Mission Statement: To inspire people of all ages to connect with plants and nature.
**Now is the Time to “Come Grow with Us!”**

Julian Duval, President/CEO

Over the past several years I have been providing updates on the design and progress for the expansion of Quail Botanical Gardens. However, I have always had to hedge on providing a time line. Not any more. Our “Come Grow with Us!” campaign has made tremendous progress under the leadership of QBGF Trustees Tyler Miller and Neil Hokanson who co-chair the campaign. We set a very ambitious goal of 3.5 million dollars for our first phase of the expansion and I am extremely pleased to report that we are rapidly approaching 80% of this goal.

Work has already begun on the site and we have an aggressive schedule to open our first phase early summer in 2009. We are confident that we will be able to include all of the garden designs intended for first phase, however, we need everyone’s help in reaching our financial goal. All the first phase elements are listed in this issue of Quail Tracks along with the site plan (see page 8 and 9). The list also includes a number of attractive naming opportunities in the Children’s Garden that are still available. Please contact me or Tracie Barham, QBG Director of Development, if you are interested in a naming opportunity or would like more information. There are also Commemorative Tiles, which can be personalized to remember or honor a friend or loved one in the new Children’s Garden (see page 13).

The financial goal for the campaign and the expansion itself is the greatest challenge the Gardens has faced since it became self supporting in 1993. But we are clearly on the right track to meet this challenge as shown by the success and growth of the 32 acre existing Gardens. We have had record attendance for each of the past four years and we are well on our way to a fifth record year. Our membership has grown by 80% since 2003 and is now over 4,000 strong.

There are more people now than ever before who know the Gardens and support it because they see the value in what has been accomplished. There have been many improvements to the visitor experience in the Gardens but the extremely successful Seeds of Wonder Children’s Garden does stand out as a reason for the Gardens’ popularity. Also, I want to assure you that while we are in the process of installing a new Children’s Garden that is...
Ground Breaking Ceremony

On June 28, we hope you will be our guest at a special event to officially “break ground” for the new Children’s Garden. This ceremonious happening will involve the community leaders who have combined their time, treasure, and talent to make the new Garden a reality. Watch your mailbox for an invitation.

Grading Begins on Expansion Project

five times the size of Seeds of Wonder, Seeds of Wonder is here to stay. The new Children’s Garden will build on the success of Seeds of Wonder as there is no doubt that parents sense the need for their children to have outdoor experiences with nature that are real and not just virtual.

Our plan to provide this type of quality experience for children encouraged the Gardens’ wonderful friend and supporter, Frances Hamilton White, to pledge the leadership gift that energized the campaign. This gift, and the Children’s Garden concept, encouraged unanimous support from the Encinitas City Council to provide the 4.5 acre adjacent property on long term lease to QBG for the expansion. More recently, we received a very generous gift from County Supervisor Pam Slater Price and the County of San Diego. Momentum continues to build.

Everyone can relate to how important this project is, and as Richard Louv states in his book, Last Child in the Woods – Saving our Children from Nature Deficit Disorder, “In our bones we need the natural curves of hills, the scent of chaparral, the whisper of pines, the possibility of wilderness. We require these patches of nature for our mental health and our spiritual resilience. Future generations, regardless of whatever recreation or sport is in vogue, will need nature all the more.”

We are doing our best to get this issue of Quail Tracks out early so you can have some background information about this exciting new project before the Ground Breaking Ceremony planned for Saturday, June 28. We invite you to join us and share in the excitement of this special time and “Come Grow with Us!”
Hemerocallis Show and Sale
July 5 • 1 – 4 PM

In this spectacular display, members from the Southwest Hemerocallis Society showcase their best daylilies from the garden, judged for ribbons. Activities include a plant sale and tours of the daylilies at Quail Botanical Gardens.

