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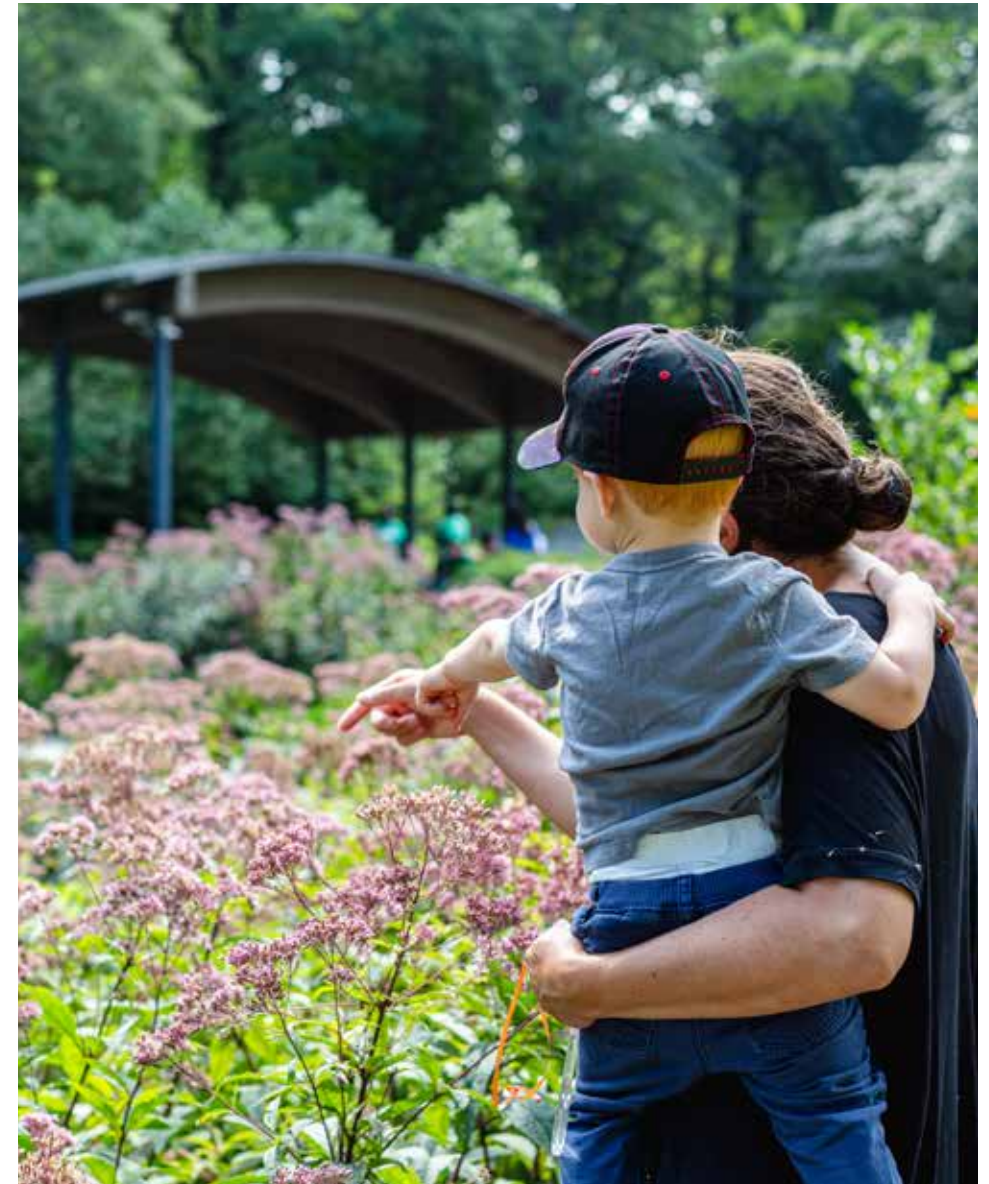
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Welcome to Family Programs!

Every day at The New York Botanical Garden families can embark on an exciting adventure to discover the world of plants and to make lifelong connections with nature.



