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## **Myriad Botanical Gardens to honor Martin Luther King Jr. with Celebration**

**Monday, January 21, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Oklahoma City, OK -- Celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a morning of music, crafts, and readings on Monday, January 21, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Visitor Center located on the south end of the Crystal Bridge. Help unite OKC by placing a string on our "woven together" art display, bring a canned good food item that will be donated to the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, or take a learning walk through the Garden Classroom highlighting quotes and important events in the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. At 11:30 a.m. join us for a reading of Dr. King's famous *I Have a Dream Speech*, followed by a performance from a Gospel Choir. This is a free event with a suggested donation of \$2 for the craft-making.

This event will conclude in time for the annual [MLK Day Parade](#) starting at 2 p.m. on Walker at NW 6, heading south to Reno.

## **Devon Ice Rink Season Continues through January 27**

The Devon Ice Rink at Myriad Gardens continues its season through Sunday, January 27. Approximately 29,100 skaters have enjoyed skating on the downtown OKC attraction. Admission is \$13, includes skate rental; \$8 with your own skates; \$7 for Myriad Gardens members. Hours are Monday through Thursday, 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 7 p.m.

## **January events in the Gardens**

### **Reading Wednesdays**

January 9, 16, 23 & 30, 9:30 a.m.

The Garden Classroom

FREE

Best for ages 2 to 5

Bring your youngster for story time each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. 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. Join us the last Wednesday of the month for reading and craft time with the Downtown Library. For groups of 10 or more please call Kodi Clifford at (405)-835-6789.

### **Yoga Tuesdays**

Sponsored by Tinker Federal Credit Union & Stephenson Cancer Center  
Giveaway Sponsor Athleta  
Tuesdays, January 8, 15, 22 & 29, 5:45pm (every Tuesday)  
Meet in the Visitor Center  
Gardens Members: \$5; Nonmembers: \$10

This is a great, all-levels class. Class participants should bring a yoga mat and water. Class participants will meet in the south lobby for check-in each week. Drop in for a session or two or enjoy the entire series!

### **Family Workshop: Garden Potpourri**

Saturday, January 26, 10-11am  
2nd Floor Conference Room and Garden Grounds  
Member \$6; Nonmember \$8 Best for ages 6 to 10  
Register by Tuesday, January 22 online at [myriadgardens.org](http://myriadgardens.org)

Winter provides us with a wonderful variety of sights and scents that we can use in our homes to make them cozy and inviting. We will supply some staple ingredients from the kitchen and creativity will be encouraged as we embark on a nature walk to collect some extra materials to use for our very own garden potpourri mixtures! Each participant will bring home two half-pint jars full of their creative concoctions.

### **Break the Ice**

Saturday, January 26, 8-11 p.m.  
Devon Ice Rink and Park House Event Center  
Members: \$20 wristband; Nonmembers: \$25 wristband  
Ages 21+ ONLY for indoor activities  
Register online at [myriadgardens.org](http://myriadgardens.org)

Cupcakes, Beer Flights, Board Games and Ice Skating—what more could you ask for on a Saturday night? Each paid participant's wristband includes skating at the Devon Ice Rink and admission into our Park House Event Center for three 6 oz. beer samples that are paired with mini cupcake, and board games to play with friends. Additional beverages can be purchased onsite. Advance registration is required for this event by Friday, January 25 at noon.

### **Water Marbling Workshop**

Saturday, January 26, 1-2:30 p.m.  
The Garden Classroom  
Member \$20; Nonmember \$25  
Kanuni Yilmaz, Administrator at Dove Science Academy  
Register by Saturday, January 19 online at [myriadgardens.org](http://myriadgardens.org)

Take part in the magical and therapeutic art form known as Ebru. This ancient practice teaches patience, balance and harmony. All materials are organic. In Ebru, each painting is as unique as the human creating it. Disposable aprons will be provided.

### **Guided Walking Tour**

Saturday, January 26, 10-11am

Last Saturday of Every Month

Garden Grounds

FREE

Expand your knowledge of Oklahoma plants and find inspiration for your own garden with our educational walking tours. Each month will feature different plants from our outdoor collection that make great choices for our region – from year-round color to drought tolerant choices and more. Self-guided plant tour handouts are available in our north lobby.

### **On exhibit**

## **Inspirations from Nature: Paintings by Anthony Dyke and Susan Morrison-Dyke EXTENDED**

November 29, 2018 – March 3, 2019

South Lobby, Crystal Bridge

Free to view the exhibit

Anthony Dyke and Susan Morrison-Dyke, both accomplished artists in the Oklahoma City metro area have created an exhibition of paintings inspired by nature to be featured at the Myriad Gardens' re-opening of its visitor center. The exhibition consists of large canvases created specifically as a celebratory tribute to the "beauty and inventiveness" of "nature and architecture". The artist's abstract paintings share a common thread by the use of textures and colorful botanical elements based on flower color ways and landscapes often confined within architectural parameters in the paintings. The artists' love for the physical act of painting invites the viewer to simply enjoy the rich qualities of paint and celebration of nature's impact on artistic creativity.