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SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER, 2010

# **Bolz Conservatory**

# Bolz Conservatory Exhibit: Life in the Canopy

September 7, 2010 - January 2, 2011

An estimated 70 to 90 percent of life in the rainforest exits in trees, above the shaded floor. Tropical rainforests are vertically divided into four layers: the emergent layer, the canopy, the understory, and the forest floor. Each layer has its own unique plant and animal species interacting with the ecosystem around them. Discover the Bolz Conservatory's canopy where the dense ceiling of closely spaced trees and their branches is home to plants adapted to a zone of high humidity, little air movement, and reduced light.

### **Admission**

\$1 per person Free to Olbrich Botanical Society members & children 5 and under

# Remnants of the Rainforest -Live Tropical Animals

See animals of the tropical rainforest up close in this educational program featuring live animals. Learn about tropical animals such as spiders, insects, amphibians, snakes, turtles, lizards, birds, and mammals found in the rainforests around the world. Hear about the special stories of these animals and the places they live from Biologist Dennis "Dino" Tlachac. This program is for the whole family. Ages 2 and up and adults; each person attending pays the registration fee.

The animals in this program have been adopted from wildlife rescues and humane societies.

Saturday, September 11, 1:30-3 pm Registration Deadline: September 7 61-13 \$11/\$9 member

# **Rainforests Around the World**

Explore the tropical rainforests around the world, including those of Central America, India, Peru, and Belize, as well as the communities that protect them with Dr. Robert Horwich, director of Community Conservation, Inc. Dr. Horwich is an internationally renowned zoologist and author, who has studied rainforests and primate behavior in India and Central America since 1967. In 2007, he received an award from the Wisconsin National Primate Research Center for his ongoing work to conserve the golden langur monkey in India. Hear how Horwich blends conservation, research, education, economic development, and community development through his work. Author book signing to follow presentation; books available for purchase.

Tuesday, October 5, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 28 11-54 \$15/\$12 member

# Epiphytic Life in the Canopy: Sitting Pretty or High and Dry?

We label the plants that live perched upon or within trees *epiphytes*. Epiphytes include many orchids and bromeliads (relatives of the pineapple) that are often stunningly beautiful as well as talismen of tropical forests. These plants appear to enjoy several advantages, most obviously not having to grow for years to gain acces to sunlight. But life as an epiphyte presents special challenges, including obtaining water and nutrients without soil and being exposed to the wind. Explore epiphytes with Dr. Don Waller,



professor of botany and environmental studies at UW-Madison, as he discusses how these plants have become successful plant groups within tropical rainforest canopies. This presentation includes a guided tour of the Bolz Conservatory by Dr. Waller and John Wirth, Olbrich's conservatory curator.

Monday, October 25, 6:30-8 pm Registration Deadline: October 18 11-55 \$15/\$12 member

# Nighttime in the Jungle: Life in the Canopy Series (See page 6 for details.)

Toddler Story & Stroll: Life in the Canopy Series (See page 7 for details.)

# Especially for Women Writers: Out of Your Room & Into the World

Join Madison's Poet Laureate Fabu Carter Brisco, author and AROHO Gift of Freedom Award recipient Barb Johnson, and local author and AROHO Gift of Freedom Award finalist Bridget Birdsall to explore what is possible for you and your writing. These women writers will read from their work and, in a facilitated panel discussion, share their collective wisdom about the creative and resourceful ways in which women can put their words out into the world. Admission is free; donations accepted at the door. Please register in advance.

This literary event is held in conjunction with the 2010 Wisconsin Book Festival.

Sunday, October 3, 2-3:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 30 11-05 Free

# Registration Please make copies of this form, download from www.olbrich.org or contact Olbrich for forms for each additional registrant. Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ Olbrich Member \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

# Mail your registration now. Class size is limited!

# **How to Register**

Pre-registration required for all classes and programs except where noted. Registration deadlines are one week before classes. Please register early; class sizes are limited or classes may be cancelled due to low early enrollment. To hold your space in a class, payment is due with registration using check, cash, MasterCard, or Visa. Walk-in registration available when space allows. Call (608) 246-4550 for space availability. If using your volunteer benefit card, you must pre-register for applicable classes.

### **Materials Fees**

Unless otherwise stated, class fees include all materials.

# **Online Class Registration**

Olbrich Botanical Gardens offers WebTrac online class registration. Use WebTrac to view course offerings and availability at https://www.cityofmadison.com/olbrich/vsiwebtrac.html, or visit Olbrich's website for a link.