Discover all family activities at nybg.org/families

Learning Spaces Designed for Kids

NYBG's Edible Academy and Everett Children's Adventure Garden offer daily activities in nature play, plant science, and gardening. These facilities also allow for a deeper understanding of the natural world through seasonal programs for ages 2–13.



EDIBLE ACADEMY

Programs at the Edible Academy reinforce important connections among plants, science, nutrition, and the benefits of a healthful lifestyle. The three-acre campus hosts year-round programming in a LEED Gold-certified classroom building featuring green technology, a teaching greenhouse, a demonstration kitchen and technology lab, and organic vegetable gardens.

SAVE THE DATES

Solstice Celebration Weekend
June 20–21

Totally Tomatoes Weekend
August 8–9

Honey & Harvest Weekend
October 10–12

EVERETT CHILDREN'S ADVENTURE GARDEN

Programs in the Everett Children's Adventure Garden encourage children to actively investigate science and nature in a 12-acre landscape that features a series of lush environments, including a pond, woodland, and meadow. The indoor Discovery Center and teaching greenhouse are filled with plants, books, toys, and activities that enhance children's discoveries about the natural world.

SAVE THE DATES

Earth Day 50 Celebration
April 25 and 26

**Spooky Pumpkin
Garden Nights**
October 23 and 24



Discover Nature as a Family

A lifelong love of gardening and the outdoors starts at NYBG, with hands-on opportunities for kids and families offered every day and in all seasons.



DAILY DROP-IN FAMILY PROGRAMS

Outdoor Nature Exploration in the Everett Children's Adventure Garden

Children discover nature and plant science through exciting explorations and investigations indoors and throughout our outdoor 12-acre garden. Each season offers new themes to investigate through hands-on activities and take-home projects, from pumpkins and evergreens to buds and bogs!

Year-Round

Tuesdays–Sundays and Monday Holidays; for hours, visit nybg.org/families

Seasonal Programs

- Celebrate Black History Month: Rooted in Plants: January 28–March 1
- Be a Plant Champion!: March 3–May 8
- Spooky Pumpkin Garden: September 26–November 1
- Tree-rific Trees: November 3–November 20
- Evergreen Express: November 21–January 18

Hands-On Gardening Activities in the Edible Academy

Children are invited to roll up their sleeves and help tend the gardens in the Edible Academy. Dig in the soil, sow seeds, water the seedlings, and harvest ripe produce. Each season offers new themes to investigate through hands-on activities and take-home projects.

April 4–November 1

Tuesdays–Sundays and Monday Holidays; for hours, visit nybg.org/families

Seasonal Programs

- Wake Up, Garden!: April 4–May 10
- Salad Days: May 12–June 19
- Solstice Celebration Weekend: June 20–21
- Scent-sational Herbs: June 23–July 12
- Pickle Me!: July 14 –August 7
- Totally Tomatoes Weekend: August 8–9
- Pollinator Pals: August 11–September 13
- Three Sisters: Corn, Beans, Squash: September 15–October 9
- Honey & Harvest Weekend: October 10–12
- Goodnight, Garden: October 13–November 1

Edible Academy Fresh from the Garden Tastings

Cooking demonstrations encourage families to get hands-on with healthy cooking. New recipes featuring plants grown in the Edible Academy are offered each week.

May 13–November 1

Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays; 2 and 4 p.m.

Purchase your *All-Garden Pass* at nybg.org

Explore Nature Together

Looking for more meaningful activities to share the great outdoors with your young learner? NYBG's Nature Explorers Program allows toddlers and their caregivers the chance to explore nature together.



NATURE EXPLORERS PROGRAM

Programs for Caregivers and Children (Ages 2–3)

Toddlers love adventures! Come along with your little one on a guided hike to discover the best spots in the Garden in each season. This hour-long program is designed for young children and their caregivers to explore areas of NYBG that have a scale and seasonal interest just right for little nature lovers. Each session includes songs, stories, and take-home projects.

