



# YEW DELL BOTANICAL GARDENS

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# LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

## Spring is Finally Here!

For those of you who have been whining about the winter of 2013/14 (and maybe more for those non-gardening spouses and friends who are tired of listening to the whining . . .) spring is finally here! Sure we'll have a frost or two before Derby but the inevitable has finally arrived.

With the tough winter we've just left, there will be plenty of cutting back dead branches, waiting anxiously for that prized perennial to emerge from the ground . . . lots of cutting and waiting indeed. And it just so happens that our most challenging winter in recent memory will be followed by Yew Dell's most ambitious gardening season to date.

If you need new design ideas . . . we have garden tours to help. If you need new plant ideas . . . have you heard of this Plant Sale thing that takes place the last weekend of every April (hint, you'll want to get here early!) If you need tips on pest control, planting design, plant propagation or buying art for your garden . . . we have programs to help.

And beyond our formal programs, the opening of our brand new shiny Horticulture Center will provide endless learning and display opportunities. Come check out the greenhouse, the green roof, the high tunnel and all that's new. You might even want to check out this season's container display of a dizzying array of hardy and tropical succulents! Even if it isn't for a formal class, there will be plenty to see and learn.

So stop staring at the ground and waiting for those perennials to rise from the dead. Hit the program pages, grab your calendar and make plans to join us for our best season yet!

Happy Gardening

*Paul Cappiello*  
Executive Director

## JOIN US!

Yew Dell membership offers a wealth of benefits including admission all year long, discounts on Yew Dell classes, lectures and workshops, invitation to member-only events and early admission to the annual Plant Sale and Garden Market.

Members also receive discounts at area nurseries and garden centers and coupons and gift certificates for plants and garden supplies—membership pays for itself several times over! And

all of our \$150 and above members will receive a special plant dividend available only at our annual Plant Sale. For Silver Cloud and above memberships we're even offering guest passes for your friends and family members.

### Help us Keep in Touch!

If you have recently changed your email address, mailing address or don't receive any email from us—please let us know!  
Contact Cheryl at [CherylL@yewdellgardens.org](mailto:CherylL@yewdellgardens.org) or call 241-4788.



Helleborous 'Goldfinch'

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For a list of membership benefits and more information about events and programs, visit our website at [www.yewdellgardens.org](http://www.yewdellgardens.org). Please return this form to:

**Yew Dell Botanical Gardens**  
**P.O. Box 1334**  
**Crestwood, KY 40014**



# Annual Plant Sale & Garden Market – April 26 & 27!

## Sponsored by LG&E

This is the gardener's gardening event of the year. If you are interested in adding unusual and/or rare plants to your collection then you'd better mark your calendar and be prepared to shop! In addition to an awesome selection of plants, there will be plenty of advice available from our knowledgeable staff and volunteers. The vendor area will be bustling with vendors from across the region. In addition the Greater Louisville Bonsai Society show will fascinate visitors, there will be food to feed the masses and activities to entertain the kiddos.

Plant offerings will include Yew Dell tested winners, new to the market gems and something for the discerning plant collector – everything from trees to shrubs, vines, perennials, herbs, heirloom veggies and more. Be sure to get an early start, the line forms quickly and the plants fly off the property. It's not unusual for possessed plant people to drive from far and wide a day early and stay in local hotels – all of this effort so they can be first in line!

The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 26 (10am – 4pm) and Sunday, April 27 (Noon – 3pm) and as always, Yew Dell members get in an hour early at 9am on Saturday for the best selection – so make sure your membership is current and remember to bring your credit card! Memberships will be on sale at 9am on Saturday! Sponsored by our friends at LG&E with additional support from the Kentucky Nursery and Landscape Association and the Louisville Nursery Association.



Dr. Elwin Orton, famed dogwood breeder and breeder of the Venus dogwood (pictured on the cover).

## Commonwealth Bank and Trust Company: 7th Annual Garden Sculpture Show – Featuring Louisville Sculptor Ed Hamilton May 18 – August 3

Every year there are new exciting additions to this event and this year won't disappoint! We are very pleased to include the phenomenal work of our featured artist Ed Hamilton and a juried selection of work from the region's top artists. The show gives visitors an opportunity to see how art can be a wonderful addition to any garden.

