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SAVE THE DATE

Oct 16, 2021
10:00 am to 4:00pm

The San Diego Floral Association
is proud to present our annual
Birds, Bees, Flowers and Trees
in Balboa Park

- Vendors
- Lectures
- Classes
- Flower Show
- Kid's Craft Tables

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

A Message from our Co-Presidents

We're excited to be back in action here at SDFA after over a year of isolation. There's a lot going on this month! First of all, we have an important vote coming up. Details are outlined in this newsletter.

Secondly, our annual June meeting will again be virtual, and it's going to be wonderful! Tovah Martin is an inspiring writer, designer and speaker and we are lucky to be able to host her. Check out the time and date and plan to be there!

Last but not least, our Ocean Beach Garden Tour "Vistas and Verandahs" is finally a go!! Wait until you see these unique, eye-catching, unusual gardens! Remember to order your tickets early - there are a limited supply. See you there!

We're grateful for your ongoing support of SDFA, Please stop and introduce yourselves when the library and office open up again in early fall. We are located in Room 105, Casa del Prado. Happy June to you all.

Jan and Lee

UPCOMING EVENTS

- General Membership Meeting - Wednesday, June 23, 2021, 1:30pm
VIRTUAL ZOOM -- for details visit www.sdfloal.org

“Maximizing Space in the Garden: Creating More of a Good Thing” Presented by Tovah Martin

Tovah is an avid indoor and outdoor gardener and the author of several garden books, the most recent of which, *The Garden in Every Sense and Season*, received GardenComm’s Gold Medal Award in 2019. Her articles appear in national and international publications, and she is well-known to TV audiences through her appearances on the Martha Stewart show, PBS and CBS gardening programs and other media broadcasts. No matter if you’re gardening in a close-knit neighborhood or a sprawling estate, you want to garden efficiently, prolifically, sustainably and beautifully. You need to garden smartly and conserve your resources. This lecture focuses on all the points on your checklist.



- Classes - 2nd Thursday of each month, 10:00am - ZOOM class
For zoom link info on all of our classes, please visit: info@sdfloal.org

“The Art of Kokedama” June 10. Instructor: Lynn Langley. Learn a newly popular, but ancient form of Japanese garden art as you create a moss ball to contain the roots of a plant. Kokedama are often suspended from a string, but may be displayed in other creative ways.



Ocean Beach Garden Tour

Vistas and Verandahs: Gardens of Ocean Beach

Tickets: online at sdfloal.org
Also at Coastal Sage Gardening; Mission Hills Nursery; Walter Andersen, San Diego and Poway
\$25 in advance; \$30 day of tour sales --1998 Venice St.

Ocean Beach is a gardener’s paradise. Stately palms and araucaria trees rise into blue skies while hillside home gardens abound in a wide array of plants that flourish in the microclimate of this coastal area. The tour offers variety and a window on the horticultural talents of artists and master gardeners. Proceeds of this tour will help to support scholarships for horticulture students and a school garden program.



PROPOSED SLATE OF BOARD MEMBERS

Kathy Esty - Chair, Nominating Committee

Our Nominating Committee has proposed the following members for the 2021-2022 term

Co-Presidents	Lee Somerville and Jan Thoresen
Co-VP Programs	Laurie Lee and Kathy Taylor de Murillo
VP Membership	Kris Napora
Recording Secretary	Jayne O'Brien
Treasurer	Laura Guerrero
Corresponding Secretary	Lynn Langley

Directors: Kathy Esty, Nancy Carter, Diane Thomas, Dale Rekus, Pat Forsberg, Mary Bateman, Pam Meisner, Linda Bresler, Bonnie Hartmeyer

Please contact Kathy Esty at secretary@sdfloal.org with any other nominations.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Kris Napora - VP Membership

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our latest members:

Laura Cormode
Eva Maxion
Pam Meisner
Anselmo Ortiz
Suzan Westmoreland

A special thank you to those who recently renewed at the Benefactor level:
Sue Lasbury
Torrey Pines Landscape Co.

Thank you to all members for your continuing support!!
It is very much appreciated!!

REDISCOVERING SAN DIEGO

Lee Somerville - Co-President

Last fall, Laurie Lee and I were invited to develop a class for a program offered to Emeritus (aged over-55) students who are registered at San Diego Community College. "Rediscovering San Diego" explores places of interest in our area, in-person or remotely. During the month of April, we presented a one-hour remote program that included a tour of the SDFA office and library, followed by a five-minute video that highlights our history, community outreach and activities, and the importance of *California Garden* as a community resource. The main feature of the class was the recent video tour of the Botanical Building developed by Rachel Cobb, John Blocker and others. Finally, we invited questions and suggested ways in which to get involved with SDFA. We offered the class on four separate occasions reaching almost 150 students and received numerous positive comments and feedback. The two videos are available on our web site (sdfloal.org.) If you would like more information about this program, please contact us at info@sdfloal.org



**Voting instructions and
ballot will be sent to
members June 3**



Want to join SDFA? Find
membership and gift forms at
www.sdfloal.org

One of SDFA'S newest members,
Eva Maxium, proudly displays her
creations after taking
Kathy Taylor's class on
Salsa Marking on May 13th



ON SALE NOW at www.sdfloal.org

The Complete Writings of Kate Sessions in California Garden - New Edition

Local florist, nursery owner and horticulturist Kate Sessions published hundreds of articles in San Diego Floral Association's Magazine. All are captured in *The Complete Writings of Kate Sessions* in California Garden. You can learn more about Kate Sessions from Nancy Carol Carter by visiting www.sdhort.org and click on the August YouTube Meeting to hear her lecture.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS:

- Balboa Park Conservancy ● Coastal Sage Gardening ● Friends of Balboa Park ● Mission Hills Nursery ● San Diego Botanic Garden ● San Diego Horticultural Society ● San Diego Orchid Society ● Walter Andersen Nursery



THYME-LY TIPS

By Lori Kilmer - Mission Accomplished

Conor, my 4 ½ year old grandnephew, and I had a glorious day planting veggies. One funny memory I will carry with me is putting on his garden gloves. This was like a Saturday Night Live Skit. He got his fingers in the wrong hole over and over again. It took about 5 minutes per hand to get the gloves on. We got all the plants in the ground and he had fun watering each one with his paw patrol watering can. So mission accomplished, for that day.



By Kathy Hargrove - Best Time of Year!

I visited the Rose Garden across from Balboa Park and saw all the roses in full bloom. It's really a site and all the roses are labeled. Here are a couple of pictures that I took.



By SDFA - A tip from a guinea pig

Try placing guinea pig bedding (wood shavings - plain) on top of the soil to dress your vegetable beds. It smells great and just turn into your soil at the end of the growing season for a great mulch.



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Please help us tend our garden beds in Patio A in the Casa del Prado. Meet fellow SDFA members. Gardening with friends is great fun!! Got to info@sdfloal.org for more information



Patio A
Casa del Prado

Trying to think of the perfect gift?
Why not give a membership in SDFA to your favorite garden enthusiast. Along with their annual membership they will receive *California Garden* magazine.