASSES
October, November, December 2021

GENTLE FLOW YOGA
with Lisa Griffiths
MEMBERS FREE
$12 Non-Mbr

MORNING MINDFULNESS
with Ashley Bridgewater
Now Weekly!
MEMBERS FREE
$12 Non-Mbr

GARDEN YOGA
with Pam Badger
MEMBERS FREE
$12 Non-Mbr

FITNESS FRIDAYS
with Lisa Griffiths
MEMBERS FREE
$12 Non-Mbr

POWER YOGA
with Katie Nava
MEMBERS FREE
$12 Non-Mbr

GARDEN TOUR
MONTHLY
Docent-led. Group Tours available upon request.
FREE

MS. SMARTY-PLANTS™ STORYTIME *NEW*
MONTHLY
Oct. 20, Nov. 17, Dec. 15
FREE WITH GARDEN ENTRY

Join Ms. Smarty-Plants™ on the 3rd Wednesday of every month for a holiday-themed storytelling and craft. Wear a costume for the October 13th “Not So Spooky Storytime!”

EVENING FLOW YOGA
with Lisa Griffiths
MEMBERS FREE
$12 Non-Mbr

FITNESS FRIDAYS
with Lisa Griffiths
MEMBERS FREE
$12 Non-Mbr

POW YOGA
with Katie Nava
MEMBERS FREE
$12 Non-Mbr

GARDEN TOUR
MONTHLY
Docent-led. Group Tours available upon request.
FREE

NATURE THERAPY EXPERIENCE MONTHLY
Registration IS Required.
MEMBERS FREE / $12 Non-Mbr

LANDSCAPE DESIGN CONSULTATIONS
Register at: TheGarden.org/consultations
$70 MEMBERS / $85 Non-Mbr

FAMILY YOGA *NEW*
with Robyn Taylor
SUNDAYS, 10-10:45am
MEMBERS FREE / $12 Non-Mbr

Relax and ground in basic Hatha positions and vinyasa practice appropriate for families, and full of laughter. All are encouraged to follow the wisdom of their bodies, to breathe, or look at flowers - in a way that is quiet and respectful. Kiddies will get some wiggle room, and grownups a chance to center and feel supported.
There's nothing more important to us than keeping you safe during wildfire season. But we need your help. Download our emergency checklists from our site, then make and practice your family's preparedness plan. Next, be sure we have your current contact info so we can keep you updated. That way in the event of high fire risk weather conditions, you'll be both ready and well-informed.

For more information on emergency preparation and wildfire safety, visit sdge.com/wildfiresafety.
Host Your Event at The Garden

For more information, visit: TheGarden.org
or email Angelina@TheGarden.org

Let The Garden add a little “magic” to your event!

** Please note that The Garden’s current availability for event rentals follow the COVID-19 guidelines and regulations of the CDC’s allowance for gatherings. **

SEPTEMBER 30TH & OCTOBER 21ST – 4:30-6:30PM
Enjoy the end of a RUFF day with a glass of wine and your best friend at The Garden! Treats for the doggies, too! Learn more at TheGarden.org.

DECEMBER 2021
from 5-8pm

Garden Nights, Holiday Lights

More details to come – visit TheGarden.org.

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Wags N Wine is Back!!
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May - July 2021

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$10,000+
Vince & Kay McGrath

$1,000 - $2,499
Michael Eulitt

$500 - $999
June Dudas
Sarah Olan

$100 - $499
Anonymous
Maggie Barnett
Donna & Richard Bartlett-May
Michaela Blackmon
Penelope Borax
Bradley Brown
Harry Buckner
George Cheadle

New Members
Sarah Abadi & Isaac Cain
Nahal Abadi & Kaveh Derakshan
Robert & Donna Adams
Thalia Aguirre & Ricardo Anzar
Thi & Ryan Alacon
Nataly Ampudla & Jonathan Villa
Samcharen Anderson & Shamarre Dickens
Ian Anderson & Yen Anderson Haas
Russell & Jennifer Austin
Carol A. Babitt
Donna Baker & Cher Fleischman
Hannah Ball
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Jeff & Teresa Bertino
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Michele & Chris Billand
Joseph Binny
Tanner & Jennifer Bixler
Michaela Blackmon
Paula & Tom Bloomer
Jeanine Blum & Jon Rios
Anthony & Megan Boghosian
William Boyd
Eunice & Victor Bragais
Linda & Steven Brewer
Kathy & John Bride

