

News from The Arboretum

of Los Angeles County

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*New Member Tram Tour
Saturday, September 1*

*Reservations are required.
Call (626) 821-3233 for more
information or to make reservations.*



AN EXCITING TIME TO BE INVOLVED!

I feel very excited and honored to be involved with The Arboretum of Los Angeles County where there are so many wonderful things happening all the time. We have just had our 31st Baldwin Bonanza. It was exceptional! A heartfelt thank you goes to Sylvia Guerrero, our Director of Special Events, Trustee Marcia Bent, staffer Felicia Freisma, volunteer Suzanne Haller, The Arboretum Staff, and Los Voluntarios, as well as all of the designers, vendors, and supporters who assisted in putting together this fabulous event. This proved to be our best fund-raiser to date. We had more attendees at our

Friday evening reservations only Patrons' Party and participants in our Silent Auction than ever before, along with the greatest number of restaurants



Enjoying Baldwin Bonanza, facing from left to right; Peter Atkins, CEO, Olene Ewell-White, Assistant Director East Agency Department of Parks & Recreation, and George Brumder, Trustee President.

supplying delectable morsels. In addition, we were able to enjoy the musical talent of Don LaCourt who entertained us with his trio. All in all, it was an extraordinary team effort!

Gail L. Shair has recently joined our Leadership Team as Director of Education. She

will direct all educational offerings, be intimately involved with establishing new programs, and serve as a crucial member of our design team for the conceptual long-range plan. She fills a critically important position at The Arboretum as education is our mission. Gail arrives with a master's degree in Science Education, and with solid experience having worked with

James Folsom, Ph.D. at The Huntington Botanical Gardens.

In April, our newly created Ethnobotanical Lecture Series began with Dr. Michael Balick, Director and Philecology Curator at the Institute of Economic Botany at The New York Botanical

Garden. He presented an entertaining and inspirational lecture, slide and video show to over 125 attendees. The diverse audience included students, educators, healers, members, volunteers, staff and representatives from The Arboretum and other local gardens. A small pre-lecture reception gave invitees an opportunity to meet Michael. Don't miss our next rewarding lecture in this series, to be held on Thursday, June 21, at 8.00 pm.

The list of corporate donors to The Arboretum continues to grow. Please welcome and support Core Media Group, Persson's Nursery, the California Philharmonic, the San Gabriel Valley Newspaper Group and Environmental Industries/Valley Crest Nursery. It is exciting to have these businesses believe in and invest in the future of our Arboretum!

And, it is certainly an exciting time to be involved with The Arboretum!

FROM GEORGE BRUMDER, BOARD PRESIDENT

WITH ALL GOOD WISHES

Please join me in a round of hearty applause for The Arboretum staff and volunteers who made this year's Baldwin Bonanza the biggest and best yet. Everyone did a terrific job, but I know you'll join me in a special hand for Sylvia Guerrero, who did a really outstanding job heading the whole project.

As some of you know by now, the Foundation plans to hire Nancy Goslee Power & Associates to create a conceptual long-range plan for The Arboretum. We expect that Nancy and her team will, with input from The Arboretum family and the community, produce an extraordinary plan. That plan

will be the basis of — and set the standard for — The Arboretum's development as a truly world-class arboretum and botanic garden serving all of Southern California.

The plan is intended to ensure that the many program and facilities initiatives identified in The Arboretum's Five-Year Plan will — with appropriate infrastructures and amenities — be developed over time in a coherent, well-thought-out way that will be highly appealing to visitors and donors alike.

We will keep you informed as the plan develops, and we will welcome and appreciate your input and support during this process.

Just so you know, our board is considering permanently shifting the Foundation's Annual Meeting from June to September. That will allow us, at the meeting, to present financial results for the Foundation's full fiscal year, which ends each June 30th. This approach should give everyone a better picture of what's going on at the Foundation and The Arboretum. We expect to hold the meeting on a Saturday afternoon, so more of our growing membership can participate. We will hope to see you there, and in the meantime, will welcome your questions and suggestions — on these and other topics.