Cost: Free with admission to the Gardens

Annual Family Insect Festival
July 12 and 13 • 10 AM – 4 PM

This one-of-a-kind event features thousands of fascinating creepy-crawlies, including live insects, lizards, snakes, and the famous “Madagascar hissing cockroaches.” Children 12 and under are admitted free and can practice bug collecting, hands-on insect arts and crafts, and even taste cooked mealworm larva (in various flavors such as mesquite, teriyaki, and barbeque!). Entomologists and other bug experts will be available for questions and more than 20 informational booths will teach and entertain children and adults alike. In addition, Dr. Mike Glassey will bring his hawks and owls for close viewing. Sponsored by the County of San Diego, Department of Agriculture Weights and Measures; Lloyd Pest Control; and Quail Botanical Gardens.


Cacti, Agaves, and Yuccas
Sunday • July 27 • 2 PM

Join Stephen Ingram for a presentation on his new book, Cacti, Agaves, and Yuccas of California and Nevada. Released in May, the book has 260 stunning color photos of over 60 species in bloom, many from San Diego County. A section is devoted to good choices for horticulture.

Cost: Free with admission to the Gardens

For three Sundays in July and August, Quail Botanical Gardens brings you the hottest jazz performances in town. Theatre-style seating on the Lawn Garden is the perfect place to listen to the sweet sounds of jazz on a warm Southern California summer night as the sun slowly sets on the Pacific Ocean.

Each concert features an optional catered gourmet dinner served in the intimate Walled Garden before the show. Please arrive at 5:00 pm to enjoy dinner and 5:45 pm for the concert-only portion of the evening.

July 20: Rob Mullins Trio

Rob Mullins rose to international acclaim as an American pianist and composer in the 80s with his “Soulscape” project, which earned him a Grammy nomination for composition. Since that time, Rob has gone on to record 12 CDs of his music, three of which went Billboard Top Ten. His credits read like a who’s who of jazz and pop music. His current and 17th CD, “Storyteller,” breaks new ground combining new genres with his early sounds to take piano music to a new level.

August 3: Gilbert Castellanos Latin Jazz Quintet featuring Irving Flores

San Diego based trumpeter Gilbert Castellanos is a major force on the San Diego jazz scene and one of the leading trumpeters in the Southern California area. He has performed and recorded with many of today’s great jazz musicians, including Dizzy Gillespie, Wynton Marsalis, Charlie Hayden, Les McCann, and Poncho Sanchez, to name a few. Downbeat Magazine recently voted him one of the top trumpet players in the country and one of the top 25 jazz artists to watch.

August 17: Raggle Taggle

This San Diego based band has developed an International jazz and Celtic sound that is truly unique. From Pirate music to French Gypsy Swing to Latin Jazz, and Nuevo-Flamenco, to Celtic-Irish, English, Welsh, Scottish, French, and European Influence—there’s a little something for everyone when you come to see a Raggle Taggle show. This concert will feature some amazing Irish dancers too.

To buy tickets, please call Kelly at 760/ 436–3036 x206.

Cost per concert with dinner: Members $40, non-members $45 (Please make your reservations by 1 pm Wednesday before the concert.)
Cost per concert only: Members $20, non-members $22

Concert sponsorship opportunities are available. Please call Tracie Barham, Director of Development, at 760/ 436–3036 x216.
Gala in the Gardens
Saturday • September 13 • 5:30 PM

Gala in the Gardens is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and it’s one of the most enjoyable party experiences in all of San Diego County. In fact, our Gala was included in San Diego Magazine’s “Top 10 Plus 10 Best Parties for 2007.”

Please join Chairperson René van Rems at this year’s Gala in the Gardens, a spectacular party with an anticipated 500+ guests. The evening’s program will include the presentation of the Paul Ecke, Jr. Award of Excellence to Susi Torre-Bueno, former board member of Quail Botanical Gardens and current president of the San Diego Horticultural Society.

Be sure to mark your calendars and support the Gardens as we play on the theme “Plant It Forward” and fund-raise (and “friend-raise”) now to nourish and grow our future. Ticket prices for the adult-only evening are $165 per person and can be purchased on our website at www.qbgardens.org. Please come and join the festivities, help us cultivate an earth-friendly theme for generations to come—help us Plant It Forward.