\$150 Non-Member | \$135 Member

Receive a 10% discount when you enroll in and pay for two or more seasons. Use code NE1020 at checkout.

Please note: One adult must attend with the registered child. Meet at the entrance to the Everett Children's Adventure Garden.

Winter

6 Sundays, January 26–March 8 (no class 2/16)
Section A: 10–11 a.m.

6 Wednesdays, January 29–March 11 (no class 2/19)
Section B: 10–11 a.m.

Spring

6 Sundays, April 19–June 7 (no class 5/10 & 5/24)
Section C: 10–11 a.m.

6 Wednesdays, April 22–May 27
Section D: 10–11 a.m.

Summer

6 Wednesdays, July 8–August 12
Section E: 10–11 a.m.

6 Sundays, July 12–August 16
Section F: 10–11 a.m.

Fall

6 Sundays, September 13–October 25 (no class 10/11)
Section G: 10–11 a.m.

6 Wednesdays, September 16–October 21
Section H: 10–11 a.m.

Come Grow With Us

The Children's Gardening Program offers the perfect way for kids to get outside and get their hands dirty at the newly opened Edible Academy. Guided by instructors, children plant, tend, and harvest fresh vegetables and herbs, and learn about topics from pollination to composting. Each gardening season offers unique and engaging activities customized for children ages 3–12. Register for one or more seasons!



CHILDREN'S GARDENING PROGRAM

Sprouts Program (Ages 3–5)

Accompanied by a parent or guardian, children ages 3–5 experience nature up close while investigating living things, tasting new foods, and making crafts. Spring through fall, Sprouts are introduced to the fun of planting and harvesting in the garden. In the winter, Sprouts explore the winter garden and our greenhouse, using both for seasonal activities.

\$175 Non-Member | \$159 Member

Fee includes all materials and participant t-shirt. Please note: One adult must attend per participant; no infants, toddlers, or older siblings. Programs run rain or shine.

Winter

Section A: 6 Saturdays, 1–2:30 p.m., January 25–March 7 (no class 2/15)

Spring

Section B: 6 Saturdays, 9:30–11 a.m., April 25–June 6 (no class 5/23)

Section C: 6 Tuesdays, 9:30–11 a.m., April 28–June 2

Section D: 6 Thursdays, 9:30–11 a.m., April 30–June 4

Summer

Section E: 6 Tuesdays, 9:30–11 a.m., July 7–August 11

Section F: 6 Thursdays, 9:30–11 a.m., July 9–August 13

Section G: 6 Saturdays, 9:30–11 a.m., July 11–August 15

Fall

Section H: 6 Saturdays, 9:30–11 a.m., September 12–October 24 (no class 10/10)

Section I: 6 Tuesdays, 9:30–11 a.m., September 15–October 20

Section J: 6 Thursdays, 9:30–11 a.m., September 17–October 22



CHILDREN'S GARDENING PROGRAM

Crafters Program (Ages 6–12)

Crafters experience seasonal themes and activities while exploring our edible garden. Spring through fall, kids plant tasty vegetables, fresh herbs, and beautiful flowers; and then take home organic produce harvested from their very own garden plot! In the winter, Crafters investigate the garden, the greenhouse and cold weather gardening techniques while preparing for the busy planting season ahead.

Winter

\$130 Non-Member / \$117 Member

6 Saturdays, 9–11 a.m., January 25–March 7 (no class 2/15)

Spring

\$220 Non-Member / \$198 Member

12 Saturdays, 9–11:30 a.m., March 21–June 13 (no class 5/23)

Summer

\$220 Non-Member / \$198 Member

6 Tuesdays and 6 Thursdays, 9–11:30 a.m., July 7–August 13

Fall

\$180 Non-Member / \$162 Member

10 Saturdays, 9–11:30 a.m., September 12–November 21 (no class 10/10)

Fee includes all materials and participant t-shirt. Programs run rain or shine.



CHILDREN'S GARDENING PROGRAM

Registration Information

Enrollment is limited. Receive a 10% discount when you enroll in and pay for two or more seasons. Use code CGP1020 at checkout.

