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NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN



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Welcome to Family Programs

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 Edible Academy offer daily activities in nature play, plant science, and gardening. Science Camps, the Children's Gardening Program, the Nature Explorers Program, the new Edible Academy, and middle school camps offer seasonal single- and multi-week activities for kids ages 2–13.



Discover all family activities at nybg.org/families

Celebrate Fresh Food and Healthful Living

The Edible Academy is a rich platform of education, hands-on activities, and programs that will help children, families, and teachers learn about growing vegetables, fruits, and herbs while encouraging a lifelong interest in gardening and healthful living.



EDIBLE ACADEMY OPENING JUNE 2018

Programs in the new Edible Academy will reinforce important connections among plants, science, nutrition, and the benefits of a healthful lifestyle. The three-acre complex will feature year-round programming in a LEED Gold-certified environmentally sustainable building with a green roof, demonstration kitchen classroom, technology lab, teaching greenhouse, solar pavilion, as well as new display gardens. When completed, the Edible Academy will serve 100,000 visitors annually, doubling its current capacity.

SAVE THE DATE

Opening Weekend Celebration

June 16–17

Celebrate the opening of the state-of-the-art facility with cooking demonstrations, hands-on gardening, music, and family fun.

Other seasonal celebrations:

- Totally Tomatoes Weekend
August 11–12
- Harvest Weekend
October 6–8



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 in the Everett Children's Adventure Garden

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!

Year-Round

Tuesdays–Sundays and Monday Holidays; for hours, visit nybg.org/families

Seasonal Programs

- Wintertime Wonders: January 23–March 18
- Spring Fun: March 20–May 18
- A Closer Look: *Georgia O'Keeffe and Hawai'i*: May 19–September 21
- Pumpkins and Scarecrows: September 22–October 31
- Tree-rific Trees: November 1–November 16
- Evergreen Express: November 17–January 21

Hands-On Gardening Activities in the Edible Academy

Children are invited to roll up their sleeves and help tend the gardens in the Edible Academy. Dig in the soil, sow seeds, water the seedlings, and harvest ripe produce. Each season offers new themes to investigate through hands-on activities and take-home projects.

June 16–November 4

Tuesdays–Sundays and Monday Holidays; for hours, visit nybg.org/families

Seasonal Programs

- Scent-sational Herbs: June 19–July 15
- Pickle Me!: July 17–August 10
- Totally Tomatoes Weekend: August 11–12
- Pollinator Pals: August 14–September 9
- Three Sisters: Corn, Beans, Squash: September 11–October 5
- Harvest Weekend: October 6–8
- Goodnight, Garden: October 9–November 4

Edible Academy Fresh From the Garden Tastings

Cooking demonstrations encourage families to get hands-on with healthy cooking. New recipes featuring plants grown in the Edible Academy are offered each week.

June 20–November 4

Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays, 2 and 4 p.m.

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

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

Programs 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!

\$150 Non-Member | \$135 Member

Receive a 10% discount when you enroll in and pay for 2 or more seasons!
Use code NE2017 at checkout.

Please note: One adult must attend with the registered child. Meet at the entrance to the Everett Children's Adventure Garden.

Winter

6 Sundays, January 28–March 11 (no class February 18)
Section A: 10–11 a.m.

6 Wednesdays, January 31–March 14 (no class February 21)
Section B: 10–11 a.m.

Spring

6 Sundays, April 8–May 13
Section C: 10–11 a.m.

6 Wednesdays, April 11–May 16
Section D: 10–11 a.m.

Summer

6 Sundays, July 8–August 12
Section E: 10–11 a.m.

6 Wednesdays, July 11–August 15
Section F: 10–11 a.m.

Fall

6 Wednesdays, September 12–October 24 (no class 9/19)
Section G: 10–11 a.m.

6 Sundays, September 16–October 28 (no class 10/7)
Section H: 10–11 a.m.

Come Grow With Us

The Children's Gardening Program offers the perfect way for kids to get outside and get their hands dirty with the newly opened Edible Academy. 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.

\$175 Non-Member | \$159 Member

Fee includes all materials, and participant t-shirt. Please note: One adult must attend; no infants, toddlers, or older siblings. Programs run rain or shine.

Summer

Section A: 6 Saturdays, July 7–August 11
9:30–11 a.m.

Section B: 6 Tuesdays, July 10–August 14
9:30–11 a.m.

Section C: 6 Thursdays, July 12–August 16
9:30–11 a.m.

Fall

Section D: 6 Saturdays, September 8–October 20 (no program October 6)
9:30–11 a.m.

Section E: 6 Thursdays, September 13–October 18
1–2:30 p.m.

Section F: 6 Fridays, September 14–October 19
9:30–11 a.m.

Crafters Program (Ages 6–12)

In Crafters, kids 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.

Summer

\$220 Non-Member | \$198 Member
6 Tuesdays and 6 Thursdays, July 10–August 16
9–11:30 a.m.

Fall

\$180 Non-Member | \$162 Member
10 Saturdays, September 8–November 17 (no program October 6)
9–11:30 a.m.

Fee includes all materials, and participant t-shirt. Programs run rain or shine.

See page 10 for registration information.

CHILDREN'S GARDENING PROGRAM

Registration Information

Enrollment is limited. Receive a 10% discount when you enroll in and pay for both seasons. Use code CGP1018 at checkout.

4 Easy Ways to Register Starting December 4, 2017

Online nybg.org/cgp

Phone 718.817.8181

Mail or Fax Download a Registration Form at nybg.org/cgp

Mail completed forms to:

Children's Gardening Program
New York Botanical Garden
2900 Southern Boulevard
Bronx, NY 10458-5126

Fax 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.

