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Spring Sales Feature Outstanding Plant Choices Arboretum All-Stars, Pollinator Plants, and Heat-Lovers

Ellen Zagory, Director of Horticulture



The silvery leaves of Pelargonium sidoides, garnet geranium, set off its deep red flowers.

SPRING PLANT SALES

April 14 3Bs: Birds, Bees & Beneficials

May 19 Some like it Hot: Summer **Bloomers & Sizzling Deals**

Open to the public 9 AM-1 PM Arboretum Teaching Nursery

The Friends of the UC Davis Arboretum Spring plant sales are a great place to shop for new and unusual plants. At all our spring sales, our expert gardeners will be there to advise you and guide you to the best selections. Gradaute students in plant pathology will staff a Plant Doctor Clinic: bring your problem plants sealed in a plastic bag for a diagnosis. As an added draw, Swabbies Restaurant will be there selling their famous and delicious tacos and sweet potato fries.

All members will get a 10% discount on their purchases. If you are not a member, or your membership has lapsed, you are welcome to come and join at the door. New members will get a coupon for \$10 off their purchases in addition to the member discount.

As always we will have Arboretum All-Star plants like the magnificent Arbutus 'Marina'. This small to medium tree has attractive pink flowers and red fruit as well as clean, shiny foliage and colorful, rusty-smooth bark, perfect for an evergreen focal point for the four-season garden. Other attractive All-Stars in plentiful supply

are Ceanothus 'Ray Hartman,' one of the most tolerant of garden watering among the beautiful, blue-flowered California lilacs, and white-flowered Iris 'Canyon Snow,' a perfect companion in the lowwater landscape. We also will continue to have nearly all of our volunteers' and supporters' selections, the 75 Community Favorite Plant Picks in honor of our 75th anniversary. A few that will be featured in the Sacramento Bee in the next few weeks include Echeveria 'Imbricata,' an attractive, roseate succulent with powder-blue leaves useful for edging in shady areas; Garrya elliptica 'Evie,' a large, tough, California native shrub with long, delicate, silvery tassels in winter; and Pelargonium sidoides, the garnet geranium, with silky, scalloped grey leaves and garnet-colored flowers.

On April 14 the theme of our sale is The Three B's: Birds, Bees and Beneficials. This plant sale will highlight the beautiful and diverse creatures that will visit our gardens if we plant the right plants. For fruit-eating birds, Heteromeles arbutifolia, toyon, will be available. We have many plants that will bring hummingbirds to your garden; California fuchsias and the red salvias are good choices. One of our favorites is the spectacular Salvia darcyi, Darcy's sage, with

large, showy flowers.



Mia Ingolia

Ellen Zagory



We also carry a number of plants that help to support the beneficial native bees, butterfies, beetles, wasps, and other insects that are so critical to protecting agriculture and

our native wildlands. We have plants to help you provide food to our hard-working pollinators. Spanish lavender (*Lavender stoechas* 'Otto Quast') is a popular woody perennial with flowers topped with bright purple flags that attract honeybees. *Ceanothus* 'Concha' is popular with bumble bees and carpenter bees. Wayne Roderick seaside daisy (*Erigeron* 'W.R.') attracts the jewel-like iridescent green bee, *Agapostemon*, among others.



Later-season pollinators, like butterflies, are frequently seen on dwarf oregano (*Origanum* 'Betty Rollins') and a wide variety of insects visit California goldenrod (*Solidago* 'Cascade Creek'), also a late bloomer. Cape balsam (*Bulbine frutescens*), native to South Africa, attracts mainly hoverflies or syrphid flies that eat aphids and can control aphids on your roses. A longer list of these

beneficial insects and the plants they like will be available at the April sale.