For additional Gala in the Gardens information, please contact Development Special Events Coordinator, Cheryl Mergenthaler, at 760/436–3036 x218 or cmergenthaler@qbgardens.org.

Gift Shop
OPEN 10 AM – 4 PM DAILY

Our Gift Shop is small but well stocked with beautiful and unusual items, some by local vendors. T-shirts, gifts for the gardener, and many interesting garden books are available, all acquired with the mission of Quail Botanical Gardens in mind—to inspire people of all ages to connect with plants and nature.

Library Notes


Spring is the time to clean out your old closets. Be sure to set aside any surplus books for the book sale at the Fall Plant Sale. Please hang on to them until September because we have no place to store them. We can use all subjects and all media.

The library is open 11 am – 3 pm Wednesday and Saturday or by appointment. Call 760/436–3036 x210.

Quail Botanical Gardens Wins Award

On March 25, Quail Botanical Gardens received the “2007 Recycled Water Irrigation Customer of the Year” award from the Water Reuse Association, California Section at their annual conference in Newport Beach. We would like to thank the San Elijo Joint Powers Authority for making the recycled water available to QBG and for their help in submitting the Gardens for the award.

Save the Date

Orchid Fair, October 3 – 5
Fall Plant Sale, October 18 & 19
Garden of Lights, December 11 – 23, 26 – 30
April Volunteer of the Month: PETER JONES

Peter Jones was born in Stafford, England to Welsh parents (both named Jones) who immigrated to Canada when Peter was 11. Peter attended the University of Toronto and became a Chartered Accountant. He worked in the financial services industry for 30 years, most recently as a senior executive at Ford Motor Co. and later, Mellon Bank. In 2003, Peter became a member at QBG. When Barbara, wife and constant companion of 35 years died in 2007 after a long illness, Peter increased his volunteering at the Gardens and became a docent. He has worked on special events (the SD County Fair and the recent Herb Festival), heads up the Bamboo Garden beautification team with Steve Rose, and will teach the Bamboo class to new docents in June. He has even tried his hand at admissions and as a tour guide, of which he says, “Not as bad as I thought it would be!” When not at Quail Peter might be racing in 5Ks or finishing a new oil painting. He has two daughters who live in California and two grandchildren. Thank you, Peter, for your quiet manner and competence in everything that you do at Quail.

May Volunteer of the Month: STACY GAUDET

Stacy Gaudet was born in Dallas, Texas and soon after moved to Scottsdale, Arizona. Every summer she and her large family would rent the same shack/house along Neptune in Leucadia. As a teenager, Stacy worked in the greenhouse of a big nursery and her mother always had a wonderful garden of exotic flowers, herbs, and fruit trees. She will tell you that her mom’s love of plants influenced her the most. In 1980, Stacy moved to North County with her five children. Stacy was in awe of Quail Botanical Gardens and would visit often to find serenity and peace of mind. In 2004, she became a docent. Since then she has learned so much. Her many jobs at the Gardens include giving tours, working admissions, working at special events, and helping in the membership department. Her favorite is working the Fall Plant Sale and seeing all the fantastic plants that come in. Stacy has made many wonderful friends at QBG, and feels blessed to know them all. Stacy, thank you for the tremendous job you do.

June Volunteer of the Month: STEPHANIE WILLIAMS

Stephanie Williams hails from Iowa though she considers herself a Californian after moving here at three months old. She lives with her husband and has two daughters. Stephanie received a BA from SDSU in elementary education. She taught pre-school, Project Headstart, and elementary school for 25 years. Stephanie has always had a love of the outdoors and nature. In 2001, she and her husband came to QBG’s Bamboo sale where a docent mentioned membership benefits. After joining, she attended a volunteer orientation and later became a docent (class of 2005). Her jobs at QBG include Tuesday’s Tales and Tunes in the Children’s Garden, Seeds of Wonder special events, and the Chocolate Festival children’s crafts and activities. Her favorite thing about QBG is the serenity, peace, and tranquility of the Gardens; and she loves working with the wonderful, kind, hard-working, and fun people. Thank you Stephanie for the tremendous support you give to all of the children’s activities in Quail Botanical Gardens.
**Something in the Air**