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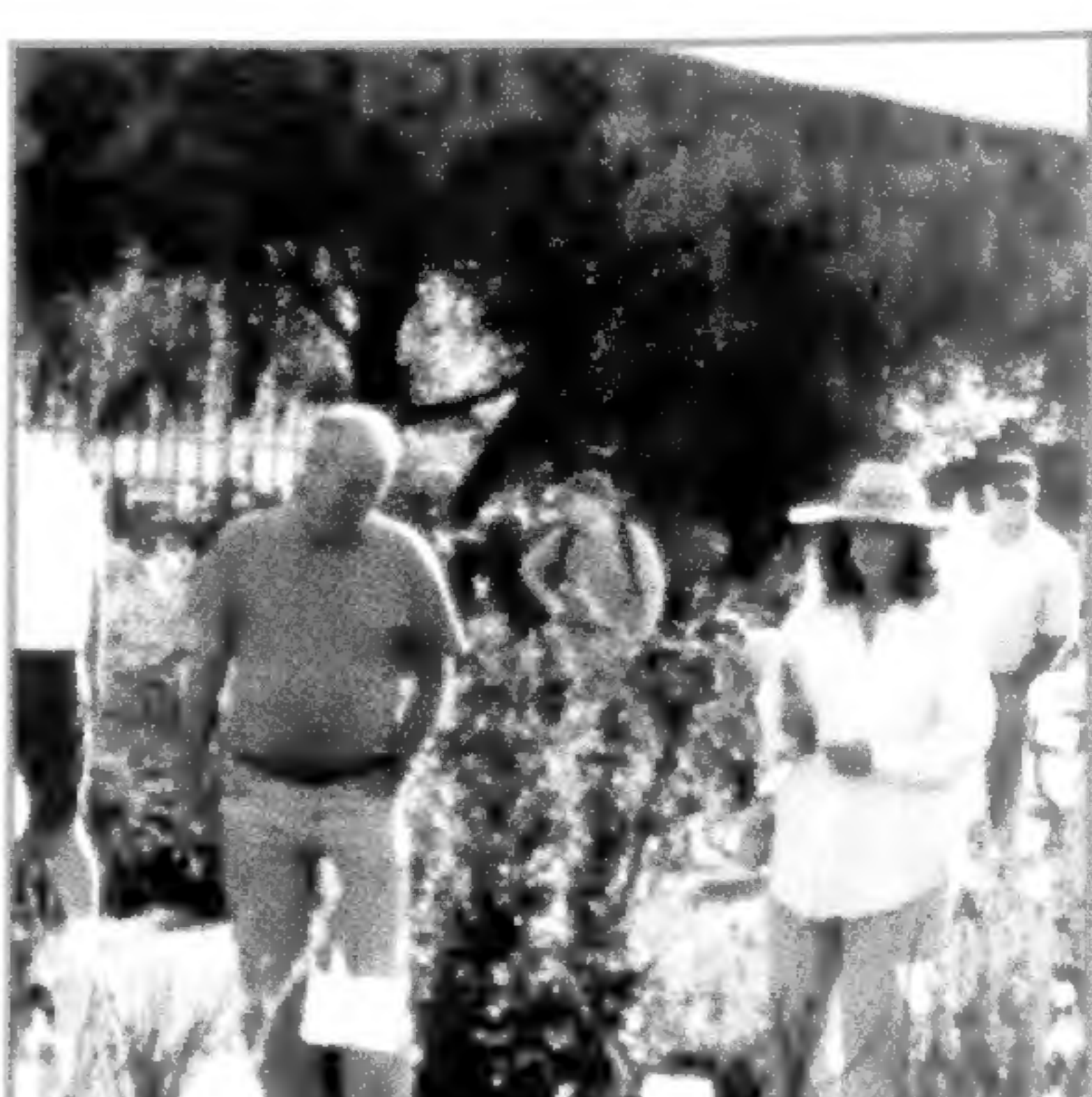
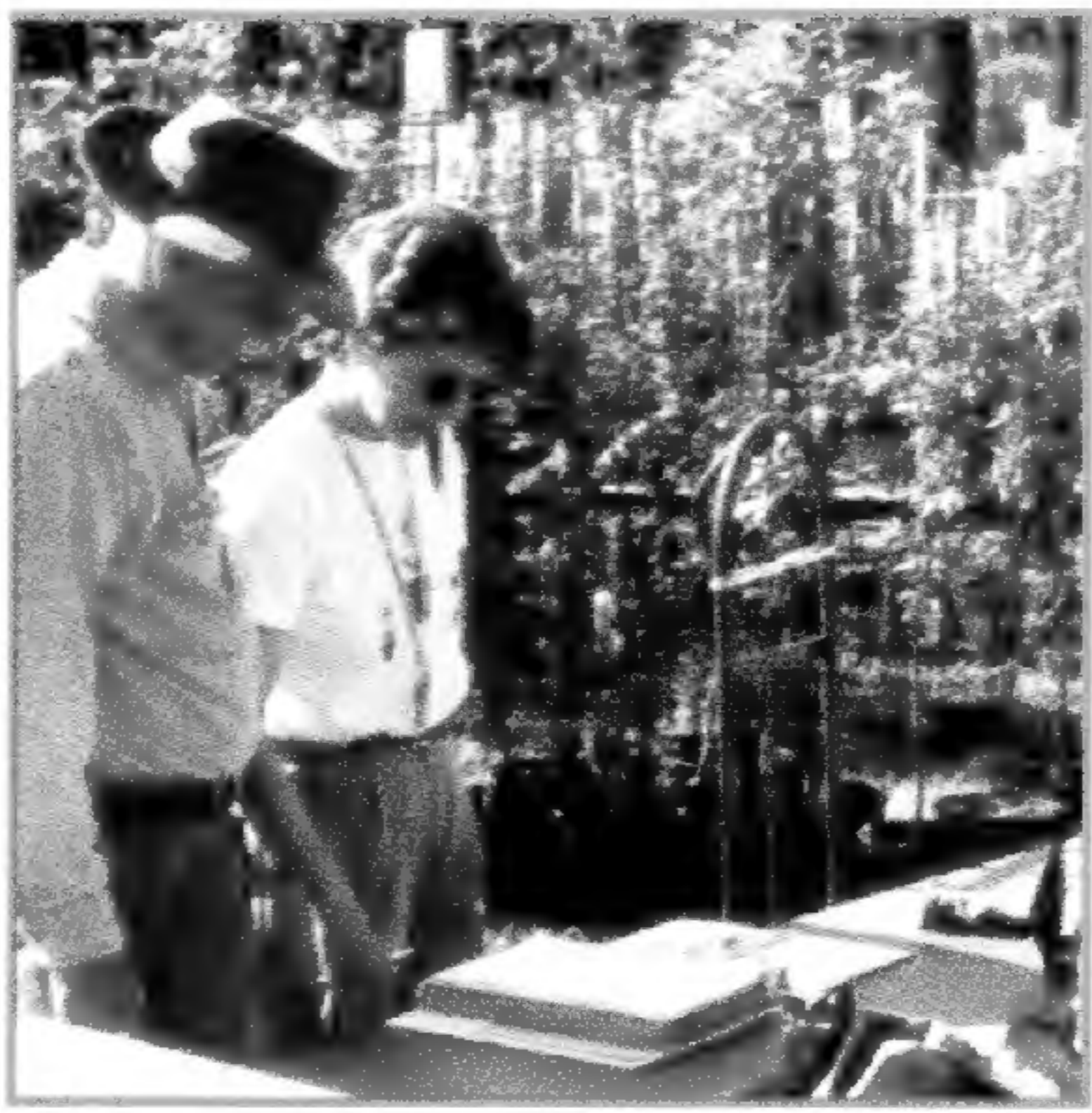
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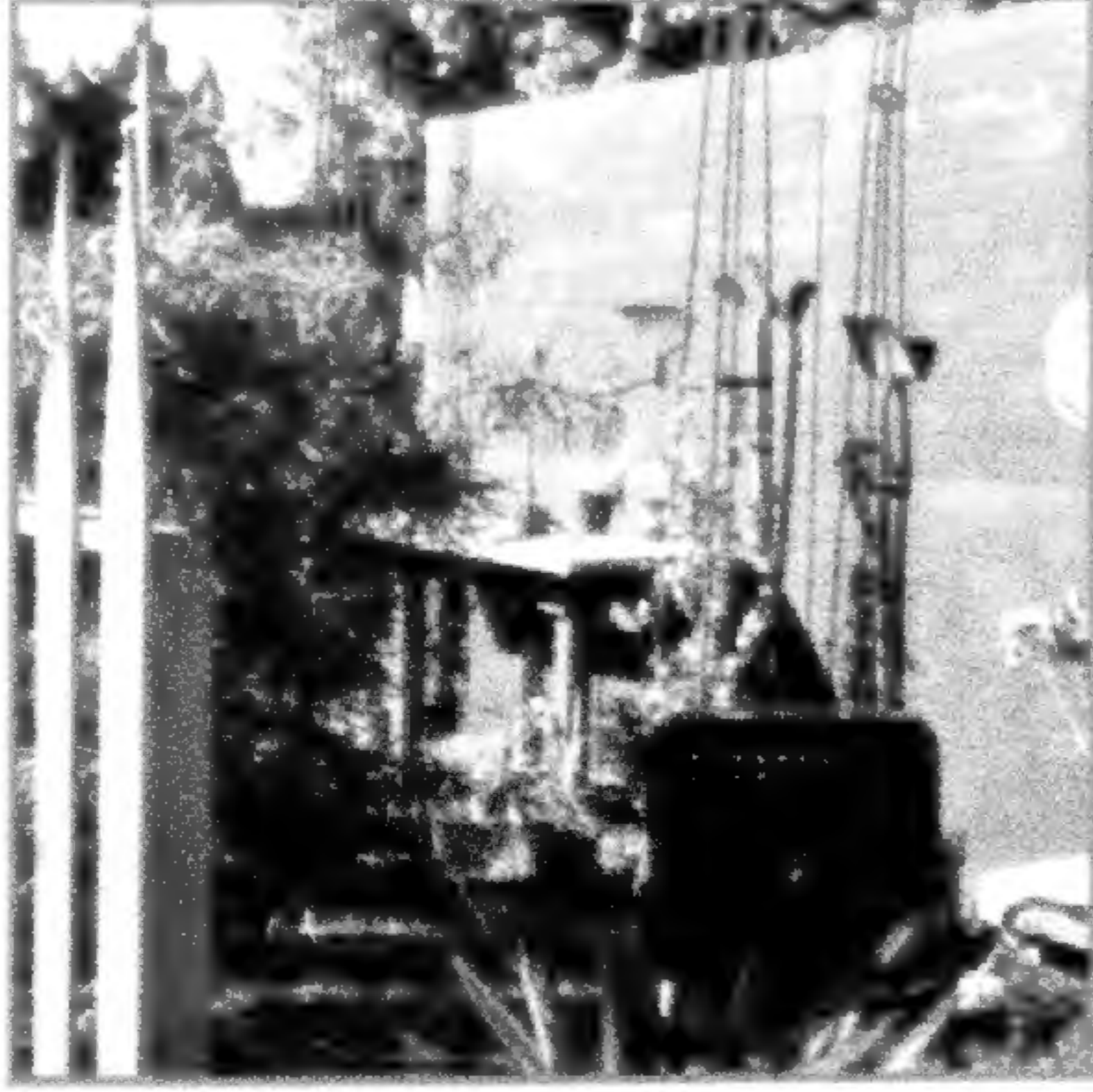
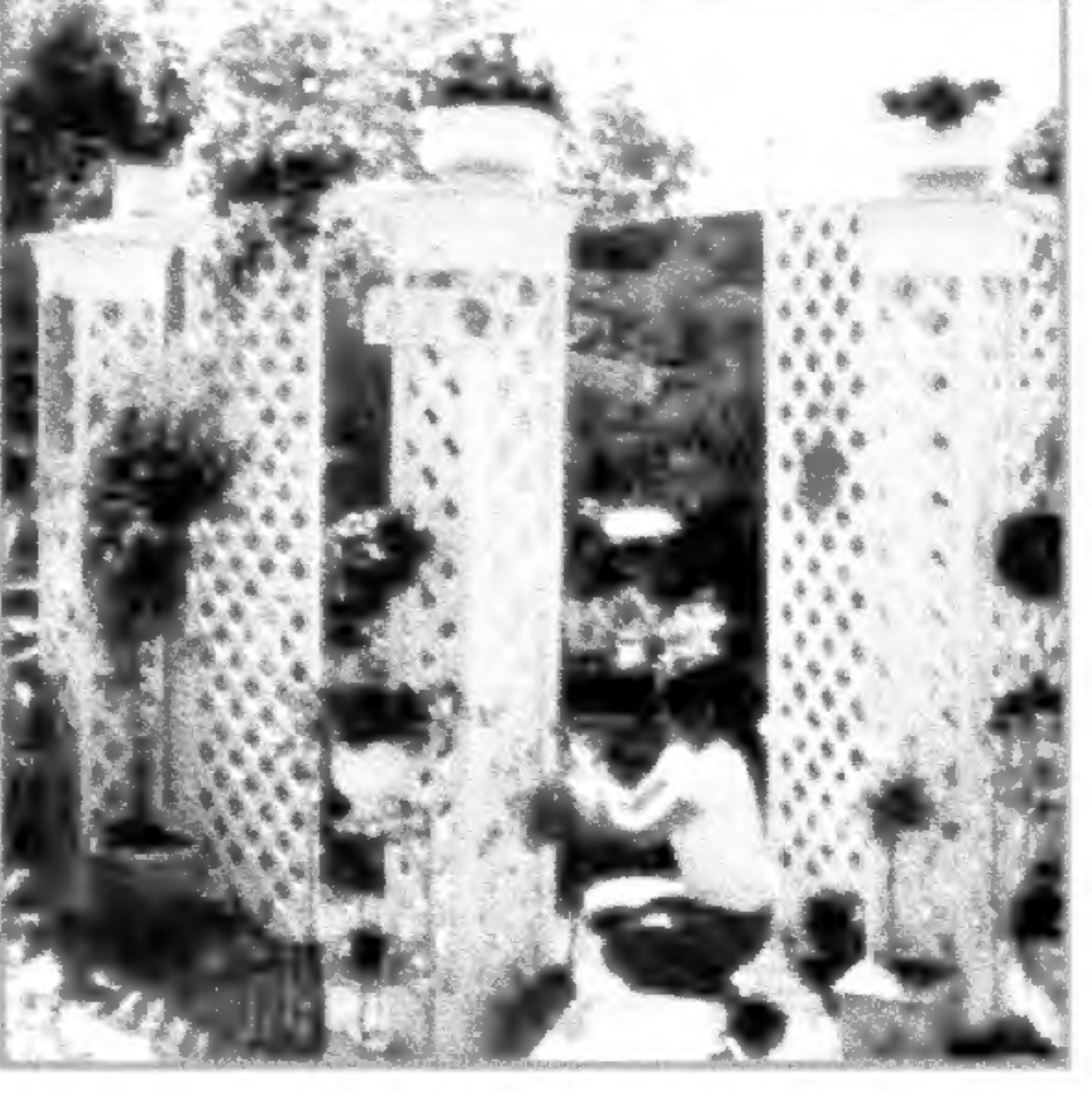
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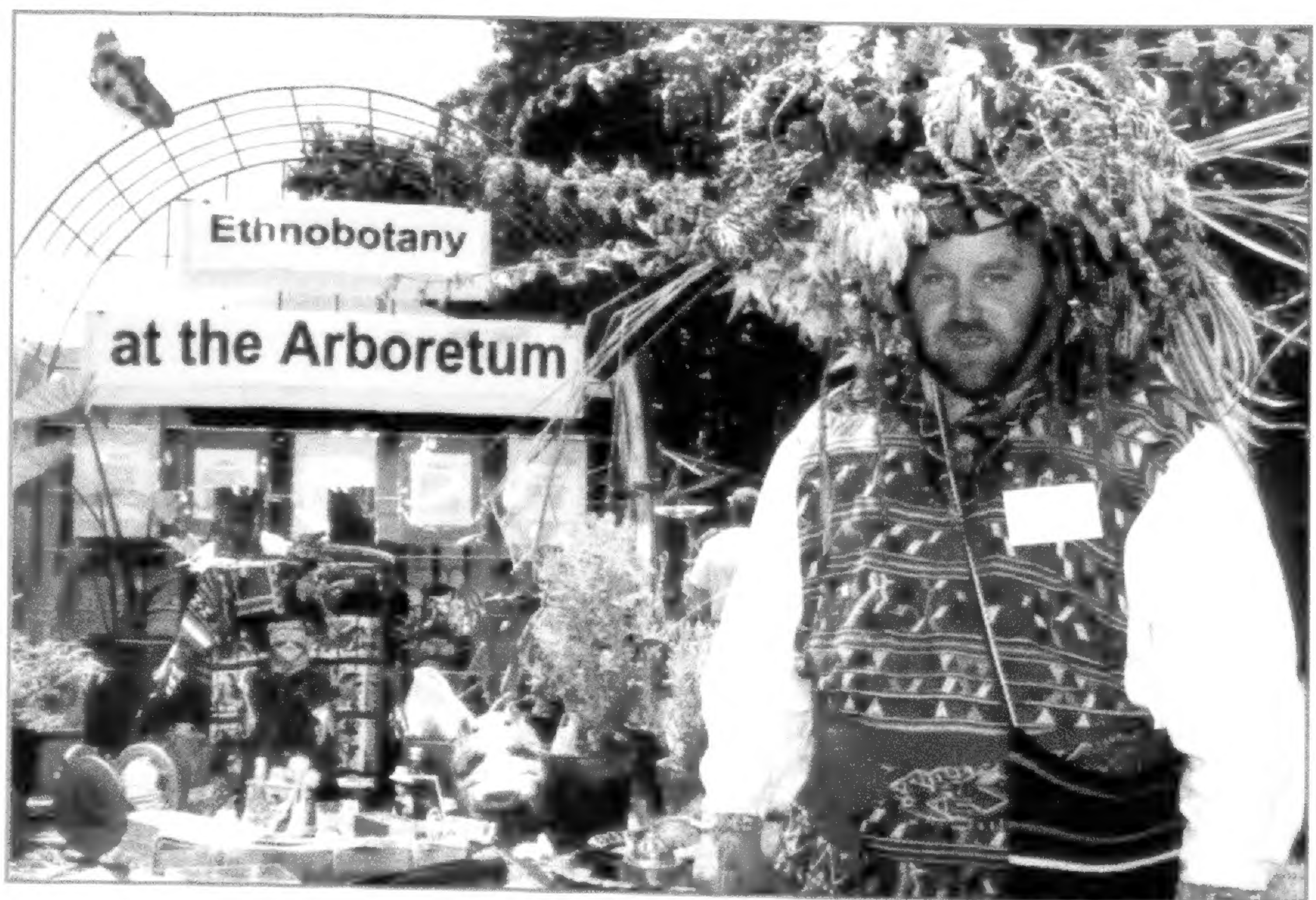




