

## 2018 Event Hosts

North Carolina is home to an amazingly rich flora, including many plant species found nowhere else in the world. For more than half a century, the North Carolina Botanical Garden has been dedicated to conserving that unique botanical legacy. Today, we cultivate and protect more than 1,100 acres of garden and conservation areas, safeguard rare and endangered plant species from extinction, and educate new generations of plant lovers and environmental citizens.

We are much more than a display garden. The Garden is a robust ecosystem where people can discover the natural world, experience its healing and restorative power, and understand why conservation is imperative to our quality of life. We invite you to join us in this effort by hosting one or more of the Garden's signature events.

## 2018 Event Schedule

**Discovering Magic in the Garden** (Saturday, April 7, 2018) – The young and young-at-heart are invited for a fun-filled afternoon of hands-on nature activities in the Children's Wonder Garden! Build a home for a fairy or gnome, meet carnivorous plants, make a leaf crown, listen to music and much more.

**Spring Plant Sale and Festival** (Saturday, May 12, 2018) – Celebrating North Carolina's native plants, this springtime event features native plants from our own nursery and several local nurseries. Live music, food trucks, educational activities and a raffle all add to the festival-like atmosphere. Admission is free and open to the public.

**Carolina Moonlight Garden Party** (Saturday, June 2, 2018) – Join us for our biggest fundraiser of the year and prepare to dance the night away at the *Carolina Moonlight Garden Party*. Each year we celebrate a different region of North Carolina with signature drinks, food, and fun.

**Sculpture in the Garden** (Saturday, September 15, 2018) – Every fall the Garden hosts one of the Triangle's most anticipated art events—a juried outdoor exhibition of original sculptures by North Carolina artists. This annual event showcases dozens of works that emphasize the bond between art and nature. The *Sculpture in the Garden Preview Party* kicks off the 12-week exhibit.

**Fall Plant Sale** (Friday, September 28 & Saturday, September 29, 2018) – Our *Fall Plant Sale and Festival* exemplifies conservation gardening at its best. All of the more than 170 species of southeastern native plants offered for sale have been propagated in our own growing operation. Garden Members enjoy a special plant sale preview party with discount on plant purchases, live music and refreshments.

**Boo-tanical** (Friday, October 26, 2018) – This family fun event features a nature pumpkin carving contest along with pumpkin viewing, live critters, crafts and treats. Funds raised benefit the Garden's Wonder Connection program.

**Holiday Festival** (December 7-8, 2018) – Enjoy holiday splendor in the Garden as we celebrate the end of the year with luminarias, native plant greenery, holiday music, food and good cheer.

### Event Hosting Levels

The Garden and the Foundation are committed to showcasing our Event Hosts in appreciation for their support. Marketing efforts include recognition during the events and inclusion in our social and print media, such as Facebook, Instagram and our magazine, the *Conservation Gardener*.

To become a 2018 Event Host for one or more Signature Events, please fill out the form below:

Event	Suggested Minimum	Amount
Spring Plant Sale and Festival	\$250+	
Carolina Moonlight Garden Party	\$2,000+	
Sculpture in the Garden	\$500+	
Magic in the Garden	\$250+	
Fall Plant Sale	\$250+	
Boo-tanical	\$250+	
Magic in the Garden	\$250+	
Winter in the Garden	\$1,000+	
<b>TOTAL</b>		

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Check	Made payable to Botanical Garden Foundation, Inc.
Credit Card Number:	
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For more information or questions, please contact Victoria Castor at [vscastror@email.unc.edu](mailto:vscastror@email.unc.edu) or 919-962-2231.

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