

Botanical garden announces fall activities

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CLEMSON — Fall is a busy season at the South Carolina Botanical Garden, which is planning its Lunch and Learn Gardening series beginning Sept. 5, its Fall Garden Concert Series beginning Sept. 15 and its annual fall plant sale, which is slated for Sept. 29-30.

"The Lunch and Learn Gardening series allows participants to tap in to the extensive knowledge of Clemson's Cooperative Extension Service experts," said Sue Watts, education program coordinator for the botanical garden.

The series will be held at the Hayden Conference Center at the garden from noon until 1 p.m. at a cost of \$7, Friends of the Garden receiving a 10-percent discount.

Those interested in attending the sessions are asked to register by Friday at tinyurl.com/2017Lunch-Learn or by calling (864) 656-3405.

LUNCH AND LEARN GARDENING SCHEDULE:

Sept. 5

Dara Park — Know your environment: How climate and soils affect plants

Sept. 12

Kerrie Roach — Composting 101: Turn your food waste and garden refuse into garden gold

Sept. 26

Vicky Bertagnolli — Putting out the fire! Fire ant biology and management



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Fall is a busy season at the South Carolina Botanical Garden, which recently announced a full lineup of events.

Oct. 3

Mark Arena — The art of pruning trees and shrubs: a beginner's guide

Oct. 10

Ellen Vincent — Sustainable landscape design

Meanwhile, business manager Angel Perkins said the garden has set the artist lineup for its annual fall concert series.

Artists will perform from 7-8 p.m., every Friday from Sept. 15 through Oct. 6 in the garden's amphitheater. There are seats in the amphitheater, but visitors can bring blankets or stadium chairs. They also can bring picnic dinners.

Admission is free — though there is a suggested \$5 donation) and drinks will be available for purchase. For more information, visit clemson.edu/scbg/events or call (864) 656-3405.

2017 CONCERT LINEUP:

Sept. 15 — Left Lane

Sept. 22 — Haitian Children's Choir

Sept. 29 — Tropical Island Players

Oct. 6 — Blackwater Social

The plant sale, mean-

while, will open to Friends of the Garden from 2-6 p.m. on Sept. 29, the public is welcome from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sept. 30.

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