4 Easy Ways to Register Starting in December

Online nybg.org/cgp

Phone 718.817.8181

Mail or Fax Download a Registration Form at nybg.org/cgp

Mail completed forms to:

Children's Gardening Program
New York Botanical Garden
2900 Southern Boulevard
Bronx, NY 10458-5126

Fax to:

718.220.6504
(Attn: Children's Gardening Program)

Payment must be received at least two weeks prior to start of program. Online, phone, and fax registrations require credit card payment.

Make checks payable to The New York Botanical Garden.

Cancellation Policy: A full refund, less a \$5 administrative fee, is given for withdrawals at least 10 business days before the program begins. Withdrawals after this time and through the first session are charged for one session plus administrative fee. No refunds processed after the second session.

Scholarships

Partial scholarships are available thanks to the generosity of the Rebecca Sealy Mallory Foundation. Scholarships are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. For scholarship application instructions, visit nybg.org/cgp or call 718.817.8126.

Calling All Campers

Looking for enriching activities for your child over Winter and Spring Breaks? Weeklong science and nature camps for kids in Grades K–5 feature indoor and outdoor explorations, science investigations, and more in NYBG’s 250-acre landscape.



WINTER AND SPRING BREAK CAMPS

Cool Science Camp (for Children Currently in Grades K–5)

Campers chill out with fun science experiments, games, and hands-on activities during Winter Break Camp. Kids explore states of matter by turning liquids into solids and investigate adaptations that allow plants and animals to survive cold, icy winters. They warm up with visits to the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory's tropical and desert collections to compare the plants growing in these environments.

\$240 Non-Member | \$220 Member
February 18–21; 9 a.m.–3 p.m.*

Section 1: Grades K–2
Section 2: Grades 3–5

Spring into Science Camp (for Children Currently in Grades K–2)

Kids celebrate the wonders of the spring season at The New York Botanical Garden. Using the Everett Children's Adventure Garden as a home base, campers explore the special spots throughout the NYBG grounds where buds are blooming, animals are busy nesting, and other signs of spring are unfolding. Experiments, hands-on activities, and fun science games and crafts round out each day.

\$300 Non-Member | \$275 Member
April 13–17; 9 a.m.–3 p.m.*

Section 1: Grades K–2

Green Thumbs Gardening Camp (for Children Currently in Grades K–5)

Dig in to the spring season! Using the Edible Academy's greenhouse, classroom building, and gardens, campers will investigate plant growth and learn all about vegetables. Children will engage in hands-on culinary activities, garden-focused art projects, and craft activities.

\$300 Non-Member | \$275 Member
April 13–17; 9 a.m.–3 p.m.*

Section 1: Grades K–2
Section 2: Grades 3–5

**Early drop-off (8 a.m.), late pickup (5 p.m.), and extended pickup (until 6 p.m.) available. Pre-registration is required.*

Summertime and the Camping Is Fine

The Everett Children's Adventure Garden and the Edible Academy are the places to be for kids on Summer Break! Choose among several different day camps—offering playful and creative opportunities for children entering Grades K–8 in Fall 2020.



SUMMER BREAK CAMPS AT THE EDIBLE ACADEMY

Culinary, Sustainability, and Art Camps (for Children Entering Grades K–5 in Fall 2020)

Weeklong camps at the beautiful Edible Academy campus use the gardens as inspiration for culinary innovation, environmental stewardship, and art projects. Sign up for one, two, or all three themes.

Weekly: \$350 Non-Member \$315 Member

3-Week Summer Session: Save 10% when you use code EASU20 at checkout.

Session 1: July 6–24, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.*

Session 2: August 3–21, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.*

Grow It, Cook It, Eat It Camp

Session 1: July 6–10

Session 2: August 3–7

Whether you are a “top chef” or a beginner in the kitchen, sharpen your skills! From harvesting techniques to exploring the garden, make connections from garden to plate. Mix, measure, and flavor produce in creative recipes both healthful and delicious. Explore the stories of historical and contemporary chefs. Younger campers are introduced to new flavors and culinary tools. Older campers will explore new dishes and culinary techniques, and investigate the origins of favorite food crops.

