

Green Bay Botanical Garden Newsletter

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May–August 2024





# “All things change; nothing perishes.”

— Ovid, Roman poet

Dear Member:

At this time last spring, we were celebrating the grand opening of the Carol & Bruce Bell Children's Garden. It's incredible that a year has already passed since that momentous occasion and what a year it's been – full of kids and kids-at-heart jumping, splashing, and exploring the natural wonder of the Wisconsin outdoors.

With the immense success of the Bell Children's Garden, I'm thrilled to report that the Garden surpassed more than 200,000 guests (May 2023–April 2024) for the first time ever! We're also at the highest number of member households since the Garden opened – over 6,500. All of this happened and more for Susan Garot's final year as the Garden's President & CEO. What a sendoff for a 16-year-tenure as a leader who helped usher in so much growth! Thank you, Susan!

As the Garden transitions to our new President & CEO, Dr. Laura Nelson, I'd like for you to get to know her a little more before she officially steps into the role on May 1. Rachel Mueller (PR & Content Coordinator) highlights some of Laura's background, hobbies, and all-around expectations for herself and the Garden as she begins her tenure as the next CEO on the opposite page with a short Q&A. Give it a read, and join me in welcoming Laura this spring!

We have also joined Museums for All, an organization that helps broaden the guests who can enjoy the Garden while also reaching out to underserved groups. We will begin offering reduced daily admission to those receiving food assistance (SNAP benefits) in our community mid-April.

It's clear the future is bright, and we're ready for another spectacular season at the Garden. Here's a reminder of what you can enjoy the next several months:

- See the largest spring blooms display in Wisconsin! Get inspiration for your home, and make a trip to the Garden to soak in some gorgeous flowers from tulips to magnolias and help us celebrate public gardens. There'll be **free admission for everyone on Friday, May 10!**
- **TasteBud** is back on Thursday, May 16! Stroll the spring Garden while you bid on silent auction items, or bid online starting at 9 am on Tuesday, May 14.
- **Sanimax Concert Series** – These concerts are open to Garden members first, for free, but the General Public can buy tickets based on availability. John Kelley & Fusion Xpress Orchestra kicks off the series (Select Thursdays, June 13–August 22).
- Our Grand Concerts return with a new name – the **Dar Stumpf & Clyde Reed Grand Concerts Series** – and four amazing concerts, one Friday night every month from June–September (see the lineup on page 8).

We'll see you soon!



Terri Trantow  
Board Chair



## Meet the New CEO: Q&A with Dr. Laura Nelson

**As a former board member, what initially encouraged you to apply for the President & CEO position?**

I have a passion for organizational development, leadership, and gardening – this opportunity is a dream job.

The Garden is truly a special place, so much more than beautiful flowers, plants, and special events. It's a place where people and plants connect.

As a former board member, our meeting agendas included presentations by leaders and staff of the various areas such as Horticulture, Membership, Education, Special Events, etc. I learned so much! The staff is amazing, as are the hundreds of Garden members, volunteers, dedicated Board members, and donors.

**What is your vision for the Garden as its next leader?**

My vision is to build upon the great work that has already been done by so many that have preceded my role and evolve to meet the needs of our members and communities.

I will work collaboratively with staff, Board members, volunteers, and members to ensure the Garden remains a "special place," accessible to people of all abilities and backgrounds; a place to develop new friends through volunteering; a place for families and friends to meet, enjoy nature and music, celebrate events; a place to learn; a place for quiet walks and serenity.

**Is there anything specific you'd like to achieve in your first year in this role?**

Take time to listen and learn! Meet with the staff, Garden members, donors, Board members, guests, community groups, schools, and other stakeholders that make our Garden unique.

**What's your favorite spot at the Garden?**

The Vanderperren English Cottage Garden & Rose Cottage – I love the variety of plants (flowers and vegetables), the stone building, the wooden fence... so many details in that space!

**Where would we find you on a nice summer day?**

The King Shade Garden.

**Where would we find you on a weekend where you have nothing planned?**

At home spending time with my family and dog. I'm outside as much as possible in my garden too. I also like going for a bike ride or walk or reading. In winter, I will read and plan for spring and summer, but if there's snow, then I'm outside for sure.

I enjoy designing garden areas – digging up and moving things, weeding, and watching all the birds and pollinators. I also really enjoy cooking and trying new recipes. My husband is into canning so in the fall we are busy canning the produce from our home garden.





# Risky Play in the Bell Children's Garden:

## IT'S NOT AS SCARY AS YOU THINK

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### Great Heights

Climbing, jumping, and exploring areas far above the ground is exhilarating. It can be a little scary, but once you find your footing in the canopy of the Green Bay Packaging George Kress Foundation Tree Houses, the birds' eye view is unbeatable. Plus, finding your way back to the ground is much easier than shimmying down a tree. In fact, why not take the slide?

