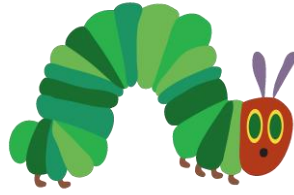




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Myriad Gardens to Transform Children's Garden Into Very Hungry Caterpillar Theme

Children's Garden Festival June 3-11

Oklahoma City, OK -- Join us in the Gardens as we take a journey through a caterpillar's transformation into a beautiful butterfly. The Children's Garden will transform into a colorful and magical place inspired by Eric Carle's classic book *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. Enjoy crafts, activities and imaginative displays that will capture the essence of one of the most beloved children's stories. Cost is FREE for Gardens members, \$6 nonmembers and FREE for children 2 & under. Family memberships cost \$65. This event serves as to enhance the membership program. The Myriad Gardens Foundation is a non-profit 501c(3) organization that supports Myriad Botanical Gardens. Funds raised through memberships help with operating costs. The Children's Garden Festival is sponsored by Devon Energy, Tinker Federal Credit Union, E.L. and Thelma Gaylord Foundation, Jean and David McLaughlin.

For more information on the Very Hungry Caterpillar Festival or visit www.myriadgardens.org or call (405) 445-7080. Groups wanting to visit should contact Lily Christman at 405-445-5162 or lchristman@myriadgardens.org

IMPORTANT: The Children's Garden and the Thunder Fountain will be closed May 30-June 2 for festival set-up then will reopen June 3-11 with admission then back to regular hours and free to the public starting June 14.

Events related to the festival

Saturday, June 3, 11am-1pm

Painting in the Gardens: Happy Caterpillar

Terrace room

Members: \$20 register by calling (405) 227-0230

Nonmembers: \$25 online at www.wineandpalette.com

Join Wine and Palette at the Gardens to create a unique piece of art. We will paint a caterpillar on an 11" by 14" canvas.

Saturday, June 3 to Sunday, June 11, 11-11:30am

Story Time in the One Leaf Library under the Pergola

FREE with admission to the Very Hungry Caterpillar
Best for ages 4 to 9

Bring your kiddo for story time each day at 11am during the Children's Garden Festival. We will read some of Eric Carle's classics and other books related to the summer season.

Saturday, June 3 & 10, 1-1:30pm

Interactive Story Time in the One Leaf Library under the Pergola

FREE with admission to the Very Hungry Caterpillar
Best for ages 4 to 9

Join us Saturdays during The Very Hungry Caterpillar for an interactive reading of some of Eric Carle's most beloved colorful nature stories. Audience members will have the chance to participate in the story and be the caterpillar, brown bear and other creatures through these charming stories.

Sunday, June 4, 10am-5pm

Face Painting with Sydney McGee (prices vary based on design)

Saturday June 10, 10-11am

The Spectacular Caterpillar (class)

Water Plaza Room
Members \$5; Nonmembers \$7
Best for ages 5 to 10
Register by Tuesday, June 6 at www.myriadgardens.org

The Very Hungry Caterpillar is not the only caterpillar that's hungry. Did you know caterpillars can eat three times their weight in food every day? In this class, we'll learn all about the fascinating caterpillar with fun facts, interactive readings, a craft and a game to wrap it all up.

Saturday, June 10

Book Exchange & Author Visits

10:30am-3pm Author Visits
11am-12pm Book Exchange
Arrive at 10:45am to get a Pioneer Woman children's book straight from Pawkhuska!
Location: Cocoon in Stonehenge

Bring your child's slightly used books and exchange them with other families or donate them to the Gardens' Little FREE library. It will be a day to celebrate reading at the Gardens. The first three guests to bring a book will be able to take their pick of the following three children's books by Ree Drummond—*Charlie the Ranch Dog*, *Charlie Plays Ball* or *Little Ree* straight from the Pioneer Mercantile in Pawkhuska, OK. We will also have local authors from Oklahoma leading story times and other book-related activities. Come celebrate the joy of reading with us. All ages welcome.

- 10:30am-12pm Judy Savage and Rossi the Approval Poodle. Judy Savage is the owner of Rossi, a black standard poodle and certified therapy dog. Both Judy and Rossi will be onsite for story times and love.
- 12-1pm Desiree Webber author of *Buffalo Train Ride*, a Centennial Title, and Oklahoma Book Award Finalist will lead story time.
- 12-4pm Downtown Oklahoma City Library Pop-Up Library
- 1-2pm Sherri Biggs, media specialist and elementary school teacher, will lead an interactive children's book craft.
- 2-3pm Maureen Heffernan, director of the Myriad Botanical Gardens and author of *Fairy Houses of the Maine Coast* will lead story time.
- 3-3:30pm Story time with Downtown Oklahoma City Librarian Chelsea Bumann

Saturday, June 10

- 10am-5pm Face Painting with Raechel Brown (prices vary based on design)
- 1-5pm Our Very Hungry Caterpillar (inflatable mascot) onsite for photos

Sunday, June 11

- 10am-5pm Face Painting with Clarissa Sharp (prices vary based on design)
- 1-5pm Our Very Hungry Caterpillar will be onsite for photos

Food options for very hungry families!

- Pitchfork in the Park, open Tuesday-Sundays, 11am-7pm on the east side seasonal plaza

Food truck schedule on Hudson and Reno, 10am-5pm:

- Saturday, June 3 -- Healthy Hippo, Wicked Hangry, Uptown Candy
- Sunday, June 4 – Hudson will be filled with several food trucks for the Peace Love and Goodwill Festival
- Monday, June 5 – I Don't Know, I Don't Care
- Tuesday, June 6 – I Don't Know, I Don't Care
- Wednesday, June 7 – The Great Panini
- Thursday, June 8 – Healthy Hippo, Snow S'mores
- Friday, June 9 – The Hall's Pizza Kitchen, Fresh Ice
- Saturday, June 10 – The Hall's Pizza Kitchen, The Great Panini and Brown's Kitchen
- Sunday, June 11 – Chef Ray's Taco's, Wicked Hangry, Kona Ice