SAVE THE DATE!

Fall Plant Sale
October 28, 10AM - 1PM

The sale you’ve been waiting for is right around the corner!
Beautiful, drought tolerant volunteer-grown plants are ready to find a new home with you!
All plants are TAX-FREE

TAKE A BIRDWALK
WITH THE MORRO COAST AUDUBON SOCIETY

MAKE SUCCULENT PUMPKINS
WITH ARTIST, JAYNE DEVENCENZI

JOIN OUR DOCENT TRAINING
SHARE NATURE WITH OTHERS

DISCOVER FAVORITE FRUITS
WITH THE CA. RARE FRUIT GROWERS

BECOME A CITIZEN SCIENTIST
WITH SCIENCE EDUCATOR, DAMON TIGHE

TASTE THE CHUMASH KITCHEN
WITH VIOLET CAVANAUGH & JEANETTE ACOSTA
Become a Garden Docent!

Every year we welcome hundreds of students and visitors to tour and learn in the Garden, *and we need your help*. Share your interest in the outdoors with others and learn how to lead tours at the Garden!

Join our **Children’s Docent Training Program**, four Wednesday mornings, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, and 10/18 2017, from 9:30am to 11:30am to learn how to open minds to natural wonders!

Materials fee $20. Registration required. For more information visit [slobg.org/docent](http://slobg.org/docent).

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Be a Citizen Scientist with iNaturalist

Collect scientific data while enjoying your outdoor excursions! Learn how to contribute valuable scientific data while taking pictures and having fun! Join science educator, Damon Tighe, on **Sunday, October 22 from 2pm to 4pm** to learn and practice collecting and sharing data (nature photos).

Suggested donation $5 Garden members / $10 public. For more information visit [slobg.org/inaturalist](http://slobg.org/inaturalist).

Photos by SLOBG and iNaturalist
This bird walk will be approximately one mile long at a slow to moderate pace, depending on where and how often we’re seeing birds. The terrain is gentle, over a variety of surfaces. People of any birding skill level are welcome. We’ll expect to see dozens of species in a variety of habitats, with likely sightings of: White-tailed Kite, Red-shouldered Hawk, California Quail, Western Scrub jay, and Western Bluebird. We’ll meet near the Garden entrance. If you have binoculars please bring them; if not, loaners will be available.

Walk is $5 for Garden members / $10 public.
No preregistration required.
For more information visit slobg.org/bird.

ERIC has been birding since his teen years, and has enjoyed searching out birds from arctic Alaska to Costa Rica.

JESSICA has been working as a field biologist with a focus on birds for over 15 years. She received her Masters at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo. She currently works as a biologist for Althouse & Meade, Inc. She is also actively involved with Morro Coast Audubon Society.
Create your own unique, natural holiday decor at this hands-on workshop.

All materials are provided for this hands-on class where you will learn how to make your own succulent pumpkin. If you grow succulents and are able to bring cuttings to share, that would be great! (Please cut at least 2-3 days before the class to allow the cut to “harden or scab”).

**The class is limited to 12 participants, so sign up early.**

Workshop is $50 Garden members / $60 public.

Preregistry required.

For information and registration visit [slobg.org/pumpkin](http://slobg.org/pumpkin).

**Jayne Devencenzi, jewelry designer and retired school counselor, first began gardening with her father 60+ years ago. She couldn’t wait to have her own piece land so she could begin growing her own vegetables and flowers. When she and her husband moved to SLO over 40 years ago, they bought bare land just outside the city limits. They soon realized they had quite the growing challenge fending off deer, birds, bunnies and gophers! Decades later, they continue to learn how to grow plants in their drought tolerant, succulent filled landscape.**

Photos by Amy McKay and Rodger’s Garden
The Central Coast of California is known for its mellow climate and robust agriculture, but what are some unique and delicious fruits that are right for your home garden? Join us at the Garden to hear from members of the California Rare Fruit Growers (CRFG) as they share their favorite fruits and how to grow them on the central coast without a greenhouse! Enjoy refreshments and mingling with CRFG members with the presentation starting at 1:30, followed by a free docent-led tour of the garden at 2:30 PM.

Presentation is $5 for Garden members / $10 public / FREE for CRFG members. No preregistration required.

For more information visit slobg.org/fruit.

Founded in 1968, the California Rare Fruit Growers (CRFG) is the largest amateur fruit-growing organization in the world. Its membership includes nationally recognized botanical gardens and noted international horticultural researchers, as well as hobbyists, commercial growers and representatives from institutions of higher learning.

Photos by J. Smith and T. Voekler
FALL PLANT SALE FUNDRAISER

MEMBERS ONLY – Friday, October 27, 10AM-1PM
and Saturday, October 28, 9AM-10AM
Open to the Public – Saturday, October 28, 10AM-1PM

From drought, to shade, to sun, we have loads of perfect plants to fit your needs! Come check out the wonderful selection and support the Garden at our popular annual fundraiser. We rely on our members and guests to support us and our work in the community.

All plants will be TAX-FREE and many of our gift shop items will be on sale. Garden Members also save an additional 10% off all purchases!

To keep up to date with what’s for sale, you can visit slobg.org/sale.

Learn about different plants that are great for your yard, get expert advice, and find great deals on beautiful plants grown by our amazing volunteers. And don’t forget to grab a cup of coffee to sip on while you “talk garden”!

Photos by Walter Siegmund and Ron Kindig
Fall is a time to harvest, store, and prepare for the coming winter. Join us this fall as we reconnect with the local environment, the season, and your health during the fall Chumash Kitchen offering with Chumash chefs and herbalists, Violet Cavanaugh and Jeanette Acosta. This offering will leave you nourished, connected, and grateful for the gifts of nature.

This program offers a sliding scale of $88-$120 per participant. Pre-registry is REQUIRED for this intimate offering. For more information visit slobg.org/Chumash-kitchen.

Jeanette Acosta learned herbology and ethnobotany from her indigenous family. She learned about plants that grow locally, and which ones are relevant to traditional and everyday way of life as well as ethical wildcrafting. Jeanette is a certified teacher/teacher trainer and designer of permaculture principles, and specializes in maritime culture, herbalism, ethnobotany, and biodynamic principles.

Violet Cavanaugh is an indigenous Californian, a Chumash descendant and community leader, born and living in Avila Beach, CA. She started Native Herbs and Honey co. in 2008 and Native Café in 2014. Violet is the Vice Chairwoman of the Northern Chumash Tribe.
CONSIDER A LEGACY WITH THE GARDEN
~BEFIECARY GIFTS~

“We are creating a living legacy for generations to come. Trees planted today will tower over our grandchildren.”
- Gaby Levine, October 1997

You can sow seeds to secure the Garden’s future by designating the Garden as a beneficiary in your life insurance plan, retirement plan, brokerage accounts or any other plan with a beneficiary designation. Your gift will allow the Garden to grow and flourish as a community treasure that provides year-round blooms, education, relaxation, and recreation.

If you wish to designate the Garden as a beneficiary, please name the Friends of San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden, 3450 Dairy Creek Road, San Luis Obispo, CA. Federal Tax Identification Number: 77-024682. Consult with your plan provider for a change of beneficiary form. Once you’ve completed the form, please send a copy to Debbie Hoover, Friends of San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden, 3450 Dairy Creek Road, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405.

Let Us Know
If you’ve already included a gift to the Friends of San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden in your will or trust or designated the Garden as a beneficiary, please notify us by calling Debbie Hoover at 805.541.1400 x300.

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