

Calendar

Decorator showcase, features 14 cottages; benefits the Kennebunkport Conservation Trust, the Child Abuse Prevention Council and River Tree Center for the Arts, Cottages at Hidden Pond, Kennebunkport, \$20. 967-9015. 1 to 4 p.m. today; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Kitchen garden series, specialty dinners, cooking classes and lectures with renowned chefs, kitchen gardeners and garden writers, Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Boothbay, \$30. 633-4333. Outdoor grilling cooking demonstration, 4 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Garden lecture series, Merryspring Nature Park, Camden, \$5, children free. 236-2239. Herbs for Tea, noon Tuesday; Sharks of the Night - Owls from Wild Haven, noon Tuesday.

Wednesday walk, guided, thematic walk through the garden grounds. Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Boothbay, \$12. 633-4333. Director of Horticulture Tour, 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Herb walk, guided walk of herb garden, Avena Botanicals, Rockport, free. 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Belfast area garden walk, seven local gardens tour in Belfast, Swanville and other towns; benefits the Waldo County General Hospital Aid. Tickets at local stores and the hospital gift shop, various locations, Belfast, \$15 day of, \$12 in advance. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday.

Family program, Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Boothbay, \$3. 633-4333. Gnome Depot (Build a Better Fairy House), 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Japanese iris show and hosta cut leaf show, Auburn Middle School, Auburn, free. 1 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

Garden tour, annual self-guided tour of private gardens in Lewiston-Auburn; to benefit Maine Music Society, tickets available at local stores, Maine Music Society, Lewiston, \$14 day of, \$12 in advance. 782-1403. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Japanese iris open garden day, Eartheart Gardens, Harpswell, free. 1 to 5 p.m. July 13.

Cellar to Attic, architecture tours of the 1755 colonial home. Tate House Museum, Portland, \$10. 774-6177. Every 90 minutes, 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Antiques in the gardens, high-quality antiques from more than 40 Northeast dealers; \$15 advance. Preview gala with Martha Stewart, Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, Boothbay, \$10-\$17, day of event. 633-4333. Preview gala, \$45-\$100, 5-8 p.m. (patrons) and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday.

Camden home and garden tour, benefits community gardening projects in Camden, scholarship funding and other local charitable organizations. Advance tickets at select businesses in Camden, Rockport and Belfast, Camden Garden Club, Camden, \$30, \$25 in advance. 236-8946. 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday.

Coastal Living Magazine 2008 Idea Cottage, the best in coastal home innovation, decor and construction. The home will be featured in the October 2008 issue of Coastal Living; www.coastalliving.com. Benefits Habitat for Humanity of Greater Portland and Safe Passage, beachwalk at Pine Point, Scarborough, \$6. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday.



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