**Want to Mingle with the Artists?**  
**Don't Miss the Opening Reception**  
**Friday, May 16 from 5-8pm.**

Enjoy appetizers and cash bar. This year's appetizer selection will be prepared by: The Cheddar Box, Ramsi's Café on the World, Rooster Creek, The Village Anchor and Wiltshire Pantry. Music will be provided by the Oldham County Schools Art Center Chamber Ensemble under the direction of Brittany MacWilliams. Oh, and one more important thing. There will be a 10% discount on any sculptures purchased the evening of the opening reception.



Thirsty Perch Birdbath, Craig Kaviar

For tickets (\$25/\$35 member/non-member) call the office at 502-241-4788 or order online at [www.yewdellgardens.org](http://www.yewdellgardens.org).

Thank you to our sponsors: Commonwealth Bank and Trust Company and our event sponsors: Ellen van Nagell RE/MAX First and the Oldham County Educational Foundation.

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# 2014 Summer Events and Classes

Watch for emails and check our website for complete descriptions, program updates and additions.

## APRIL



### **Plant Sale & Garden Market**

**Saturday, April 26; 10am-4pm**

**Members get in at 9am on Saturday!**

**Sunday, April 27; Noon-3pm**

**Regular Admission**

While we sell plants throughout the season, this is your big chance to get your hands on some of the best, newest and time-tested plants available anywhere – and actually, some that aren't available anywhere. Whether you are looking for trees or shrubs, perennials or vines, native or exotic, we've got 'em in spades. We'll have special items in our shop, a great collection of garden vendors, children's activities, food and more. Remember, members get in an hour early on Saturday – and of course you can buy a membership at the door!

## MAY

### **Spring Plant Walk**

**Guide: Paul Cappiello,  
Yew Dell Executive Director**

**Monday, May 5; 6-7:30pm**

**\$15/\$25 - Members/Non-members**

Join Yew Dell director Paul Cappiello on this unscripted walk through the collections. We'll talk about everything in bloom, answer questions about the best varieties for our region and send you home with some new ideas for your own garden.

### **Children in the Dell – Begins Soon!**

**Saturday, May 10; 10:30-noon**

**Free with the admission of a parent or guardian**

**Every Saturday morning through  
September 27!**

Gardens, woods, trails and fields . . . these Saturday-morning classes are the perfect opportunity to give children a chance to spend some time with all that is green. Our energetic and creative educators will engage the children in everything from planting and growing veggies to nature-inspired scavenger hunts and a whole lot more. Whatever happens to be in season will be the topic *du jour*. Intended for children from 5-12 years old. Parents must stay on the grounds and are invited to participate in the day's activities. Preregistration encouraged – drop-ins welcome as space allows.

### **Mother's Day**

**Sunday, May 11; Noon-4pm**

**Bring mom out for a walk in the garden!**

### **Cutting Propagation Workshop – in the New Greenhouse!!!**

**Instructor: Paul Cappiello,  
Yew Dell Executive Director**

**Wednesday, May 14; 6-7:30pm**

**\$20/\$30 - Members/Non-members**

Here's your chance to learn the tricks of the plant propagation trade and get your hands dirty in the process. Following a discussion of cutting propagation basics and approaches, each participant will select three plants to propagate by cutting. Cuttings will be collected, processed and stuck in Yew Dell's mist propagation bench. Once rooted, the cuttings can be taken home to your own garden.



### **7<sup>TH</sup> Annual Sculpture Show Opening Reception – Featuring Louisville Sculptor Ed Hamilton**

**Friday, May 16; 5- 8pm**

**\$25/\$35 - Members/Non-members**

Join us for a delightful evening of cocktails, heavy appetizers from The Cheddar Box, Ramsi's Café on the World, Rooster Creek, The Village Anchor and Wiltshire Pantry, and the unveiling of the 2014 show. This year's opening reception offers attendees a 10% savings on all sculpture purchases made that evening. The juried show will offer garden sculptures in everything from glass and metal to stone and more. It is the perfect chance to enjoy great art, meet the artists and buy a piece for your own garden. Cash bar.



### **Commonwealth Bank & Trust Company 7<sup>TH</sup> Annual Garden Sculpture Show**

**Saturday, May 17 through Sunday –  
August 3**

**Free with Regular Admission!**

Don't miss Yew Dell's 7th annual show that will feature some of the best sculptors in the region. Regardless of your preferred style or material, we're sure this year's juried show will have something to catch your eye. Whether you want to come out to enjoy the art or are looking for a piece for your own garden, be sure to make it out during the two months of the show.

