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Myriad Botanical Gardens' September 2017 Events and Programs

Dancing in the Gardens featuring 70s Disco Dancing

Friday, September 1, 7-10pm Sponsored by ADG Seasonal Plaza by Pitchfork in the Park FREE, All Ages Welcome

Put on your boogie shoes and hustle on over to the Myriad Gardens on Friday, September 1. We're transforming the Seasonal Plaza into an outdoor disco dance floor. Beginning at 7pm, instructors from 3Sixty Entertainment Powerhouse will give a dance demonstration followed by a FREE lesson for all. At 8pm, our DJ Brian Smith from muttradio.com will crank up the disco tunes to get the dancing started that is guaranteed to make you shake your groove thing all night long. Drink and food specials will be offered to highlight the night.

8th Annual Art Gone Wild Art Exhibit

September 1-30 South Lobby, Crystal Bridge FREE. Works of art start as low as \$55

Open during operation hours: Monday-Saturday, 9am-5pm; Sunday, 11am-5pm

During September, Myriad Botanical Gardens will host the Oklahoma City Zoo's 8th annual ART GONE WILD! The exhibition features original paintings created by Zoo animals. With a little assistance from their caregivers, each animal develops their own unique method of painting. Some use tools such as paintbrushes while others paint with their flippers, trunks, paws, tails and noses. All of the art created by Zoo animals is made with safe, non-toxic paint. Painting sessions are done voluntarily by the animals, and the process is part of the enrichment programs developed by their caretakers to provide a stimulating environment which addresses the animal's social, psychological and physical needs. These unique start as low as \$55. All net proceeds benefit the Zoo's conservation initiatives.

Yoga in the Gardens sponsored by TFCU

Instructed by Lisa Woodard from This Land Yoga Tuesdays, September 5, 5:45pm
Late arrivals not accepted after 5:50pm
Outdoors or Terrace Room
Members \$5; Nonmembers \$10
Must be 16 and older

This is an all-levels class led by Lisa Woodward from This Land Yoga. Class participants should bring a yoga mat and water. Meet in the south lobby for check-in each week. Drop in for a session or two or enjoy the entire series.

FOR KIDS: Reading Wednesdays

Every Wednesday, 10am September 6, 13, 20 and 27 Crystal Bridge South Lobby FREE Best for ages 2-5

Bring your youngster for story time each Wednesday at 10am. Books are nature-themed and selected based on the season. We'll begin with an interactive song and children will enjoy creating a small craft after the story. For groups of 10 or more please call Kodi Clifford at 405-835-6789.

Full Moon Bike Ride and Run

Wednesday, September 6, 8pm Run/8:30pm Bike Ride Presented by Stephenson Cancer Center \$5 per person

Join other runners in a 5K run, led by Ultramax Sports Oklahoma, through the scenic downtown area as the sun sets. Those who pay \$5 will be entered in a drawing for prizes from Red Coyote Running and Fitness.

Bring your bike and meet up a for a leisurely one hour ride. Downtown-area routes are specially planned by Schlegel Bicycles. Don't have a bike? Rent aSpokies! Lights and helmets are required. Those who pay \$5 will be entered in a drawing for prizes from Schlegel Bicycles.

Final #FullMoonOKC events: Thursday, October 5, 7pm Run, 7:30pm Ride and Saturday, November 4, 7pm Run, 7:30pm Ride.

SOLD OUT: Meet Your New Park

Thursday, September 7, 6:30-8:30pm Park House Events Center SOLD OUT (A second date will be announced)

Myriad Botanical Gardens has been named operator of the newly named Scissortail Park, a MAPS 3 project. Join Maureen Heffernan, executive director of Myriad Botanical Gardens, as she presents images of Scissortail Park highlighting its new features and elements that will further the downtown renaissance. There will also be a discussion on urban park trends and the audience will be encouraged to

give their ideas and suggestions for new park programming. This event is sold out but dates for other presentations will be announced.

Celebration of the Animals

Sunday, September 10, 3-5pm Sponsored by Midtown Vets Blessing happens at 3:30pm Great Lawn and Bandshell FREE

Do you love animals? Come celebrate them with an ecumenical ceremony to bless your pets at the Gardens. Extreme Animals will show off some of their rare wildlife in a petting area, local clergy will be onsite to bless your animals, the OKC Animal Shelter will have an adoption booth and we will even have a remembrance tree where you can celebrate your pets of the past. A \$2 suggested donation is requested for the remembrance tree. Enjoy food from our line of food trucks or grab a bite from Pitchfork in the Park.

