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FAMILY PROGRAMS
2017

NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN



Welcome!

Every day at the New York Botanical Garden families can embark on an exciting adventure to discover the world of plants and to make lifelong connections with nature.

NYBG’s Everett Children’s Adventure Garden and Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden offer daily activities in nature play, plant science, and gardening. Science Camps, the Children’s Gardening Program, and the new Nature Explorers Program offer seasonal single- and multi-week activities for kids ages 2–12. Discover all family activities at nybg.org/families

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Discover Nature as a Family

A lifelong love of gardening and the outdoors starts at NYBG, with hands-on opportunities for kids and families offered every day and in all seasons.



DAILY DROP-IN FAMILY PROGRAMS

Outdoor Nature Exploration

Everett Children's Adventure Garden

Open daily during regular Garden hours for exploration

Hands-on activities offered weekdays, 1:30–5:30 p.m.

Weekends and Monday Holidays, 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

Children explore nature and plant science through exciting explorations and investigations indoors and throughout our outdoor 12-acre garden! Each season offers new themes to investigate through hands-on activities and take-home projects, from pumpkins and evergreens, to buds and bogs!

Hands-On Gardening Activities

Edible Academy's Ruth Rea Howell Family Garden

Open Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday, April 1–October 29

1:30–5:30 p.m.

Plants and imaginations grow at the Howell Family Garden, where kids are encouraged to play in the dirt. Organic display gardens and interactive gardening activities delight and inspire. Unique themes celebrate seasonal changes in the garden, from seed sowing to harvest. Edible Academy Fresh From the Garden Tastings and cooking demonstrations hosted at the Pine Tree Café on Wednesdays encourage families to get hands-on with healthy cooking.

Culinary Kids Weekend

Everett Children's Adventure Garden

February 18–20 (Presidents' Day Weekend)

11 a.m.–3 p.m.

Celebrate the relationship between plants and your favorite foods with culinary programming, hands-on activities, and plenty of tastings. Enjoy a kid-friendly cooking demonstration every day at 1 p.m.

Purchase your *All-Garden Pass* at nybg.org

Calling All Campers to the Great Outdoors

Looking for enriching activities for your child over Winter and Spring Break? Weeklong science and nature camps for kids in Grades K–5 feature indoor and outdoor explorations, science investigations, and more in NYBG’s 250-acre landscape.



WINTER BREAK CAMPS

Cool Science: Camp for Grades K–5

February 20–24

9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Section 1: Grades K–2

Section 2: Grades 3–5

\$300 Non-Member | \$275 Member

Campers chill out with fun science experiments, games, and hands-on activities during Winter Break Camp. Kids explore states of matter by turning liquids into solids and investigate adaptations that allow plants and animals to survive cold, icy winters. They warm up with visits to the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory tropical and desert collections to compare the plants growing in these environments.

Spring into Science: Camp for Grades K–5

April 10–14

9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Section 1: Grades K–2

Section 2: Grades 3–5

\$300 Non-Member | \$275 Member

Kids celebrate the wonders of the spring season at The New York Botanical Garden. Using the Adventure Garden as a home base, campers explore the special spots throughout the Garden grounds where buds are blooming, animals are busy nesting, and other signs of spring are unfolding. Experiments, hands-on activities, and fun science games and crafts round out each day.

**Early drop-off (8 a.m.), late pickup (5 p.m.), and extended pickup (until 6 p.m.) available. Pre-registration is required.*

Fee: \$15 per morning or afternoon, and \$30 for extended pickup.

Late fees apply if children are picked up after their designated checkout time.

Register at nybg.org/camps

Summertime and the Camping is Fine

NYBG is the place to be for kids on Summer Break! Choose among three different day camps—offering playful and creative opportunities for children Grades K–5 to explore the world around them using a mix of nature exploration, science activities, art, group projects, and more in our vast 250 acres. Sign up for one, two, or all three weeks!



SUMMER BREAK CAMPS

Science Camps for Children Entering Grades K–5 in Fall 2017

9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Session 1: July 10–July 28

Session 2: August 7–August 25

Weekly: \$325 Non-Member | \$295 Member

3-Week Summer Session: Save 10% when you use code CPSU17 at checkout!

Plant Explorers Camp

July 10–14

August 7–11

Campers become junior scientists as they go behind the scenes to learn about the amazing science research happening at NYBG. Campers design experiments and collect data out in the “field” on lots of exciting organisms and phenomena!

Forest Adventure Camp

July 17–21

August 14–18

Help your kids develop a love of nature! Through forest hikes, nature explorations, and scavenger hunts, campers will experience the wonderful world of our native woodlands.

Wild Wetlands Camp

July 24–28

August 21–25

Have your kids ever wanted to get their “feet wet” and learn about the amazing world of marshes, ponds, and rivers? This camp allows children to act like scientists and explore these natural worlds.

**Early drop-off (8 a.m.), late pickup (5 p.m.), and extended pickup (until 6 p.m.) available. Pre-registration is required.*

Fee: \$15 per morning or afternoon, and \$30 for extended pickup.