### **Volunteer Garden Hop – Yew Dell Volunteers only**

**Saturday, May 17; 9:30am**

**Free! To RSVP and for details,  
call Bonnie at 241-4788**

If you're a Yew Dell volunteer, join us on a tour of some extra special often talked about, but seldom toured gardens.



## **JUNE**

### **Rome/Tuscany Garden Tour**

**June 6 – June 16**

If you haven't heard of our wildly popular annual garden tours, you must live under a rock! These annual excursions have become our most popular offerings of the year. Join us this year as we embark on eight days in some of the best gardens in Rome and the surrounding Tuscan countryside. From the Vatican Gardens to the streets of Florence, this is a trip you won't want to miss. As with all our international garden tours, we take a small group (20 max.) making the trip manageable, flexible and personal. Our guide has more than 35 years of experience in managing international garden tours, speaks the local language – and lived in Italy for more than 10 years! And of course, our resident plant expert - Yew Dell director Dr. Paul Cappiello - provides detailed commentary on the plants and gardens. Whether your interest is history, garden design, unusual plants or simply a delightful travel adventure, this is the trip for you! For information and trip details, check the program section of the Yew Dell website or email Karla at [Karlada@yewdellgardens.org](mailto:Karlada@yewdellgardens.org). These slots will fill up very quickly so reserve your spot today.

### **Father's Day**

**Sunday, June 15**

Bring dad out for hike on the trail through the woods or a stroll through the arboretum.

### **The Garden Conservancy Open Day – Lexington, KY**

**Sunday, June 22**

The Garden Conservancy Open Day features two private gardens in Lexington and special entrance to the garden at the Governor's Mansion in Frankfort. Admission to each private garden is \$5; children 12 & under free. No fee for the Governor's Mansion. Hours do vary at each location, so please make a note of that. For more information call 1-888-842-2442 visit [www.gardenconservancy.org](http://www.gardenconservancy.org) or email [opendays@gardenconservancy.org](mailto:opendays@gardenconservancy.org). No reservations required; rain or shine.

### **Farm to Table Dinner hosted by Yew Dell and Slow Food Bluegrass**

**Sunday, June 22; 6:30**

**\$90/\$110 - Members/Non-members**

This popular event is the perfect way to spend a lazy Sunday summer evening with friends. Kathy Cary chef/owner of Lilly's – A Kentucky Bistro will work in partnership with local producers of vegetables, cheese, beef, pork and poultry to craft a memorable, delicious and locally-grown menu. Dozens of Dollars will provide entertainment with their unique musical blend of Americana, roots and bluegrass-inspired sounds

### **Day Trip; Lexington**

**Thursday, June 26; 8:30am-5pm**

**Cost: \$90/\$100 Member/Non-member**

Join us for a one-day bus trip to Lexington to tour some fabulous private gardens and other horticultural highlights of the bluegrass. We promise a fun day, beautiful gardens and, as always, a chance to bring home some outstanding plants. Includes motor coach, lunch, snacks, drinks and loads of fun!

## **JULY**

### **Summer Plant Walk**

**Guide: Paul Cappiello, Yew Dell Executive Director**

**Monday, July 7; 6-7:30pm**

**\$15/\$25 - Members/Non-members**

Join Yew Dell director Paul Cappiello on this unscripted walk through the collections. We'll talk about everything in bloom, answer questions about the best varieties for our region and send you home with some new ideas for your own garden.

## **AUGUST**

### **Herb-a-mato Fest**

**Thursday, August 14; 5:30 – 8:30pm**

**Free with regular admission!**

So Herb and Sally Tomato got together to cook up a special event that would celebrate their union and the Herb-a-mato Fest was born. After all, these two garden regulars are a match made in heaven. This event will celebrate all things related to the many uses of herbs and a summer favorite, the plump juicy tomato. You'll meet new herbs and tomatoes that we know you will want to welcome to your garden, kitchen, bath and who knows where else.

