I have come to see surprises as the highest kind of gardening experience.

- Judith Larner Lowry, Author/Gardener

Like the uncorking of a champagne bottle, the unleashed fronds of the Bismarck palm (*Bismarckia nobilis*) produced a popping sound and proudly announced its arrival at TBG. Once transported to its home in the new Modernist Garden, guests oohed and aahed at the new arrival.

While the team had a mere three weeks of intense work to complete the garden installation, there was much more work to do to prepare for this spring season.

Adam, our Horticultural Manager, planted thousands of new tulip and daffodil bulbs. He claims the total is just at 6,000 – but we are realists, and know that not all will produce blooms. What we do know, is that there will be amassing of color this spring along the Ironwood Path, throughout the Historical Garden, behind the Sensory ramadas and at the doorstep of Edna’s Shed in the Herb Garden. The Wildlife Ramada will soon be renamed, the “Woodland Ramada,” and will feature a collection of forest floor plant communities of the southwest mountains.

Forgive me for boasting, but recently we gave a tour to seven Executive Directors from large gardens from across the country. It was gratifying to hear over and over that TBG is a “big garden on a small footprint.” I was reminded of just how comprehensive our cactus and succulent garden is. If it’s been a while, take a stroll and enjoy a geographic tour of plants from Africa, the North American deserts down to Central and South America.

Our Burle Marx inspired classes, lectures, and music series, *Exploraçåo*, is underway, and tickets are on sale for the annual Home and Garden Tour. This year, we revisit the Stromee and Barnes home where we partied a few years ago. Since that time, the backyard went through a complete transformation!

On a final note: the Gardens recently completed a 25-year Master Plan. As part of the plan, an “Expand the Gardens Footprint Fund” has been established. Prompted by the loss of the Fry’s property to another buyer, this fund will help the Gardens be proactive, rather than reactive, when the next opportunity presents itself to grow the Gardens’ footprint. You’ll be hearing about that, and a few other surprises shortly.

Whether it’s the sound of unfolding leaves, a butterfly you discovered in the Cox Butterfly & Orchid Pavilion, a new Brazilian inspired café menu item, or an interesting fact about a crazy looking Brazilian Landscape Architect by the name of Roberto Burle Marx—spring is filled with surprises, and so is the Tucson Botanical Gardens.

Michelle Conklin
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“[Plants] have the power to heal and to harm, the power to survive and sustain. They can even bend the mind and inspire the spirit.”

—Bernice Porter

Juliet Niehaus in Guyana, South America helping to establish a horticulture therapy program.
The practice of horticultural therapy (HT) in the United States draws its roots back to the early 1800s to what is now called Friends Hospital in Philadelphia, where a greenhouse was built to use in conjunction with their patients’ therapeutic needs. Medical professionals found that after working in the greenhouse, clients needed less medication and responded in a much more positive way to physical and mental therapies.

In 1983, Marian Rogers, a Tucson Botanical Gardens Docent, lead the way to create the Gardens’ first HT program. In 1999, Dr. Juliet Niehaus, a certified Horticultural Therapist trained at the Brooklyn Botanic Gardens, joined the Gardens first as a volunteer, then as staff as TBG’s first Director of Horticultural Therapy. Under her leadership, the HT program thrived. Today it is one of the most respected and oldest public garden-based programs still running in the country, and the only formalized HT program of its kind in Arizona.

The Gardens HT Program has served thousands of different individuals from neighboring high schools, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and adult day programs. With an incredible diversity of people and clients from the community, the program offer a wide variety of volunteer-centered programs and even a few graduate apprentice internships for young adults and high school students — some at risk and some wanting to work on job readiness.

Over the past two years, the HT program has focused on onsite garden and nature craft based activities. Staff and volunteers work hands-on with all our clients and facilitate inclusion and accessibility. While clients learn how to recognize, care for and propagate plants, they gain self-esteem and are presented with opportunities to socialize and strengthen motor and communication skills. For many people in the program, being a part of horticultural therapy goes beyond the task, and can simply spark a sense of well-being through the smells and tactile sensations throughout the Gardens.
After 21 years with the Gardens, 19 of those as the Director of Horticultural Therapy, Dr. Juliet Niehaus will be retiring from the day to day duties at the Gardens.

As we look back at her achievements during her tenure at TBG, the list is long and impressive. Here are just a few of her many accomplishments.

- Developed the Heritage Plant Intergenerational Project which brought seniors and high school students together to record and gather memories.
- Wrote and edited the publication, Through the Generations: Heritage Plants in Mexican American Home Gardens, as well as Nuestras Recetas – Our Recipes – Recipes from El Pueblo Seniors.
- Developed the first, TBG Volunteer Training Program for those Disabilities as well as, Grow with Gardening program.
- Created a Guided Apprenticeship Program for high school students with special needs.
- Managed the Barrio Garden remodel in 2014.
- Created in partnership with Casa de la Luz Hospice, “A Natural Journey: Living and Dying in the Old Pueblo.”
- Created the annual event, “Feast of the Dearly Departed.”
- By invitation of the US Federal Government, Juliet traveled to Guyana, South America to help develop and set up a horticultural therapy program.
- Traveled to senior centers throughout Arizona to train the trainers.
- Received the “Jim Wilson Mentoring Award” from the Garden Writers Association.
- Received the Diane Lynn Anderson Memorial Award.