### High Speed

Moving at high speeds, like zooming down a swirly slide or launching off of trampolines in the K.C. Stock Foundation Mushroom Jumper Play, is a great way to become more comfortable letting go of control and adapting to unpredictability. The thrill of the ride and the satisfaction of a safe landing bring kids back again and again!

### Dangerous Tools

In the Bell Children's Garden, we leave the dangerous tools to our Horticulture Team. After all, you're here to explore nature, not prune trees or dig holes. At home, some activities with dangerous tools might be learning how to chop vegetables in the kitchen or using scissors to create crafts. Everyday objects like scissors and kitchen knives can cause injury, but are also essential to daily life. Having little wins with them from a young age is important for building confidence and learning safe techniques.

### Dangerous Elements

The Garden doesn't feature a giant gorge or river rapids. Still, challenging environmental elements like slippery pavement by the Gail R. Fischer Family Lily Pad Splash Play, steep hills, and stepping stones abound. Navigating a variety of outdoor environments can help children develop motor skills and become more self-assured.

### Rough-and-Tumble Play

Whether a child visits the Bell Children's Garden with friends or meets some while they're here, playing together and rough housing is an important part of social development. Von Bank highlights that rough-and-tumble play allows kids to become more effective communicators, creating and respecting personal boundaries in the absence of rigid rules.

### Independent Exploration

While it's important to keep tabs on your child, it's also critical that they get the chance to be led by their curiosity. Allowing them to take charge and explore the Schanock Family Hillside Tunnel and Cave Play area or discover the features of the Judy & Mike Parrish Family Rain Drop Garden builds confidence and problem-solving skills for more future adventures on their own.

All things considered, one of the most important elements of risky play is you, the adult. Much of the time, the idea of risky play is a lot scarier for grown-ups than it is for kids. Rice highlights that bringing and expressing adult anxiety can cause guardians' fears to impact their children. Instead, she suggests giving abundant positive feedback and expressing specific observations of potential danger when appropriate. Avoiding fearful exclamations and blanket statements allow for more thorough conversations that create better understanding and less anxiety.

The Bell Children's Garden is 2.5 acres of outdoor adventure jam packed with fun for the whole family. Whether you're new to risky play or are a frequent flyer, it's a great place to explore small thrills in a safe and controlled environment. Plus, with educational signs, nature-inspired structures, and tons of other outdoor activities, you might even learn a thing or two!

For more information on Risky Play, visit [GBBG.org/RiskyPlay](http://GBBG.org/RiskyPlay).

As adults, it can be easy to start catastrophizing when the term "risky play" is brought up. In fact, Child Indicators Research has noted that in recent years, Western societies have shown signs of increasing risk aversion.

But why focus on the negative outcomes of risk when there are so many potential rewards? Risky play is about taking a low probability of injury in stride in favor of exciting experiences and childhood development. Initial fear will give way to the thrill of gained confidence as a child conquers new challenges on their own terms.

There's a strong docket of literature that underscores the importance of risky play, much of which comes from the landmark study by researchers Sando, Kleppe, and Sandseter. They found that risky play improves children's mental and physical wellbeing. The excitement and intrigue of risky play helps kids to be more physically active, challenging the possibility of injury by bringing significant physical health benefits to the table.

Sando et al. also found a positive association between risky play, spontaneity, and self-confidence. This is in part because risky play allows children to practice autonomy, letting them take full credit for guiding themselves through new accomplishments and explorations.

If that wasn't enough already, risky play allows for early development of risk management skills. Professor Heather Von Bank points out that as adults, our day-to-day life is a series of calculated risks. From taking out loans to eating clearance sushi, we're constantly making decisions based on our assessment of risks. Risky play allows children to form lifelong risk assessment skills that will eventually apply to more than just monkey bars, cartwheels, or even whether to try a new hobby.

Here at the Garden, we understand the value of risky play in childhood development. In fact, it influenced the design of the new Carol & Bruce Bell Children's Garden. But, how do you create a controlled environment for children to engage in risky play? Risky play will look different for every kid, but Sandseter has identified six common traits:



# Garden Happenings



See calendar for details on dates, times, and prices.



## TasteBud

Thursday, May 16 | 5–8 pm

Savor, sip, and support at TasteBud! Enjoy an enhanced in-person experience with live music and returning VIP opportunity. Stroll through the lush landscape, sip signature cocktails, wines, and brews, sample delights from Green Bay area restaurants and caterers, and soak in more than 350,000 spring blooms.

View and bid on hundreds of items, either online or in person while you're here, including annual and perennial plants, outdoor living items, and more. The virtual auction runs from 9 am on Tuesday, May 14 through 7:30 pm on Thursday, May 16.

### Tickets on Sale

See pricing in calendar.

