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## Learn Secrets of Aquatic Plants, Bountiful Basil, Tool Sharpening at Wave Hill's Summer Garden Workshops

Bronx, NY—From July 10 through September 26, Wave Hill is offering summer gardening workshops, demonstrations and walks for both the novice and more experienced gardener. Learn how to **create a mini pool** for a backyard or terrace. **Cultivate your knowledge of sassafras**, witch hazel and other forest dwellers. **Bring your garden tools for a “tune up.”** Discover the intricacies of **beekeeping in a two-part workshop**. Wave Hill's 28 acres of gardens and woodlands, and expert horticultural staff, provides the perfect setting to hone your gardening knowledge. **Free with cost of admission to grounds, unless workshop fee is indicated.**

### Garden Demonstrations, Walks and Workshops

Saturday, July 10 GARDEN DEMONSTRATION

**Great Variegated Plants:** Plants with spotted and striped foliage light up dark corners and make striking focal points in the garden all season long. Perennial specialist **Kent Russell** examines the reasons behind the fascinating variety of variegated plants and shows off some of his favorite variegated specimens. Wave Hill House, 2PM

Saturday, July 17 GARDEN DEMONSTRATION

**Container Water Gardening:** No room for a Wave Hill-sized aquatic garden? Garden Interpretation Manager **Laurel Rimmer** demonstrates how to create a mini pool for a small backyard or terrace. Learn to design unique and tranquil containers filled with aquatic plants and animals. Wave Hill House, 2PM

Saturday, July 24 GARDEN WALK

**Folklore of the Forest:** Cultivate your knowledge of sassafras, witch hazel and other forest dwellers with Garden Interpreter **Charlie Day**. Take a cool shady walk in the Abrons Woodland and discover fascinating legends, lore and uses of our native woodland plants. Meet at Wave Hill House, 2PM

Saturday, July 31 GARDEN DEMONSTRATION

**Drip Irrigation Demystified:** Deliver water directly and automatically to thirsty plants and save water during the hot summer months. It's not too hard to do. Garden Interpreter **Charlie Day** demonstrates how to install a basic drip irrigation system to water your plants in garden beds and containers. Wave Hill House, 2PM

Saturday, August 7 GARDEN DEMONSTRATION

**Bountiful Basil:** Sniff and sample cinnamon, lemon and Thai basil with chef and Wave Hill Garden Guide **Pam Carey**. Learn about unusual basil cultivars and taste delicious summer recipes made with basil. Wave Hill House, 2PM

Saturday, August 14 GARDEN WALK

**Favorite Aquatic Plants:** Discover prickly water lily, sacred lotus, black-leaved taro and other favorite plants in the Aquatic Garden. Garden Interpretation Manager **Laurel Rimmer** reveals Wave Hill's secrets to growing lush and healthy aquatic plants. Meet at Wave Hill House, 2PM

Thursday, August 19 & Thursday, August 26                      GARDEN WORKSHOP  
**Beginning Beekeeping I:** Beekeeping is a satisfying and unique hobby. Wave Hill's volunteer beekeeper **Bob Grobman** discusses honeybee behavior, beekeeping equipment, hive maintenance and hints for starting a backyard hive in this two-part course. Part of each class will be spent working with live bees. Pre-registration required; call x305. **Fee includes two sessions: \$35/\$25 Member.** Meet at Wave Hill House, 9:30AM-12:30PM

Sunday, August 22    WILDLIFE WALK  
**Lepidoptera in the Garden:** Stroll through the Flower and Wild Gardens with **Jay Holmes** from the Discovery Room at The American Museum of Natural History to observe the various species of butterflies that flock to the enticing flowers at Wave Hill. Wave Hill House, noon

Saturday, August 28    GARDEN WORKSHOP  
**Herbal Vinegars:** Preserve fresh herbs by making beautiful and delicious herbal vinegars. Garden Interpretation Manager **Laurel Rimmer** demonstrates techniques and recipes, and guides you in experimenting with your own combinations of herbs. Sample herbal vinegars and make two bottles to take home. **Materials fee: \$20/\$15 Member.** Call x305 to register. Wave Hill House, 2PM

Saturday, September 4    GARDEN DEMONSTRATION  
**Sharpening Pruning Tools:** Properly maintained garden tools will last for many years. Drop by our sharpening station with your pruners for a "tune up." Garden Interpreter **Charlie Day** demonstrates proper pruner maintenance and will clean and sharpen your pruners on a first-come-first-served basis just in time for fall garden chores. On the Grounds, 2PM

Saturday, September 11    GARDEN WORKSHOP  
**Propagating Ferns from Spores:** Ferns are the quintessential plant for the shade garden. Join fern expert **John Mickel** to learn the proper techniques for growing ferns from spores. Fern life cycle, recognizing and harvesting spores, and proper sowing of spores will be discussed. Then transplant young ferns. **Materials fee: \$20/\$15 Member.** Call x305 to register. Wave Hill House, 2PM

Saturday, September 18 & Sunday, September 19    GARDEN DEMONSTRATION  
**Hives and Honey:** Meet the volunteer beekeepers who tend Wave Hill's hives. Try on protective gear used when working with honeybees and learn fascinating facts about our resident colonies of *Apis mellifera*. Taste many varieties of honey—including some from our own Wave Hill bees—and find out why honey is available in so many colors and flavors. Flower Garden Entrance, 2-4PM

Saturday, September 25    GARDEN WORKSHOP  
**Herb Garden Highlights:** Celebrate the opening of the Perkins Visitor Center and the re-opening of the Herb Garden on this walk with Garden Interpretation Manager **Laurel Rimmer**. Sniff and taste some out-of-the-ordinary plants and find out how to grow and use some of her favorite herbs. Meet at the Conservatory, 2PM

Sunday, SEPTEMBER 26    GARDEN DEMONSTRATION  
**Twiggeries:** Recycle your clipped branches by building useful and creative garden features. This slide show and demonstration by visiting gardener and writer **J-P Malocsay**, will show you how to use these twigs to create one-of-a-kind natural structures for the gardens. Wave Hill House, noon-2PM

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**Wave Hill A public garden & cultural center**  
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**HOURS**

9am-5:30pm, Tues-Sun. Open until 9pm on Wednesdays in June and July.

**ADMISSION**

**Tuesday:** Free all day

**Wednesday-Sunday:** \$4/General, \$2/students and seniors 65+, Free Members and children under 6

**Saturday:** Free 9am to noon

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