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The Arboretum Gallery of Opportunities
Education - Exhibits - Events



S e e y o u n e x t y e a r !



Ethnobotanical Lecture Series

Dr. James A. Duke
"A Tale of Two Ethnobotanical Gardens"

Thursday, June 21
8:00 p.m.
Ayres Hall
The Arboretum of Los Angeles County
301 North Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia, CA 91007

Arboretum Members \$12
Non-members \$15
Students with valid ID \$8

The Arboretum is pleased to present the second of a four-part series on ethnobotany, the study of relationships between people and plants. Join us for a fascinating lecture, slide presentation, and original music by Dr. James A. Duke. Dr. Duke also will bring copies of his latest book, The Green Pharmacy Anti-Aging Prescriptions: Herbs, Foods, and Natural Formulas to Keep You Young.

Dr. Duke is a popular lecturer on the subjects of ethnobotany, herbs, medicinal plants, and new crops and their ecology. His latest goal is to reverse skepticism about alternative medicines.

Dr. Duke has traveled and studied extensively in Panama, Colombia, Peru, and Maine. He will discuss how his adventures led to the establishment of the ReNuPERU ETHNOBOTANY GARDEN in Peru and the GREEN FARMACY GARDEN in Maryland. He also will bring copies of his newest book, which features the two gardens.

Retired after 30 years with the USDA, Dr. Duke has collaborated with the National Institute of Health and National Cancer Institute on both AIDS- and cancer-screening programs and their new designer food program to prevent cancer. Dr. Duke received the Distinguished Economic Botanist Award in 2000, and in 2001 was selected as a Distinguished Alumnus (Ph.D., Botany, Phi Beta Kappa, 1961) of the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

(We hope you won't miss our final two exciting ethnobotanical lectures: October 10, Dr. Wade Davis, Explorer-in-Residence, National Geographic Society, "The Light at the Edge of the World;" and December 5, Dr. Mark Plotkin, President, Amazon Conservation Team, "Rainforest Conservation and the Search for New Jungle Medicines.")

To register, please call (626) 821-4623 or 4624.
For additional information, please visit our website at
www.Arboretum.org



CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES JUNE AND JULY 2001

PLEASE CALL (626) 821-4623 FOR RESERVATIONS.

SUMMER ARBORETUM ADVENTURES FOR KIDS!

Monday – Friday
9 am – 11 am

Meet in Lecture Hall A
Leader: Celena Turney

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

\$75 members/
\$90 non-members

Summer Fun! Explore The Arboretum! Find out about strange and wonderful plants! Play nature games! Take a hike! Create a unique craft! Seek out the creatures in the garden! Take a special private tram ride! Go on "behind-the-scenes" tours and discover what really goes on in an arboretum! Meet special guests! Bring a hat and a water bottle and be prepared to have tons of fun!!!

'RAD' RAINFORESTS AND TROPICAL TREEHOUSES

July 9 – July 13
for Ages 5 – 8

July 16 – July 20
for Ages 9 – 11

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to live in a tropical rainforest? High in the trees above the tangled vines? Or down on the forest floor among the fallen leaves? We'll learn about some of the plants and animals that make the rainforest their home, explore The Arboretum's own jungle, and make fun projects.

- What makes rainforests so special?
- Who lives in the tropical rainforest?

- Camouflage, Disguise, or Bold Beyond Belief- Which is the best defense?
- Wild and Wonderful: Amazing Rainforest Plants
- How do rainforests help us?