At our May 19 sale, the theme will be Some IIke it Hot: Summer Bloomers & Sizzling Deals. We plan to highlight plants that thrive and look beautiful in hot summer climates. *Canna* 'Phaison' thrives in heat and is often used for its late-season colorful foliage. Walking iris (*Neomarica*



caerulea) produces its intricate purple flowers in pulses, as the Delta breezes cool us in the evening after a hot day. *Leucophyllum*, or cenizo, will surprise and delight you with its purple cloud

of flowers. Late-season daisies like *Aster* 'Purple Dome' and long-blooming *Aster* 'Monch' will continue to delight the eyes. You can round out your plant picks with the spectacular shows of autumn sage (*Salvia greggii* cultivars) that come into full bloom as we move into fall. You'll find some great bargains during this end-of-season clearance sale.

For directions and a plant list, visit our website (<u>arbore-tum.ucdavis.edu</u>) and click on Plant Sales. See you there!

From top: Spanish lavender (*Lavender stoechas* 'Otto Quast'), Cape balsam (*Bulbine frutescens*), Wayne Roderick seaside daisy (*Erigeron* 'W.R.').

Vinter GATEways Events (Gardens, Arts, & The Environment) in the Arboretum





Below: UC Davis student and Wild Campus president Quinn Morgan helps visitors build a home for a Western bluebird in the Arboretum Gazebo. The student conservation group teamed up with the Arboretum to present Build a Wild Home Day, where visitors of all ages built homes for birds, bats, and bees.



Above: Arboretum Ambassador Mira Parekh (orange apron) helps sixthgrade Woodland students build dreamcatchers with oak twigs at Discovery Days in Shields Oak Grove. Left: Ambassador co-coordinator Melissa Cruz shares her insect collection. The Ambassadors are UC Davis student environmental leadership interns. The program was made possible with a grant from California ReLeaf.



Above: Mother and daughter build a home for an owl.

Photos by Elaine Fingerett

UC DAVIS ARBORETUM **REVIEW**

RENOWNED CONSERVATIONIST PETER RAVEN LAUDS PUBLIC GARDEN INITIATIVE

Mary Burke, Director of Planning and Collections

In January, famed conservationist and scientist Dr. Peter Raven joined us for a planning meeting with Arboretum staff and campus and community partners to launch the UC Davis Arboretum and Public Garden initiative, a plan to transform campus plantings into sustainable teaching landscapes.

UC Davis is widely considered to be one of our nation's top universities in the ecological and environmental sciences. We aim to transition our entire central campus into a public garden that reflects the excellence of UC Davis and is fully integrated with UC Davis' teaching, research, and public service.

Dr. Raven's visit at the day-long planning event was funded in part by the prestigious Storer Lectureship and hosted by the College of Biological Sciences. The special event brought together more than 75 people interested in the future of the campus and the Arboretum. Throughout the day, Peter and Pat Raven listened and advised us, as we discussed the broad outlines for a new kind of public garden: a university garden that is fully integrated with multiple academic programs and the physical site of our campus.

The day's highlights included presentations about the UC Davis GATEways (Gardens, Arts, and the Environment) Initiative. Bret Hewitt, Chair of the GATEways Planning Council and the Development Committee of the UC Davis Foundation Board, spoke eloquently about education and community engagement that the GATEways model encourages. As community members and university students work side-by-side to provide engaging experiences for visitors, everyone benefits. Visitors have unforgettable experiences that showcase the work of UC Davis and our beautiful campus.

Sustainability was the overarching framework for much of the day's discussion. Staff presented the work already underway to develop a new campus landscape that works within the climatic constraints of our region and celebrates the Central Valley aesthetic. Landscape conversion projects at the West End of the Arboretum and along the median strips on La Rue Drive are removing expensive, high maintenance, water-dependent campus landscapes and replacing them with

native landscapes that will be easier and less expensive to maintain, and which providing critical ecosystem services, like wildlife habitat.

The day ended with a tour of the conservation and interpretation work underway at the Shields Oak Grove, an in-the-garden presentation about the UC Davis Arboretum All-Stars program, and a visit to the UC Davis West Village, the largest planned net-zero energy community in the United States.

At the end of the morning planning session, Peter Raven recalled the challenges facing us all in the face of global climate change and an expanding human population, while biodiversity losses continue worldwide. He was greatly encouraged by the work underway at the UC Davis Arboretum and Public Garden, supported by the tradition of scholarship and innovation at UC Davis.