### Garden Members

Monday, April 8 | 9 am

### General Public

Monday, April 15 | 9 am

### VIP Experience

Limited availability. Includes free herbal mocktail, souvenir, exclusive giveaway, and private tasting. Sessions at 4 pm and 6 pm. No fee for online auction. Must be 21 or older to attend.

Registration closes Tuesday, May 7.

Visit [GBBG.org/TasteBud](http://GBBG.org/TasteBud) for details.

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## Getaway Wednesdays

June 5–August 28

Buy One, Get One Admission | 9 am–8 pm

Explore our new Bell Children's Garden, enjoy a picnic, learn in nature with Discovery Boxes, and more!

### Discovery Station | 9 am–8 pm

Self-guided nature activities for families in the lower level of the Fischer Visitor Center.

### Express Garden Tour | 10–11 am

Guided tours of the Garden. Limit 20. Contact us for groups of 10 or more.

Visit [GBBG.org/Wednesdays](http://GBBG.org/Wednesdays) for details.

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Children's Activities



### Book the Garden for a Nature-Filled Gathering

Whether you're planning a wellness retreat, birthday party, company picnic, or family reunion, the Garden's outdoor spaces provide the ideal setting to bring your intimate gathering or grand affair to life!

Invite friends and family to indulge in a picnic underneath the Lodge with the Bell Children's Garden in view, enjoy the sun (and shade with umbrellas!) on the Mabel Thome Patio, or spread out with a botanical cocktail in the Schneider Family Grand Garden.

Now's the time to elevate your event and create unforgettable memories! Let our Events Team help ensure your garden event blooms with beauty and success this season.

Questions? Contact Noely Gomand, Corporate & Social Events Coordinator, at 920.593.5677 or [rentals@gbbg.org](mailto:rentals@gbbg.org).

## Members

Corporate Partner Employee Day  
Sunday, May 5 & Sunday, August 4

Employees of our Corporate Partner Members are invited to bring their immediate family to enjoy the Garden for free. Present your Corporate ID or business card to our Guest Experience Team upon arrival.

### Members-Only Tours

Tuesday, May 21 & Tuesday, July 16

Go behind the scenes to get an exclusive look at the Garden with our Horticulture Team.

## Volunteers

Make meaningful connections, build community, and enhance wellness and lifelong learning through volunteering at the Garden. Our volunteers play a vital role by sharing their time and talents to help fulfill our mission! Spring and summer bring a variety of volunteer opportunities in Horticulture, Education, Special Events, Guest Experience, and Facility Maintenance.

### Horticulture

Don't let a lack of gardening experience hold you back. Our Horticulture Team will work alongside you, make sure you're comfortable with your tasks, and answer any questions. We've successfully turned many thumbs green!

### Education

Interested in leading youth tours and other family activities such as story time and summer camps? A love for kids and nature is all you need... training is provided!

### Special Events

We're seeking volunteers to help with special events, specifically admissions, concessions, and parking as well as greeting wedding guests on the weekends.

Sign up is easy! There are two steps: Review our online volunteer orientation and complete the online application at [GBBG.org/Volunteer](http://GBBG.org/Volunteer). Questions? Contact Kate Martin, Volunteer Coordinator, at 920.593.5686 or [kmartin@gbbg.org](mailto:kmartin@gbbg.org).

## Volunteers Help the Garden Grow!

In 2023, the following 94 volunteers each shared 25+ hours of their time:

### 100+ hours:

Maureen Ackerman  
Gene Arendt  
Dale Bartel  
Terese Boeck  
Sue Broeren  
Brandon Buechner  
Vickie Butteri  
Sue Ellingson  
Debra Freeman  
Donald Giese  
Barb Griffin  
Scott Jacobe  
Don Jensen  
Glenn Landis  
Mike Malchow  
John Oates  
Elizabeth Obenberger  
Barb Perrus  
Mary Roerig

Linda Schulze  
Mary Silha  
Dan Verbruggen  
Ann Wasurick  
Bob Yashinsky

### 75 to 99 hours:

Kathy Amenson  
Elizabeth Angemi  
Julie Arneith  
Mary Borley  
Dan Brunmeier  
Jim LaFond  
Robert Stark  
Terri Trantow  
Paula Van Ert  
50 to 74 hours:  
Janet Bouthilet  
Clyde Schmidt  
Cookie Oryall  
Dave Sorenson

Diane Conway  
Dianne Caspersen  
Kathy Hartman  
Mary Vandermause  
Mike Duncan

### 25 to 49 hours:

Mike Conger  
Sue Frinak  
Teresa Riehl  
Tim O'Brien (deceased)  
Tom Arndt  
Amy Babik  
Larry Boehm  
Ernesto Brauer  
Connie Brauer  
LaRae Bruno  
Darlene Charneski  
Logan Cordova  
Mike EauClaire