NYBG PRESS

INSPIRE KIDS TO GARDEN WITH OUR NEW BOOK SERIES

Wonders in the Garden!

By Anne Mottola, Illustrated by Maria Mottola

Wonders in the Garden!, is a 3-book set of children's books that includes *What Grows in the Garden?*, *What Lives in the Garden?*, *What Do You Sense in the Garden?*, by Anne Mottola and illustrated by Maria Mottola. Each book explores the spirit of gardening by featuring children in a community garden setting either in school, their community, or their home neighborhood. According to the author and illustrator, "Our hope is that each book will instill a love of gardening in children who read them and inspire them to be caretakers of the environment." Each book is beautifully illustrated with full-color illustrations intended for children ages 4 to 8 and older. The set will make a great birthday or holiday gift for your future gardener or botanist!



To place your order, visit nybgpress.org

Calling All Campers

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 AND SPRING BREAK CAMPS

Cool Science (Grades K–5)

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’s tropical and desert collections to compare the plants growing in these environments.

\$240 Non-Member | \$220 Member

February 20–23
9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Section 1: Grades K–2
Section 2: Grades 3–5

Art Meets Science! (Grades K–5)

NYBG is excited to again collaborate with Children’s Museum of the Arts (CMA) staff to create a fun-filled camp week combining Garden explorations with immersive art-making. Campers spend part of the day out in the Garden investigating the beautiful spring plant collections and part of the day creating art under the guidance of CMA staff. In conjunction with NYBG’s upcoming Georgia O’Keeffe in Hawai’i exhibition, campers’ O’Keeffe-inspired artwork will be framed and displayed in the Adventure Garden Discovery Center.

\$300 Non-Member | \$275 Member

April 2–6
9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Section 1: Grades K–2
Section 2: Grades 3–5

**Early drop-off (8 a.m.), late pickup (5 p.m.), and extended pickup (until 6 p.m.) available. Pre-registration is required. Fees: \$15 per morning or afternoon, and \$30 for extended pickup. Late fees apply if children are picked up after their designated checkout time.*

Summertime and the Camping is Fine

The Everett Children's Adventure Garden and the Edible Academy are the place to be for kids on Summer Break! Choose among three different day camps—offering playful and creative opportunities for children Grades K–8.



SUMMER BREAK CAMPS

Science Camps (Grades K–5)

Discover the world 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!

Weekly: \$350 Non-Member | \$315 Member

3-Week Summer Session: Save 10% when you use code CPSU18 at checkout!

Session 1: July 9–27

Session 2: August 6–24

9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

In order to ensure availability for all camp families, summer camp participation is limited to three weeks per camper. Choose any three weeks that fit your schedule:

Plant Explorers Camp

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!

Session 1: July 9–13

Session 2: August 6–10

Forest Adventure Camp

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.

Session 1: July 16–20

Session 2: August 13–17

Wild Wetlands Camp

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.

Session 1: July 23–27

Session 2: August 20–24

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SUMMER BREAK CAMPS | NEW!

Summer Field Science Camps (Grades 6–8)

Do you have a tween who loves spending time outdoors, collecting data, and working in teams? Students will get wet and dirty as they learn more about the plants and animals on the Garden grounds and go behind the scenes to find out about field research happening at the Garden, in the city, and around the world!

Weekly: \$350 Non-Member | \$315 Member

3-Week Summer Session: Save 10% when you use code SCISU18 at checkout!

August 6–24, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

EcoQuest Camp

August 6–10

Campers explore unique ecosystems to collect data on biodiversity. Soil testing, forest diversity sampling, and water quality monitoring are some of the methods campers will practice as they gather information and report on findings.

Kids Count! Citizen Science Camp

August 13–17

Campers learn about citizen science projects happening all over the world, and participate in projects happening at NYBG. Teams use tools like iNaturalist to observe plants and animals, and contribute data to science.

Earth Avengers Camp

August 20–24

Campers make a difference at NYBG! Learn about native and exotic plant and animal species. Campers can advocate for natural habitat restoration by creating seed “bombs,” bird and bat houses, and insect hotels.

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SUMMER BREAK CAMPS | NEW!

Art, Sustainability, and Culinary Camps (Grades K–5)

Introducing weeklong camps at the beautiful new Edible Academy campus! Choose from three different day camps that use the Garden as inspiration for art projects, environmental stewardship, or culinary innovation! Sign up for one, two, or all three weeks.

Weekly: \$350 Non-Member | \$315 Member

3-Week Summer Session: Save 10% when you use code EASU18 at checkout!

July 9–27, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Paint, Craft, Create Camp

July 9–13

Calling all budding artists to paint, craft, and create in the garden! Younger campers explore the shapes, colors, and textures of the outdoors to make art inspired by nature at the beautiful Edible Academy campus. Older artists learn about art and artists inspired by nature, build curiosity and self-confidence in creative self-expression, culminating in a portfolio of projects representing a variety of media and techniques.

Garden Stewards Camp

July 16–20

How can the sun power both plants and buildings? What is a green roof? How does the watershed work? Younger campers get hands-on as they explore the sustainable technology throughout the new Edible Academy campus. Older campers explore ecosystems, get deep down in the earth, and harness the power of the sun by investigating the technology that makes the Edible Academy work and applying it to real-world challenges.

Grow It, Cook It, Eat It Camp

July 23–27

Whether you are a “top chef” or a beginner in the kitchen, sharpen your skills in a weeklong culinary camp! Chop, measure, and flavor produce harvested from the garden in creative recipes both healthful and delicious. Younger campers will learn the basics of new culinary techniques as they make, sample, and share a suite of age-appropriate recipes. Older campers have the opportunity to develop advanced culinary skills and develop recipe inventions of their own.

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