"This is really an exciting moment," Raven said. "The campus is on the verge of dedicating itself to sustainability and environmental issues, with the Arboretum as the center of campus renewal. Building a Central Valley aesthetic is important. With human pressures all over the world, people are wondering how to reform land management. [The public garden initiative] is a great local experiment. This can be a model for the world—a pleasant, interactive campus, with a sense of community and place, a model for how to use land and form cities. By helping to create a sustainable campus environment, graduates will be better equipped to deal with the world as it really is. I urge you to continue as intensely and rapidly as possible."



Peter Raven (center) consults with Assistant Director of Horticulture Emily Griswold and Superintendent Emeritus Warren Roberts during a tour of Shields Oak Grove.

Peter Raven, the President Emeritus of the Missouri Botanical Garden, is a world leader in botany and ecology and advocate for global biodiversity conservation. During his tenure and through his leadership, the Garden became a world-class center for botanical research, conservation, education and horticulture display.

In 1999, Peter Raven was described by TIME magazine as a Hero for the Planet. The author of numerous books and over 400 reports and articles, both popular and scientific, he has held Guggenheim and John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Fellowships. He is a member of the National Academy of Sciences, past President of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and Chair of the Division of Earth and Life Studies of the National Research Council.

In 2001, Peter Raven received the National Medal of Science from the President of the United States, the highest award for scientific accomplishment in this country.

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Dr. Raven has a long-standing connection with the UC Davis Arboretum. He wrote the forward to the recent *Public Garden Mangement* textbook, to which Arboretum Director Kathleen Socolofsky and Director of Collections and Planning Mary Burke contributed a chapter on strategic management and leadership. He has worked closely with Mary and the curatorial staff on the Public Garden GIS project, an international effort under UC Davis Arboretum leadership to develop a model and associated training for digital mapping of plant collections.



In honor of the Arboretum's 75th anniversary, we invite you to share stories, reminiscences, and thoughts about your experiences with the Arboretum. Stories will be featured in the newsletter, on our website, and on signs in the garden. To share your story, email **arboretum@ucdavis.edu**; include your name and phone number, and include a photo if possible.



"We got married at Putah Creek Lodge in the Arboretum on August 8, 1987. The morning ceremony took place on a gorgeous summer day, under the trees at the west end of the lawn; everything was serenely perfect. Even the ducks waddling around

in front of the wedding party were charming. As we began to recite our sacred vows, a very high-powered motorized model boat suddenly started zipping back and forth across the water directly in front of us. The boat operator was out of sight somewhere down the path, so I am sure he/she didn't realize the disruption to our special day. Our family and friends didn't hear a single word of our vows. After nearly 25 years together, we still laugh about our perfect wedding at the Arboretum."

Sue & David Barnes

"I am a naturalist for the Arboretum and participated in the 'Storytime Through the Seasons' series of family events. For a Native Americanthemed event, I was in the music section. I taught a couple of Native American songs to the parents and children, having them sing and dance, using traditional instruments like clappers. Everyone was getting really into it and the kids were really

enjoying themselves when time began to run out and we had to switch stations. One of the parents turned to me and exclaimed, 'We have time! Can we please do ONE more song?'"

Rebecca Cherone



"I love running and walking through the Arboretum. Whenever I want to really talk to a friend I go to the Arboretum to talk. I love looking at all the different gardens and rolling in the soft grass. The Arboretum is such a peaceful place to me. It is so important to have a whimsical place to breathe and de-stress in the highspeed college environment."

Isabel "Izzy" Zucker

Staff News



We are delighted to welcome **Stephanie Bailey** as our new Project and Work Team Coordinator. She holds a master's degree in landscape architecture from the University of Oregon, where her research focus was on urban natural systems and stormwater infrastructure. She comes to us from the campus Design & Construction Management unit, where she worked both before and after completing her graduate work.

In her new position, Stephanie will be helping to coordinate and facilitate the pilot projects of the new Public Garden Initiative. She'll work closely with the public garden leadership and team members across the organization to make sure projects run smoothly. She will also serve as manager for some public garden projects.