There’s something in the air, and it’s definitely catching. More and more volunteers are spending time in garden beautification, making a difference we can all see and enjoy. Recently, the enthusiastic volunteers pictured here brought their tools and talent to California Gardenscapes (QBG’s native plants garden) for the kick-off Saturday beautification event. Sharon Clay Rose heads the team who meet every Wednesday morning as well as on specially scheduled Saturdays at the end of the month. Both new and seasoned volunteers and docents enjoyed the fresh air, beautiful plants, and a refreshing potluck lunch. For more information about helping on this or any of the other eight teams, contact the coordinator of the Garden Beautification Teams, Sally Sandler, at 858/ 481–3442 or ssandler@san.rr.com.

**Volunteer Orientation**

**Saturday • September 6 • 9:30 – 11:30 AM**

As a non-profit organization, Quail Botanical Gardens depends upon volunteer support. If you are interested in an exciting and rewarding place to contribute time, please join us on September 6. Volunteer opportunities and a short tour of the Gardens will be part of the presentation. To RSVP, please call Kelly Kehoe at 760/ 436–3036 x206.

**Docent Training Classes**

Quail Botanical Gardens is offering a six-class series to train volunteers interested in becoming docents. Each three-hour class in the series is self-contained, thus you may begin with any class, but must attend all six to complete docent training. Topics include Botany Boot Camp, Herbs, and Plant Propagation; Deserts and Succulents; Tropical Rain Forests, Palms, and Cycads; California Natives and Firescapes; Mediterranean Climates; and Subtropical Fruit and Bamboo. Dates to be determined.

For more information, call Kelly at 760/ 436–3036 x206.

**Docent Meetings—Everyone Welcome**

**First Wednesday of the Month**

Arrive at 11 am for the program

**July:** No meeting—Have a great summer!

**August:** Opera Singing Chef, Elizabeth Podsiadlo, will delight us with her cooking and share recipes and tastings.

**September:** Harry Phillips from Andy’s Orchids will share secrets of growing orchids and show orchids from traditional favorites to the rarest exotics.
The Board of Trustees of Quail Botanical Gardens is offering an exceptional chance to have your name, or the name of someone you would like to remember or honor, inscribed as part of the new Children's Garden’s Commemorative Opportunities Program. To express gratitude to donors who make significant financial investments, the Board of Trustees will dedicate parts of the Children's Garden or specific exhibitions in honor of the gift. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to establish a legacy of leadership with Quail Botanical Gardens.

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$75,000

MAIN GARDEN PATH WITH COMPASS POINTS
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NOTE:
Gifts to the Commemorative Opportunities Program may be pledged over a three-year period and can be made in the form of cash or appreciated assets. We welcome your inquiries and would be honored to have your name or the name of a loved one associated with our premier Gardens.

PLEASE CONTACT US:
For descriptions of each of these remarkable new elements of our Children’s Garden.

Shaded Area is Phase 1
Summer Classes

BYE BYE GRASS!
Part I: Tuesday • July 8 • 6:30 – 8:30 PM
Tired of being a slave to your water-thirsty lawn? Join Nan Sterman, gardening expert, host of the PBS show, A Growing Passion, to learn how to exterminate your lawn for good. Nan will discuss extermination options, including the pros and cons of chemical and non-chemical methods, and ways to physically remove grass.

Part II: Wednesday • July 9 • 6:30 – 8:30 PM
Your lawn is gone. What do you do next? Nan will discuss evaluating your irrigation system, deciding on the kinds of spaces you need in your garden, and preparing the soil. She will also offer creative ideas for beautiful, low-water plantings. Using Quail Botanical Gardens as an outdoor classroom, Nan will guide you through living examples of water-wise landscapes, show you interesting drought-tolerant ground covers, and introduce you to the variety of hardscape options. Nan is also the author of California Gardener's Guide, Volume 2.
Cost: Free. Brought to QBG by the Water Conservation Garden at Cuyamaca College.
Advance registration required. Call 619/ 660–0614 x10

