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Wild About Wildflowers: An Exploration of Our Native Plants



Presented by the Lloyd Library & Museum, Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, Cincinnati Wild Flower Preservation Society, and the University of Cincinnati

When: September 9-
November 18

Where: Lloyd Library &
Museum

917 Plum Street, Cincinnati

Did you know Ohio has almost 50 species of native orchids, one of the most in the nation? Or that our region has native cacti and carnivorous plants? Or that many local native plants are endangered species? Or that the pawpaw is Ohio's official native fruit?

This fall, the Lloyd Library & Museum joins forces with the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, and the Cincinnati Wild Flower Preservation Society, who celebrates its 100th anniversary, to explore our region's native plants in the exhibition *Wild About Wildflowers*. The exhibition will feature wildflower and native plant photography by Brian Jorg of the Cincinnati Zoo with historic photography, art, manuscripts and artifacts from the three organizations' dynamic collections. Experience carnivorous plants and other live specimens on display.



***Wild About Wildflowers* Program Series is Sure to Excite!**

Complementing the *Wild About Wildflowers* exhibit, the Lloyd Library and Museum, in cooperation with the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, Cincinnati Wild Flower Preservation Society, Women Writing for (a) Change, and The Nature Conservancy, will offer programs on native plants, conservation, a poetry workshop, theatrical performance and nature hike.

Opening Reception

September 9, 1-3 p.m.
Lloyd Library & Museum

Celebrate the exhibition's opening with curators Erin Campbell from the Lloyd and Brian Jorg from the Zoo, and the 100th anniversary of the Cincinnati Wild Flower Preservation with its current members at *Wild About Wildflowers'* opening reception.

Free and open to the public.



***Ohio's Rarest Plants & Habitats* with Andrew Lane Gibson**

Friday, September 22, 6 p.m.
Lloyd Library & Museum

Field botanist, rare plant specialist, and author of the popular blog, *The Buckeye Botanist*, Andrew Lane Gibson shares stories and shows plant specimens in this fascinating talk. Attendees will learn about the background and ecology of these rare natural treasures.

Free and open to the public. **Reservations required**-- call (513)721-3707 or ohiorareplants.eventbrite.com

***Luxuriance of Wildflowers - Finding Poetry and Words Beneath* with Annette Wick**

September 30, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Lloyd Library & Museum

Join writer Annette Januzzi Wick and the Lloyd Library staff in exploring and capturing, through words, the rich history of wildflowers in Ohio, the work of Lucy Braun, a well-known Cincinnati naturalist from the 1800s, and the collection of books and photographs in the Lloyd Library.

During this three-hour workshop, participants will be given access to rare works, including pressed flowers dating back to the 1850s, and photographs taken throughout the course of the exhibit and botanist Lucy Braun's body of work.

Co-sponsored by Women Writing for (a) Change.
Reservations required. Tuition: \$35; limit 15.





***Sisters of the Mother Forest: A Story of Lucy and Annette Braun* written and performed by author Alice Jones**

Wednesday, October 11, 7 p.m.
Frisch's Theater at Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden

In the 1930s, what began as a botanical research trip propelled two Cincinnati scientist sisters into the fight to save the virgin forest of Eastern Kentucky, forever changing ecological science and environmental conservation. Join Alice Jones for her powerful performance based on their work.

Free and open to the public. **Reservations required--** call (513)721-3707 or [click here](#).

***Flower Power in the Ohio River Valley: The Archives of Mary Elizabeth Brockschlager* with Lloyd Archivist Devhra BennettJones**

October 18, noon-1 p.m.
Lloyd Library & Museum

In celebration of Archives Month, Lloyd Archivist Devhra BennettJones examines the botanical research of Mary Elizabeth Brockschlager through her manuscript collection. The Lloyd's collection of Brockschlager's work contains research notes, slides, and correspondence documenting the development of the conservation awareness movement in the state of Ohio and the immediate region, especially Adams County, Ohio and prairie plant communities.

Free and open to the public.



Fall Colors Wildflower Hike

Sunday, October 22, 10 a.m.
Curtis Gates Lloyd Wildlife
Management Area
230 Gardnersville Rd, Crittenden, KY
[Click for more information](#)

Explore a spectacular display of fall wildflowers during this two-hour nature hike, guided by the Cincinnati Wild Flower Preservation Society at the C.G. Lloyd Wildlife Management Area, established by Lloyd Library co-founder, Curtis Gates Lloyd.

Meet at the C.G. Lloyd W.M.A. in Crittenden, KY. [Map and directions](#)

Free and open to the public. For more info contact Christine at christinehadley@earthlink.net or 513-850-9585.

Hosted by the Cincinnati Wild Flower Preservation Society

Wildflowers of Ohio: A Visual Journey through Ohio's Native Flora with Brian Jorg

Wednesday, October 25, 7 p.m.
Lloyd Library & Museum

Brian Jorg, Manager of Native Plant Program at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, *Wild About Wildflowers* co-curator, and wildlife photographer, takes the audience on a virtual tour through Ohio's rich and diverse native flora from stunning orchids to plants that eat bugs.

Free and open to the public. **Reservations required--** call (513)721-3707 or [click here](#).



Lynx Prairie – Relict of the Past, Hope for the Future with Martin McAllister

Wednesday, November 15, 7 p.m.
Lloyd Library & Museum

When a brushy cedar thicket in Adams County first attracted the attention of Dr. E. Lucy Braun in the early 20th century, it would have been impossible to predict the impact it would have on conservation in Ohio. Today Lynx Prairie is just one tiny portion of the nationally significant Richard and Lucile Durrell Edge of

Appalachia Preserve System, which encompasses 20,000 acres and protects over 100 species listed as rare or endangered.

Free and open to the public. Co-sponsored by The Nature Conservancy. **Reservations required--** call (513)721-3707 or [click here](#).

Explore Native Plants Digitally

Discover how changes in our region over the past 200 years have affected our local plant life with [Flora Finder](#) from the Cincinnati Zoo.

Turn the pages of rare books showcased in the *Wild About Wildflowers* exhibit in the Lloyd Library's [digital collection](#), hosted by the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County. These works are also featured in the [Biodiversity Heritage Library](#), a digital consortium of natural history and botanical libraries.

Take home some “Wildflowers” and leave nature intact by visiting the Lloyd Gift Shop, featuring note cards, art prints, drinking glasses, and more.

The Lloyd Library and Museum is an independent research library. Its world-renowned collection of rare books, botanical drawings and manuscripts provides research materials and inspiration to scientists, historians, artists, gardeners, naturalists, and members of the natural health movement.

The Lloyd Library and Museum is free and open to the public. Located at 917 Plum St. in Cincinnati, Ohio, the Lloyd is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. and the third Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. For more information or to schedule group tours, contact the Library at (513) 721-3707 or email contact@lloydlibrary.org or visit LloydLibrary.org.



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