Cheri Galecke  
Lise Gammeltoft  
Shirley Garthwaite  
Peggi Gehling  
Sally Graham  
Dick Grenell  
Frances Gruen  
Kathy Hartmann  
Scott Heintz  
Kyle Kahnk  
Marty Kelly  
Lisa Knutson  
Ricki Krautkramer  
Deborah LaPlante  
Barb LeMense  
Diane Lenz  
Terri Lewis  
Adam Mathieson  
Rick McKinney  
Jack Meshke

Judy Nagel  
Peggy Novitski  
Marianne Oates  
Nan Pahl  
Nicole Polarek  
Stephanie Rankin  
Barbara Ring  
Elizabeth Schwalbach  
Glenn Spevacek  
Kathy Spevacek  
Larry Stocking  
Cathy Stone  
Mary Van Dyck  
Gail VandeCastle  
Jose Villa  
Emma Wacek  
Fred Walbrun  
Bill Wangerin  
Nancy Whitfield





# Dar Stumpf & Clyde Reed Grand Concert Series



# Sanimax 85 1939-2024 Concert Series



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## Select Fridays | 7-9 pm

An eclectic variety of talented regional and national musicians will perform live in the stunning Schneider Family Grand Garden.

### Advance Ticket Reservations Recommended

To make your experience more enjoyable, we recommend buying your tickets in advance. Advanced ticket sales end 24 hours before the night of the concert. Tickets purchased at the door will be subject to a \$5 service fee.

### Tickets on Sale

See pricing in calendar.

[Garden Members](#)

Monday, April 29 | 9 am

[General Public](#)

Monday, May 6 | 9 am

### Unable to get your tickets online?

Call the Garden at 920.490.9457 or visit during regular Garden hours to have tickets emailed to you.

### Picnic in the Garden

Feel free to bring your own picnic or buy snacks from concessions. [No beverage carry-ins allowed.](#)

### Order a Boxed Dinner

Order a boxed dinner ahead of time from FOODelicious Catering & Consulting at [GBBG.org/GrandConcerts](http://GBBG.org/GrandConcerts) by 12 pm on Wednesday and pick up your meal the night of the concert! Boxed dinners are for pickup only and will not be sold during the concert.

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Friday, June 7

**The Highwaymen Live: A Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings, Willie Nelson Tribute**

Relive the outlaw country era! This tribute features well-known hits like "Ring of Fire," "Dukes of Hazard," "On the Road Again," and more.

Friday, July 12

**Divas of Soul:**

**A Whitney Houston & Tina Turner Tribute**

A powerhouse vocalist pays tribute to these icons of soul music! A show filled with nothing but hits like "Proud Mary," "Upside Down," "Greatest Love of All," and so many more.

Friday, August 9

**Simply Elton: An Elton John Tribute**

Brian Harris and the Mad Hatters Band transport you to an Elton John concert full of costumes, spot-on vocals, and music spanning the icon's entire career.

Friday, September 6

**Brews, Bistros, & Bonfires featuring Heartache Tonight: An Eagles Tribute**

Enjoy craft brew samples and timeless music during a premier tribute to The Eagles, one of the greatest bands of all time. Must be 21 and older to attend.

[Visit GBBG.org/Concerts](http://GBBG.org/Concerts) for concert details.

## Select Thursdays

June 13, 20, & 27, July 18 & 25, August 1, 15, & 22 | 6-8 pm

Enjoy live music from local musicians in the spectacular Schneider Family Grand Garden. No concert or program on July 4 and 11 or August 8.

Garden members can enjoy free admission at the door. The general public can purchase advance tickets starting at 9 am on Monday, May 6 or at-the-door tickets the evening of the concert, based on availability.

### Tickets on Sale

See pricing in calendar.

[General Public](#)

Monday, May 6 | 9 am

### Unable to get your tickets online?

Call the Garden at 920.490.9457 or visit during regular Garden hours to have tickets emailed to you.

**Seeds to Snacks (Drop-In Activity) | 4:30-6 pm**

Enjoy a fresh garden snack from our harvest each week.

**Picnic in the Garden | 5-8 pm**

Feel free to bring your own picnic or buy from concessions. [No beverage carry-ins allowed.](#)

### Order a Boxed Dinner

Order from Not By Bread Alone ahead of the concert at [GBBG.org/SanimaxConcerts](http://GBBG.org/SanimaxConcerts) by 12 pm on Tuesday and pick up your meal on Thursday night!

[Visit GBBG.org/Concerts](http://GBBG.org/Concerts) for details.

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# CHILDREN & FAMILY EDUCATION PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

## Buy Admission Online & Save

Buying your ticket(s) online saves you \$1 per ticket and time! When you arrive, we'll simply scan your tickets, and you'll be on your way into the Garden – spending less time waiting in line.