Asked what she hopes to accomplish in her new position, Stephanie said, "I am looking forward to being involved in the transformation of the campus landscape through the Public Garden Initiative and the new and exciting GATEways projects that are underway. I love plants and have always loved the UC Davis Arboretum. It is one of the campus' greatest educational and recreational assets. It is a privilege to be able to contribute to the success of its missions and goals."

Martha Ozonoff, a member of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences development staff who has been working as Arboretum development director since spring 2010, has been moved to a new assignment with the Department of Animal Science. We are grateful for all the work she has done to establish relationships with donors and bring the Arboretum's development program up to a more professional level. We are especially grateful that Martha will continue her work on the Friends of the UC Davis Arboretum board; she is currently serving as co-president.

FRIENDS OF THE ARBORETUM RECRUITING BOARD MEMBERS

The Friends of the UC Davis Arboretum Board is accepting nominations for members-at-large for the term beginning July 1, 2012. Consider offering your talents to support this amazing organization! The board leads the Friends work groups that support the Arboretum through fundraising and involvement in strategic initiatives. Any member of the Friends of the UC Davis Arboretum is eligible for nomination. Nominees will be considered by a nominating committee appointed by the president. Please submit nominations to Martha Ozonoff at mjozonoff@ucdavis.edu by June 1, 2012.



Arts & Letters

FOLK MUSIC JAM SESSIONS

Alternate Fridays: April 13, 27; May 11, 25; June 8, 22 12–1 p.m., Wyatt Deck

Folk musicians bring their acoustic instruments—fiddles, guitars, banjos, mandolins, squeeze boxes, you name it—and play together informally over the lunch hour. All skill levels are welcome— listeners invited.

DRAWING CLOSER TO NATURE: WORKSHOP WITH PETER LONDON

Sunday, April 15, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Wyatt Deck, Rain location: Environmental Horticulture 146 Fee: members \$65, general \$75, includes materials

Want to draw deeper, closer to and with nature? The only prerequisites to our workshop are an open mind, an adventurous spirit, and a willingness to step outside. Peter London is an active studio artist and teacher whose work is in many private and public collections. He is generously donating his time, so all proceeds will benefit the Arboretum. Class limited to 20. Pre-registration required at arboretum@ucdavis.edu or (530) 752-4880.

POETRY IN THE GARDEN: ANDY JONES AND BOB STANLEY

Thursday, April 26, 12–1 p.m., Wyatt Deck

Andy Jones is a lecturer in the UC Davis Department of English and the University Writing Program. He is faculty advisor to the undergraduate journal of creative writing, *Nameless Magazine*, and in 2006 he was named Educator of the Year by ASUCD. He hosts "Dr. Andy's Poetry and Technology Hour" on radio station KDVS.

The current poet laureate of Sacramento and a professor at CSU Sacramento, Bob Stanley is also president of the Sacramento Poetry Center. In 2009, he edited the collection *Sometimes in the Open*, an anthology of poems by sixty-five poets laureate from around the state.

POETRY IN THE GARDEN: JUSTIN DESMANGLES

with musical accompaniment by Harley White, Jr. Thursday, May 17, 12–1 p.m., Wyatt Deck

Justin Desmangles is host of the weekly radio broadcast "New Day Jazz" at KDVS, featuring jazz, poetry, political commentary and interviews. Desmangles' poetry and journalism have appeared in *Amerarcana*, *Shuffle Boil*, *Konch*, *Drumvoices*, and *Black Renaissance Noire*.

Harley White Jr. is a prominent figure on the Sacramento music scene as a pop recording artist, an award-winning bassist with the Harley White Jr. Jazz Orchestra, a member of two Latin jazz ensembles, and an impresario.

MOVIE NIGHT IN THE ARBORETUM

Wednesday, May 23, 7:30 p.m. On the Mrak lawn at Lake Spafford

The Arboretum Ambassadors and UC Davis Entertainment Council present AVATAR. Bring a blanket and enjoy seeing this epic Academy Award-winning movie in the Arboretum under the stars.