THE PATCHWORK GARDEN

July 23 – July 27
for Ages 5 – 8

July 30 – August 3
for Ages 9 – 11

Join us as we learn about and celebrate the peoples, plants, and places represented at the Arboretum. Discover the majesty of our native oak knolls, the secrets of survival in our desert gardens, and experience and enjoy the fragrances of our herb garden. Stories, discovery hikes, and creative crafts make this camp a real summer-time treat!

- What's in an Arboretum?
- Home Sweet Home: A Look at our Valley
- Herbal Pathways: From Fragrant to Pungent - Sniff & Smell
- African and Australian Deserts: Hot, Dry and Thirsty: Just Like Us!
- Made from Nature

FAMILY GARDENING WITH LEIGH TALMO

5 Thursday evenings

July 5, 12, 19, 26,
August 2

5:30 – 7:30 pm

In the Roots and Shoots Garden

\$75 / \$90 non-members

(Includes two adults,
two children; additional
child - \$15)

**RESERVATIONS
REQUIRED: Minimum
of four families, children
should be at least 7
years old.**

Make it a family affair - grandparents and grandchildren, Mom, Dad and the kids - and start a vegetable garden. Have your own plot in the Roots and Shoots garden, take your newly acquired skills and knowledge home to your own garden. Each class will center around a different event:

- Planting and Composting
- A Worm Lesson
- Plant a Garden in a Pot to Take Home with You
- An Herb Lesson and creation of a tussie mussie
- AND, to wrap it all up, a Harvest Party! Come and join the fun!



TAI CHI IN THE GARDEN

Every Tuesday & Friday
7:30 am – 8:30 am
Marvin Quon, Instructor
Free for members
Meet on the lawn near the main Baldwin Avenue entrance in front of the fountains

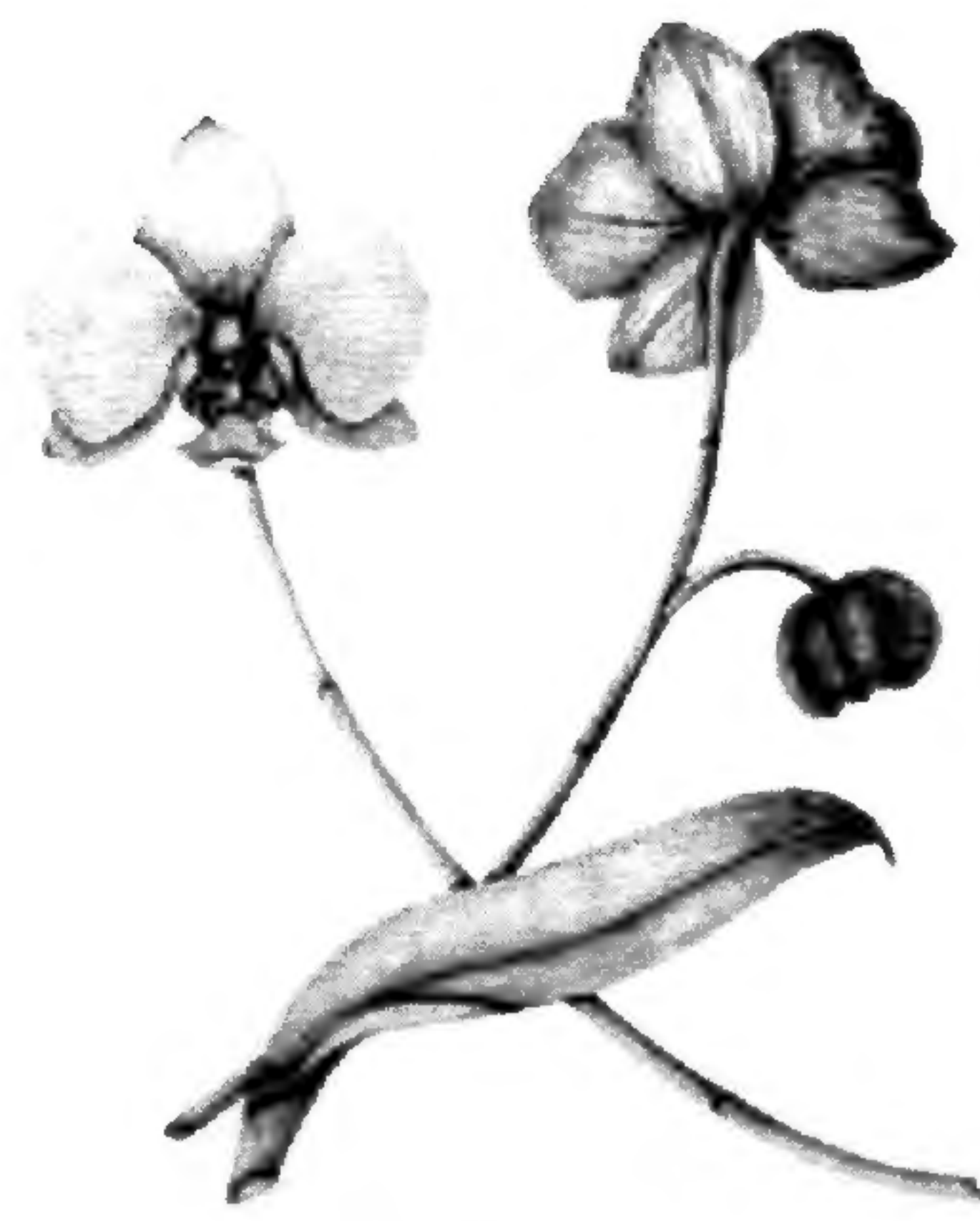
SUMMER WORKSHOP IN BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR

7 Mondays, June 4 – July 16
9:30 – 11:30 am
Lecture Hall A (Lecture Hall B on July 9 and July 16)
\$35 / \$42 non-members
Paint, paint, paint! Relax this summer and enjoy painting fresh flowers from The Arboretum with fellow watercolor enthusiasts. This is a self-directed workshop that will provide an opportunity for painters to learn from one another and provide a place to concentrate on painting in an encouraging and supportive environ-

ment. Noted watercolor instructor, Pat Brame, will provide her expertise on an as-available basis.

SUMMER IKEBANA

8 Fridays
June 1 – July 20
9:30 - 11:30 am
Lecture Hall B
Reiko Kawamura, Instructor
\$55 / \$68 non-members
\$24 materials fee payable to the instructor
Learn Japanese cultural traditions in this workshop and practice the techniques of Moribana, Heika and landscape arrangements. Individual instruction is given to all students. Bring a 10" to 12" shallow container, clippers and a needle holder (frog) to the first class.



Student's Artwork

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION I: BASIC DRAWING

4 Tuesdays
June 12 – July 3
9 am – Noon
Peacock Café Annex
Olga Eysymontt, Instructor
\$120 / \$140 non-members
Using traditional methods of rendering, this course focuses on learning to observe and to draw accurately. Exercises are based on the Five Perceptual Skills of Drawing: edges, spaces, angles and proportion, light and shadow on form and the perception of the whole. It will help both beginners and experienced students who wish to fine-tune their drawing skills.

TWO FREE TOURS SATURDAY JUNE 16

PERENNIAL GARDEN CELEBRATIONS: KALLAM GARDEN WALK

10 am
Meet at Kallam Perennial Garden
Loni Brown, Tour Guide
No reservations necessary for either walk

Loni Brown, who tends this glorious garden in the Meadowbrook area, will explain the garden's distinct sections, such as specific areas devoted to white flowers and plants, another to blue ones, one to hot colors in addition to rainbow colors, and even one to gray colorations. Enjoy this peak season in the garden with the person who can answer all your questions.

DROUGHT-TOLERANT GARDEN TOUR AND SUNSET GARDEN TOUR

1 pm
Meet at Water Conservation Garden
Jill Vig, Tour Guide
Jill Vig, curator of the Water Conservation Garden just north of the Peacock Café, will give you an in-depth look at the plants in the garden. See which ones might do best in your garden and what has flourished at The Arboretum. Then move on to the Sunset Garden with its glorious variety of plantings and designs all melded together into a Demonstration Garden. Jill will explain how each garden illustrates a theme that might be duplicated in one's own home, and talk about all the perennials that abound.

INFORMATION: Call 626-821-4623 or 626-821-4624 for information or to register for a class. Please fax (626-821-4642) or mail your registration form with your method of payment to: Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007-2697.

Reservations are recommended (required in some cases) for all classes, programs and events. Registration on the day of the program is

allowed if space is available. **NO CONFIRMATION IS SENT. ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.** However, classes may be cancelled due to low registration. Cancelled classes are fully refunded.

Special assistance is available for people with disabilities. Call the Program Manager at 626-821-4623 at least one week prior to the program for specific requests.



