



National Botanic Gardens Glasnevin

Events
March/April 2023

What's on

Welcome to the National Botanic Gardens Glasnevin events update. Here you can find out the latest info on all our upcoming tours, lectures, workshops, exhibitions, concerts and many events throughout the year!

NATIONAL TREE WEEK

March 19th - March 26th

National Tree Week is the designated week for tree protection awareness in Ireland, organised by the Tree Council of Ireland and Coillte. As members of the Tree Council we are pleased to host the launch of National Tree Week.

Sunday 19th March

Tree planting @ 2pm; Lecture @ 2.45pm

The History of Forestry in Ireland: The Development, Decline & the Rejuvenation of Ireland's Forest Cover by John McLaughlin. No booking needed.

Lecture: Fossilised Forests of Antarctica with Charlotte Salter-Townshend

Tuesday 21st March @3pm

Journey back in time to visit tropical and temperate forests of the frozen continent where fossils of ancient trees tell us how Antarctica was a hub of evolution at the centre of the supercontinent Gondwanaland. No booking needed.



Annual Augustine Henry Forestry Lecture with Dr Mary Forrest To further planting of trees - Arbor Day in 20th century Ireland Thursday 23rd March @ 3pm

Presented by the Society of Irish Foresters in conjunction with the National Botanic Gardens.

Tree Tales Tour

Saturday 25th March @ 2pm

Join us for a tour tracing the historical and present-day economic uses of a selection of fascinating trees throughout the Gardens.

Daily Tree Week Tour

Daily from 19th to 26th March @ 3pm

We will be exploring stories of many majestic and intriguing trees from around the world just as the first leaves and flowers appear.

GUIDED TOURS



Forty Shades of Green: Folklore of the Irish Flora 15th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 22nd March @ 2pm

Meet native plants both strange and familiar, and learn of the legends woven around them. Explore how the flora of Ireland's landscape has been linked to folklore over the centuries, weaving signs of nature into songs and stories.

All tours can be booked on [Eventbrite](#) or in person at the Visitor Centre (cash only)

Daily Guided Tour

Daily @ 11.30am & 3pm

Join one of our expert guides to explore the Gardens in all its spring glory.

Guided Tour with an ISL Interpreter Provided Saturday 1st April @ 2pm

A guided exploration of our living collections including seasonal highlights with an expert guide and an ISL interpreter provided.

The Silk Road Tour

Every Wed & Sat in April @ 2pm

The Silk Road was an ancient network of trade routes that wound through China to the Mediterranean Sea. Hear the fascinating tales surrounding the uses and folklore of these plants, while also seeing some of our most beautiful plants from these routes in full bloom.

Lecture: Dare to be Wild! With Paul Fitters

Wednesday 29th March @ 3pm

Talk on the effects of rewilding for nature conservation both in Ireland and abroad.

And Now The Weather

Panel Discussion Friday 14th April @ 2pm

Meteorologist Joanna Donnelly will talk about freak weather events in Irish history, followed by a discussion with writer Andrew Hughes and poet Jane Robinson. Part of 'One Dublin One Book 2023', where this year's chosen book is *The Coroner's Daughter* by Andrew Hughes.

Booking on [Dublin UNESCO City of Literature Eventbrite](#).

Drop-by Activities

All Sundays from 2nd April, Tues. 4th & 11th April @ 11.00am, 11.30am, 3.30pm & 4.00pm

Join us for fun activities in the Children's Erasmus Education Garden! Sow your own vegetable and flower seeds, play some nature games or re-use everyday things to create your own piece of eco-art. Suitable from ages 4 and up. All children must bring their own grown-up! No booking needed.

Sculpture in Context '23

This year, you can register for Sculpture in Context on line at [sculptureincontext.ie](#). Please note, the deadline for registration is Sunday 9th April.



Garden Trail

Self-guided Phenology Trail for Children

Phenology is the measurement of leaf and budburst in spring and is an effective tool for monitoring climate change. Get your trail from the visitor centre or from our website.

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