GRADUATE CREATIVE WRITING SPRING SYMPOSIUM

Wednesday, June 13, 7 p.m., Wyatt Deck

Graduate student fiction writers and poets will read from their work in celebration of their 2012 graduation. Co-sponsored by the UC Davis Department of English.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S HENRY V

June 14–17, June 21–24, June 28– July 1 Thursdays–Saturdays 8 p.m. and Sundays 6:30 p.m. Arboretum Gazebo

The Davis Shakespeare Ensemble presents *Henry V*, Shakespeare's triumphant history of the events surrounding the Battle of Agincourt (1415) during the Hundred Years War. DSE sheds new light on this war epic with a small cast in an intimate setting. To reserve tickets or for more information, e-mail davis.shakespeare@gmail.com or call (530) 802-0998.

Gardening Workshops YOUR SUSTAINABLE BACKYARD: POLLINATOR GARDENING



Saturday, April 28, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Fee: \$45, includes coffee/scones and boxed lunch

Learn how to attract pollinators to your home garden (and why you should). Expert speakers include faculty from the Department of Entomology and Arboretum Director of Horticulture Ellen Zagory. Enjoy an open house at the Honey Bee Haven Garden and a special plant shopping opportunity at the Arboretum Teaching Nursery.

YOUR SUSTAINABLE BACKYARD: ROSES

Saturday, May 5, 8 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Rose sale 2:30–5:30 p.m. and Sunday, May 6, 12–4 p.m. Fee: \$45, includes coffee/scones and boxed lunch

Learn the latest about the best roses for this region. Enjoy a morning tour of roses at the Storer Garden, presentations by rose breeders, and a tour of Foundation Plant Services' eightacre rose field in full bloom, followed by a rose sale.

For more information or to register, visit <u>ccuh.ucdavis.edu</u> or contact Missy Gable at 530-752-6642 or mjborel@ucdavis.edu.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (cont.)

Guided Tours

No charge, no reservation required

PLANT SALE PREVIEW

Saturday, April 7, 2 p.m., Arboretum Teaching Nursery Get a special preview of the remarkable plant inventory that will be available at the spring plant sales.

WALK WITH WARREN

Wednesday, April 11, 12 noon Buehler Alumni & Visitors Center Visit the native plant garden with master plantsman Warren Roberts, Arboretum superintendent emeritus.

ROSES: ROMANCE AND LEGEND

Saturday, May 5, 8 a.m., Storer Garden

Learn about the rose through time and around the world, and why this flower is considered is considered "the Queen of Flowers." *Bilingual Spanish-English*

WALK WITH WARREN

Wednesday, May 9, 12 noon, Gazebo Explore the gardens in and around the Shields Grove with Warren Roberts, Arboretum superintendent emeritus.

ETHNOBOTANICAL PLANT WALK AND MEDITATION

Saturday, May 19, 2 p.m., Wyatt Deck Learn about traditional uses of California native plants, followed by tea and meditation.

DEDICATED TO THE ONE I LOVE

Saturday, June 2, 10 a.m., Nature's Gallery Court A walking tour of tributes and dedications in the west end gardens.

WALK WITH WARREN

Wednesday, June 13, 12 noon, Gazebo Wander through the west end gardens with a true expert, Warren Roberts, Arboretum superintendent emeritus.

75th Anniversary Plant Sales

3Bs: BIRDS, BEES, AND BENEFICIALS

Saturday, April 14, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. Arboretum Teaching Nursery Focus on attracting and supporting pollinators in the home landscape.

SOME LIKE IT HOT: SUMMER BLOOMERS AND SIZZLING DEALS

Saturday, May 19, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Arboretum Teaching Nursery End of season clearance sale, with a focus on the stars of the summer garden.

Experienced gardeners will be on hand to help you choose the best plants for your garden design and conditions.

Join or renew at the door. New members get a coupon worth \$10 off their purchases; all members get a 10% discount.

Family Programs

IN SEARCH OF NATIVE ANTS

Sunday, May 6, 1–3 p.m., Arboretum Gazebo

UC Davis Entomology Professor Phil Ward will lead a fascinating walking tour exploring the refuges of our native ants. The first hour will be a walking tour around the west end of the Arboretum. Bring a bicycle if you want to continue for a second hour to explore some more remote sites. All ages welcome!