I have my own memories of Juliet at the Gardens – attending her wedding in the Xeriscape Garden, working on grant deadlines together, helping her prepare for program receptions and admiring the energy it took for her to gather dried flowers, plants and bags of soil in preparation for group visits. The level of love and dedication to the program, and to the people she served, was remarkable to behold. Juliet cares deeply about not only the people she was entrusted with, but every living creature who lived on the gardens property – chickens, bugs, butterflies… While it’s tough to say goodbye to a colleague, we know there are good things in the future for Juliet, and she will forever be a part of the Gardens’ history.
APPRECIATION

TEACHER

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Trees and plants exploring the agers

and discovery led by gardeners.

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ADD-ONS

FIELD TRIP

FOR TEACHERS

GARDENS AT THE GARDENS

EDUCATION

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https://science.arizona.edu/community-engagement/science-349

for some much-deserved recognition.

Enjoy a refreshing, good evening at the Tucson Botanical

Gardens free of charge with one drink on

Teachers receive free admission and two drinks on

Gardens of the Tucson Botanical Gardens (open until 8pm).

Guests of the Science Cafes are invited to stroll the gardens following the talk.

Science Cafe

¢ The Garden

Dr. Scott Sleskak

March 5

Dr. Joost van Haren

April 2

Dr. Vanessa Buzzard

May 7

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The theme of this talk will be the future of the

Amazon rainforest. In the context of the new
development crisis of 2019, the

trends of this talk will be the future of the
COMMUNITY CLASSES & PROGRAMS

GARDENING

HOW TO BE AN ALL-STAR GARDENER
Wednesday, March 4, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

“The Dirt” on Healthy Soil
Saturday, March 7, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

Landscape Design for Colorful Gardens
Saturday, March 7, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

Raised Bed Gardening
Saturday, March 21st, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

Building Healthy Soil
Friday, April 10th, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

Indoor Vegetable Gardening
Saturday, April 25th, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

Bountiful Hot Weather Gardening
Friday, May 8th, 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

NATURE & ECOLOGY

Songbirds Part 3: Sparrows to Goldfinches
Friday, March 27, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

Venomous Snakes
Friday, April 10, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

Ghost Birds
Thursday, April 23, 6:00–8:00 p.m.
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

WELLNESS

Garden Meditation
March: Tuesdays, 8:30–9:15 a.m.
Series of 5 Classes: $40 Member/$50 Non-Member
April: Tuesdays, 8:30–9:15 a.m.
Series of 4 Classes: $32 Member/$40 Non-Member
May: Tuesdays, 8:30–9:15 a.m.
Series of 5 Classes: $32 Member/$40 Non-Member

Mindful Yoga
March: Tuesdays, 8:30–9:30 a.m.
Series of 5 Classes: $40 Member/$50 Non-Member
Drop-In: $12 Member/$15 Non-Member
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Series of 5 Classes: $40 Member/$50 Non-Member
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ART

ARTISTIC EXPRESSION UNDER GLASS
Tuesday, March 3, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
$75.20 Member/$94 Non-Member

DRAWING ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF YOUR BRAIN
Wednesday, March 11, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
$44 Member/$55 Non-Member

GLASS CACTUS GARDEN
Saturday, March 14, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
$44 Member/$55 Non-Member

INTRODUCTION TO MODERN CALIGRAPHY
Friday, March 20, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
$40 Member/$50 Non-Member

THE GARDEN OF WRITING RETREAT
Sunday, March 22, 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
$104 Member/$130 Non-Member

PINE NEEDLE CASTING
Friday, April 3, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
$56 Member/$70 Non-Member

THE BOLD MODERNISM OF BURLE MARX
Saturday, April 25, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
$52 Member/$65 Non-Member

GARDEN MEDITATION IN INK
Saturday, April 25, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
$52 Member/$65 Non-Member

POSTCARDS FROM THE GARDEN
Sunday, May 5, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
$52 Member/$65 Non-Member

BEES, WASPS, AND ANTS
Friday, May 15, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m
$16 Member/$20 Non-Member

BOTANICAL ARTS

OHARA IKEBANA: THE GENTLE ART OF JAPANESE FLOWER ARRANGING
Thursdays: March 19, 26, April 2, 16, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Series of 4 Classes: $128 Member/$160 Non-Member

COOKING

MAKING HERBAL “ZOOM” BALLS
Friday, April 3, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
$60 Member/$48 Non-Member

CARNE SECA, MACHACA, AND TORTILLAS
Tuesday, April 7, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
$75 Member/$60 Non-Member

MEXICAN PANADERIA CLASSICS
Tuesday, May 12, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
$75 Member/$60 Non-Member

For more details on TBG Community Classes & Programs
please visit TBG website or contact the Director of Education
at education1@tucsonbotanical.org
NATIONAL PHENOLOGY NETWORK (ONGOING)

DOCTORS AND VOLUNTEERS

Edible Tours

Edible Tours are designed for families with children of all ages. They are designed to meet the needs of families who are interested in learning about the local food systems and how they can be supported. Teachers and students can use these tours to learn about the local food systems and how to support them. The tours are led by local residents who are knowledgeable about the local food systems and how they can be supported.