Painting in the Gardens with Wine & Palette: Celebrate the Animals

Sunday, September 10, 3-5pm Great Lawn and Bandshell Members \$20/Nonmembers \$25 Members register by calling (405) 227-0230 Nonmembers online here

Wine and Palette is back in the Gardens celebrating the love of animals. Paint a "Safari Sunset." kids can add their favorites to their safari adventure painting! 11×14 canvas

Cat Video Festival

Presented by Tinker Federal Credit Union
Sponsored by Midtown Vets and Platt College
Sunday, September 10 (this event was originally scheduled for August 12 and was rained out)
Great Lawn and Bandshell
Pre-Show Fun starts at 6:30pm
Movie Screening at 8pm

Presented by Tinker Federal Credit Union. Sponsored by Midtown Vets and Platt College, the Cat Video Festival is back by popular demand. It is a raucous, 75-minute romp through the Internet's finest cat video offerings and the shared hilarity with thousands of cat lovers is not to be missed. Film starts at 9pm but put on your whiskers and cat ears and enjoy pre-screening festivities complete with food trucks, live music with Jenkins Valley from 7:30pm – 8:30pm, drinks and more. Food vendors include Hall's Pizza Kitchen, Healthy Hippo, Brown's Kitchen, Parking Lot Party, Katie Bugs Shaved Ice, Cute Pies, Fresh Ice and Pitchfork in the Park.

Painting in the Gardens with Wine and Palette: Pop-In Cat Painting

Sunday, September 10, 6-8pm Great Lawn and Bandshell 4" x 4" canvas boards \$5 5" x 5" canvas boards \$10 Wine and Palette will set up on the Great Lawn and bandshell before the Cat Video Fest. Participants can choose between 4×4 canvas boards \$5 & 5×7 canvas boards \$10 featuring Cats.

barre3 Workout in the Gardens

September 11, 7-8pm Great Lawn and Bandshell Bring yoga mat and water Suggested \$5 donation to participate

Barre3 returns to the Gardens for another season of community outdoor fitness. A \$5 suggested donation will be requested to continue our growth of the Myriad Gardens. The final date is October 2, 6pm.

Outdoor Dining Series—Farm to Table Dinner from Chefs Kamala Gamble and Barbara Mock

Sponsored by Barkocy Construction, Inc.

Meinders Terrace

Members \$65; Nonmembers \$75

Must be 21+

Wine included thanks a generous donation from the Arnall Family Foundation

Register online at myriadgardens.org

Join us at the Meinders Terrace for an intimate dinner under the stars. Chefs Kamala Gamble and Barbara Mock from Kam's Kookery are bringing fresh ingredients from Guilford Gardens straight to your dinner table. Limited seating is available; please register by Thursday, September 14.

FOR KIDS: Bread Baking for Kids

Saturday, September 16, 10am – Noon Terrace Room Led by Chefs from Whole Foods Market Member \$12; Nonmember \$15 Best for ages 7 and up Register by Tuesday, September 12 Register online at myriadgardens.org

This wonderful hands-on class is just what you knead to create delicious bread to enjoy. Kids will also learn how to incorporate fresh herbs into bread. Come learn helpful tips and be guided through each step in creating your own bread dough. Kids will take home dough for 3 loaves- enough to bake and share with friends and family.

Bent Willow Furniture Class for Absolute Beginners

Saturday, September 16, 9am – 3pm
Pavilion or Terrace Room, depending on weather
Bim Willow, Master Furniture Builder
Register by Tuesday, September 12
Register at myriadgardens.org

You'll never look at a stick the same again. Learn to turn branches into family heirlooms. Join Master Furniture Builder Bim Willow as he teaches you to mold and bend fresh willow into beautiful, long lasting furniture. Come with a hammer and pruning shears and leave with a finished project using the techniques of this historical American craft. Project options:

- Historical Bent Willow Loveseat (create in 5 hours). Members \$340; Nonmembers \$355
- Garden Arbor (create in 3.5 hours), Members \$270; Nonmembers \$285
- Historical Bent Willow Chair (create in 4 hours) Members \$240; Nonmembers \$255
- Garden Bench (create in 2 to 3 hours), Members \$95; Nonmembers \$105
- Sassy End table (create in less than 2 hours), Members \$95; Nonmembers \$105

Times reflect NO prior building experience. Bring a sack lunch or grab a sandwich or salad at Pitchfork in the Park during a break.