Registration by phone and mail is still available. For more information about online class registration, visit www. olbrich.org or call (608)246-4550.

# Food & Beverage Availability

Olbrich does not have food available for purchase. Unless otherwise stated, please bring your own snack or lunch to classes that run through lunchtime. Beverage vending machines available for the public in the Visitor Center Lobby.

### **Cancellations and Refunds**

Courses cancelled due to low enrollment or hazardous weather conditions are refunded automatically. You'll be notified by phone if a program is cancelled. Olbrich cannot be responsible for lack of notification if you do not have an answering service. In cases of inclement weather, call (608)246-4550 to check the status of the program. Other than cancellations, registration fees are refunded at the participant's request only by a seven-day notice.

# Schumacher Horticultural Library

For more information about gardening and plants, visit Olbrich's Schumacher Horticultural Library. The library is open daily 10 am to 4 pm (closed holidays). All visitors are invited to use the library. Olbrich members may check out books, videos/DVDs, and magazines.

### **Gardening Questions?**

Call the Garden Answer Service at (608) 246-5805, send a question by email to ljacobson@ cityofmadison.com, or visit the library to get answers to your gardening questions.

# Naturopathic Approaches to Managing Headaches/ Migraines

Headaches, including migraines, are among the most common disorders of the nervous system. Deemed a pandemic health issue by the World Health Organization, headaches are not only painful, but in many cases found to be disabling life-long conditions. Join Dr. Ruddy, a board certified Naturopathic Doctor, to learn about various safe and effective naturopathic approaches to addressing the different types of headaches.

Tuesday, September 14, 6:30-8 pm Registration Deadline: September 7 11-07 \$15/\$12 member

### Design Ideas to Shrink Your Lawn

Explore the possibilities of less lawn with award-winning Author Evelyn J. Hadden! In this colorful presentation, you will encounter fresh garden design ideas from large-scale (stroll gardens, woodland gardens, lawnless front gardens) to small (welcome gardens, herb gardens, island beds), and you will return to your own yard with a renewed sense of its possibilities.

Tuesday, September 14, 7-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 7 11-08 \$25/\$20 member

# Design Ideas for Eco-friendly Gardens

Help your garden function more like a self-sufficient natural community. Learn how to encourage natural processes like nutrient cycling, drought tolerance, runoff absorption, and insect population control from award-winning Author Evelyn J. Hadden. See many examples of healthy, sustainable landscapes that are also comfortable and rewarding places for people to spend time in.

Thursday, September 16, 7-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 9 11-03 \$25/\$20 member

# Painting the Autumn Gardens in Soft Pastel

Join Professional Artist Kay Brathol-Hostvet in the gardens and learn how to work in the soft pastel medium. Soft pastel is perfect for depicting the various textures and warm autumn colors of Olbrich's gardens and is a very portable medium, so it is ideal for plein air work. We will meet in the classroom for introductions and then head outdoors to work directly from nature, completing two small works on site. All paper provided. A supply list will be sent to you. This workshop is for all levels, but some previous experience in soft (chalk-like) pastel is highly recommended. Bring a bag lunch.

Sunday, September 19, 9 am-4:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 13 **21-58** \$91/\$73 member

### **Perennial Grasses**

Ornamental grasses can be important additions to your landscape, whether in the shade or sun. Mark Dwyer of Rotary Gardens will discuss the vast selection of appropriate grasses, along with their proper care and maintenance.

Tuesday, September 21, 6:30-8 pm Registration Deadline: September 14 11-45 \$15/\$12 member

# Writing the Seasons of Our Lives

Beginning on the evening of the autumnal equinox, we will come together to share spontaneous written reflections on the seasons of our lives. Using the cycles of the natural world as a metaphor for our own life cycle, we will participate in writing exercises, journal writing, poetry, word games, and more. Together, we will seek out the plumb lines of joy that underlie our reflections, poems, and stories. All adults with a desire to write and a willingness to delve courageously into the creative process are welcome to join Bridget Birdsall, a local writer, artist, and teacher, for this fun and supportive 6-week workshop. Bring a writing utensil and notebook.