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SPRING FAIRE

Youth and Family Events

Youth Horticulture Club

For more information about each class and how to register,
please email education@mpcsfoundation.org or call (520) 326-9986 ext. 398.
I recently received an inquiry from a guest asking if our Garden is “sustainable.” I don’t think they realized how complicated that simple question is. The term, sustainable, means different things to different people. To me, sustainability refers to practices and a journey. So, to answer the question, I started listing our efforts towards sustainability and realized I’ve never tried to summarize all that we do. Below is a snap-shot of our practices in facilities and horticulture that help sustain the Gardens, our community and our environment.

There are always ways to improve sustainability and our dedicated team is always looking to do better. However, I am proud at how much we have already accomplished.

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Addressing waste streams is an integral part of sustainable practices. The Gardens generate tons of dead or unwanted plant material on a monthly basis. The sheer volume of material is impossible for us to deal with onsite so we have partnered with Tanks Green Stuffs to take our weeds and trimmings and turn them into compost and mulch. In a three month period this partnership diverts more than 5 tons of debris from landfills. We also do some in-house composting of Café Botanica’s kitchen scraps, old potting soil and manure from the chickens.

Keeping the Gardens in bloom takes a fair amount of inputs. We use the compost and mulch from Tanks, as well as coffee grounds from local shops and coffee husks from local roasters. I am also a big fan of pecan-shell mulch from local orchards, not only for its color, but also because it helps lower the soil pH which means we can use less amendments that are not locally produced.

When we do use fertilizers and amendments not produced locally, we prioritize local suppliers and only use organics. The same is true when we address pest issues. First we address them mechanically, but if necessary we look to local vendors for organic solutions. We also look to local nurseries and growers first when making plant purchases.

Obviously, water use is a major concern for a garden that is an oasis in the desert. Our plant collection focuses on arid adapted and drought hardy species. We utilize both active and passive water harvesting techniques with multiple French drains and cisterns (both above ground and below) around the property. We work hard to keep our drip irrigation in good repair and up to date. And we mulch, mulch, mulch.

Improvements are always being made to our electrical system as we lighten the load by replacing old bulbs and fixtures with LEDs. We supplement our energy consumption with onsite solar panels. And, as I type this, our solar energy production just increased a little bit with the addition of a solar heater for our chickens. Our buildings also receive the energy saving benefits from our 80% tree canopy (and we keep planting more).

With so many fountains and flowers, the Gardens is a magnet for bees. Removal of honey bee swarms can be very expensive and, many times, results in the death of the colony. The many environmental threats to bees made this a major concern. By partnering with a local apiarist we have set up “bee boxes” all around the grounds that attract the swarms and enable them to be removed from the property with little stress to the colony.

Part of sustaining can also include restoring and protecting. The Gardens serve as a foothold habitat, not just for the flora of the Sonoran Desert, but also the fauna. TBG is certified as a wildlife habitat and a monarch way station. We make efforts to choose bird friendly plants not just in the Backyard Bird Garden, but all around the grounds. Our native bee sculptures house many bee species and our wide floral pallet supports pollinators year round. Using organic horticultural practices ensure that the lizards, birds and bugs can thrive, keeping systemic poisons out of the food chain.

A garden, any garden, is ultimately sustained by human energy. TBG is no different. It takes the love and care from every employee to sustain, improve and grow the Gardens. It takes the commitment of our donors, community partners, and our membership to ensure that Gardens remain on a sustainable path.

Small image: Pecan shell mulch
Large image: Rainwater harvesting cistern
Leaves a Legacy

WHY A WILL OR ESTATE PLAN?
Essentials to help your family and community

The Gardens’ free workshops walk you through the process of planning to secure your future legacy, benefit your loved ones and make a lasting difference in our community. They are open to anyone interested in a practical session about estate planning in Arizona.

Since the Gardens’ beginnings 40 years ago, bequests and other planned gifts have had an enduring impact and provided vital support for Tucson Botanical Gardens’ mission. These gifts touch every department and program, including horticultural therapy, Butterfly Magic, youth education, exhibitions, expansion, and so much more.

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FREE WORKSHOPS

WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING IN ARIZONA
Guidance for those just starting to plan, and for those who may need to make updates.
Tuesday, March 24th, at 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. | RSVP by March 20th

ARE YOU RAISING CHILDREN?
Estate Planning Seminar for Parents and Grandparents

Whether you are a parent of young children or teens, or a grandparent caring for grandkids in your home, learn what you need to know to protect their futures.
Monday, March 30th, at 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. | RSVP by March 26th

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or email development@tucsonbotanical.org

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Gifts may be made by mail, telephone or by donating online www.tucsonbotanical.org/donate/
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Brunch, snacks and reception included.

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