REGISTRATION

ONE CLASS/EVENT PER FORM PLEASE

Class/Event _____

LAFF Member	No. of people	Total
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
Non-Member	No. of people	Total
\$ _____	_____	\$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation (LAAF)

Discover/MC/Visa/Amex # _____ Exp. _____

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Telephone (____) _____

Member No. _____
(if applicable)

ETHNOBOTANY LECTURE AND SLIDE PRESENTATION

Dr. James A. Duke
Thursday, June 21
8 pm

Ayres Hall

**\$12 / \$15 non-members;
\$8 for students with
identification**

Call for reservations

Dr. Duke will review some of his early ethnobotanical adventures in Panama, Colombia, Peru and Maine.

See the newsletter for additional information.

INTRODUCTION TO BONSAI: A DEMONSTRATION TAUGHT IN CHINESE

Sunday, June 24

10 am – Noon

Lecture Hall A

Dien Liang, Instructor

\$5 / \$7 non-members

Bonsai was derived from penjing, the ancient Chinese art of creating a miniature landscape in a container. In Japan, the styling became more formal and distinct from penjing. Watch expert Dien Liang demonstrate the styles of bonsai, how to cut, trim and wire trees and care for your bonsai. Dien speaks both Mandarin and Cantonese.

PLANT MORPHOLOGY FOR BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATORS

**June 28 - July 2
(Thursday - Monday)**

10:30 am – 3:30 pm

Lecture Hall

Dick Rauh, Instructor

\$300/\$340 non-members

In this 5-day workshop you will examine form and structural adaptation of flowering plants. You will learn to recognize major common families, plant parts, and plant growing stages. This course will greatly enhance the accuracy of your botanical drawings and paintings.

MRS. P'S PRESSED FLOWER WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 30

10 am – Noon

Lecture Hall A

Lynn A. Pitts, Instructor

\$27 / \$32 non-member

Min. 20 participants

Lynn Pitts, Master Gardener and recognized flower expert, is featured regularly on PBS' "The Art of Gardening." She will talk about the history of pressing plants, and will teach classic herbarium flower pressing techniques. Participants will receive a kit of supplies and plant materials to create three projects including printed instructions, special flower seeds, and a list of the best botanicals to press.

SUMMER EVENINGS IN THE GARDEN

TOUR & TASTE THURSDAYS

Tour & Talk at 6 pm
**Meet at the tram stop
near the gift shop**

Taste & Dine at 7:30 pm
**on the terrace of the
Peacock Café**

\$35 per person

Enjoy a talk and tram tour. Return for dinner and wine tasting of the Renaissance Vineyard & Winery's Estate Bottled wines.

JULY 12: MURDER IN THE GARDEN

Stephanie Georgieff will enlighten you with tales of Brother Cadfael in an evening of medieval mystery.

JULY 26: ETHNOBOTANY IN THE GARDEN

Join Dr. James Bauml and discover plants used traditionally for food, medicine, clothing, shelter, and more.

AUGUST 9: PREHISTORIC GARDEN WALK

Join Timothy Phillips on a Prehistoric Garden tour in the Tropical Forest, with a focus on ancient cycads. Guests will learn the uses and history of these plants.

AUGUST 23: MOVIE LOCATIONS

Meet in Lecture Hall A
Join Sandy Snider in a fascinating pictorial history of movie and television features filmed at The Arboretum.



BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION 2: DRAWING PLANTS

**6 Mondays & Wednesdays,
July 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25**

9 am – Noon

Peacock Café Annex

**Olga Eysymontt,
Instructor**

**\$180 / \$200 non-
members**

A continuation of Botanical Illustration I: Basic Drawing.

Accurate rendering of plant and leaf subject matter is the focus of this course. Areas being covered include leaves, stems, flowers and roots.

SAVE THE DATES!

ORNAMENTAL PLANTS

**A Mt. San Antonio
College Credit Course**

Mondays,

August 13 - December 10

A detailed study and identification of herbaceous plants. Become an expert in identifying plants such as annuals, perennials, house plants and ground covers.

PLANTS FOR WATER GARDENS

August 18

The class will begin with a slide-lecture introducing aquatic and pond edge plants for water gardens. Learn techniques for establishing and maintaining water plants. Each participant will receive a starter plant to take home. The final two hours will be a walking tour of six pond and stream gardens at The Arboretum.

PEN AND INK ILLUSTRATION

September 13 - 17

Learn how to hold a crowquill pen to achieve different strokes and line, stipple and crosshatch techniques.

CARBON DUST ILLUSTRATION

September 18 - 19

Achieve photographic realism by grinding a carbon pencil to dust with sandpaper and brushing the dust onto coated paper.



June

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Walking Tour: Every Wednesday, meet at the entrance (rotunda) at 11 am for a guided walk. Free with admission.</p> <p>Bird Watching: First Sunday of each month, meet at the entrance (rotunda) at 8 am for a guided walk to help you identify birds in The Arboretum. Free with admission.</p> <p>Santa Anita Depot: Open every Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 am-4 pm; Sundays, 1-4 pm. Free with admission.</p> <p>Free Admission: Third Tuesday of each month, admission to The Arboretum is free.</p>					1	2
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17 Fathers' Day	18 Botanical Watercolor Workshop	19 Basic Drawing FREE Admission to The Arboretum	20	21 Ethnobotanical Lecture and Slide Presentation	22 Ikebana	23
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29 Checker Car Club Show	30 Patchwork Garden	31 Patchwork Garden	<p>SUMMER HOURS - June 4 to August 31, 2001</p> <p>Monday through Friday: Opens at 9 am; members may enter at 8 am; rotunda closes at 6:30 pm; visitors must exit grounds by 7 pm.</p> <p>Saturday and Sunday (regular hours): Opens at 9 am; members may enter at 8 am; rotunda closes at 4:30 pm; visitors must exit grounds by 5 pm.</p> <p>Festival on the Green Saturdays: June 30, July 14, July 28, August 11, August 25, September 8 and September 22: Rotunda closes at 2:30 pm.; visitors must exit grounds by 3 pm.</p>			

July

MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS EXPANDING BENEFITS

As one of over 3,700 members of The Arboretum, we hope you are benefiting from your experience. Your support of The Arboretum entitles you to many different benefits based on your level of membership.

Basic member benefits include a year's free admission along with member early walking privileges beginning at 8:00 a.m. each day. Discounts in The Arboretum Gift Shop are 10%, and members also receive a 10% discount at participating nurseries. Arboretum classes, workshops, lectures, family programs and special events are offered at a 20% discount. New member orientation tram tours and invitations to member only special programs are also included. The newsletter you are reading and the enclosed calendar also provide you with information on opportunities to participate and enjoy the gardens and the programs.

A new benefit has just been added for all members. We have established a reciprocity program with the American Horticultural Society (AHS). Their Reciprocal Gardens Program offers Arboretum members free or discounted admission plus additional benefits at flower shows, and home & garden shows at more than 100 botanical gardens, arboreta, and conservatories throughout the United States and Canada.

You can now visit other arboreta and gardens, and save money at the same time!

Brochures listing the participating 2001 Reciprocal Gardens are available in the Visitors' Center located just outside the main entrance to The Arboretum. I hope you take advantage of this new

membership benefit when you travel.

Finally, we now have Corporate Memberships available for businesses to show their support to The Arboretum. We would like to welcome our first group of Corporate Members (listed in news from Peter Atkins) and thank them for their outstanding support.

The benefits of Corporate Membership vary based on the level of giving. They include items such as tickets to Arboretum events and programs, private tours for companies and guests, special corporate recognition, use of the Sunset Demonstration



Gardens for group events, a select corporate donors event and other added benefits.

We welcome your company's interest and participation with The Arboretum. Please contact Lou Ocampo at

(626) 821-3233. Enjoy all of your member benefits!

WEED THERAPY! PART 1

PART 2 APPEARS IN THE AUG/SEPT/OCT. 2001 NEWSLETTER

How does one get a handle on the never-ending invasion of weeds? The winter annuals are on their way out. Summer annuals are on their way in and perennial weeds such as purple and yellow nut sedge and *Nothoscordum* (a member of the onion family) are firmly entrenched in The Arboretum soils. The above pests not only seed their way around The Arboretum, they also produce tiny bulbs that break off from the parent plant when pulled from the soils – one plant suddenly becomes twenty and so on!

The idea of a best practice, least toxic approach to pest control, including weed abatement, should not have to include the use of chemicals. Yet, as a last resort, if needed, one may have no choice. Synthetic chemicals are still used at The Arboretum. However, be assured, our in-house Pest

Control Advisor is meticulously balancing our environmental concerns, our need to control noxious weeds, and our need to choose the most appropriate weed abatement methods.

The successful control of weeds incorporates both art and science. The science is knowing the chemicals to use, their mode of action, and the life cycle of the particular weeds you are trying to control.

Unfortunately, the art of controlling weeds is often the cause of ineffective weed control. Learning the best techniques for removing weeds by hand is not taught at the University, it's learned on the job, and sometimes artful

weeding takes years to perfect.