Jim & Dusty Cabre
Halli & Matthew Calhoun
Alex Carroll
Mae & Gene Case
Sean & Meghan Cassatt
Dana & Diane Castro
Edwin & Michelle Celleri
Alicia Chavez-Areteaga
Marie Chelette
Cheri Citriniti
David Clarke
Marianne & Whitney Cleveland
Kathleen & Alan Clever
Susan & Alan Cola
Christine Cook
Kate & Greg Corder
Raul & Linda Corrales
Jacqueline Cossano
Mick & Leslie Cothran
Whitney Cotter & Derek Smith
Geni Coughlan
Mary Candy & Nick Cowell
Joyce & Catherine Crawford
Kend & Peggy Cross
Susan Cunningham & Andy Phemister
Judy Cunningham
Ria Custodio & Clinton Owen
Krystal & Jesse Daggett
Diana & Ronald Damschen
Stan & Elaine Dauley
Vanessa Deck & Keith Itilinski
Genevieve Del Principe
Danielle Delliplace
Jackie Densmore & Andrew Johnson
Carol Desrosiers
Nancy Donley & Joan Osteen
Patricia Duenas
Kelly & Mike Duffek
Marissa Duran & Micaela Lopez
Shantal Dyer
Jesalyn Eatchel & Blake Zbikowski
Lauren & Geoffrey Ellis
Dan & Sarah Enjem
Jennifer Eriguel & Jeff Baluyut
Michael Eulitt
Glória Felsenthal
Lacy Fennelly & Scott Hasick
Carmen S. & Jessie Fernandez
Tami Fitzpatrick
Jon Frey & Kim Johnson
Marinna Fuentes
Jon Fundingsland & Jackie Bukowski
Ann Funk
Julia M & John Gabbard
Robert & Nancy Garcia
Karla Geisbert
Beth Gentry & Karim Al-Khafaji
Nolan & Rebecca Giles
Sheryl & Joanna Gouda
Gloria Gonzales & Margarita Cournoyer
Mary Gonzalez Lock & Kevin Lock
Sandy Graham
Nancy Graham & Debby Martelet
Carmela & Steve Griswold
Dee Guerrero-Sinclair
Ana & John Gutierrez
Kathryn Hamblin
Ghassan & Kathy Hami
Laura Hampton
Laurel & Sharon Hargrave
Amar Harrag & Sarah Belanteur
Crystal Harris
John & Gloria Hawk
Candice Hayes
Tiffany Heath & Jacob Powell
Lynne & Art Hernandez
Patricia Herrington
Eric & Summer Hierholzer
Jose & Kathy Higuera
Sarah Hillier
Hoggatt Family
Linda Holder & Alexis Ramirez
Sue Hollander & Jennifer Rogers
Rajwan & Emad Houry
Diane Howard & Darlene Lewis
Li Li Hsieh & Chia-Wei Teng
Sharon Hsu & Tim Young
Victor & Maria Huaracha
Patti & Ken Hughes
Eden Hughes
Amberly & Charlie Humphrey
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We would like to thank our Corporate Partners & Nonprofit Affiliates in appreciation for all they do to keep The Garden a beautiful place.

New Member Breakfast at The Garden
Wednesday, October 20, 8-10am
Register at TheGarden.org