Tickets can be used for daily admission at any time during regular Garden hours (excluding special events and classes) and are valid for one year from the date of purchase.

May–August | Open Daily | 9 am–8 pm

Visit [GBBG.org/Hours](http://GBBG.org/Hours) for early closures.

## Weekly Drop-In Activities

(July 4: 6 pm closure with limited programs)

Included with Garden Admission

Free for Garden Members

## Daily, Self-Guided

Available May 1–October 31

### Stop & Learn Signs

Anytime  
Seek out educational signs placed throughout the Garden to dig deeper into nature.

### Garden Discovery Boxes

Anytime  
Explore boxes placed throughout the Garden with fun activities for kids.

### Scavenger Hunts

Anytime  
Hunt for clues and discover plants and animals in the Garden.

### S.E.E.D. Packs

Anytime  
Search, Explore, Experience, and Discover the Garden! Packs include short lessons, games, and observation activities.

### Ask the Expert

Monday–Friday  
9 am–3 pm  
Bring your gardening questions for our Horticulture Team! Feel free to ask staff as you see them working in the Garden.

### Tuesday Story Time

June 11–Oct 29 | 10–10:30 am  
Nature-themed stories and activities.

### Friday Story Time

June 14–Aug 30 | 10–10:30 am  
Nature-themed stories and activities.

### Discovery Station

June 11–Aug 27 | 10 am–12 pm  
Nature activities and Bell Children's Garden exploration.



## Bell Children's Garden: NATURE NOOK SERIES

Stop by the Council of Critters Amphitheater in the Bell Children's Garden for special performances and outdoor fun for the whole family!



### Adventures in Grandpa's Garden June 23 | 1–3 pm

Get inspired and be ready to laugh and learn through garden-themed storytelling from Evergreen Community Theater's Young Actors.



### Zoomobile July 21 | 2–4 pm

Meet and interact with some friendly creatures from the NEW Zoo while learning all about what makes them unique.



### Family Fun Concert August 18 | 1–3 pm

Clap, laugh, and sing along to local performer Randy Peterson! Two 45-minute shows geared for kids, but all ages can enjoy.

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## Summer Camp

Weeklong Camp | Ages 9–12

### Creative Construction | July 15–19

Calling all architects, designers, and builders! Discover some of nature's master builders, and use your creativity on new projects and build challenges each day. We'll work with a variety of materials and tools while learning to think like animals and engineers.

Day Camp | Ages 9–12

### Water Heroes | July 31

Water, water everywhere, and many drops to drink! Water is essential for all living things. Learn about our watery habitats at the Garden, especially in the Bell Children's Garden. Dive into questions about water habitats and how we can clean and protect our waters. Chart a course to the Garden, and get ready to set sail for fun.

Budding Buddies (ages 3–5), Creative Construction (ages 6–9), Art in Nature (ages 6–12), Mad Scientist (ages 6–12), and Water Heroes camps (ages 6–9) are full.

To be added to a waitlist, contact our Guest Experience Team at 920.490.9457 or [info@gbbg.org](mailto:info@gbbg.org). For more information on summer camp, visit [GBBG.org/Camp](http://GBBG.org/Camp).



## EXTEND NATURE, PLAY, & LEARNING WITH THE GARDEN'S GIFT SHOP

Because play is important to personal development (both for the young and young-at-heart), boost nature-focused learning in your life with a variety of toys, books, and other activities available for purchase in the WPS Trellis Gift Shop.

After a day of fun, visit the gift shop (open during Garden hours) to peruse toys, books, souvenirs, and eco-friendly items from local and U.S. makers for your kids, home and garden, and gift-giving needs. Garden members get 10% off!



# Calendar

Don't delay! Register right away as classes may fill quickly. We also value our instructors' time, so classes may risk being canceled due to low early enrollment. Thank you!

M=Members Only | R=Registration Required | W=Workshop | YF=Youth/Family



## May



**May 1–31  
Spring Blooms**  
9 am–8 pm daily  
Weather permitting.

**Mondays, May 6, 13, 20  
June 3, 10  
Hatha Yoga**  
(R) | 5:30–6:30 pm  
Tree Janzen,  
Tree's Yoga  
Full Series:  
\$40/Garden Member  
\$45/General Public  
One Day: \$10

**Sunday, May 5  
Corporate Partner  
Employee Day**  
9 am–8 pm

**Friday, May 10  
Go Public Gardens Day**  
9 am–8 pm  
Free admission.

**Sunday, May 12  
Mother's Day**  
9 am–8 pm  
Free admission for moms.

**Thursday, May 16  
TasteBud**  
(R) | 5–8 pm  
\$50/Garden Member  
\$60/General Public  
\$75/VIP Garden Member  
\$80/VIP General Public

**Tuesday, May 21  
Members-Only Tour:  
Spring Blooms &  
Summer Garden  
Preview**  
(M/R) | 5–6:30 pm  
Mark Konlock,  
Director of Horticulture  
Free/Garden Member

