



Early Spring 2026

All events begin or take place at the Carriage House Visitor Center unless otherwise specified. Excessive weather cancels.

- March 1 (Su) 11a–3p** **Skylands Manor Tours – Member Appreciation Day.** NJBG members are invited to enjoy a special tour of historic Skylands Manor. Non-members are invited too. Snow cancels.
BOGO for NJBG members: Purchase a Manor House tour ticket and receive a free one for a guest (BOGO). **Non-members:** Become a member on Member Appreciation Day and receive a free Manor House tour ticket. *Regular Fee: \$10 adults; \$7 seniors (65+) and students 6-18; under 6 free*
- March 15 (Su) 1p** **Family Woodland Hike.** Join NJBG hike leaders on an easy, child-friendly hike in the Garden's woodlands. Learn a bit about the plants and animals around you on a hike designed to fit the group. Wear sturdy shoes, meet at the Carriage House. Snow/rain cancels. *FREE.*
- March 21 (Sa) 10a** **End-of-Winter Tree Walk.** Join former NJBG Head Landscape Designer Rich Flynn as he leads this perennial favorite. The walk includes a visit to many of NJBG's stunning specimens, where you'll learn the differences between trees, how to tell them apart, and how to use them in your garden. Meet at the Carriage House; wear sturdy, comfortable shoes. *FREE.*
- March 21 (Sa) 10a, 1p** **Spring Wreath Decorating Workshops.** A cheerful and crafty welcome to the season! In these two hands-on workshops you'll learn how to assemble and decorate spring wreaths to brighten your home, using a variety of silk and dried materials. As you learn, you'll make a wreath to take home with you. Materials provided; bring clippers and any special ribbon or decorations you might wish to use. Light refreshments. *Reservations required. Fee: \$25. Register online at njbg.org.*
- March 22 (Su) 1p** **Audubon: Birding for Beginners.** Don Torino of the Bergen County Audubon Society offers a presentation with information on how to get started birding. The presentation will cover optics, bird identification and field guides. A walk follows the presentation weather permitting. Meet at the Carriage House Visitor Center. *FREE*
- March 28 (Sa) 1:30p** **Concert: Bach to Rock with Alex Prizgintas.** Author, historian, and musician Alex Prizgintas of Orange County has made a career of blending harmonies with the rich histories of composers and songwriters from decades past, in addition to pushing the classical cello into unique and unexpected realms.. In the Carriage House. *Refreshments sponsored by Mobil Skyline Service Center, Inc. Fee: \$10 members, \$15 non-members. Tickets online at njbg.org.*
- April** **Haiku in the Garden.** In celebration of National Poetry Month, April 2019, Haiku Poets of the Garden State present: Haiku in the New Jersey State Botanical Garden. Look for the poems placed around the gardens during April in this installation of haiku signs, all original works by members of the Haiku Poets of the Garden State (HPGS).
- April 11 (Sa) 12n-4p** **Volunteer Lunch.** *By invitation only ~ our special Thank You to our fabulous volunteers.*
- April 12 (Su) 11a–3p** **Skylands Manor Tours.** NJBG volunteer docents lead visitors on a tour of the architecture and history of Skylands Manor. *Fee: \$10 adults; \$7 seniors (65+) and students 6-18; under 6 free*
- April 18 (Sa) 10a-12n** **Volunteer Open House and Season Kickoff.** NJBG volunteers do work that's meaningful, fun, and brings delight to thousands of people. Come see the many satisfying ways you can join our team. It's gardening and so much more - many different skills are needed and welcome. Join us to learn more, meet some of our great volunteers, and start working in the Garden. Bring gloves. Meet in the Carriage House. *FREE*
- April 18 (Sa) 10a-12n** **Lilac Garden Workshop.** During the Volunteer Open House, you're invited to join volunteers in the Lilac Garden for a workshop and info on one of NJBG's most popular spring blooms. Bring trowel, clippers, kneeling pad, gloves, and a drink Meet in the Carriage House. *FREE*
- April 18 (Sa) 1p** **Early Spring Wildflower Walk.** Spring is peeking out everywhere! Join Darlene Nowak in checking out the early bloomers in the woodlands of the Wildflower Garden! Wear sturdy shoes, meet at the Carriage House. Rain cancels. *\$5 fee; children under 12 free.*
- April 18-19 (Sa-Su)** **Earth Day Weekend Celebration.** Earth Day is Tuesday, April 22. There's no better way to celebrate than with a visit to NJBG, where you'll find the beauty of nature and a soothing respite from this busy world. Come take a walk or a hike - trail maps are available at the Carriage House Visitor Center from 1-4p on Sunday. The Botanical Garden is open 8am to 8pm every day. Free.
- April 19 (Su) 1p** **Family Woodland Hike.** Enjoy a self-guided family friendly hike in the woodlands at the NJ State Botanical Garden. Weather permitting; you can climb to the Mt. Defiance overlook and return, or choose our alternate hike without a climb. Wear sturdy shoes and weather appropriate clothes, small children may need to be carried. Start at the Carriage House Visitor Center at NJBG between 1pm and 2pm to pick up a map and hike directions. Allow 90 minutes for the hike. Rain cancels; *FREE*
- April 25 (Sa) 10a–12n** **Lilac Care Workshop.** Enjoy the lush lilac sights and scents as you work with us in the Lilac Garden. You'll get a hands-on lesson in lilac pruning, dead-heading and general care from dedicated volunteers. Bring gloves and small tools (trowels, pruners, kneeling pads) if you have them, and a drink. Meet at the Carriage House. *FREE*



NJBG/Skylands Association was founded in 1976 to help the State of New Jersey preserve and restore the gardens and Manor House, and to develop programs for public education and enjoyment throughout the year.

NJBG/Skylands Association receives no funding from the State of New Jersey or on-premises operators.

YOUR GARDEN

OPEN EVERY DAY
from 8 am to 8 pm
(8 am-6 pm in winter)

GARDEN ADMISSION is always FREE.

PARKING is free in the fall, winter and spring.

GIFT SHOP

A great selection of clothing, jewelry, books, guides, decor, garden needs, and many fun items for children. Open Sundays 10a-4p in the Carriage House Visitor Center, or visit the online shop anytime at njbg.org.

ONLINE

Sign up to get email updates at our website, njbg.org.

FREE AUDIO/WEB TOURS

Look for the yellow signs throughout the Garden.

HIKE & BIKE

Always a pleasure on NJBG's safe and beautiful trails.

JOIN NJBG

Become an NJBG member and receive great benefits. Visit njbg.org for more info.

VOLUNTEER!

NJBG volunteers work in the gardens, give tours, manage projects, and provide events and services for the public. We value many talents.

Garden volunteers are welcome on Wednesdays from 9a-12p. Rain cancels.

TO VOLUNTEER

For more information call the NJBG office or email us at info.njbg.org.

PLEASE REMEMBER...

The Botanical Garden is a carry-in, carry-out State Park facility. Please carry your trash and litter out with you and dispose of it properly.

DOGS must be on a leash.

Alcohol, balls, frisbees and lawn games are NOT permitted in the Botanical Garden