2017 Summer & Fall Programs and Events

Ongoing Events

An Afternoon in the Garden
Every Wednesday, from May – September; 2 pm - 3 pm
Join our horticulture staff and see what’s in bloom at MUN Botanical Garden every week, on Wednesday afternoons, from 2 – 3 pm. Registration is not required for this outdoor program. Everyone is welcome. Bring your gardening questions.

Sunday Morning Bird Walks
Every second Sunday at 8 am, starting May 7, 2017. Led by the Friends of the Garden volunteers.

Sunday Nature Programs
Registration is not required. Offered spring and fall.
• Nature Hike: 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
• Meet the Critters: 2 - 2:30 p.m.
• Duck Feeding - 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
• Story Time - 3:30 - 4 p.m.

Art Exhibits
The Botanical Garden displays a variety of nature works by local artists in the conference room and in the Garden Café.

July – August

Twilight Tuesdays
Join us Tuesday evenings for a variety of programs, and evening admission, June – August. Our open hours are extended until 8pm.

Junior Naturalist Summer Camp Program
June 26 – September 1
Become a Junior Naturalist and explore the great outdoors. Mingle with plants, animals and everything in between. Five days of nature activities - adventures galore!

Canada Day Celebrations
Saturday, July 1, 10 am - 4 pm
Drop by to enjoy Canada Day Celebrations. A variety of crafts, a scavenger hunt, duck-feeding, nature hikes and prizes will be provided throughout the day. A birthday cake will be provided. Admission fees apply. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

40 Ways to Celebrate 150 Years
2017 marks the 40th anniversary of MUN Botanical Garden opening its gates and welcoming the local community. This milestone coincides with a much larger national celebration - Canada 150. We have created a list of 40 ways we can celebrate our 150 years!

5th Annual Mystery Garden Tour
10 Destinations to Amaze and Inspire You!
Saturday, July 15th and Sunday, July 16th, 2017
Admission by Passport Only - $25/person
Purchase Your Passport Online Today:
www.mun.ca/botgarden/event/mgt

Newfoundland Blooms
Come see this floral extravaganza!
Saturday, July 29, noon - 5 pm
and Sunday, July 30, 10 am - 4 pm
A summer flower show, by the Newfoundland Horticultural Society; a Rose Show, by the John Cabot Rose Society; and a Floral Art Show, by the Floral Design Group.

September - November

Friends of the Garden Fall Plant Sale
Saturday, September 9, 10am - 12pm
Fall sales typically consist of a selection of flowering perennials, shrubs, hostas, ferns and heathers propagated by FOG’s Horticultural Group.

Seniors’ Day: September 10

St. John’s Storytelling Festival: October 14

Halloween Howl Family Program: October 28 – 29

40th Annual Garden & Nature Art Exhibit:
November 3 – 25

Merry & Bright Holiday Light Festival
November 29 – December 17, 2017
We are still working on the plans for the 2017 festival, and will update our webpage as we finalize the details.

Some information is tentative at this time. Please confirm program dates ahead of time. For more information, including fees and registration information, please visit our website or contact:

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2017 Summer & Fall Workshops, Passes & Programs

Workshops
Pre-registration required for some programs. Please check our website for more details

- Wine & Walks: July 26 & August 23, 6:00 – 8:00 pm
  Come for a relaxing stroll in the Botanical Garden after hours. A guided tour will be provided, as well as one glass of wine and a selection of cheeses. Additional drinks will be available for purchase. This program will take place outside. 19+ event. Registration is required.

- Trees for the Urban Landscape: Sept 23, 10 am – noon

- Orchids 101: September 26, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

- The Autumn Garden: Oct. 15, 1:30 – 3:30 pm

- Growing on Air (Plants!): November 2, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

City of St. John’s Backyard Compost Program
The City of St. John’s, in partnership with the MMSB and MUN Botanical Garden, are offering free backyard composting information sessions to residents of St. John’s.
The City of St. John’s is offering two different bin types:
- Standard Compost Bin: $40.00 (HST included).
- Tumbler Compost Bin: $55.00 (HST included).
IF YOU ARE PURCHASING A BIN FROM THE CITY OF ST. JOHN’S AFTER THE SESSION, PLEASE NOTE: CASH ONLY PLEASE. Receipts will be provided.
You can attend a free backyard composting information session without registering.

2017 Summer & Fall Dates:
- Session #12 -Saturday, July 1, 2 pm. At: MUNBG
- Session #13 -Tuesday, July 11, 6:30 pm. At: Paul Reynolds Centre, Wedgewood Park
- Session #14 -Tuesday, July 18, 6 pm. At: MUNBG
- Session #15 -Tuesday, August 29, 6 pm. At: MUNBG
- Session #16 -Sunday, September 10, 1 pm. At: MUNBG
- Session #17 -Monday, September 25, 10 am. At: MUNBG
- Session #18 -Thursday, October 12, 6 pm. At: MUNBG
- Session #19 -Saturday, October 21, 10:30 am. At: MUNBG
- Session #20 - Thursday, November 23, 6 pm. At: MUNBG

Parent & Tot Program
Fall Program: $50/family
10% Discount for Family Season Pass holders.

Offered in the spring and fall, the Parent & Tot Program encourages garden and nature exploration, hiking, storytelling, and songs. An excellent opportunity for parents (or care-givers) and children to have fun together while learning about nature and gardening. Registration online.

Session #1: Friday morning, 9 – 10:15 am
Session #2: Friday morning, 10:45 am – 12 noon
Session #3: Friday afternoon, 1:15 - 2:30 pm
Session #4: Saturday morning, 10 - 11:15 am

Season Passes
Season passes to the Garden are available, and offer a discount for visitors who will be paying general admission three or more times, as well as many other benefits listed below.

For the 2017 season you may choose from one of 4 season pass types with the option to purchase a +guest pass:
- Adult Season Pass: $25
- Senior Season Pass: $15
- Family Season Pass: $50
- Senior Couple Pass: $30

Season Pass Holder Benefits
- Free general admission to MUN Botanical Garden (May 7 - Nov 25, 2017)*
- 10% discount and advance registration for Junior Naturalist Camps for Family Season Pass holders
- 10% discount and advance registration for the Parent and Tot Program for Family Season Pass holders
- 10% discount for most workshops
- 10% discount on Garden Gift Shop items (some exceptions apply)
- Automatically added to the Botanical Garden email newsletter
- Access to "Season Pass holder only" events, programs, tours, lectures, etc.

*Season pass general admission does not apply to group tours, booked programs or special events.

Season Pass Year: April 1 – March 31
50% discount applies on current year passes purchased after Labour Day.