### **South Oldham Rotary 3rd Annual Bourbon/Wine Tasting**

**Friday, August 22; 6-9pm**

**\$60 p/p – This is a Rotary Club Event**

*Proceeds benefit: Applepatch & Yew Dell*

For event or ticket information contact Ron Hartman at 502-387-8194

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### **Hummingbird Festival**

**Saturday, August 23; 3-6 pm**

**Free with regular admission!**

Always a summer favorite! Yew Dell's Hummingbird Festival offers the opportunity for all to learn about these amazing little birds, what makes them tick, how to attract them, how to keep them coming and a whole lot more. Local experts will catch and band birds, offering an excellent opportunity to see them up close and learn about hummingbird research. We'll have hummingbird plants for sale, kid's activities, refreshments, tours and as always, local hummingbird photographer Russ Thompson will be on hand to offer photography tips – so don't forget the camera and binoculars!

### **Creative Canine-Friendly Gardens**

**Instructor: Jackie Gulbe, Yew Dell Communication Coordinator and "Pet Lady"**

**Thursday, August 28; 6-7:30**

**\$15/\$25 - Members/Non-members**

It's probably no surprise that many gardeners are also animal lovers. And loving both can often mean that there are some clashes of coexistence in the garden. This fun-filled class will give you some new and clever ways to solve some common problems and tips to avoid future combat.

### **SPRING/SUMMER HOURS**

**Tuesday – Saturday: 10-4pm**

**Thursday 10-4pm - evenings until 8pm beginning May 8!**

**Sunday: Noon-4pm**

**Monday: Closed**



# GARDEN MANAGER'S PAGE

Welcome to the Garden Manager's Page. Each issue, I'll offer a little on what's going on in Yew Dell's gardens, a few tips for your garden and even a few teasers about what's coming down the road.

With the new greenhouse online we have plenty new going on this year but to up the ante, we've decided to tackle a new container plant project. This year we'll be filling some of our containers with a wild array of succulents; tropical and hardy. Horticulture Apprentice Evan Ware put together a great variety of these most accommodating of container plants. Imagine going on vacation for a week and not worrying about watering! Plan a post-Derby visit to check out the plantings.

Visit often this year and remember, we're always happy to have you tap us on the shoulder with a garden question!

*Ann Mattingly*  
Garden Manager

## What's Bloomin' When . . . and Where?

Yew Dell has thousands of different plants, with something in bloom each month of the year. But be sure to check out these collections when they're in bloom.

- Peonies (both tree and herbaceous) – late April through early May around the visitor center.
- Magnolias – April, in the arboretum and along the entrance path.
- Viburnums – April/May, in the arboretum, entrance path and Greens Barn.
- Dogwoods – March/April/May, in the arboretum, entrance path, Greens Barn and Rock House.
- Bottlebrush Buckeye (*Aesculus parviflora*) – May/June; don't miss these beauties along the event lawn.
- Hydrangeas – just about everywhere on the grounds during the months of May and June.



Magnolias



Viburnums



*Scilla hyacinthoides*



*Muscari latifolium*



*Eremurus stenophyllus*

## New bulb plantings worth checking out this spring and summer

- Species tulips that perennialize so much better than the big hybrids – look for them near the castle and visitor center entrance
- Daffodils (*Narcissus* 'Thallia', 'Ice Follies' & 'Barrett Browning') – these mixed plantings will make a show in the main parking lot and event lawn.
- Hyacinth Squill (*Scilla hyacinthoides*) – an excellent early minor bulb in striking purple/blue! You'll find them along the entrance path.
- Grape Hyacinth (*Muscari latifolium*) – super little performer for sun or part shade; purple blooms with fall-emerging foliage. Check them out near the castle and event lawn areas.
- Foxtail Lily (*Eremurus stenophyllus*) – a very cool blaze of color in summer, a real head turner. Look for these at the main gate.
- Spring Starflower (*Ipheion uniflorum*) – a sun bulb with short clumping foliage and white to pale blue spring flowers. Look for these in the border along the event lawn.
- Flowering onion (*Allium* 'Globemaster') – a stunning gigantic ball o' purple! You'll see this new planting near the main gate.

## What to do in your garden . . .

We asked Garden Manager, Ann Mattingly, for her recommendations on what we should all be doing in our gardens in the coming months.

Here are a few of her thoughts.