CREATING A ZEN GARDEN FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
Thursdays • July 10, 17, and 24, 7 – 9 PM
Saturday • July 26 • 9 AM – 12 NOON
Learn about the art of creating a Zen Garden suitable for Southern California from two well-known experts in the field, Phil Tacktill and Van Moch Nguyen. On Saturday, students will visit the Self Realization Fellowship Garden and the gardens of both instructors, all excellent examples of a Zen garden.
Cost: Members $80, non-members $100
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

HANDMADE GOURMET CHOCOLATES
Wednesday • July 16, 7 – 9 PM
After a brief history on the transition of the cocoa bean to the evolution of chocolate, students will learn how to make their own handmade gourmet truffles, chocolate bark, and other edible chocolate delights. Taught by Amanda Ehrlich of Sinful Creations.
Cost: Members $30, non-members $35
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

WOOD 'N CLAY
Friday • July 18 • 10 AM – 3 PM
Create an unusual pine needle basket, attached to a ceramic base. All levels welcome. Materials provided by the instructor, fiber artist Carol Lang.
Cost: Members $50, non-members $60
(plus $15 materials fee)
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

UNDERSEA GARDEN
Saturday • July 19 • 9 – 10:30 AM
Create your own undersea garden with guidance from master designer and originator of the concept, Jeff Moore, owner of Solana Succulents. All materials will be provided.
Cost: Members $70, non-members $80
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

FACIAL SACHET SCRUBBIES
Sunday • July 20 • 1 – 4 PM
Students will make sachet “scrubbies” and fill them with a variety of organic dried herbs, quality soap, and gentle exfoliants. These delightful facial sachets release the soft herbal fragrance as you use them and leave your skin feeling fresh and clean. Instructor: Nadine Spier
Cost: Members $30, non-members $35 (plus $11 materials fee)
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

WATERCOLOR ON MASA PAPER: A MIXED MEDIA APPROACH
Thursday • July 30 • 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM
Create beautiful nature themed mixed-media paintings on Masa paper and canvas. Under the guidance of Helen Shafer Garcia, we will explore batik techniques with Masa Japanese rice papers, dropped-in watercolor techniques, and collage along with acrylic varnish methods. Watercolor supply list available upon registration.
Cost: Members $65, non-members $75 (plus $12 materials fee)
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

CREATING A GARDEN OASIS
Saturday • August 2 • 9:30 – 12 NOON
Ed Simpson will show you how to create a simple water garden that will serve as an oasis in your drought tolerant landscape. Ed is the owner of Santa Fe Nursery, which specializes in water gardens, lakes, and pond maintenance.
Cost: Members $30, non-members $35
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

SAVING WATER AND MONEY FOR YOUR HOA
Date and Time TBD
Homeowner Association property managers, board members, landscape contractors, architects, designers, and other professionals are invited to attend a workshop at QBG to learn how to lower the water use at their sites. Learn why and how HOAs can save water from a panel of professionals, and get information about the latest financial incentive programs from local water agencies.
Cost: Free. Brought to QBG by the Water Conservation Garden at Cuyamaca College.
Advance registration required. Call 619/ 660–0614 x10

FLOWER PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP
Saturday • August 16 • 8:30 AM – 2 PM
Learn proven techniques from nationally acclaimed flower photographer Bob Bretell such as the creative use of natural light under all conditions, artistic effects using movement and depth of field, exposure techniques, and how to look at flowers in a new way. Photos will be projected and critiqued by the group and instructor. Designed for all levels. Bring a digital camera with a close-up lens or close-up filter, a tripod if you have one, and a bag lunch.
Cost: Members $65, non-members $75
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

FIVE FLAVORS OF HEALTH
Saturday • August 23 • 9 AM – 1:30 PM
In this workshop, taught by herbal educator Charlotte Tenney, students will go on a plant ID walk and learn about the nutritional and health value of “functional food” plants and the five flavors of health—sweet, sour, bitter, salty, and pungent/spicy—which indicate the food’s health value. They will finish...
by making a salad of wild greens and herbs with freshly made salad dressing and some bread served with herb butter. Handouts provided.

