APRIL: HIGHLIGHTS AT DENVER BOTANIC GARDENS
ALL PROGRAM PRICES INCLUDE ADMISSION TO THE GARDENS, EXCLUDING OFFSITE EVENTS
Full calendar: www.botanicgardens.org

SCFD FREE DAYS
April 7, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Chatfield Farms
April 19, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., York St.

YORK ST. EVENTS and EXHIBITS
Spring Plant Display in the Orangery
February 20 – April 19
The Orangery will feature a spring-themed plant and flower display with related educational information. Included with general admission.

A New Gardener Boot Camp Evening Series
April 20 and 22, 6-9 p.m.
$80, $60 member
Join us for an evening packed with answers to all your gardening questions. Get started on the right foot this year with our best beginner classes, carefully designed to equip you with all the tools you need to master that garden once and for all! Classes include: Garden Planning 101, Soils 101, Beginning Vegetable Gardening, Annuals and Perennials for Color in the Garden.

Literature of the Land: Spring Book Club
April 15, 6:30-8 p.m.
$5 per session
This spring, the book club focuses on the words of land stewards who have directly felt the changes brought on by colonization and industrialization. The conversation is a global one, but these local and native activists share, through the knowledge of their peoples’ ties to the land, what it means to be a true environmentalist in a culture that demands for us to be anything but. “Unbowed: My Autobiography” by Wangari Maathai is discussed and all three dates feature pieces by indigenous women.

YORK ST. ADULT PROGRAMS

Battling the Japanese Beetle
Thursday, April 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
$31, $26 member
Japanese beetles are causing severe plant destruction and consternation for homeowners. Learn about the options and products to battle this unwelcome beetle as an adult and larvae that lives in grass turf.

Herbal Home and Garden Workshop
Saturday, April 11, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
$79, $74 member; includes $35 material fee
Discover the fascinating world of herbs! A fun and creative class to learn all the ways you can use easy-to-grow, fragrant plants to enrich your home and lifestyle. Plant a garden full of plants that do double duty in the kitchen, medicine cabinet, spa and cleaning cupboard. Lunch, growing instructions and recipes included.

**Best Long-Blooming Perennials**
Saturday, April 25, noon – 2 p.m.
$34, $29 member
Learn about the long-blooming perennial stars that flower. Get to know peak performers for spring, summer and autumn, for various amounts of sunlight and moisture.

**YORK ST. CHILDREN AND FAMILY PROGRAMS**

**Seedlings**
$14 child, $12 member child, includes one adult entry per registration
Seedlings classes offer a fun, hands-on way for young children, ages 18 months to 6 years, to explore the plant world while developing an understanding and appreciation for plants and their importance. Classes include interactive explorations, nature walks and stories for children and their caregivers. Seedlings programs are offered for three different age groups and are modified to fit the developmental needs of each group. Week of April 1: A Log’s Life; April 8: Cool Season Veggies; April 15: Seeds and Sprouts; April 22: Earth Day; April 29: April Showers Bring May Flowers.

**Science Studio**
Thursday, April 2, and Friday, April 3, 10-11 a.m.
$14, $12 member, one adult per child is free. Adults are required to stay onsite during the program.
Science Studio inspires children to investigate the connections between scientific concepts, the arts and their natural world. Each Studio program delves into a different discipline of sciences associated with the natural world. Each session provides learners with the opportunity for hands-on investigations experiments and more. This program is designed for children ages 7-10. April 2: Junior Chemists; April 3: Junior Ecologists.

**Bumblebee Jamboree**
Saturday, April 25, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
$13 adult, $11 member adult, $8 child, $6 member child, free for children 2 and younger.
This unique musical experience is perfect for children ages 0-12 and their parents. Children are invited to dress as a favorite pollinator such as a bee, butterfly or bird and dance and sing along with the musical guests.

**CHATFIELD FARMS CHILDREN AND FAMILY PROGRAMS**

**Strolling Stories Along Deer Creek**
Monday, April 6, 13, 20 and 27, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
$10, $8 member, one adult per child is free.
Storytime and nature hikes unite in this new program at Chatfield Farms. Each week we venture out around the grounds of Chatfield Farms and investigate nature as it changes with the seasons. Along the trail we stop to read a seasonally themed story and then continue our adventure with an exploration based on the day's book. This program is recommended for children ages 3-6 years.

**CHATFIELD FARMS ADULT PROGRAM**

**Guided Forest Bathing Walk at Chatfield Farms**
Saturday, April 18, 9-11:30 a.m.
$30, $25 member

Experience the relaxing practice of forest bathing (shinrin-yoku) at Chatfield Farms. Bathe in the atmosphere of the forest through mindful engagement of the senses. Studies suggest that a regular practice of forest bathing may be associated with a reduction in blood pressure, heart rate and stress hormones. Move slowly and mindfully through the forest as you are guided through a series of invitations to engage the senses.

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About Denver Botanic Gardens
Green inside and out, Denver Botanic Gardens began in 1951 and is considered one of the top botanical gardens in the United States and a pioneer in water conservation. Accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, the Gardens’ living collections encompass specimens from the tropics to the tundra, showcasing a plant palette chosen to thrive in Colorado’s semi-arid climate. The Gardens is a dynamic, 24-acre urban oasis in the heart of the city, offering unforgettable opportunities to flourish with unique garden experiences for the whole family – as well as world-class education and plant conservation research programs. Additional sites extend this experience throughout the Front Range: Denver Botanic Gardens Chatfield Farms is a 700-acre native plant refuge with an active farm in Jefferson County; Mount Goliath is a high-altitude trail and interpretive site on the Mount Evans Scenic Byway. The Gardens also manages programming at Plains Conservation Center in Aurora. For more information, visit us online at www.botanicgardens.org.