

Potomac Valley Chapter North American Rock Garden Society Spring 2019 Events Calendar

Programs are Saturdays at 10am (coffee at 9:30 am), unless otherwise noted.

January 19, US National Arboretum Classroom

Bradley Evans, USNA Horticulturist, “*Spiky Plants (Agaves, Manfredas, and Dyckias) and Sub-tropicals for Washington DC*” Brad is responsible for the gardens around the Arboretum’s administration building and other high visibility areas. He will share his passion for spiky, prickly plants and discuss his care and design of the Arboretum’s north terrace garden where he incorporates many sub-tropicals.

February (week of 2/11): Quarry Visit, Medford Quarry, Westminster, MD.

A third trip to collect stones – different colored marble -- for the garden, trough, or to build cairns (nice sculpture for the garden). For an overview of last year’s visit:

<http://ofleafandlimb.blogspot.com/2018/02/stoners-what-rock-gardeners-do-in-winter.html>

March 9, US National Arboretum Classroom



Young Choe, USNA horticulturist, “*The Art of Kusamono*”.

A photographic overview of the history and practice of creating Kusamono, small plants growing in unique containers reflecting seasonality and place. She will also demonstrate the creation of several plantings and discuss different Kusamono styles and plant combinations.

<http://www.kusamonochoe.com/>

March 30, **LAHR Native Plant Symposium**, US National Arboretum

March 31, SUNDAY, US Botanic Gardens

Panayoti Kelaidis, Director of Outreach, Denver Botanic Gardens, “*The OTHER Georgia: Springtime in the Caucasus.*” Between the Alps and Himalayas, the Caucasus encompass elements from both these great mountain ranges. Much of the flora here, however, is endemic: plants found nowhere else. I participated on a springtime collecting expedition, focusing primarily on bulbs and ephemerals. But we saw much, much more!

April 27-28, **FONA/ US National Arboretum Plant Sale**

May 3-5, **NARGS Study Weekend**, Frazer, PA, (west of Philly) Hosted by DE Chapter:

<https://nargs.org/news/2017-07-29/study-weekend-may-2019-registration-open>

May 18, **Plant Sale**, Greenspring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Rd., Alexandria, VA.

May 25, **Plant Exchange**, Home of Barbara Rose, 10124 Homan Pond Dr, Fairfax Station, VA 22039