Garden Stewards Camp

Session 1: July 13–17

Session 2: August 10–14

Are you a garden steward? Explore the fun of a good green life—from living roofs to pollinator-friendly plants to organic gardening techniques. Inspired by the Edible Academy campus' green technology, campers will dig into composting in an exploration of cycles and ecosystems, and investigate how the sun powers people, plants, and animals. Younger campers explore sustainability through hands-on activities. Older campers use these activities to dive deeper into environmental stewardship.

Paint, Craft, Create Camp

Session 1: July 20–24

Session 2: August 17–21

Calling all budding artists to paint, craft, and create in the garden! Learn about art inspired by nature, then use new and familiar media to make your own masterpieces inspired by the beautiful Edible Academy campus and the Garden grounds. Younger campers explore the shapes, colors, and textures of the outdoors. Older artists build curiosity and self-confidence in creative self-expression.

**Early drop-off (8 a.m.), late pickup (5 p.m.), and extended pickup (until 6 p.m.) available. Pre-registration is required.*

SUMMER BREAK CAMPS

Science Camps (for Children Entering Grades K–5 in Fall 2020)

Discover the world using a mix of nature exploration, science activities, art, group projects, and more in our vast 250 acres. Sign up for one, two, or all three weeks within a session.

Weekly: \$350 Non-Member | \$315 Member

3-Week Summer Session: Save 10% when you use code CPSU20 at checkout.

Session 1: July 6–24; 9 a.m.–3 p.m.*

Session 2: August 3–21; 9 a.m.–3 p.m.*

In order to ensure availability for all camp families, summer camp participation is limited to three weeks per camper. Choose any three weeks that fit your schedule:

Plant Explorers Camp

Campers become junior scientists as they go behind the scenes to learn about the amazing science research happening at NYBG. Campers design experiments and collect data out in the “field” on lots of exciting organisms and phenomena!

Session 1: July 6–10

Session 2: August 3–7

Forest Adventure Camp

Help your kids develop a love of nature! Through forest hikes, nature explorations, and scavenger hunts, campers will experience the wonderful world of our native woodlands.

Session 1: July 13–17

Session 2: August 10–14

Wild Wetlands Camp

Have your kids ever wanted to get their “feet wet” and learn about the amazing world of marshes, ponds, and rivers? This camp allows children to act like scientists and explore these habitats.

Session 1: July 20–24

Session 2: August 17–21

**Early drop-off (8 a.m.), late pickup (5 p.m.), and extended pickup (until 6 p.m.) available. Pre-registration is required.*

Register at nybg.org/camps

SUMMER BREAK CAMPS

Summer Field Science Camps (for Children Entering Grades 6–8 in Fall 2020)

Do you have a tween who loves spending time outdoors, collecting data, and working in teams? Students will dig in as they learn more about the plants and animals on the Garden grounds and go behind the scenes to find out about field research happening at the Garden, in the city, and around the world!

Weekly: \$350 Non-Member | \$315 Member

3-Week Summer Session: Save 10% when you use code SCISU20 at checkout.

August 3–21, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

EcoQuest Camp

August 3–7

Campers explore unique ecosystems to collect data on biodiversity. Soil testing, forest diversity sampling, and water quality monitoring are some of the methods campers will practice as they gather information and report on findings.

Kids Count! Citizen Science Camp

August 10–14

Campers learn about citizen science projects happening all over the world, and participate in projects happening at NYBG. Teams use tools such as iNaturalist to observe plants and animals, and contribute data to science.

Earth Avengers Camp

August 17–21

Campers make a difference at NYBG! Learn about native and exotic plant and animal species. Campers can advocate for natural habitat restoration by creating seed “bombs,” bird and bat houses, and insect hotels.

**Early drop-off (8 a.m.), late pickup (5 p.m.), and extended pickup (until 6 p.m.) available. Pre-registration is required.*



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