Weds., Sept. 22 - Oct. 27, 6:30-8 pm Registration Deadline: September 15 21-54 \$128/\$102 member

### **Permaculture Water Solutions**

Join Permaculturist Kate Heiber-Cobb and learn how to construct swales and berms, rain gardens, and other water catchment devices in your landscape. These holding methodologies help our community deal with water issues and can be used for growing plants. She will discuss why you want to hold water where it falls, how this practice relates to healthy soil, how it refills our aquifers, and much more.

Thursday, September 23, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 16 11-57 \$15/\$12 member

# Book Reading & Signing: Jennifer Chiaverini

Author of the Elm Creek Quilts Novels
Join the festivities of Olbrich's Quilts
in Bloom show and author Jennifer
Chiaverini as she reads from one of her
novels. Chiaverini is a local author who
writes the wonderful fictional series the
Elm Creek Quilts. She is also the author
of four volumes of quilt patterns inspired
by her novels, as well as the designer
of the Elm Creek Quilts fabric line from
Red Rooster Fabrics. A book signing will
follow the reading, and a selection of the
Elm Creek Quilts novels will be available
at Olbrich's Growing Gifts shop for
purchase. Please register in advance.

Sunday, September 26, 2-3:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 20 11-04 Free

# **Spring Bulbs**

Now is the time to start thinking about spring color as you decide on incorporating fall planted bulbs in your landscape. There is a wide range of wonderful bulbs that offer engaging color, texture, and interest in your spring garden. Join Mark Dwyer of Rotary Gardens and learn about the many options for spring bulbs, and the proper techniques for planting and maintaining these treasures.

Tuesday, September 28, 6:30-8 pm Registration Deadline: September 21 11-44 \$15/\$12 member

# New, Better Trees and Shrubs for the Residential Garden

Goldmound Spirea and Crimson Pygmy Barberry are nice plants, but they are used together so often that they have become a landscape cliché. Instead of the same old trees and shrubs that we see in too many home landscapes, Beaver Creek Nursey Chief Horticulturist Dave Wanninger will discuss some plants that might be new to you, as well as some improved varieties that you may already be using. Learn about proper plant siting and cultural considerations as well.

Wednesday, October 6, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 29 11-31 \$15/\$12 member

# The Art of Fall Garden Clean-up

Both you and your perennial garden can benefit from a good fall clean-up. Every hour you spend in the garden in fall can save you two or more spring hours, give you months of pleasure in winter, and give your plants the very best start into the new season. Here is your chance to gather tips on what to do, when to do it, and how to make your garden a thing of beauty even through winter from Garden Designer and Author Janet Macunovich.

Thursday, October 7, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 30 11-01 \$38/\$30 member

# You CAN Draw! For the Absolute Beginner

If you can ride a bicycle, operate a sewing machine, or drive a car, you can learn to draw, too! The skill of drawing is simply a matter of eye-hand coordination and practice. This workshop focuses on how we learn to draw. Drawing is a fun and relaxing hobby, a useful tool in planning home and garden projects, and a foundation skill for all the other visual arts. If you are afraid to draw, Professional Artist Kay Brathol-Hostvet will alleviate those fears through fun floral and garden-related drawing exercises and simple, straightforward directions to get you started. All materials provided, including a sketchbook and drawing tools to take home. Bring a bag lunch.

Saturday, October 9, 9 am-4:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 30 **21-59** \$112/\$90 member

# Faded Glory: The Autumn Garden

Neither autumn nor winter need to be dreary in the home landscape; there are more ways to "punch up" autumn than with mums. Allen Centennial Gardens Director Ed Lyon will discuss plants, including annuals, perennials, and woodies, that not only define and create a spectacular fall garden but will extend winter interest as well.

Thursday, October 14, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: October 7 11-13 \$15/\$12 member

### If These Trees Could Talk

Do you keep a journal or would you like to? Are you interested in exploring the creative aspects of writing? Would you like to learn more about how to cultivate inspiration from the natural world? If so, join Bridget Birdsall, a local writer, artist, and teacher, for this fun and supportive workshop. Anyone with a desire to write is welcome. Bring a copy of your favorite poem or short prose to share, writing utensil and notebook, and your curiosity.

Sunday, October 24, 1-3 pm Registration Deadline: October 14 **21-53** \$45/\$40 member

# Permaculture 101 for the Home Gardener

Permaculture is a philosophy and practice of gardening and landscape management that focuses on mimicking the structures and interrelationships found in the natural world. It emphasizes improving soil and optimizing water use, while incorporating food plants such as fruits, nuts, and perennial vegetables. It even means designing animal raising, such as chickens, into the landscape. Join Permaculturist Kate Heiber-Cobb and learn how to incorporate sustainable permaculture practices into your urban or suburban landscape.