Late fees apply if children are picked up after their designated checkout time.

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Come Grow With Us

The Children's Gardening Program offers the perfect way for kids to get outside and get their hands dirty. Guided by instructors, children plant, tend, and harvest fresh vegetables and herbs, and learn about topics from pollination to composting. Each gardening season offers unique and engaging activities customized for children ages 3–12. Register for one or all three seasons!



CHILDREN'S GARDENING PROGRAM

Sprouts Program (Ages 3–5)

Sprouts offers a hands-on introduction to the fun of planting and harvesting. Accompanied by a parent or guardian, children ages 3–5 experience nature up close as they explore the garden, dig for worms, and make crafts. Please note: One adult must attend; no infants, toddlers, or older siblings. Programs run rain or shine.

\$175 Non-Member | \$159 Member

Fee includes all materials, participant t-shirt, tram rides, and parking.

Spring:

Section A: 6 Saturdays, April 29–June 10 (no program May 27)
9:30–11 a.m.

Section B: 6 Saturdays, April 29–June 10 (no program May 27)
11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

Section C: 6 Thursdays, May 4–June 8
1–2:30 p.m.

Summer:

Section D: 6 Saturdays, July 8–August 12
9:30–11 a.m.

Section E: 6 Tuesdays, July 11–August 15
9:30–11 a.m.

Section F: 6 Thursdays, July 13–August 17
9:30–11 a.m.

Fall:

Section G: 6 Saturdays, September 9–October 21 (no program October 7)
9:30–11 a.m.

Section H: 6 Saturdays, September 9–October 21 (no program October 7)
11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m.

Section I: 6 Thursdays, September 14–October 19
1–2:30 p.m.

See page 11 for registration information.

CHILDREN'S GARDENING PROGRAM

Crafters Program (Ages 6–12)

In Crafters, kids ages 6–12 plant a garden with tasty vegetables, fresh herbs, and beautiful flowers, and then take home organic produce harvested from their very own garden plot! Seasonal themes and activities enhance the experience. Programs run rain or shine.

Spring:

\$199 Non-Member | \$179 Member
12 Saturdays, March 25–June 17 (no program May 27)
9–11:30 a.m.

Summer:

\$199 Non-Member | \$179 Member
6 Tuesdays and 6 Thursdays, July 11–August 17
9–11:30 a.m.

Fall:

\$130 Non-Member | \$115 Member
7 Saturdays, September 9–October 28 (no program October 7)
9–11:30 a.m.

Fee includes all materials, participant t-shirt, tram rides, and parking.



CHILDREN'S GARDENING PROGRAM

Registration Information

Enrollment is limited. Receive a 10% discount when you enroll in and pay for all three seasons. Use code CGP1017 at checkout.

4 Easy Ways to Register Starting Monday, December 5

Online nybg.org/cgp

Phone 718.817.8181

Mail or Fax Download a Registration Form at nybg.org/cgp
Completed forms may be mailed to:
Children's Gardening Program
The New York Botanical Garden
2900 Southern Blvd.
Bronx NY, 10458-5126
Or faxed to: 718.817.8829 (Attn: Children's Gardening Program)

Payment must be received at least two weeks prior to start of program. Online, phone, and fax registrations require credit card payment. Make checks payable to The New York Botanical Garden.

Cancellation Policy: A full refund, less a \$5 administrative fee, is given for withdrawals at least 10 business days before the program begins. Withdrawals after this time and through the first session are charged for one session plus administrative fee. No refunds processed after the second session.

Scholarships

Partial scholarships are available thanks to the generosity of the Rebecca Sealy Mallory Foundation. Scholarships are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. For scholarship application instructions, visit nybg.org/cgp or call 718.817.8126.

Explore Nature Together

Looking for more meaningful activities to share the great outdoors with your young learner? NYBG's new Nature Explorers Program allows toddlers and their caregivers the chance to explore nature together.



NATURE EXPLORERS PROGRAM FOR CAREGIVERS AND CHILDREN AGES 2–3

Toddlers are natural scientists! Discover the wonders of nature in each season together with your little one. Come geared up to explore the great outdoors in all elements. Stories, songs, and hands-on activities are all part of the fun! Please note: One adult must attend with the registered child. Meet at the entrance to the Everett Children's Adventure Garden.

\$150 Non-Member | \$135 Member

Receive a 10% discount when you enroll in and pay for all three seasons. Use code NE1017 at checkout.

Spring:

6 Wednesdays, May 3–June 7

Section A: 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Section B: 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

6 Saturdays, April 29–June 10 (no program May 27)

Section C: 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Section D: 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Summer:

6 Saturdays, July 8–August 12

Section E: 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Section F: 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

6 Wednesdays, July 12–August 16

Section G: 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Section H: 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

Fall:

6 Saturdays, Sept. 9–Oct. 28 (no program 9/30 or 10/7)

Section I: 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Section J: 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

6 Wednesdays, September 13–October 25 (no program Sept. 20)

Section K: 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Section L: 11 a.m.–12 p.m.

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