Our future weed control program (**control** being the key word, for we will always have some weeds on our 127 acres) at The Arboretum will continue to be based on good science and artful gardening.

Effective weed control programs require knowledgeable and dedicated gardeners. Also, numbers count. The more people we have assisting in our weed control efforts, the better our success. **Interested volunteers will not be turned away.** We will gladly teach eager volunteers the joys of weeding. Think of weeding as a therapy for the mind, body and soul. Come join our weed therapy program!

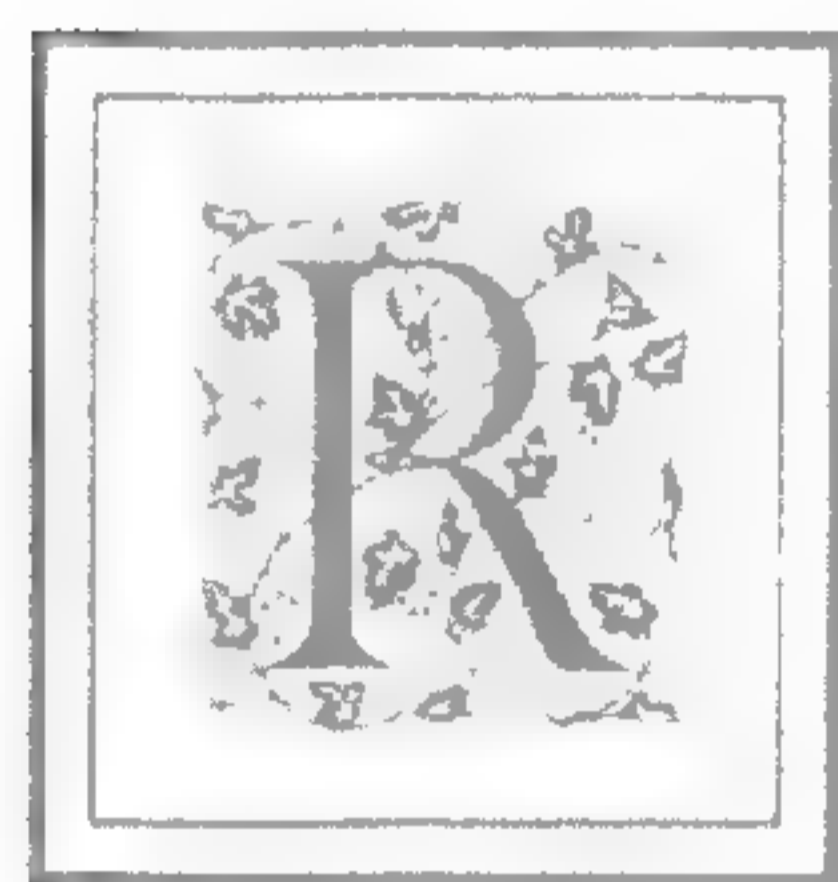
Tim Phillips, Superintendent



FEATURING...A MEDIEVAL MYSTERY, MOVIE MEMORIES, AN ETHNOBOTANY EXPEDITION AND A PREHISTORIC GARDEN WALK!

The 8th Annual Tour & Taste Thursdays series is just around the corner and we invite you to join in the fun.

Each evening, the Tour & Talk begins at 6:00 pm followed by Taste & Dine at 7:30 pm on the terrace of the Peacock Café. This year a brand new feature of Tour & Taste is a free tasting of estate bottle wines, hosted by Renaissance Vineyard &



Winery, located in Yuba County, California. The winery will provide

selections of its various wines for your enjoyment. Renaissance wines are poured at Ritz Carlton and Hyatt Regency hotels, as well as Morton's restaurant.

Reservations are essential. Cost is \$35 per person per program. Call 626-821-4623 or 626-821-4624 to reserve your place.

THURSDAY, JULY 12 Murder in the Garden

Back by popular demand our Bardic Host and Herbalist, Stephanie Georgieff, will again enlighten you with tales of Brother Cadfael. Utilizing his experience in the Crusades, sharp wit and deep love of nature, Brother Cadfael solved murder mysteries by noting the herbs found in each case. This year's story is entitled 'A Morbid Taste for Bones.' The Abbot of Shrewsbury Abbey has decided to acquire the sacred remains of Saint Winifred for Shrewsbury Abbey. As

Brother Cadfael goes to collect her relics, a series of mysterious murders surround the grave of Gywnneth's Patron Saint. Come help Brother Cadfael solve the crimes. Characters will be selected from participants, so come ready to lose yourself to an evening of improvisational and creative fun.

THURSDAY, JULY 26 Ethnobotany Garden Expedition

Among The Arboretum's collections are hidden treasures – plants with fascinating stories handed down by the people who discovered their uses in the regions where they grow wild. Join The Arboretum's own ethnobotanist, Dr. James Bauml, on a special expedition into the wilds of The Arboretum to rediscover plants used traditionally for food, flavoring, medicine, clothing, shelter, and other purposes.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9 Prehistoric Garden Walk

Join Timothy Phillips, Superintendent of The Arboretum, on a tour through the Prehistoric Garden, with a focus on ancient cone bearing cycads. Cycads date back some 60 million years to the Jurassic Period, a time when dinosaurs roamed the earth. During this period, cycads were the dominant vegetation. However, this once

abundant group of plants has been reduced to a mere wheelbarrowfull, with many nearing extinction. Guests will learn intimate details about these fascinating plants...and quite possibly catch sight of a dinosaur.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23 Movie Memories

Join historian Sandy Snider in a fascinating pictorial history of movie and television features filmed on location here. Johnny Weissmuller as Tarzan swung through the trees; Dorothy Lamour walked the "Road to Singapore" with Bob Hope and Bing Crosby along Baldwin Lake; James Earl Jones motored down the lake in search of the village of Kunta Kinte in television's *Roots II*; the Queen Anne Cottage has been better known to TV viewers as Ricardo Montalban's "Fantasy Island" home...the names go on and on. Sandy will show slides of various movies filmed here, and then we will board the tram to see those areas firsthand!

*Jill Berry, Education
Program Manager*



A TALE OF TWO ETHNOBOTANICAL GARDENS

The second lecture in The Arboretum's Ethnobotanical Lecture Series will be given by Dr. James A. "Jim" Duke on Thursday night, June 21, at 8:00 pm in Ayres Hall.

In his talk, "A Tale of Two Ethnobotanical Gardens," Dr. Duke will review some of his early ethnobotanical adventures in Panama, Colombia, Peru, and Maine, and discuss how they led to the establishment of the six-acre GREEN PHARMACY GARDEN in Maryland and The ReNuPERU ETHNOBOTANY GARDEN in Peru. He will illustrate his lecture with slides and entertain with music and song (of an herbal nature).

Retired after 30 years with the USDA, Dr. Duke is a popular and entertaining lecturer on ethnobotany, herbs, medicinal plants and new crops. In 1998, he was awarded the Rachael Carson Conservation Award (NNFA) (July 15, 1998) for his conservation efforts with the Amazon Center for Environmental Education and Research (ACEER). He received the Distinguished Economic Botanist Award in 2000. In 2001, he was selected as a Distinguished Alumnus of his alma mater, the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. Dr. Duke is the author of over twenty books, and he will bring copies of his newest book, due out in May, which features his two botanical gardens.

*Dr. James Bauml,
Senior Biologist*

ARBORETUM ADVENTURES FOR KIDS!

Summer Fun! Explore The Arboretum! Find out about strange and wonderful plants! Play nature games! Take a bike! Create a unique craft! Seek out the creatures in the garden! Take a special private tram ride!