Tuesday, October 26, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: October 19 11-56 \$15/\$12 member

### **Garden Silks**

Create beautifully dyed silk scarves using common garden plants, as well as grocery store finds such as blueberries and tea leaves. Shelley Ryan, host of Public Television's *Wisconsin Gardener*,

will guide you through an easy technique that you can confidentally repeat at home. This process is simple, but completed scarves take four weeks. You will practice all the steps-starting with dyeing, and then learn to finish the scarf that Ryan started two weeks prior. You will go home with four dyed scarves – one that Ryan started for you, and three that you start on your own. They will be ready in two and four weeks respectively. All materials included.

Saturday, October 30, 9-11 am Registration Deadline: October 21 **21-46** \$75/\$60 member

or

Saturday, November 13, 9-11 am Registration Deadline: November 4 **21-47** \$75/\$60 member

# Birdscaping in the Midwest: Creating a 5-star Bird Attraction in Your Yard

Mariette Nowak, author of Birdscaping in the Midwest, will help you learn how to increase the number and variety of birds in your yard by growing native plants that offer natural habitat and a yearlong smorgasbord of berries, nuts, and seeds. The importance of native plants versus cultivated plants for birds and the problems with invasive, non-native plant species will also be discussed. Comparisons of the number of birds and butterflies in native versus non-native yards will be illustrated.

Saturday, October 30, 1-2:30 pm Registration Deadline: October 21 11-20 \$15/\$12 member

# **Evergreens for the Northern Midwest**

Evergreens are an essential part of Wisconsin landscapes, especially for those long winter months. Beaver Creek Nursey Chief Horticulturist Dave Wanninger will discuss some of the best performing species and cultivars for our climate. Yes, there are actually evergreen trees other than Colorado Spruce and Austrian Pine!

Wednesday, November 3, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: October 27 11-32 \$15/\$12 member

# **Holiday Bulbs**

Brighten your home with festive paperwhites and amaryllis. Olbrich Horticulturist Christian Harper will guide you in preparing two decorative pots of bulbs for the December holidays. Plan this project as a great gift for yourself or someone else! All materials included.

Thursday, November 4, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: October 28 **21-33** \$52/\$42 member

### **Ornamental Winter Container**

The growing season isn't the only time for decorative containers. Late fall still provides colorful plant material that can be arranged for container splendor in the fall and winter. Olbrich's Horticulture Director Jeff Epping and Gardener Samara Eisner will teach you what materials to collect and how to create stunning arrangements. You will create one ornamental winter container using materials from the Garden to take home.

Thursday, November 11, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: November 4 21-32 \$71/\$57 member

# **Way of Nature**

Join Miriam Hall, nationally recognized Zen Arts Instructor and Miksang Photography Teacher, for this creative class on photography and haiku. Engage in a simple form of photography and writing that allows for making direct and profound contact with the natural world. You will explore your relationship with nature through observations and perceptions made in the gardens, and then write them down to create haiku and take photographs. No previous writing experience required; familiarity with your digital camera recommended. Dress for indoor and outdoor activities. Bring a digital camera, writing utensil and notebook, and bag lunch.

Sat. & Sun., Nov. 13 & 14, 9 am-5 pm Registration Deadline: November 4 21-52 \$125/\$100 member

### Winter Interest in the Garden

Gardens attract your eye - we perch with our morning cup of coffee in front of the window that offers a garden overlook, and the premium seat in the family room often faces the picture window to the garden. No wonder winter depression occurs, when out of comfortable habit we turn to look at gardens that in fall can suddenly become bleak, flat moonscapes! Garden Designer and Author Janet Maconuvich has tips for you to make an existing or new landscape interesting, colorful, even alive with birds and the motion of leaves from November to April.

Saturday, November 13, 10 am-12 pm Registration Deadline: November 4 11-02 \$38/\$30 member

# **Gourd Coiling**

Barb Rothwell, president of the Wisconsin Gourd Society, will teach you how to make beautiful bowls and vases created out of a gourd and natural materials. You will create one gourd bowl or vase to take home. Get started on your holiday gifts with this fun class! All supplies included. For grades 6-12 and adults; each person attending this workshop pays the registration fee.

