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Fort Worth Botanic Garden and Botanical Research Institute of Texas

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ENGAGE: WITH THE FWBG AND BRIT COMMUNITY

Celebrate the Change at
Butterflies in the Garden
Starting Feb. 29

Come marvel at a multitude of butterflies during "Butterflies in the Garden," the largest exhibit of live, exotic butterflies in north central Texas. The theme this year is "Celebrate the Change," marking both the renovation of the beloved Garden conservatory and the transformations these remarkable pollinators undergo. Members have special opportunities to see the Butterflies for free! Reserve your tickets today!

Mark Your Calendars Now for the Garden’s Spring Plant

More Opportunities to Enjoy Butterflies in the Garden

Become a Volunteer
For a unique opportunity to help the community, sign up as a volunteer today.

Butterfly Luncheons
Tuesdays and Thursdays between March 2 and April 9, 11 am and 1 pm

Butterfly Tea
March 14, 2 - 4 pm

Members Only Events
Conservatory Grand Re-Opening
Feb. 28 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Patron through Sustainer-level members only
Sale on April 4

The Fort Worth Botanic Garden Spring Plant Sale is coming up soon! Plan your garden now, then come to the sale ready to shop with the assistance of the Garden's expert staff. We can help you pick out just the right varieties for your soil, light, and lifestyle!

Contact the membership office to RSVP by Feb. 14.

Butterflies in the Garden
March 6, 3 - 6 pm - All-level members
March 10, 9 - 10 am - Supporter through Sustainer-level members only

LEARN: STAY CURIOUS

Prune Your Roses with Confidence

You might associate February with bouquets of long-stem roses from the florists shop, but North Texas gardeners think about roses this month for another reason:
pruning. February is the best month to prune all shrub roses, according to Fort Worth Botanic Garden rosarian Jeff Myers. Myers’ most important message to new rose gardeners: “Don’t be afraid to prune! Many people are afraid they’ll hurt their plants, but pruning invigorates roses.”

GARDEN: WHAT’S IN BLOOM

Plants with Heart

With Valentine’s Day approaching, you can find heart-shaped boxes of chocolates, heart-shaped cinnamon jelly candy, heart-shaped pillows, and more. Well, the plant world features heart shapes, too! Many plants have heart-shaped leaves and modified leaves (bracts). Learn about plants that will steal your hearts!
World-traveling Sea Heart Captures Heart of Herbarium

Many species of tropical trees produce “drift” seeds adapted to withstand ocean currents for long periods of time and over far distances (think: coconuts). The BRIT
herbarium has a favorite drift seed: the sea heart. These buoyant, resilient seeds are not only adorably heart-shaped, but they develop inside the longest seedpod in the world! *Entada gigas* is a woody vine, or liana, that can be found along beaches and rivers. Its seedpods grow up to 6 feet long and hold 10 to 15 seeds. Read more about the herbarium’s holdings of sea hearts on the Research blog.

PLANT: THE SEEDS OF A STEM EDUCATION

**Connect to Nature with Camp BRIT**

Summer camp at BRIT and the Botanic Garden offers a variety of outdoor experiences for children in preschool through fifth grade starting in June. Each camp encourages children to connect with the wonders of nature and their local ecosystems through science explorations, artistic activities, and special opportunities available only at BRIT and the Fort Worth Botanic Garden campus. Want to get a head start? Find inspiration in a book recommended by the BRIT education experts.