Cost: Members $35, non-members $40
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

GOURD ART
Friday, August 15, 10 AM – 3 PM
Learn how to choose, clean, and cut your gourd from fiber artist Carol Lang. Then express yourself in dyeing, painting, pyroengraving (wood burning), and embellishing your one-of-a-kind gourd.

Cost: Members $50, non-members $60 (plus $15 materials fee)
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP WITH HELEN SHAFER GARCIA
Sunday • August 24 • 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM
Helen will teach you a contemporary approach to watercolor focusing on garden botanical elements. The class will spend a portion of the time painting in the Gardens. A materials list will be supplied upon registration.

Cost: Members $65, non-members $75
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

SUCCULENT WREATH CLASS
Tuesday • September 2 • 9 AM – 2 PM
Take home a beautiful succulent wreath that you make yourself in this class taught by the QBG wreath team. Bring clippers, wire cutters, and scissors. All other materials will be provided. David will be available to critique your design at the end of the class if you so desire.

Cost: Members $55, non-members $60 (includes all floral materials)
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

THE STUDY OF PROPAGATION
Thursdays • September 4, 11, and 18 • 7 – 9 PM
Saturday • September 20 • 9 AM – 12 NOON
Learn how to start plants from seed, cuttings, and division from master propagator Mary McBride and QBG horticulturist Liz Rozycki. On Saturday, you will have hands-on experience in QBG’s propagation nursery.

Cost: Members $80, non-members $100
Advance registration required. Please call 760/ 436–3036 x206

FLORAL DESIGN WITH DAVID ROOT
Sunday • September 28 • 2 – 4 PM
Watch and learn as David demonstrates the design process using unusual plant material and containers. Then create your own floral arrangement to take home. Bring a floral knife, clippers, wire cutters, and scissors. All other materials will be provided. David will be available to critique your design at the end of the class if you so desire.

Cost: Members $55, non-members $60
Advance registration required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

COOKING CLASSES WITH THE OPERA SINGING CHEF
YOU SAY TOMATO, I SAY LYCOPENE
Saturday • August 30 • 1:30 – 4 PM
Many health-conscious folks believe you should eat what’s in season and this month it’s tomatoes. Learn how to make roasted tomato salsa using tomatoes, grilled onions, peppers, fresh herbs, and citrus juices; how to stuff a tomato with a mixture of breadcrumbs, nuts, herbs, and spices topped with a very unusual twist; and how to create a perfect-for-summer bread stick studded with sun-dried tomatoes and herbs (all dishes vegetarian).

JOHNNY APPLESEED’S SWEET LEGACY
Saturday • September 20 • 1:30 – 4 PM
Learn tips to a great crust and how to select the best apples—purchased or hand-picked. Also being taught is Pumpkin Lasagna, a dish with incredible depth of flavor and textures, made with pumpkin, nuts, ricotta, and layers of apples that when baked together make a wonderful Fall main course. Taste the difference between apple cider and apple juice and learn an easy recipe for turning them into spiked hot drinks for the upcoming colder season.

Recipes and tastings will be offered for each dish.
Cost per class: Members $25, non-members $30
Advance registration is required. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

FREE WORKSHOPS
COMPOSTING
Saturday • July 26 • 9 – 11 AM
(compost bins and worm bins for sale afterward)

VERMICOMPOSTING (worms)
Saturday • September 20 • 10 AM – 12 NOON
(worms and worm bins for sale afterward)

These free workshops are taught by Solana Center Master Composters. Meet at the Compost Demonstration Site near the Children’s Garden. To register contact the Solana Center at 760/ 436–7986 or www.solanacenter.org.

MASTER COMPOSTER TRAINING
Thursdays • September 11 – October 16 • 6 – 8:30 PM
Learn the science of composting and how to teach it to others in this six-week hands-on course. Limited to 25 students, application required. For more information and to register contact the Solana Center at 760/ 436–7986 or www.solanacenter.org.

ONGOING PROGRAMS
DOCENT-LED GUIDED TOURS
Saturdays • 10 AM
Meet at the Visitors Center to learn about Quail’s plants from around the world.