Saturday, November 13, 1-4 pm Registration Deadline: November 4 21-37 \$52/\$42 member

# Origami - Cardinal and Ornaments

In Japanese, "ori" means folding and "kami" means paper. Origami is the folding of paper into decorative objects, ideally without the use of scissors or glue. It is an art that offers unlimited horizons for creativity and brings equal joy to both the beginner and the accomplished paper folder. Join Ruthanne Bessman, who has been folding origami for eighteen years and is an active member of Origami USA, for an evening of learning how to fold a seasonal Wisconsin bird - an origami cardinal - and decorative ornaments. You will be able to complete several models. one of each to take home. The others will be displayed in Olbrich's Lobby during the annual Holiday Express Flower and Model Train Show. No experience necessary; all levels welcome. All materials included.

Thursday, November 18, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: November 11 **21-03** \$35/\$28 member

# **Develop Your Drawing Skills**

This fun, process-oriented workshop with Professional Artist Kay Brathol-Hostvet is for those who want to go beyond the academic and traditional in drawing, gain more delight in the drawing process, and work on developing your own style. All projects will relate to the natural world in subject matter and may include cooperative drawing, distortions, expressive mark-making, and drawing with natural materials like reeds, sticks, and grasses. Open to all levels; previous drawing experience recommended but not required. A supply list will be sent to you. Bring a bag lunch.

Saturday, November 20, 9 am-4:30 pm Registration Deadline: November 11 **21-60** \$91/\$73 member

# Evergreen Wreaths with Natural Materials

Evergreen wreaths smell wonderful and add charm to your winter decorating scheme. Join Olbrich's Horticulturist Samantha Peckham and Gardener Samara Eisner to learn how to decorate your own unique wreath with natural materials from Olbrich's gardens. All materials provided.

Tuesday, November 30, 6:30-8:30 pm Registration Deadline: November 23 21-35 \$71/\$57 member

# How to Make Gourd Holiday Ornaments

Barb Rothwell, president of the Wisconsin Gourd Society, will teach you how to make holiday ornaments out of gourds. You will create three different gourd ornaments to take home. Get started on your holiday decorations and gifts with this fun class! All supplies included. For grades 3-12 and adults; each person attending this workshop pays the registration fee.

Saturday, December 4, 9:30 am-12 pm Registration Deadline: November 24 **21-39** \$44/\$35 member



Family classes are a great opportunity for parents or caregivers to spend quality time with their children. Activities are designed so that adults and children can explore together. Children must be accompanied by an adult; limit two age-appropriate children per adult; adult attends free. Advance registration required. Dress for the activity and weather.

# Tiny Trees Yoga in the Gardens

A fun, warm, and creative environment for children to explore and learn the foundations of yoga through movement, ecology, music, art, stories, and dance! Expect to bark like a doggie in downward dog and meow and moo in cat and cow poses! Tiny Trees Yoga is designed to make learning fun and to enable children to take their lessons off the mat and into their school and home life. Instructor Angela Larkins is a certified YogaKids Facilitator and licensed elementary teacher. Ages 4-10 (grades PreK-5).

Sats., Sept. 11 - Nov. 6, 9:30-10:30 am Registration Deadline: September 2 **61-02** \$80 per child

# Cathy's Animal Garden Children's Book Reading and Author Signing

Join us for a reading of Cathy's Animal Garden by Stacy Tornio, children's author and editor of Birds & Blooms magazine. She will read her book and offer free plantable bookmarks and a free late summer gardening activity for all children attending. A garden giveaway and author book signing will follow the reading and activities; books are available for purchase.

Cathy's Animal Garden - When Henry's homerun ball lands in Creepy Cathy's yard, he and his buddy Andy go after it, despite their friends' warnings that they might not come back out. The boys search through Cathy's animal garden, discovering that things aren't always what they seem.

Please register in advance. Grades K-3.

Saturday, September 11, 10-11:30 am Registration Deadline: September 8 **61-14** Free

# Remnants of the Rainforest -Live Tropical Animals

Saturday, September 11, 1:30-3 pm (See page 1 for details.)

# Toddler Story & Stroll: Autumn Adventures

Play and learn with your youngster in this fun, hands-on series that focuses on the seasonal changes of fall. Classes include a story, tour through the outdoor gardens, and theme-related activity designed for you and your preschooler to spend quality time together. Dress for indoor and outdoor activities. Sign up for one class or the entire series. Ages 2-4.