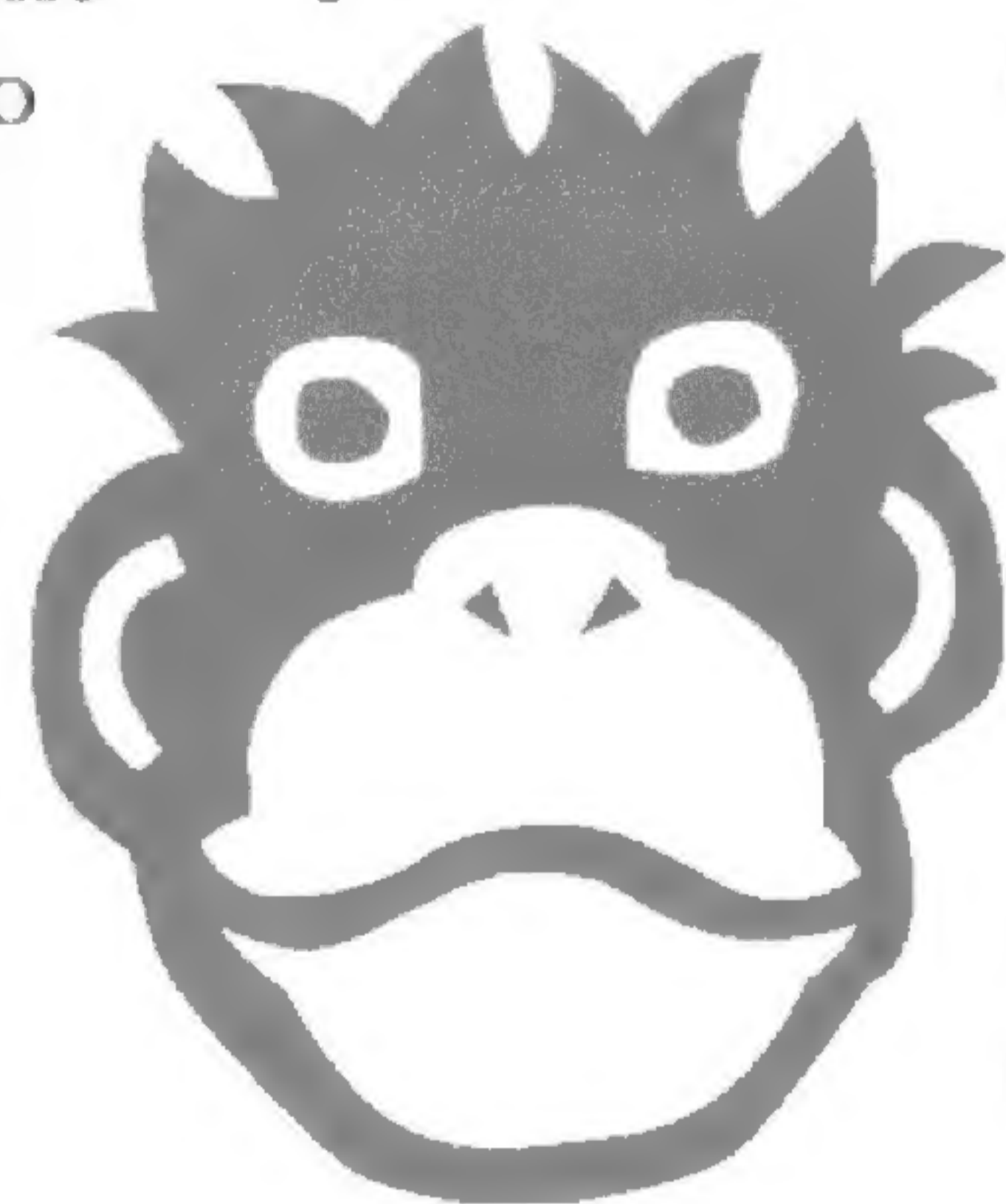
Arboretum Adventures for Kids takes them behind-the-scenes to discover what really goes on in an arboretum! Kids just need to bring a hat and a water bottle and be prepared to have tons of fun!!!

Celena Turney will be leading these exciting new Arboretum adventures. The cost for each program is \$75 members/\$90 non-members. CALL (626) 821-4623 TODAY TO RESERVE A SPACE!

RAD RAINFORESTS & TROPICAL TREEHOUSES

Ages 5-8 July 9 – July 13
Ages 9-11 July 16 – July 20
9 am – 11 am

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to live in a tropical rainforest? High in the trees above the tangled vines? Or down on the forest floor among the fallen leaves? We'll learn about some of the plants and animals that



make the rainforest their home, explore The Arboretum's own jungle, and make fun projects.

What makes rainforests so special?

We will compare and contrast the different habitats at The Arboretum

Who lives in the tropical rainforest?

The rainforest is home to many animals that slither, fly, creep and more!

Camouflage, Disguise, or Bold Beyond Belief – Which is the best defense?

Learn why certain rainforest animals show off while others blend into their environment.

Wild and Wonderful: Amazing Rainforest Plants

Air plants, plants that rain and many more unusual plants of the rainforest.

How do rainforests help us?

From fresh air to musical instruments, rainforest plants give us special gifts.

THE PATCHWORK GARDEN

Ages 5-8 July 23 – July 27
Ages 9-11 July 30 – August 3
9 am – 11 am

Learn about and celebrate the peoples, plants, and places represented at The Arboretum. Discover the majesty of our native oak knolls, the secrets of survival in our desert gardens, and enjoy the fragrances of our herb garden. Stories, discovery hikes, and creative crafts make this camp a real summer-time treat!

What's in an Arboretum?

Find out about the plants of the world and learn how our explorers, scientists and teachers care for The Arboretum.

Home Sweet Home: A Look at our Valley

Learn how Baldwin Lake and Tallac Knoll were created and discover the many animals and birds that have made The Arboretum home.

Herbal Pathways: From Fragrant to Pungent Sniff & Smell

Explore how we use herbs every day.

African and Australian Deserts: Hot, Dry and Thirsty: Just Like Us!

Imagine what it would be like to be a kangaroo or meerkat and live in the driest regions on earth.

Made from Nature

Celebrate nature's bounty by making crafts from plants that live at The Arboretum.

SCIENCE, FUN AND DISCOVERY

June 18-August 31; 8 am to 3 pm

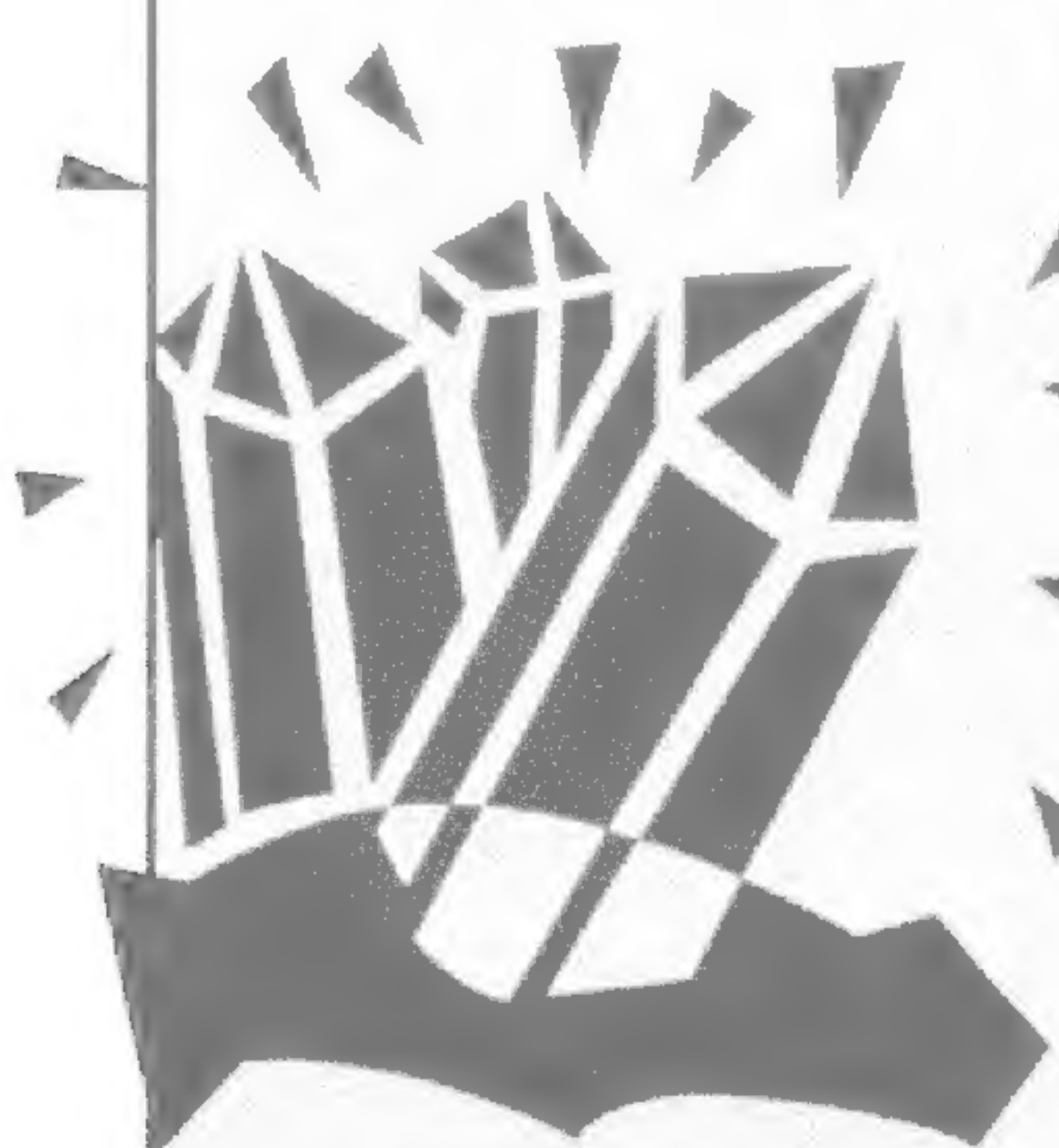
SCIENCE ADVENTURES DAY CAMP FOR KIDS K-6

SCIENCE, FUN AND DISCOVERY...this week-long program is offered throughout the summer in an outdoor setting. Children are introduced to thematic science concepts in natural surroundings as they build projects, conduct experiments, and play science-oriented games. The program is offered weekly from June through September.

