

# LILAC SUNDAY



The ARNOLD ARBORETUM  
of HARVARD UNIVERSITY

The Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University is the oldest public arboretum in North America, and one of the world's leading centers for the study of plants.

The Arnold Arboretum is intended for the study and appreciation of plants. A beloved public landscape and respected research institution, we provide and support world-class research, horticulture and education programs that foster the understanding, appreciation, and preservation of trees. The Arboretum and its programs are funded entirely through private support. Become a member today and receive a free lilac plant while supplies last.

Lilac Sunday, first celebrated in 1908, features a dazzling array of over 180 kinds of lilacs with delightful fragrances and gorgeous colors—plus tours, dancing, art, music, and children's activities.

Of the thousands of flowering plants in the Arboretum, only one, the lilac, is singled out each year for a daylong celebration.

## TOURS and MORE

- 10:00–3:00 Lilac Collection Guided Tour:** Learn about the historic lilac collection with Arboretum staff (On the hour every hour. Tours last 45 minutes).  
—LILAC COLLECTION
- 10:00–3:30 Arboretum Guided Tour:** Learn about the Arboretum on a brief guided tour led by docents. (On every half hour. Tours last 30 minutes).  
—HUNNEWELL VISITOR CENTER (outside)
- 10:00–4:00 Meet the Artist:** Vinette Varvaro will be available to answer questions about her beautiful new exhibit on display, *The New Botanicals*. Prints will be for sale.  
—HUNNEWELL VISITOR CENTER

## PERFORMANCES

- 10:00–4:00 Morris Dancing:** A traditional English performance dance. More than 20 teams will perform in 3 locations.  
—CENTRE ST. GATE, BUSSEY HILL, RHODODENDRON DELL (see map)
- 10:00–11:30 Art & Technique of Isadora Duncan:** Enjoy the organic dance movements of the Duncan art form. Performed by Boston Children's Foundation.  
—HUNNEWELL LAWN
- 12:00–1:00 Balkan Brass Project:** Ensemble group from New England Conservatory will perform their gypsy-style Balkan music while roaming from the Hunnewell Lawn to the Rose Collection where there will finish the set.  
—ROSE COLLECTION PERFORMANCE AREA (see map)
- 12:30–1:00 Taiko Drumming with Odaiko New England:** Experience the explosive sound and dynamic movement of one of the premier Taiko groups on the East Coast. Great for all ages.  
—HUNNEWELL LAWN
- 1:30–2:30 Sticky Skillet Trio:** Sit back and enjoy listening to fantastic swing jazz while you visit the neighboring lilacs. Great place to picnic!  
—ROSE COLLECTION PERFORMANCE AREA (see map)
- 3:00–4:00 Pond Jam:** Enjoy relaxed acoustic folk music with a group of talented community neighbors on the banjo, violin, steel guitar, upright bass, and more. Everyone is encouraged to join in!  
—ROSE COLLECTION PERFORMANCE AREA (see map)

## FAMILY ACTIVITIES

- 10:00–4:00 Craft Studio/Workshop:** Fragrance Guessing Game, Coloring and Drawing, Mother's Day Notecard, Lilac Science Station, Lilac Tattoo-parlor, Lilac Sunday Bingo  
—HUNNEWELL VISITOR CENTER LAWN
- 10:30 & 11:30 Storytelling with Rosalita's Puppets:** Come and listen to entertaining nature-based stories with marionette puppets!  
—HUNNEWELL VISITOR CENTER LAWN

## FOOD VENDORS

- 10:00–4:00 Clover Food Labs:** FOOD LOCATION #1 & #2  
**Cupcakory:** FOOD LOCATION #1  
**Slush King:** FOOD LOCATION #1, #3 & #4  
**Taza Chocolate:** FOOD LOCATION #2

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