### APRIL

- Remove the remainder of the winter annual weeds
- Cut back remaining perennial stems
- Direct seed kale, peas, radishes, beets and kohlrabi
- Plant transplants outside; broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, lettuce and other cool weather crops



### MAY

- Cut branches that have not leafed out (winter damage)
- Plant out tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, potatoes and asparagus
- Direct seed squash, pumpkins, melons
- Start scouting garden for blister beetles, cabbage loopers and harlequin beetles

### JUNE

- Fertilize new plantings
- Keep watering! (think about drip irrigation)
- Second application of pre-emergent herbicide
- Scout for rose slugs, pine sawfly and treat as soon as they appear



# Theodore Klein Plant Awards – 2014

## Promoting New and Superior Plants for Kentucky Landscapes

*Cornus* 'KN30-8' Venus® -  
**Hybrid dogwood**



One of the most exciting new small flowering trees on the market today, Venus has massive white blooms up to 7" in diameter, excellent summer foliage and brilliant red/orange fall color. Plant in full sun and with plenty of moisture.

*Corylopsis spicata* –  
**Spike Winter Hazel**



Outstanding for sun or part shade, winterhazel forms a broad shrub to 6'-8' tall and wide. It produces delicate chartreuse flowers in early spring offering a light fragrance. Fall color is a delightful yellow.

*Gymnocladus dioica* -  
**Kentucky Coffee Tree**



The State Heritage Tree of Kentucky! Tough as nails, tall grower to 50' with open branching and interesting bark. Huge doubly compound leaves create lacy shade and turn brilliant gold in autumn.

*Vernonia lettermannii* –  
**Ironweed**



Little known but a fantastic workhorse for the full sun garden. Growing 1'-2' wide and tall, it forms a tight mound of very fine foliage that is covered with intense purple flowers in summer. Thrives in hot, sunny sites, highly pest resistant and a butterfly magnet. 'Iron Butterfly' is an excellent cultivar.

*Hydrangea quercifolia* -  
**Compact Oakleaf Hydrangea Selections**



Oakleaf is a winner in any shade garden but sometimes it's a bit large. These compact selections will stay about 4' tall and 6' wide. 'Pee Wee' is a loose low grower with bold foliage and white blooms. 'Ruby Slippers' offers compact growth with blooms that fade through deep pink/rose. 'Munchkin' is a tight-growing muffin with upright white blooms.

*Solidago 'Solar Cascade'* –  
**Goldenrod**



Don't turn up your nose at this beautiful new offering just because it's a goldenrod. Massive crops of sulfur yellow flowers in late summer cover this 3'-tall mounding and cascading plant. Does best in bright sunny sites and about any soil. Use in sweeps or masses of multiple plants for best effect.



# Volunteers Keep Us Growing!

Nell Pearce Bradley,  
Pam Ray,  
C. Barret Birnsteel



## Yew Dell Adds Three New Board Members

With all the growth going on around here, we are on the constant lookout for talented people to help chart Yew Dell's next chapters.

In that spirit we're happy to announce that three new faces have been added to the Yew Dell board of directors.

Nell Pearce Bradley has been a Yew Dell member since the very beginning - and has been a standout event volunteer including helping to pull off the past two wildly successful Farm to Table dinners. She is one of the key associates in Lenihan Sotheby's Realty, one of the major leaders in Louisville's high-end real estate market. She has 35 years of experience in the local real estate field.

C. Barret Birnsteel is a Principal and Executive Officer at First Bankers Trust in Louisville, a firm he started 13 years ago. He brings more than 45 years of financial experience to our Board, is a dedicated gardener and even owned a local greenhouse business some years back.

Pam Ray has been a key volunteer at Yew Dell having been co-chair of two very successful Twilight events the last two years. Pam is an experienced non-profit board member having organized the Shelbyville Horse Show for some 25 years. She is also an active member of the Shelby County CASA board of directors and on the board of the PNC Broadway Series.

## One Apprentice Moves On ... Another Moves In

Anyone who's been on the grounds this past year will likely have come across Horticulture Apprentice, Evan Ware. Evan has been with us since last spring (she started the week of Plant Sale... brave soul that she is). She has been an absolute delight to have at Yew Dell these past months and we will be sad to see her go (but not nearly as sad as our cat Persimmon will be!) But we are equally proud that Evan is leaving us to start a graduate program in public horticulture administration at Auburn University. Good luck Evan!



Evan Ware and  
Persimmon

And with Evan moving on, we're delighted to welcome our new Horticulture Apprentice Hannah Barry. Hannah graduates this spring from the University of Tennessee's horticulture program - and she'll be in a Yew Dell t-shirt just a few days later. She is an enthusiastic young horticulturist who will spend the next year working closely with garden manager Ann Mattingly in all aspects of our horticulture program. And we're sure she'll wear a few hats during the year as well. After all, our goal is to give apprentices the complete picture of what it takes to run a botanical garden. We're looking forward to having Hannah on the team and hope you will all welcome her when you see her on the grounds this season.



