

Native Plant Week in Fort Collins 2017

June 10th – 17th

Celebrate Native Plants Kick-off Event!

June 10, 10am-Noon. FREE
Gardens on Spring Creek, 2145 Centre Ave

Speakers

Come celebrate and learn all about native plants and how to use them in your yard from a diverse collection of riveting speakers. Please join us at 10am for the welcome followed by a variety of 15min breakout sessions. Door prizes too!!!

Native Plants Matter! By Renee Galeano-Popp, President Northern Chapter CO Native Plant Society
Discover what native plants are, what threats they face and how you can get involved.

Habitat Hero: Wildscaping 101 By Tonya Dunn, Wildscape Ambassador of Audubon Rockies
Wildscaping is the act of restoring native plant communities, one garden patch at a time. Learn how to create wildlife-friendly gardens that help combat the loss of open spaces and create green corridors that link your wildscape to larger natural areas.

Go Native! Using Native Plants in Your Home Garden By Ann Grant, Colorado Native Plant Society
What the Colorado Native Plant Society can do for you plus advice on landscaping with native plants.

Native Plant Master Program at CSU Extension By Karen Crumbaker, NPM Leader
Are you interested in learning about Colorado native plants and how to identify them? The CSU Native Plant Master Program is designed to educate participants in an outdoor classroom setting at natural areas, open spaces, and state parks.

The Impact of Noxious Weeds on Native Plant Communities and Local Resources Available for Mitigation By Casey Cisneros, Land Stewardship Manager, Larimer County Natural Resources
Invasive exotic species and destruction of habitat are the two leading causes behind local and global species extinctions. Larimer County Natural Resources works to address both noxious weeds and land conservation.

Right Tree in the Right Place...We All Know This- Right? By Dave Lentz, Larimer County Forester
The front range of Larimer County rises from 5,000' to over 10,000'. By planting and managing the right trees in the right places, they have a better chance of surviving the environment including pests.

Twenty-five years of Native Plants, By Crystal Strouse, City of Fort Collins Botanist
The City of Fort Collins Natural Areas Department has been conserving, using and promoting native plants for 25 years. Learn about our dedication to native plants in the past, present and future.



A Week of Native Plant Activities and Events!

Nature Journaling Hike

Saturday, June 10 , 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Red Mtn Open Space

Join Larimer County naturalists for a guided journaling hike at [Red Mountain Open Space](#). Armed with nothing but your thoughts, a pen and paper, you will immerse yourself in nature to learn journaling techniques and grow your ideas and observations. Easy hike. Please dress appropriately for the weather and bring a pen, a notebook and some water for the trail. Program is free, but registration is required. Go to [offerolarimer.org](#) to sign up. Contact: Andy at 970- 619-4565.

Wildflower Walk

Saturday, June 10, 9-11:30 a.m. Hermit Park Open Space

Join Larimer County naturalists for a guided wildflower walk just south east of Estes Park off of Hwy 36. Find what's in bloom, while learning fun facts about local plant communities. Easy hike. Please dress appropriately for the weather, and pack some water. Program is free, but registration is required. Go to [offerolarimer.org](#) to sign up. Contact: Andy at 970- 619-4565.

Read and Seed

Monday and Tuesday, June 12 & 13, 10:00 & 11:00 a.m.
The Gardens on Spring Creek

Story time plus a fun, educational hands-on activity. This program will help your child develop the school readiness skills of early language comprehension and fine motor skills while encouraging creativity, curiosity and exploration of the natural world. For children 0-5 with adult \$3 Limited enrollment. Contact: 970-416-2486

Hometown Habitat Movie Screening

Monday, June 12, 7:00-8:30 p.m. The Gardens on Spring Creek

Renowned entomologist Dr. Douglas Tallamy, tells stories of bringing nature home in this inspiring documentary. Free screening. Contact: 970-416-2486

Jewel in the City: The Nix Farm Native Plant Garden

Tuesday, June 13, 9:00 a.m. Nix Farm 1745 Hoffman Mill

Learn why native plants are important for birds, pollinators, and other wildlife. Explore the Nix Native Plant Garden. Come away with some wildflower seeds and ideas for incorporating native plants in your home gardens. Bring water, sun protection, and any other comforts you might need. For families and adults. Registration required at [fcgov.com/register](#)

Celebrating Native Plants at the Gardens

Tuesday, June 13, 5:00 -7:00 p.m. The Gardens on Spring Creek

One of the Twilight Garden Series evenings sponsored by CSU and the Gardens. Guided tours of native shrubs and perennials plus advice on landscaping with natives. Adults \$10 Contact: Sherri Fuller fuller@fcgov.com

Wildflowers Through the Seasons

Wednesday, June 14, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Bobcat Ridge Natural Area

Walk with us to see what's in bloom and learn about native plants. Easy hike (1-2 miles). All ages welcome. Registration required at [fcgov.com/register](#)

Wild and Wonderful Plants of the Foothills

Saturday, June 17, 9 - 11 a.m. Pinewood Reservoir

Join Larimer County Naturalists and Kathy Keeler, A Wandering Botanist, on a guided walk starting at Blue Mountain Trailhead, located southwest of Loveland off of County Road 18E/Pole Hill Rd. See what's in bloom and hear stories about the history and folklore of our Colorado plants. Easy hike. Please dress appropriately for the weather and pack some water. Program is free, but registration is required. Go to [offerolarimer.org](#) to sign up. Contact Andy at 970- 619-4565.

RARE II: Imperiled Plants of Colorado

Saturday, May 6 – August 6 The Museum Of Discovery

Opportunity to view this traveling exhibit of rare plant illustrations from the Rocky Mountain Society of Botanical Artists. Free with price of admission.

