

# SEPTEMBER 2023 EVENT CALENDAR

## CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

### Saturday, Sept. 9, 1-3 pm

Anchor Gardens: Vermicomposting class taught by Margaret Timeerman. Contact Cindee Karns at [anchorgardensANC@gmail.com](mailto:anchorgardensANC@gmail.com) to sign up.

### Tuesday-Wednesday, Sept. 19-20

The PNW-ISA will host two days of arborist training in Anchorage with classes in tree identification, fruit tree pruning, and more. \$375 [Learn more](#).

### Thursday, Sept. 28, 12-1 pm

Matanuska Experiment Farm and Extension Center: Ornamental invasive plants to avoid and some alternative options. Via Zoom. [Register here](#).

### Tuesday-Wednesday, Sept. 19-20, 1-3:30 pm

Anchorage Museum: Natural Dying - From Garden to Fabric. Art making starts from your garden harvest in this two-day workshop. Learn about dyeing cellulose or protein fibers using a wide variety of common Alaska grown foods. For adults, 55+. Led by artist instructor Cecilia Karoly-Lister. \$20 for materials. [Register here](#).

## MEETINGS & EVENTS

### Thursday, Sept. 7, 7-9 pm

Anchorage Garden Club monthly meeting: Processing herbs and vegetables from the garden, presented by Leif Albertson from the CES Anchorage Outreach Center, at the Central Lutheran Church.

### Thursday, Sept. 14, 10 am

Wildflower Garden Club monthly meeting: Dividing and Propagating Perennials taught by Will Criner at Central Lutheran Church.

### Thursday, Sept. 14, 5:30-6:30 pm

Virtual Garlic Workshop offered by Alaska Botanical Gardens, via Zoom. \$15 for members. [Register here](#).

### Saturday, Sept. 16, 10 am-4 pm

Alaska Botanical Garden Garlic Sale in person at the garden. Online sale begins September 18.

### Wednesday, Sept. 20

Anchorage Tree Forum at Wendler Middle School, time TBA. This is an ad hoc gathering of tree enthusiasts.

### Saturday, Sept. 23, 10 am-4 pm

Anchorage VegFest is an uplifting and fun celebration of plant-based lifestyles. This year it will be from 10 am-4 pm at the Alaska Center for the Performing Arts. [Learn more](#).

## VOLUNTEER EVENTS

### Friday, Sept. 8, 1-2 pm

ABG Herb Garden: Herb Study Group volunteers will meet to weed and discuss how the summer went, plans for next year, and their winter meeting calendar/topics. Learn more and get involved by contacting the Herb Study Group at [anchorageherbstudygroup@gmail.com](mailto:anchorageherbstudygroup@gmail.com).

### Thursdays, 4-7 pm

Boyer's Orchard volunteer evenings. Cherries, apples and more. Work in and outside the greenhouse on weeding, planting, harvesting, etc. Learn more at <https://alaskaorchard.org>.

### Thursday, Sept. 7, 9 am-12 pm & Saturday, Sept. 23

Campbell Creek Science Center Wildflower Garden Work Parties. Join Alaska Native Plant Society volunteers who maintain the Campbell Creek Science Center's wildflower gardens. Equipment is provided. Sign up and view more dates and times here: <https://bit.ly/CCSC-Work-Parties>.

## JOBS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, ETC.

**Alaska Seeds of Change** is hiring an Agricultural Specialist. Contact Sara Renard at [srenard@akbh.org](mailto:srenard@akbh.org) for a detailed job description and job preview.

The **Alaska Botanical Garden** is hiring a [Facilities Maintenance Associate](#) this fall.

The Alaska Food Policy Council is hiring a Regional Food Business Center Director. [Read the job description](#).

**First come, first served! Sign up for a [free soil test](#) this fall from the Anchorage Soil & Water Conservation District.**

# AMGA SUMMER 2023 GARDEN TOURS: LAST CHANCE!

Date	Time	Name	Description	Location	Host
Tuesday, Sept. 5	6:00 PM	Boyer's Orchard	A unique orchard and greenhouse with hundreds of Alaska-hardy fruits.	Midtown	Yael Hickok
Monday, Sept. 11	6:00 PM	Moose Gardens	Awesome garden with dahlias and gnomes.	East Anchorage	Marya Morrow



Garden tours are an AMGA membership benefit and attendance is for members and their guests. Directions are emailed to members the week before the event. Email Membership Coordinator Jamie Lang at [jamie@alaskamastergardeners.org](mailto:jamie@alaskamastergardeners.org) with membership questions. Photos above (clockwise from top left) are from the 2023 tours at Grow North Farm, Gary Masog's orchard/vegetable garden (2), Lighthouse Garden, and Chanshnu Food Forest (2).

Many thanks to our Garden Tours Committee, comprised of Troy Weiss, Janie Munson-Odgers and Rich Ervin, for organizing some great tours in summer 2023.

Also, thank you to all the gardeners who allowed us to visit their gardens this year!