BOTANICAL ORIGINALS
1ST Sunday of each month • 9:30 AM
Gift card-making with natural elements.
Cost: $20

BIRD WATCHING
1ST Monday of each month • 8 AM
Discover fascinating birds and the unique art of bird watching at Quail Botanical Gardens.
For Children

4th of July Parade
Friday • July 4 • 10 AM

Join us in Seeds of Wonder for our annual Red, White, and Blue Parade. Bring decorated strollers and wagons (no bikes or scooters please) and wear red, white, and blue. We will parade through the Gardens to the music of John Phillip Sousa. No registration required.
Cost: Free with admission to the Gardens

Insect Festival
July 12 and 13 • 10 am – 4 PM

The Insect Festival is filled with fun activities for kids. See page 4 for details.

Fairy Festival
Saturday • August 9 • 10 AM – 4 PM

Children ages 2 – 12 are invited to attend our first Fairy Festival. Wear your favorite fairy costume and join the parade at 11 am or 2 pm. Make a flower wreath and magic wand, create a fairy house and fragrant pillow. There will also be fairy walks, stories, and much more. No reservations required. For more information call 760/ 436–3036 x206.
Cost: Included in admission to the Gardens plus the purchase of activity tickets as desired.

Ongoing Programs
for Young Children – Free with Garden Admission
(Not available on rainy days)

Occasionally a program may be cancelled without prior notice if a volunteer is not available. Visitors are always welcome to play in the garden, even when a program is cancelled.

Toddler Tales and Tunes
2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 5th Tuesdays • 10 AM — 12 NOON

Play in the garden and pot plants to take home. From 10:30 - 11 am, children and caregivers participate in preschool stories and songs.

Garden Arts and Crafts
Wednesdays • 10 – 11:30 AM

Children may participate in a variety of arts and crafts. There will also be plant potting and other fun activities.

Plants, Wings, and Crawly Things
1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Thursdays • 10 – 11 AM

Children will discover plants and bugs that live in our garden. Pre-schoolers will participate in special garden-based activities.

Friday Fun
2nd Friday • 9 AM – 12 NOON

Children may pot a plant and play in the garden.

Artist of the Season: Van Gogh’s Sunflowers
Sunday • September 21 • 1 – 3 PM

Explore the world of sunflowers. Learn the botany of this complex flower, munch on chocolate covered sunflower seeds, and paint a picture of sunflowers a la Vincent Van Gogh. Children ages 8 – 12 are invited to a painting class using unconventional tools and techniques to produce a large Van Gogh masterpiece suitable for framing. We will be painting al fresco in the Herb Garden. Bring your own smock or apron and wear old clothes. All other supplies provided.

Cost: Members $20 per child, non-members $25 per child
Advance registration required. Space is limited. Call 760/ 436–3036 x206

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This is a place for kids, full of discovery and exploration. A place where children can learn the magic of the outdoors and experience nature first-hand.

By purchasing a children's garden commemorative tile, you can remember or pay lasting tribute to a loved one by having their name etched in an attractive tile on the “Sitting Walls” located in high-traffic areas of the beautiful, new Children’s Garden at Quail Botanical Gardens.

It’s Part of Your Garden. Own a Piece of It

Please Sign Me Up For A Commemorative Tile! Check the appropriate Tile of your choice:

- 8” x 8” Garden Tile ($1,000 each)
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For more information: Please contact Tracie Barham at (760) 436-3036 ext. 216.
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Planned giving is the cornerstone of Quail Botanical Gardens’ history and the key to its future. For this reason, the Gardens recognizes during their lifetimes those people whose generous gifts from their estates will help endow the future of this public garden.

The Arbor Vitae Guild was established to honor the Gardens’ friends in the community who have indicated that they have included the Gardens in their wills or trusts. Bequests of all sizes are welcome, as they ensure the Gardens’ vitality for the benefit of future generations. We invite you to help build a future for the children in our community by joining Quail Botanical Gardens’ Arbor Vitae Guild. Please contact Tracie Barham, Director of Development, at 760/436-3036 x216 for more information.

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