Levon & Richard Jones
Sandy Jones
Brooke & Lester June
Robin Keith & Marshal Hedin
Eric & joy Kobrick
Jamie & David Kohanyi
Carole Kovacevic
Paula & John Kracha
Kathleen & Steven Kramer
Christine Kratt
Leah Krause & Connie Ellis
Lydia LaManna & Andrew Ridgeway
Levi & Cara Lantz
Anna & Dean Leavitt
Lorelei Lebruska
Laurence & Cherryl Lector
Lacey Leonard
Monica & Andrew Levacy
Kara & Jacob Levy
Emily & Christina Liebenberg
Lizette Liebold & Paul Turner
Robert & Janet Liggatt
Beverly & Sam Liou
Lauren & Brian Lockhart
Michelle Lowry
Johanna Lum
Melvin Lyons
Ashley & Patrick MacKenzie
April Makin & Richard Makin Jr.
Gisella Mancilla
Brian Mangan & Anah bunny Berry
Dianne & Daniel Mani
Mark & Sam Manis
Daniel & Cheryl Marshall
Anita Martinez & Jim Mahler
Bernardino Martinez & Sonia Varela
Clare Maudsley
Sarah & John McAllister
Nicole & Collin McGlashen
Susan McKinney-Newlin & Robbin Newlin
Cheryl McManus
Dan & Cherie Mehan
Keith & Judy Meeker
Samantha & Patrick Mellor
Ashley & Brandon Merrick
Rebecca & Thomas Metzger
Bernabette Milien
Barbara & Tom Miller
Adrienne Miller
April Montes
Jenna & Adam Montgomery
Ferenc & Cecilia Montvai-Lako
Ronald & Darlene Morell
Ruth Morrison
Linda Morse
Jeff Mudd
Elena & Eugene Najor
Ines Nezfi & Moises Colunga
Zoraida & Michael E. Neill
Linda R. Nelson
Regina Neville & Justin Ellison
Audrey Ngeow
Charlotte & Anthony Nguyen
Brendan Nicholas & Julie Strope
Joe & Gwen Nichols
Cynthia & Hallie Nilsson
Brooke & John Noble
Peggy & Shawn Noga
Kate Olsen
Barbara Orr & Mark Mercer
Daniel Orth & Michelle Wile
Mei & Jeremy Owen
Christina & Dustin Pacheco
Marih Parke & Kristina Filley
Judy Peacock
Esequiel Pueguero Jr.
Linnea & Eric Peltoila
Camilo & Dalia Perez
Candice Peterman
Stephanie Peters
Halse & Kyle Petzinger
Pam & Mark Pfieger
Patricia Platero
Habeba Potres
Denise & Hanz Powell
Ellie Ramsey
JERRY & Merrillie Raney
Lila & Paul Reading
Maria & Jonathan Redig
Craig Reed & Cesar Cahue
Flor & Ashly Rekani
John Richards & Jazmin Gonzalez
Michelle & Charles Riley
Richard Rister & Linda Martin
Barbara & Charlie Roach
Rosario Rosal
Connie Rossin
Rocio Rubio & Jose L. Sanchez
Dennis & Jeremy Runyen
Don Russ & Steve Seus
Maira Sanchez & Maria Mendez
Roger & Shirley Savage
Meredith Saylor
Ian & Nicole Schere
Mariel & Jayson Schmidt
Douglas & Jacqueline Schwartz
Marlene & Lawrence Shamis
Sarah Shapard & Hannah Palmer
David & Linda Stepersky
ELLA SHIBA
Lisa Shives
Madeline Shute
Maria Simonsen & Blake Skuellerud
Javier Sinaniz & Rosaura Guererro
Rosalinda Singh & Rhianna
Cano-Swathour
Sandy Smelik & Larry Manzen
Heather Smith
Natalie Smith
Crystal & Robert Solsbak
Louarn Sorkin
Gretchen & Derrick Spanish
Anne Spratt & Allison Spratt-Pearce
Elin & Daniel Stein
Genelle & Matthew Stewart
Irene & Matthew Stirling
Hannah Strobel & Jason Good
Mary & Christopher Strong
Carla Strood & Christian Valdez
Arlen & Emily Stuart
Deborah & Stuart Sutherland
Maya & Harrison Sykes
Dawn Taggett-Burton & Lorenzo Burton
Katie Tairjeron & Kathy Havilan
Jade Tan & Ryan Teisan
 Roxanne Tapnio
Melissa & Zachary Templeton
Jennifer & Kirk Terrell
Julia & Paul Tharp
Mariam & Batooll Thomas
Karyn Thompson
Vittoria Tommasini & Isabella Mariano
Cheryl & Mark Underwood
Holly & Albert Valdivia
Leticia Vejar & Hugo Delbosque
Charlene Villena
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Shaunice & Tyrell Williams
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BECOME A MEMBER TODAY
Our Members Matter!

Your purchase of a membership supports environmental conservation efforts in San Diego. As a nonprofit, The Water Conservation Garden relies on memberships and donations to continue our success. Membership benefits include:

- FREE guest passes for friends or family to The Water Conservation Garden
- Free or discounted admission to over 300 botanic gardens nationwide
- Discounts at local nurseries and garden shops
- Free or discounted workshops
- Free or reduced admissions to special events
- Discounts in The Garden Gift Shop
- Subscription to The Garden’s inBLOOM newsletter and much more!

Contributions are 100% tax deductible

Contact us to learn more about becoming a member:
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Become a member at: TheGarden.org

SAN DIEGO GIVES

Every day, The Water Conservation Garden works to educate and inspire the conservation of natural resources. On September 9th, we are celebrating the incredible generosity here in San Diego County as part of San Diego Gives. By giving just $10, you can strengthen local conservation efforts in San Diego.

September 9, 2021