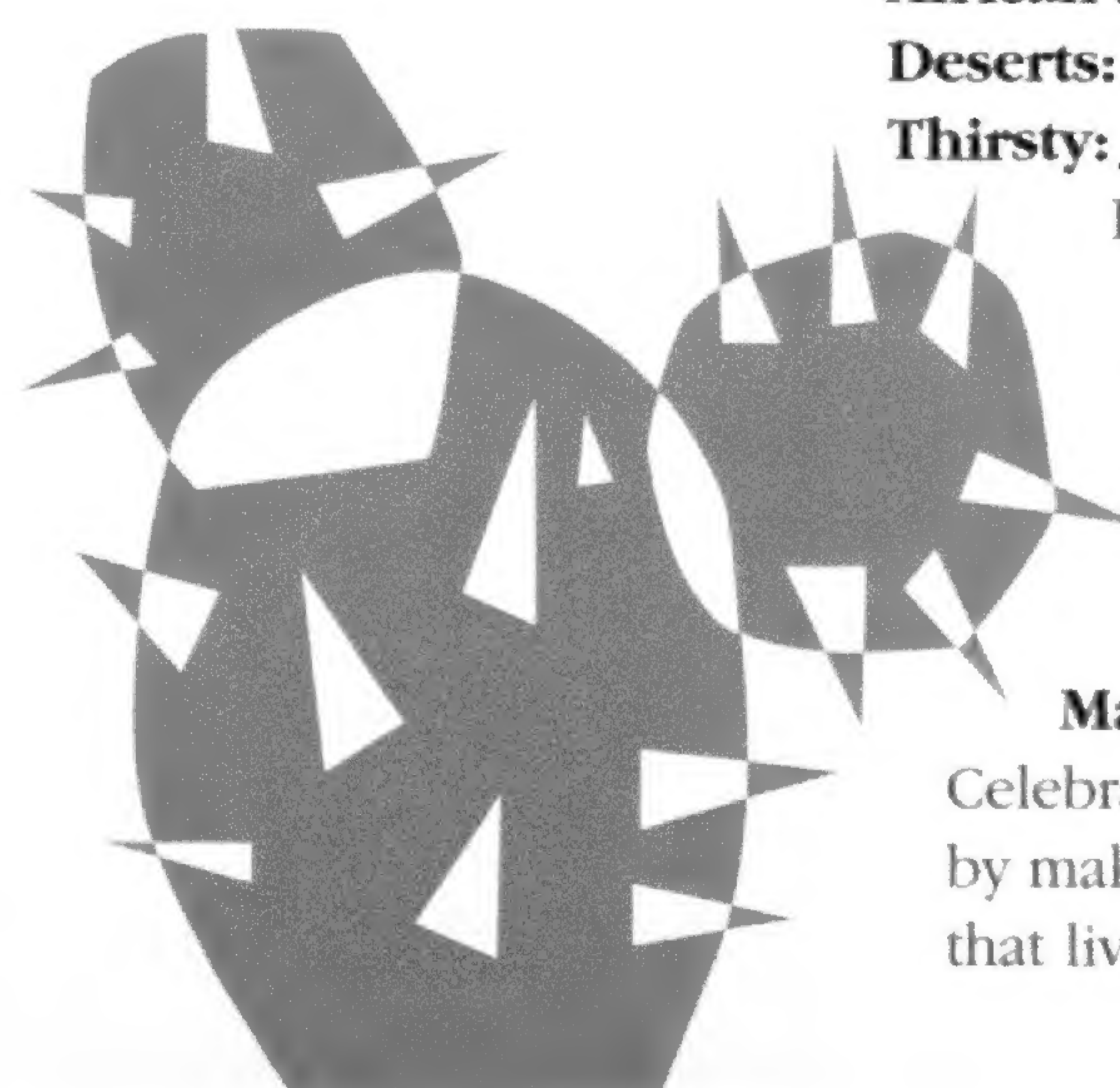
Local sites include:

- Woodbury University in Burbank
- Dunsmore Park in La Crescenta
- Descanso Gardens in La Canada
- Eaton Canyon Park in Pasadena
- The Arboretum

The cost is \$205 for full-day enrollment and \$125 for half-day enrollment. There is also a sibling discount. You can register online at www.scienceadventures.com or by phone, 800-213-9796.



JOIN THE SUMMER FUN!





WHAT'S BLOOMING?

- Gold medallion tree (*Cassia leptophylla*)— a bright-gold cacophony of color.
- Daylilies, Lily-of-the-Nile, Hibiscus, Erythrina, *Cotinus coggygria* and *Melaleuca* are all still in bloom.
- Water lilies (*Nymphaea*) in the Aquatic Garden pools at the top of Tallac Knoll.
- Many of our 112 specimens of Hibiscus are in full bloom. In the Australian section:
 - Lacebark (*Brachychiton discolor*) has velvety, pink, bell-shaped flowers
 - Dainty blue-flowered *Dianella*, a woodland herbaceous perennial, follows its flowers with blue berries
 - Sweetshade (*Hymenosporum flavum*) fills the air with its intoxicating fragrance.
 - Fragrant, long-tubed flowers bloom on *Gardenia thunbergia* in the African Section.
 - Goldenrain tree (*Koelreuteria paniculata*) shows its yellow flower clusters in the Asiatic Section. Nearby, fragrant, flowered Mimosa trees (*Albizia julibrissin*) are also in bloom.

Compiled by
Frank McDonough

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE GROWING

Summer is here, and new things are developing at The Arboretum! Educational opportunities and programs are expanding as we gear up to implement our new long-range plan.

The mission of The Arboretum is education. Pure and simple, we have a huge field of opportunity from which to choose, and into which we can expand. Our plant collections, gardens, and historical works all lend themselves to interpretation, exploration, and excitement. As we plan for the future, programs relating to our immediate collections will be the foundation for our further development.

At the top of the list is a new Ethnobotanical Center, which will be dedicated to exploring the relationships between plants and people. This center, still in the design phase, will be a new major focus for The Arboretum, and will be part museum, part science center, part workshop, and all fun! We recently completed our first lecture in the Ethnobotanical Lecture Series, with three more scheduled for this year. Be on the lookout for other related programs as we plan

for the Center.

Education is no longer a teacher instilling knowledge in his or her students. It is not about filling empty minds with preselected knowledge; it is about creating sparks of inspiration, about lighting fires of excitement, and about feeding people's endless curiosity about the world around them. We are in a prime position to provide rich experiential learning – on the grounds, as outreach programs, electronically and more!

The Arboretum has declared education as its mission, and we have a huge charge ahead of us. As we move into the twenty-first century, I invite you to join us in the further development of our educational programs, the foundation of our future. As the new Director of Education, I welcome your input. The next time you are here, feel free to drop by, or call me at 626.821.3232, or send an e-mail to gail.shair@arboretum.org. You - our members and public - are our audience; your input is important!

Gail L. Shair
Director of Education

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JUNE 2: 12 pm to 4:30 pm, Daylily Show and Plant Sale

JUNE 9-10: 9 am to 4:30 pm, American Ceramics Society

CALIFORNIA PHILHARMONIC CONCERTS:

JUNE 30: American as Apple Pie

JULY 14: Musical Masterpieces

JULY 28: Fiesta Americana

JULY 29: 10 am to 4 pm, Checker Car Club Show

TUESDAY & FRIDAY MORNINGS:

FREE: Tai Chi in the Garden - 7:30-8:30 am

IT'S FUN, REWARDING AND SOMETIMES HUMOROUS TO BE A FIELD DOCENT

One of the most pleasant aspects of being a field docent at The Arboretum is listening to the many wonderful and often humorous remarks made by the students.

Sandy Snider, Arboretum historian, told me that one day, after venturing from the Queen Anne Cottage to the Coach Barn, a student remarked, "This must be where the King lives."

I asked a group one day, "What food did the Indians get from the oak tree?" A student answered, "Oak meal."

One student wrote to us after a field trip and told us how much she enjoyed seeing the ostriches. Another student told us in a letter that he loved seeing the plant that is used to clean bottles (bottlebrush).

Two docent led tours offered to students, grades 3-5, "Plants in our World" and "Early California History" are exciting tours and we offer a great docent training session for both.

Field docents usually take a group of about 10 students, mainly grades 3 to 5. The tours last about two hours each.

We really have a wonderful time and we wish you would join us. If you are interested in becoming a field docent (or any volunteer activity), please contact Bob Weber at bobweber@loop.com or call Jill Berry, at (626) 821-4624.

By Bob Weber

Welcome Members

January 31 - March 31, 2001

The Los Angeles Arboretum Foundation welcomes new and renewing members to The Arboretum family. A sincere thank you to everyone listed here!

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