**Monday, May 27  
Memorial Day**  
9 am–8 pm  
Free admission for military  
personnel and veterans.

## June

**Wednesday, June 5  
Make Your Own  
Flower Press**  
(W/R) | 1–3 pm  
Hilarie Rath,  
Arnold Grummer  
Certified Hand  
Papermaker  
\$39/Garden Member  
\$47/General Public

**Friday, June 7**

Dar Stumpf & Clyde Reed  
**Grand  
Concert**  
Series

**The Highwaymen Live:  
A Johnny Cash,  
Waylon Jennings,  
Willie Nelson Tribute**  
7–9 pm  
Lawn Seating:  
\$40/Garden Member  
\$45/General Public  
\$10/Youth (Ages 3–17 with  
one paid adult lawn ticket)  
Cowles Terrace Seating:  
\$50/Garden Member  
\$55/General Public  
(Youth discount not  
available.)

**Friday, June 7, 14, 21  
Camp:  
Budding Buddies FULL**

**Thursday, June 13  
Seeds to Snacks**  
4:30–6 pm

Sanimax 85  
**Concert**  
Series

**John Kelley & Fusion  
Xpress Orchestra**  
Jazz & Broadway Tunes  
6–8 pm  
All Sanimax Concerts:  
Free/Garden Members  
General Public  
\$30/Family (2 adults  
and children 17 & under  
in the household or  
grandchildren)  
\$15/Adult  
\$13/Senior (62+), AAA,  
AARP, Military, & Students  
(w/school ID)  
\$5/Youth (3–17)  
Free/Children 2 & under

**Sunday, June 16  
Father's Day**  
9 am–8 pm  
Free admission for dads.

**Tuesday, June 18  
Camp:  
Mad Scientist FULL**  
Ages 6–9

**Hosta Walk**  
(R) | 6–7:30 pm  
Rob Zimmer,  
Rob Zimmer Outdoors  
\$13/Garden Member  
\$16/General Public

**Wednesday, June 19  
Camp:  
Mad Scientist FULL**  
Ages 9–12

**Thursday, June 20  
Seeds to Snacks**  
4:30–6 pm

Sanimax 85  
**Concert**  
Series

**Los Locales**  
Latin Fusion  
6–8 pm

**Sunday, June 23  
Bell Children's Garden:  
NATURE NOOK  
SERIES**

**Adventures in  
Grandpa's Garden**  
(YF) | 1–3 pm  
All Nature Nook Series:  
Free/Garden Member  
General Public  
\$30/Family (2 adults  
and children 17 & under  
in the household or  
grandchildren)  
\$15/Adult  
\$13/Senior (62+), AAA,  
AARP, Military, & Students  
(w/school ID)  
\$5/Youth (3–17)  
Free/Children 2 & under

**Monday, June 24–  
Friday, June 28  
Camp: Creative  
Construction FULL**  
Ages 6–9

**Monday, June 24  
Celestial Sound –  
Gong Bath Meditation**  
(R) | 5:30–6:30 pm  
Brenda Brayko,  
Celestial Sound  
\$13/Garden Member  
\$16/General Public

**Thursday, June 27  
Seeds to Snacks**  
4:30–6 pm

Sanimax 85  
**Concert**  
Series

**Whiskey Belles**  
Country Americana  
6–8 pm

## July

**Thursday, July 4  
Independence Day**  
9 am–6 pm  
Free admission for military  
personnel and veterans.

**Monday, July 8  
Celestial Sound –  
Gong Bath Meditation**  
(R) | 5:30–6:30 pm  
Brenda Brayko,  
Celestial Sound  
\$13/Garden Member  
\$16/General Public

**Thursday, July 11  
Wood-burned  
Charcuterie Board –  
Butterflies & Blooms**  
(W/R) | 6–8 pm  
Jennifer Frisch,  
Coneflower Creations  
\$41/Garden Member  
\$49/General Public

**Friday, July 12**  
Dar Stumpf & Clyde Reed  
**Grand  
Concert**  
Series

**Divas of Soul:  
A Whitney Houston &  
Tina Turner Tribute**  
7–9 pm  
Lawn Seating:  
\$40/Garden Member  
\$45/General Public  
\$10/Youth (Ages 3–17 with  
one paid adult lawn ticket)  
Cowles Terrace Seating:  
\$50/Garden Member  
\$55/General Public  
(Youth discount not  
available.)

**Monday, July 15–  
Friday, July 19  
Camp:  
Creative Construction**  
(YF/R) | 9:30 am–12 pm  
Ages 9–12  
Garden Education Team  
\$85/Garden Member  
\$105/General Public  
Register by July 8.