### Wind

Tuesday, September 21, 10-11 am Registration Deadline: September 14 **51-21** \$8/\$6 member

### **Sauirrels**

Tuesday, September 28, 10-11 am Registration Deadline: September 21 **51-22** \$8/\$6 member

### Leaves

Tuesday, October 5, 10-11 am Registration Deadline: September 28 **51-23** \$8/\$6 member

### **Dinosaur Domes**

Create a jungle terrarium with minature plants and a small dinosaur inhabitant. Learn how paleontologists search for dinosaur bones and conduct your own mini-dinosaur excavation. All materials included. Grades K-2.

Friday, October 8, 6:30-8 pm Registration Deadline: September 30 **61-16** \$10/\$8 member

Thursday, December 2, 6:30-8 pm Registration Deadline: November 24 **61-17** \$10/\$8 member

# Nighttime in the Jungle: Life in the Canopy

The tropical rainforest is made up of many layers. The canopy layer is a dense ceiling of closely spaced trees and is home to countless species of plants and animals. Join us in this series of nighttime classes that explore life in the canopy. Each class includes a theme-related activity and a walk through the

Bolz Conservatory at night. Please bring a flashlight for your nighttime adventure! Grades K-2.

### Sloths

Friday, October 15, 6:30-7:30 pm Registration Deadline: October 7 61-22 \$10/\$8 member

### **Snakes**

Friday, October 29, 6:30-7:30 pm Registration Deadline: October 21 61-23 \$10/\$8 member

### Frogs

Friday, November 19, 6:30-7:30 pm Registration Deadline: November 11 61-24 \$10/\$8 member

### **Positively Pumpkins**

Have you ever seen a pumpkin with a flower nose and fuzzy grass eyebrows? How about a crown made of cornhusks? Enjoy your day off from school with this fun class and decorate your own pumpkin with dried plant materials from the Gardens. Pumpkins are NOT provided, please bring one pumpkin for each paying participant. Ages 5 and up (children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult).

Thursday, October 28, 10-11 am
Registration Deadline: October 21
61-03 \$9/\$7 member

or Thursday, October 28, 1-2 pm

Registration Deadline: October 21
61-04 \$9/\$7 member

# **Beasts in the Conservatory**

Come explore the mysterious insecteating plants of the Bolz Conservatory. Learn how carnivorous plants catch their prey, enjoy hands-on activities, and tour the Bolz Conservatory at night. Bring a flashlight for your after-dark exploration! Grades 3-5.

Saturday, October 30, 6:30-8 pm Registration Deadline: October 21 61-18 \$10/\$8 member



# Toddler Story & Stroll: Life in the Canopy

Join us as we discover the magical world of tropical rainforests. This series focuses on the diversity of life found in the upper layers of a tropical rainforest. Classes include a story, tour through the Bolz Conservatory, and theme-related activity designed for you and your preschooler to spend quality time together. Ages 2-4.

### Sloths

Tuesday, November 16, 10-11 am Registration Deadline: November 9 **51-24** \$8/\$6 member

### Snakes

Tuesday, November 23, 10-11 am Registration Deadline: November 16 **51-25** \$8/\$6 member

### **Frogs**

Tuesday, November 30, 10-11 am Registration Deadline: November 23 **51-26** \$8/\$6 member

# Birdhouse Decorating for Olbrich's Holiday Show

Help Olbrich decorate for our annual Holiday Express Flower and Model Train Show! This year's theme is birds, and we are looking for children and families to decorate birdhouses that will be displayed as part of the holiday show. Finished birdhouses will provide an artistic accent to the show and will

be displayed throughout the entire event. After the show closes, each participant takes their birdhouse home. Art instruction and materials are included; one birdhouse per paid participant. Grades 3-12 (ages 8 and up).

Sunday, November 21, 1-3:30 pm Registration Deadline: November 11 **61-12** \$11/\$9 member

### Origami - Holiday Decorations and Gifts

In Japanese, "ori" means folding and "kami" means paper. Origami is the folding of paper into decorative objects, ideally without the use of scissors or glue. It is an art that offers unlimited horizons for creativity and brings equal joy to both the beginner and the accomplished paper folder. Join Ruthanne Bessman, who has been folding origami for eighteen years and is an active member of Origami USA, and learn how to fold simple, traditional origami to be used as decorations and gifts. You will be able to complete various models. No experience necessary. All levels and ages welcome from 8 years old through adult; each person attending this workshop pays the registration fee. All materials included.