Hannah Barry

Yew Dell's year-long horticulture apprenticeship is a donor-funded opportunity for young horticulturists to spend a full year at Yew Dell, learning all the ins and outs of the operation. Through funds provided by a generous donor, we are able to pay apprentices a stipend, provide housing on the grounds and provide opportunities to attend professional horticulture conferences locally and around the US. It is a unique chance for students to gain valuable experience, learn from established professionals in the field and to begin development of a professional network for the future. Our goal for the future is to have a whole pack of apprentices each year...

**Volunteers help out in just about every aspect of Yew Dell's operations.  
Why not pick out a project and lend a hand!**

### **Volunteer in the Gardens and Grounds:**

Garden Volunteers  
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Trail Managers

### **Special Projects:**

Just ask . . . we have plenty!

### **Volunteer to Help Visitors:**

Visitor Center/Garden Shop volunteers  
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Office Volunteers

Curious about the details? Our volunteer coordinator, Bonnie Heaton, will be happy to fill you in.  
Just give her a call at 502-241-4788 or email her at [Bonnie@yewdellgardens.org](mailto:Bonnie@yewdellgardens.org)



# Growing Young Gardeners

## Books for Growing Young Minds

All available in the Yew Dell Garden Gift Shop!

### **The Little Ladybug, Finger Puppet Book**

This oh so cute little book is sure to be a favorite. After all how many books are interactive? The little ladybug finger puppet is sure to entertain your little one as you read them this short ditty.

### **Diary of a Worm**

This book will definitely be a favorite for all ages. The book is cute, clever and teaches a thing or two as it chronicles the daily doings and hidden world of this underground dweller.

### **Busy Garden, eeBoo Activity Book**

This fun-filled book features coloring, drawing, puzzles and word games for kids 5+ all centered on our favorite subject... the garden. If you are trying to plant the seeds of a love for gardening – this book is a must-have!

## Trivia Question

If you mark an Oak tree's trunk with a red dot three feet off the ground, and measure from the ground to that same dot 10 years later, how much higher do you think that dot will be?

*Post your answers on our Facebook page. If your answer is correct, You will be entered into a drawing to win a Yew Dell t-shirt!*

## Plant the Seeds into the Flower Pot



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## Plant a "Smells like – but sure doesn't look like garden!"

Kids are fascinated by things that surprise them – so why not introduce them to plants that smell like things they are familiar with but look nothing like. How about planting a garden of mints (in a confined manner of course) such as: chocolate, peppermint, ginger, lemon, orange, and apple. Not a mint lover... how about geraniums that smell like roses, lemon, mint, chocolate, pine, nutmeg, and more.

Look for some of these fun plants at the plant sale in April.



## Children in the Dell Reminder!

This fabulous FREE program begins Saturday, May 10; 10:30 – Noon and continues every Saturday until September 27. Kids will spend time with one of our educators participating in seasonal learning activities. It's an awesome opportunity for kids to develop an appreciation for nature and the garden. The program is FREE (with the admission of one guardian) and always FUN!

## Children's Mini Greenhouse

Making a mini greenhouse out of 2-liter soft drink bottles is a fun and inexpensive way to start plants for your garden. Children will enjoy watching the seeds sprout, roots spread and seedlings develop and mature into plants to be transported to the garden.

### **2 Liter Bottle Greenhouse**

#### **Materials:**

Empty clear 2-liter bottle with cap  
Soiless Planting mix (available at your local garden center)

Scissors • Seeds • Plate or tray • Water

1. Clean and rinse out the bottle. Remove the outside label by soaking it in hot water, inside and out!
2. Dry the bottle.
3. Cut the bottle in half, the bottom will be your "planting pot" and the top will be the greenhouse walls.
4. Poke about 4 holes in the bottom of the "planting pot" for drainage. Fill with moist soiless planting mix.
5. Plant the seeds according to package directions.
6. Water the seeds
7. Place the top part of the 2-liter over the top of the "planting pot. You may need to make slits in the top to help it fit better.
8. Store the bottle in a bright location, but out of full sun. You only have to water if you see the soil drying up.
9. When the plants grow large enough, transfer to your garden.



# EMERALD ASH BORER



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