**Mondays, July 15, 22,  
29, & August 5, 12  
Hatha Yoga**  
(R) | 5:30–6:30 pm  
Tree Janzen,  
Tree's Yoga  
Full Series:  
\$40/Garden Member  
\$45/General Public  
One Day: \$10

**Tuesday, July 16  
Members-Only Tour:  
Bell Children's Garden**  
(M/R) | 5–6:30 pm  
Melissa Maurer-Ford,  
Garden Horticulturist  
Free/Garden Member



**Wednesday, July 17  
Native Wildflower Walk**  
(R) | 6–7:30 pm  
Rob Zimmer,  
Rob Zimmer Outdoors  
\$13/Garden Member  
\$16/General Public

**Thursday, July 18  
Seeds to Snacks**  
4:30–6 pm

Sanimax 85  
**Concert**  
Series

**Ants Marching**  
Premier Dave Matthews  
Tribute  
6–8 pm

**Sunday, July 21**  
Bell Children's Garden:  
**NATURE NOOK  
SERIES**

**Zoomobile**  
(YF) | 2–4 pm

**Tuesday, July 23  
Tsyunhehkwa Farm  
Tour**  
(R) | 1:30–4 pm  
Amber Powless, Lynn  
Utesch, Jordan Powless,  
Tsyunhehkwa Farm  
\$24/Garden Member  
\$28/General Public

**Thursday, July 25  
Seeds to Snacks**  
4:30–6 pm

Sanimax 85  
**Concert**  
Series

**Model Citizens**  
80s/90s  
6–8 pm

**Tuesday, July 30  
Camp:  
Water Heroes FULL**  
Ages 6–9

**Wednesday, July 31  
Camp:  
Water Heroes**  
(YF/R) | 9:30 am–12 pm  
Ages 9–12  
Garden Education Team  
\$45/Garden Member  
\$55/General Public  
Register by July 24.

## August

**Thursday, August 1  
Seeds to Snacks**  
4:30–6 pm

Sanimax 85  
**Concert**  
Series

**Erin Krebs**  
Blues & Jazz  
6–8 pm

**Sunday, August 4  
Corporate Partner  
Employee Day**  
9 am–8 pm

**Monday, August 5–  
Friday, August 9  
Camp:  
Art in Nature FULL**  
Ages 6–9

**Tuesday, August 6  
Glen Innish Farm Tour  
– Kewaunee County's  
First Lavender Farm**  
(W/R) | 10:30 am–1:30 pm  
Amber Hewett,  
Glen Innish Farm  
\$39/Garden Member  
\$47/General Public

**Friday, August 9**

Dar Stumpf & Clyde Reed  
**Grand  
Concert**  
Series

**Simply Elton:  
An Elton John Tribute**  
7–9 pm

Lawn Seating:  
\$35/Garden Member  
\$40/General Public  
\$10/Youth (Ages 3–17 with  
one paid adult lawn ticket)  
Cowles Terrace Seating:  
\$45/Garden Member  
\$50/General Public  
(Youth discount not  
available)

**Monday, August 12–  
Friday, August 16  
Camp:  
Art in Nature FULL**  
Ages 9–12



**Wednesday, August 14  
Hydrangea Walk**  
(R) | 6–7:30 pm  
Rob Zimmer,  
Rob Zimmer Outdoors  
\$13/Garden Member  
\$16/General Public



Thursday, August 15  
**Seeds to Snacks**  
 4:30–6 pm



**Chicago Mule**  
 Pop & Classics  
 6–8 pm

Sunday, August 18



**Family Fun Concert**  
 (YF) | 1–3 pm

Thursday, August 22  
**Seeds to Snacks**  
 4:30–6 pm



**Big Mouth & The Power Tool Horns**  
 Jazz & Instrumental  
 6–8 pm

Monday, August 26  
**Celestial Sound – Gong Bath Meditation**

(R) | 5:30–6:30 pm  
 Brenda Brayko,  
 Celestial Sound  
 \$13/Garden Member  
 \$16/General Public

**How to Register**

Pre-registration required for all classes and programs except where noted. Register online at GBBG.org or by phone at 920.490.9457. Please register early; class sizes are limited or classes may be canceled due to low early enrollment. To hold your space in class, payment is due with registration.

**After You Register**

We will contact you the week of the program to confirm your enrollment. Please dress according to the weather for all outdoor programs. No rain or snow dates are planned. Classes open one half-hour before start time.

**Cancelations & Refunds**

Classes canceled due to low enrollment or hazardous weather conditions are refunded automatically. You will be notified by phone if a program is canceled. In cases of inclement weather, call 920.490.9457 to check the status of the program. If you must cancel your registration for a program, your registration fees will be refunded if notice is received **at least five days prior** to the program. Green Bay Botanical Garden cannot refund fees requested on or after the start date of a program or for sessions missed due to student illness or other personal situations.