Saturday, December 11, 1:30-2:30 pm Registration Deadline: December 2 61-15 \$15/\$12 member Advance registration required.

# Remnants of the Rainforest -Live Tropical Animals

Saturday, September 11, 1:30-3 pm (See page 1 for details.)

# **Positively Pumpkins**

Thursday, October 28, 10-11 am or Thursday, October 28, 1-2 pm (See page 6 for details.)

# **Gourd Coiling**

Saturday, November 13, 1-4 pm (See page 5 for details.)

# Birdhouse Decorating for Olbrich's Holiday Show

Sunday, November 21, 1-3:30 pm (See page 7 for details.)

# How to Make Gourd Holiday Ornaments

Saturday, December 4, 9:30 am-12 pm (See page 5 for details.)

# Origami - Holiday Decorations and Gifts

Saturday, December 11, 1:30-2:30 pm (See page 7 for details.)

# Become a member and receive a 20% discount on education programs!

Please send separate checks for class registration and membership.

### Olbrich Botanical Society Membership Fill out the information below and send with payment to: Olbrich Botanical Gardens, 3330 Atwood Ave, Madison, WI 53704 If gift membership, fill in the information below: Purchaser of membership: Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Address Address City, State, Zip\_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Membership Levels – check box Email Garden Friend . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$40 **Bouquet of Benefits** Garden Friend Plus One . . . . . . . \$50 Free admission to exhibits including Olbrich's Blooming Butterflies, free admission to Bolz Garden Family & Guests . . . . . . . \$65 Conservatory, 10% discount in the gift shop, discounts For additional levels, visit www.olbrich.org on classes and trips, borrowing privileges from the library, quarterly newsletter, and reciprocal benefits at MC/Visa/Discover # gardens across the country. Amount enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_



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# **Garden Walks**

Join Olbrich staff for fun and informative garden walks. Please dress appropriately for the weather. Walks occur rain or shine; cancellations only in the event of dangerous lightning. All walks begin in the Visitor Center Lobby. Advance registration required.

# **Putting Your Garden to Bed**

Make your garden a success by properly overwintering your perennials. Join Olbrich's Horticulturist Samantha Peckham and Gardener Tony Gomez to learn what needs to be pruned, cut low, mulched, rodent-proofed, and much more. Protect your plant investment and maximize the beauty of your perennials. This class takes place outdoors as a garden walk.

Thursday, September 30, 5-6:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 23 **31-16** \$16/\$13 member

or

Saturday, October 2, 10-11:30 am Registration Deadline: September 23 **31-17** \$16/\$13 member

# Autumn Leaves: Trees & Shrubs

Fall is an ideal time to add trees and shrubs to your landscape. Join Olbrich Horticulturist Christian Harper on a walk through the outdoor gardens to see the fall color palettes of both common and unusual trees and shrubs that are suitable for the home landscape. Learn about selection and maintenance of these fall beauties.

Saturday, October 16, 9-10:30 am Registration Deadline: October 7 **31-10** \$13/\$11 member



# Madison Herb Society Herb Fair

Join the Madison Herb Society in this year's Herb Fair held at Olbrich Botanical Gardens. Browse through displays of herbal foods, crafts, and books for sale. Admission is free. For more information call (608)233-6219.

Saturday, November 6, 8:30 am-4 pm

# Wellness at the Gardens

# **Moving Meditation**

Experience the peace and beauty of the Gardens and enjoy moving with and being moved by Tai Chi and heart-centered seated meditation practice. Led by Jody Curley, MA, Certified Heart Rhythm Meditation Instructor and Tai Chi Chuan teacher. This 11-week class is held outdoors and indoors, depending on weather. Meet in the Lobby.

Mondays, Sept. 13 - Nov. 22, 6-7:30 pm Registration Deadline: September 7 **21-55** \$110 per person

### Yoga

This is a participative experiential class for gardeners, nature enthusiasts, and yoga students. Comfortable, loose fitting clothing and a portable mat are recommended; bring a water bottle. Instructor Jonathan A. Garber, RMT, is a certified Kripalu Yoga teacher. Check with the instructor concerning holiday weeks. This class is held outdoors and indoors, depending on weather. Meet in the Lobby.

Mondays, ongoing, 5:30-6:45 pm or Thursdays, ongoing, 7:30-8:45 am \$12 per session

or 9 sessions for \$80/Walk-in