Backyard Chicken Workshop

Saturday, Sept. 23, 10–11:30am
Terrace Room and Garden Grounds
Lori Coats, My Raggedy Herbs
Members \$12; Nonmembers \$15
Register by Tuesday, September 19
Register online at myriadgardens.org

"Grow" your own fresh eggs. Join Lori Coats, chicken expert and gardener, as she discusses the ins and outs of raising chickens. Lori will go over the challenges and benefits of life with chickens, offer tips for raising them from eggs to hens and bring one along for a close-up experience.

FOR KIDS: Edible Flower Arranging

Saturday, September 23, 1:30–3pm
Terrace Room
Hilary Clark and KJ Kane, Local Floral Designers
Members \$15; Nonmembers \$20
Ages 6 and up welcome, families encouraged
Register by Tuesday, September 19
Register online at myriadgardens.org

Did you know that you can make a stunning flower arrangement that you can also munch on? In this interactive class, we'll guide kids and families through the fun and easy steps of making an arrangement to be proud of. We'll start with a hunt through our Gardens to pick a few flowers to use in our arrangements along with some beautiful (and yummy!) fruits and vegetables. Families are welcome to work on an arrangement together.

OKC Metro Yoga Week Kickoff

Sunday, September 24, 8am–12pm Great Lawn/Band Shell FREE

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arrangements along with some beautiful (and yummy!) fruits and vegetables. Families are welcome to work on an arrangement together.

Join the Myriad Gardens, Downtown OKC, and Iululemon for a week of community & yoga at participating OKC Metro area yoga studios. Enjoy \$5 yoga classes at local area studios September 18-23, with a morning of free outdoor yoga on September 24th at the Myriad Gardens. See below for a list of participating OKC metro area studios and the full Myriad Gardens yoga schedule!

Myriad Gardens Class Schedule (9/24):

8:00 – 9:15 am: Sunrise Vinyasa + Yin + Meditation

8:30 – 9:20 am: Barre + Glute Camp 9:30 -10:30 am: Community Flow 11:00- 12 pm: Live DJ + Power Flow

Gardens Walking Tour

September 30, 10am South Lobby and Garden Grounds FREE Walkups Welcome

Join us to expand your Oklahoma plant knowledge and get great ideas for your yard. Each month changes as the plants grow through the seasons; in September we'll discuss plants for water conservation. Can't make it for the guided tour? Pick up a self-guided handout in our South Lobby.

Public events happening at the Myriad Gardens

Hamlet By William Shakespeare by Oklahoma Shakespeare in the Park

September 14-16, 21-23, & 28-30, 8pm Water Stage Tickets are \$25 general Gardens members get 2 free tickets To buy tickets visit here

An unrequited ghost, an indecisive prince, a kingdom in chaos: something is rotten in the state of Denmark. Shakespeare's dark tale of power, murder and vengeance is regarded by many as the most influential work ever written for the stage. This richly complex tragedy unfolds as the young prince of Denmark swears to avenge the untimely death of his beloved father and pulls his country into a maelstrom of madness and murder.

Wiggle Out Loud

Sunday, September 17, 11am-5pm Great Lawn and Band Shell FREE

It's nearly time to wop, bop, boom and boogie again at the fifth annual Wiggle Out Loud – Oklahoma City's FREE, active-family outdoor music festival presented by The Children's Hospital at OU Medical Center and benefiting The Children's Hospital Volunteers. The festival returns this year from 11 a.m. to 5

p.m. Sept. 17 at The Myriad Botanical Gardens Great Lawn, 301 W Reno Ave. Featured bands this year include folk songstress Sarah Lee Guthrie and EMMY and Latin Grammy nominee Lucky Diaz. Festival favorites back again this year include "kindie" superstars, Sugar Free Allstars, as well as Lucas Ross, ALEGRIA REAL and Adam & Kizzie.

The Myriad Botanical Gardens is one of Oklahoma City's most beloved public spaces, offering its visitors a 15 acre natural escape in the very heart of downtown. A half-acre children's garden, an off-leash dog park, restaurant space, splash fountains, and paths for walking and jogging provide guests young and old with a place to seek solitude with nature, or seek community and the company of others. Additionally, the Myriad Gardens offers a variety of horticultural education programs for adults and children.

The Crystal Bridge Tropical Conservatory's unique design has earned attention and praise in the architectural community. It is 224 feet long, 70 feet in diameter, and is covered by 3,028 sections of translucent, double-layered acrylic panels. The Conservatory includes 13,000 square feet of plant display area in two distinct climates: the Tropical Wet Zone, which is at the south end and is watered daily; and the Tropical Dry Zone at the north end which receives water from April through September, followed by drought from November through March. Some 2,000 varieties of plants and a 35-foot waterfall round out the spectacular features of the Conservatory.

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