



The Garden is bursting with color this summer! As you arrive, you'll be welcomed by countless vibrant marigolds, colorful picado flags, lush seasonal blooms, and the joyful *La Calavera Catrina* exhibit nestled throughout the Garden, creating a living outdoor gallery. There's so much to see, do, and experience this summer! Explore the latest Garden news, upcoming events, and seasonal highlights below.

GARDEN NEWS



The CATRINAS are HERE!

Experience the rich history and joyful spirit of La Catrina through a stunning collection of colorful, larger-than-life sculptures by Los Angeles-based artist Ricardo Soltero. Bursting with bold color and personality, the *La Calavera Catrina* exhibit has transformed the Garden into a celebration of art, culture, and festivity. Nine 8-foot-tall colorful Catrinas are on display now through November 9, with [themed events](#) and special experiences throughout the exhibit.

La Calavera Catrina is sponsored by **Nora and Gardiner Garrard and Aflac**.

Art by Ricardo Soltero. This exhibit is organized by Denver Botanic Gardens.

[La Calavera Catrina Events](#)



FriYAYs! Drop in for some summer FUN

Beginning next Friday (July 10), join us every Friday from 4:00 - 7:00 pm for **FriYAYs**, an afternoon of creativity, fun, and learning inspired by the vibrant Catrinas. Each week highlights a different sculpture and includes a themed hands-on activity, such as creating papel picado banners, making floral crowns and mini terracotta pots, painting like Posada, and more! Activities are for all ages.

EVERY FRIDAY: July 10th - August 28th,
Drop in between 4 and 7pm.

FriYAYs are sponsored by **Master Wall, Inc.**



We are OPEN on July 4th!

In honor of the **250th anniversary of the United States**, we're proud to offer **FREE** Garden admission Friday through Sunday to all active-duty military members and veterans. Also, ask about our military family membership discount!



EXTENDED HOURS on FRIDAYS

9:00 am - 7:00 pm, last entrance at 6:30 pm

NOW through September 4th.

KIDS' FREE ENTRY this SUMMER!

Get the kids outside this summer at the Garden **FOR FREE!** Sign up for a Kids' Free Summer Membership at the link below or at admission. Lasts from now through September 4th. Get in free to FriYAYs and Kids' programming during this time.

[Sign Up for Kids FREE Summer Membership Here](#)

Upcoming Programs and Events - FREE for Members

Phenology Fridays

[1st Friday of every month, 10:00 - 11:00am](#)

Garden staff will share about what's in bloom and lead a session of observation, drawing, and journaling to record what we see! All ages welcome.

[August 7th, September 4th](#)

Lunch and Learn

[Wednesday, July 15th, 12:00 - 1:00pm](#)

Topic: Composting!

Hear from our Volunteer Compost Coordinator, Devon Moree, and learn the basics of how you can start a compost in your backyard and the environmental benefits of reducing food waste.

DROP YOUR FOOD WASTE at the Garden every Tuesday, 9 - 11am to support our compost program where it is turned into nutrient-rich soil to use in our gardens.

SEED to SALSA

[Thursday, July 23rd, 9:00 - 11:00am](#)

Bring your young gardeners and chefs for a lesson about vegetable gardening and make salsa from our harvest. For ages 2-17.

Kids' Monthly Programs

Little Sprouts: Ages 3-5, 10:00 - 11:00am and 2:30 - 3:30pm, first Tuesday of each month

July 7th, August 4th, September 1st

Budding Naturalist: 1st - 5th graders, 10:00 - 11:00am, third Tuesday of each month

July 21st, August 18th, September 15th

Seedling Storytime: Ages 0-2, 10:00-11:00am, last Wednesday of each month

July 23rd, August 26th, September 30th

Guided Farmhouse Tours

[Every Friday starting at 10am](#)

[Register for all CBG Events Here](#)

[Volunteer at the Garden](#)



Mahjong Mondays

[Every Monday, 9:30 - 11:30am with Bam Good Time](#)

[Register Here for Bam Good Time Events](#)



TRAVEL WITH THE GARDEN!

YOU'RE INVITED to explore the **gardens of ENGLAND** and the **Chelsea Flower Show!**

[MAY 14 - 22, 2027](#)

Experience the ultimate garden lover's adventure to the famous **Chelsea Flower Show** with Earthbound Expeditions, hosted by Columbus Botanical Garden! In addition to the legendary Chelsea show, we will explore the great estates and gardens of Southern England, historic Oxford, and the picturesque Cotswolds!

[Learn More and Register Here](#)

CBG Member Benefits!

- **Free entry** into many Catrina events, including FriYAYs.
- Free or reduced admission to special events, classes, and programs.
- Discounts at local nurseries.
- Free entry into the Garden for a full year to see what's blooming in all seasons.
- Free or discounted admission to 340+ gardens nationwide.
- **DIGITAL MEMBERSHIP CARDS** are **NOW AVAILABLE** through Passplay

Become a **CBG MEMBER!**

Members, Make sure to **sign in to your account to receive free entry or discounts** to events.
The discounts will show up in your cart.

SEASONAL GARDEN HOURS:

[Open Tuesday - Sunday](#)

9:00am-5:00pm, last entrance time at 4:00pm

(CLOSED on Mondays)

[Fridays Only](#)

9:00am-7:00pm, last entrance time at 6:30pm

We hope to see you at the Garden this summer!