PICNIC DAY

Saturday, April 21

Parade: 9 a.m., downtown Davis

Exhibit and activities: 10 a.m.-3 p.m, Vanderhoef Quad

Come join us as we celebrate the Arboretum's 75th anniversary at this year's annual campus-wide open house. Cheer the Arboretum entry in the Picnic Day parade and drop by for handson activities and sustainable gardening information at our table in the Vanderhoef Quad (in front of the Mondavi Center).

ARBORETUM NATURE DISCOVERY DROP-IN

Sunday, April 29, 1–3 p.m., Wyatt Deck

Got nature? Join us on the Wyatt Deck to explore, observe, and investigate. Who knows what plant and animal treasures you'll discover when you drop by! All ages welcome.

WILD FAMILY DAY

Sunday, May 20, 1–4 p.m., Arboretum Gazebo



Join the UC Davis Wild Campus student group for a free educational event. Learn about native wildlife and what we all can do to help conserve these special critters. Fun games and activities for all ages. For more information, email WildCampus411@gmail.com.

SUSTAINABLE CRAFT WORKSHOP

Sunday, June 3, 2–4 p.m., Wyatt Deck

Join the Arboretum Ambassadors for a free two-hour workshop, where you will create jewelry and crafts using items found in nature and around your home! All ages welcome.

CAMP SHAKESPEARE 2012 SIGN-UPS

Session one: July 16–27; Session two: July 30–August 10 Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. Early drop-off and late pick-up options available

Fee: Sliding scale; email davis.shakespeare@gmail.com

Davis Shakespeare Ensemble presents two weeks of summer camps with theater games and acting workshops for campers aged 7-15, and a special camp production of one of Shakespeare's most exciting plays, *The Tempest*. This year campers will get a chance to be everything from monsters to magicians! Enroll today—spots for both sessions will fill up fast. For more information, visit www.shakespearedavis.com or e-mail davis.shakespeare@gmail.com.

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From the Director

Dear Friends,



We have a fantastic array of programs coming up this spring to entice gardeners, art lovers, wildlife observers, and science explorers (see pages 5-6). Bring your family and friends and share the fun!

We're excited and energized by the wonderful planning meeting we had with our campus and community partners and world-renowned conservationist Dr. Peter Raven (see page 3). Peter and his wife Pat Raven, an experienced public garden director, shared their extensive expertise. They were enthusiastic about the innovations we are making at UC Davis in sustainable design and practice, and their comments will help us move forward with our plans for the UC Davis Arboretum and Public Garden. If you'd like to get a "behind the scenes" look at this exciting new initiative as it develops, read our blog at <u>publicgarden.ucdavis.edu</u>.

As our 75th Anniversary celebration continues, we'd like to thank everyone who has taken part by making a donation to our special fundraising appeal. These donations provide critical support for the Arboretum gardens, plant collections, and programs. To learn about the different ways you can get involved, visit our website at <u>arboretum.ucdavis.edu</u> and click on the 75th Anniversary button.

Construction is continuing on the beautiful new Nature's Gallery Court. The mural will be installed as soon as the weather warms up. There are still a few plant and insect tiles available for dedication; you can see the mural and the available tiles at <u>dedications.ucdavis.edu</u>.

I also want to thank those of you who have honored the Arboretum by sharing your stories (see page 4). We invite you to send us a line with an anecdote or reminiscence about your experiences with the Arboretum. Email your story and a photo of yourself to <u>arboretum @ucdavis.edu</u>.

Be sure to pick up some gorgeous new plants for your garden at our spring sales (see page 1). In honor of the Arboretum's 75th Anniversary, we'll be featuring 75 community favorites selected by our staff, volunteers, and supporters. One of these plants is featured each week in the Sacramento Bee Saturday Home & Garden section. You can also see them online at <u>sacbee.com/home_garden</u>.

I look forward to seeing you out in the garden!

Best regards,

Kathleen