## Save the Dates



Friday, September 6

Dar Stumpf & Clyde Reed



**Brews, Bistros, & Bonfires**  
 featuring **Heartache Tonight: An Eagles Tribute**  
 7–9 pm

Lawn Seating:  
 \$35/Garden Member  
 \$40/General Public

Cowles Terrace Seating:  
 \$45/Garden Member  
 \$50/General Public  
 Must be 21 or older.

Wednesday, September 11



5–8 pm  
 \$175/Person

Limited seating, reservations required.

Reservations Open

All Garden Memberships

July 15 | 9 am

General Public

July 22 | 9 am

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Saturday, September 28



Free Admission & Family Fun  
 9 am–4 pm

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# Nurturing Your Roots: The Lasting Legacy of Your Love for Green Bay Botanical Garden

In every leaf, flower, and winding path, the Garden holds stories of joy, tranquility, and the beauty of nature that touches our lives. It's a sanctuary not just for plants but for the human spirit, where each visit can feel like a homecoming.

As members of this special Garden, you have shared in its growth and vibrancy. Now, there's a meaningful way to ensure that your Garden continues to flourish for generations to come through a legacy gift in your will.

**The Transformative Power of Legacy Gifts**

Legacy gifts form the roots that sustain the Garden's future growth and resilience. Whether it's funding for the care of our collections, supporting educational programs that inspire young minds about the wonders of horticulture, or ensuring the maintenance and beauty of our landscapes, these gifts ensure that your passion for the Garden lives on.

**A Gift that Grows with Time**

Leaving a legacy gift is a profound statement of your values and a reflection of the joy and peace the Garden has brought into your life. It's also a way to ensure your estate benefits from potential tax advantages, making it a thoughtful financial decision. But beyond these benefits, it's about planting seeds for a future you believe in – one where the Garden continues to be a source of beauty, learning, and community.

**How to Leave Your Legacy**

Making a legacy gift is simpler than you might think. Here's how to get started:

1. Reflect on your wishes for the impact you'd like to leave on the Garden.
2. Consult with your financial advisor or estate planner to understand the best options for your situation.
3. Include the Garden in your will, specifying the nature of your gift. We have options for the following:

**Garden Endowment Fund**

Preserves the principal of your gift and enables the earnings to be used as determined by the Garden Board for things such as capital expenditures or operating needs.

**Education Endowment Fund**

Preserves the principal of your gift, enabling the earnings to be used for children and family programming.

**Garden Investment Fund**

Enables the Garden Board to direct any amount of this fund for investment in the Garden's growth, including construction or development of new gardens or facilities, capital equipment needs, or general operations. Recently, gifts from this fund helped us purchase land directly east of the Garden, ensuring we have space to grow in the future.

We encourage anyone considering this generous act to reach out to the Garden. We're here to help guide you through the process and answer any questions you might have.

Thank you to the following for leaving a legacy gift to the Garden in 2023:

Cynthia G. Bayless  
 Linda Raisanen  
 Lois Reimer

Ron C. & Pauline P. Heim Charitable Fund

**Join a Legacy of Giving**

Your support has helped the Garden thrive. Consider extending your impact through a legacy gift as we look to the future. It's more than a donation; it's a testament to the beauty and peace you've found here, and your desire to share it with the future.

As one of our legacy donors shared, "It's comforting to know that my love for the Garden will live on, helping to keep it a vibrant place for families to learn and grow together."

For more information or to discuss your legacy giving intentions, don't hesitate to get in touch with Cindy Berton, Director of Development, at [cberton@gbbg.org](mailto:cberton@gbbg.org) or 920.593.5663.

Together, we can ensure the Garden remains a cherished community treasure, blooming for generations.





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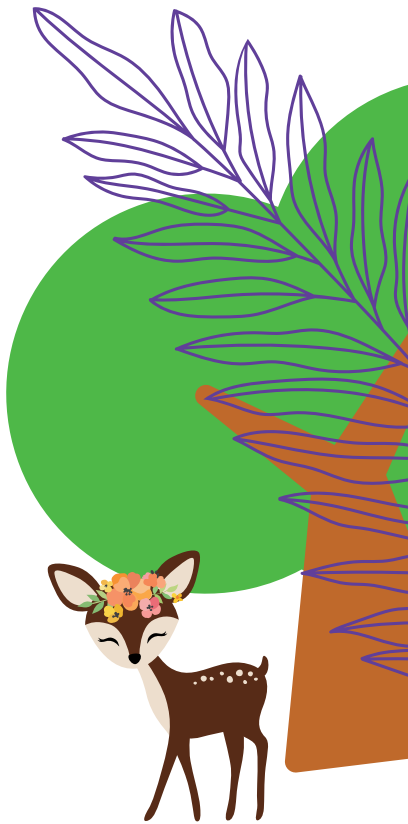


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