



ALASKA MASTER  
**GARDENERS**  
ANCHORAGE  
May 2017

## MEETINGS and EVENTS

### Monday, May 1

\*\*Alaska Native Plant Society Monthly Meeting: Barrow and Thermokarst Topography by Marilyn Barker. Plant Family: Menziesia, Chamaedaphne, and Andromeda by Ginger Hudson. Mini Botany: Douglasia arctica by Beth Baker. 7:00 pm at Campbell Science Center, Anchorage. Details at: <http://aknps.org/Pages/Meetings.php>.

\*\*Mat-Su Master Gardener's Monthly Meeting: Wild Flowers of South Africa by Les Brake. 7:15 pm at Turkey Red Conference Room, 550 S Alaska Street, Palmer.

### Tuesday, May 2

Valley Garden Club Monthly Meeting: Asiatic Lilies by Anne Nevaldine, Master Gardener. Business Meeting at 6:00 pm with Potluck, Presentation at 7:00 p m, at Lady Grey's B&B, 1151 E Glenwood Ave, Wasilla.

### Thursday, May 4

Anchorage Garden Club Monthly Meeting: Growing and Grafting Apples by Dan Elliott. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Pioneer Schoolhouse at 437 E 3rd Avenue, Anchorage. Details at: <http://www.alaskagardenclubs.org/anchorageclub.htm>.

### Friday, May 12

Herb Study Group Monthly Meeting: Presentation on Orientation to ABG's Herb Garden- Giving a Garden Tour. 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm at Alaska Botanical Garden, Alaska Botanical Garden, 4601 Campbell Airstrip Road, Anchorage. Herb Garden Work is scheduled for 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Tuesdays and/or Fridays beginning in May or June as the Herb garden becomes workable and continues through fall.

### Monday, May 15

Anchorage AMGA Monthly Meeting: Edible Flowers by Ginger Hudson, Master Gardener. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Anchorage Cooperative Extension Service, Chugachmiut Building, Room 116, 1840 Bragaw Street. Details at: [http://www.alaskamastergardeners.org/AMGA\\_Programs\\_2017-2018.pdf](http://www.alaskamastergardeners.org/AMGA_Programs_2017-2018.pdf).

### Wednesday, May 17

Willow Garden Club Monthly Meeting: Grass- As In Lawns by Dr. Stephen Brown UA Cooperative Extension. 6:30 pm at Willow Community Center, 23625 W. Willow Community Center Circle, Willow.

### Tuesday, May 23

Alaska Orchid Society Monthly Meeting. 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm at BP Energy Center, Seward Hy and Benson Blvd. Details at: <http://www.wayne-toups.squarespace.com/events/>.

### Saturday, May 27

Alaska Public Garden Day: Free Admission All Day to the Botanical Garden at 4601 Campbell Airstrip Road, Anchorage.

## CLASSES And WORKSHOPS

### Tuesday, May 2

Composting 101: The How, What and Why of Composting in Alaska. 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm at Dr. Lydia Selkregg Chalet, Russian Jacks Park, Anchorage. Cost: \$5.00. Details at: [https://apm.activecommunities.com/municipalityanchorage/Activity\\_Search/composting-101/5192](https://apm.activecommunities.com/municipalityanchorage/Activity_Search/composting-101/5192).

### **Saturday May 6 - Sunday May 14**

Alaska Mill and Feed Spring Classes. 1501 East First Avenue. Reservations are required. Register at:

<http://www.alaskamillandfeed.com/#/events/>.

May 6: Lawn Planting and Care by Sheila Macias at 10:00 am - 11:00 am and 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm.

May 13: Raised Bed Gardening by Irene Fitzgerald, Master Gardener at 10:00 am - 11:30 am. Cost: \$5.00.

May 14: Alaska Native Plants by Beth Baker at 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm. Cost: \$5.00.

### **Saturday, May 6**

Worm Bins and Vermi-Culture by Ellen Vande Visse. 10:00 am to noon at Mat-Su Borough Central Landfill Complex, Palmer.

Preregistration required. Details at: [Compost@matsugov.us](mailto:Compost@matsugov.us).

### **Thursdays, May 11 to June 1**

Alaska Botanical Garden: Local Wildflower Class by Dr. Marilyn Barker and Ginger Hudson. Learn about Local Plants, Identification and Uses. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm or 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm. First Class at BP Energy Center on May 11: Morning Class is 9:30 am - 12:30 PM, Evening Class is 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Cost: \$110 members, \$125 non-members. Details at:

<http://alaskabg.org/event/workshop-local-wildflower-class/>.

### **Saturday, May 13 and Tuesday, May 16**

Backyard Composter Certification Class by Ellen Vande Visse, Green Earth Garden School, 2:30 pm - 4:15 pm, May 13 and 10:00 am - noon May 16 at Mat-Su Borough Central Landfill Complex, Palmer. Preregistration required. Details at

[Compost@matsugov.us](mailto:Compost@matsugov.us).

### **Wednesday, May 24**

Alaska Botanical Garden: Grafting Watermelons by Rob Brown, Flattop Farm: Learn How Grafting Watermelons May Increase Watermelon Production in Alaska. 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Alaska Botanical Garden, 4601 Campbell Airstrip Road, Anchorage. Cost: \$40 members, \$45 non-members Preregistration required. Details at: <http://alaskabg.org/event/abg-workshop-grafting-watermelons/>.

## **PLANT SALES**

### **Wednesday, May 10**

King Career Center Plant Sale. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at 2650 E Northern Lights Blvd, Anchorage.

### **Saturday, May 20**

\*\*Alaska Botanical Garden and Alaska Rock Garden Society Plant Sale: Plants from ABGs Garden and from AKRGS members. 9:00 am Admission for ABG members, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm at Alaska Botanical Garden, 4601 Campbell Airstrip Road, Anchorage. Details at: <http://alaskabg.org/event/plant-sale/>.

\*\* Homer Garden Club Plant Sale: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm at Homer Chamber of Commerce Parking Lot, Homer.

### **Tuesday, May 23 - Friday, May 26**

Hiland Correctional Facility Plant and Craft Sale. 9:00 am - 6:00 pm at Parking Lot, 9101 Hesterberg Road, Eagle River. Sale will continue on Friday if there are plants left to sell.

### **Saturday, May 27**

\*\*Alaska Rock Garden Society Plant Sale: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at Snowfire Gardens, 3379 Inlet Vista Circle, Wasilla.

\*\*Valley Garden Club Plant Sale: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, at Boys and Girls Club, Bogard Road, Palmer.

### **Saturday, June 3**

\*\*Anchorage Garden Club Plant Sale. 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Location and Details at:

<http://www.alaskagardenclubs.org/anchorageclub.htm>.

\*\*Mat Su Master Gardeners Plant Sale. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at Palmer Pavilion across from the Palmer Visitor's Center.

\*\*Wildflower Garden Club Plant Sale. 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at 7435 Old Harbor Road, Anchorage.

### **Saturday, June 10**

Central Peninsula Garden Club Plant Sale. 10:00 am until plants are sold out. New Life Assembly of God Church Parking Lot, Corner of Kenai Spur and Princess Rd., 209 Princess Lane, Kenai.