

# CHAT Newsletter

## of the Shepard Garden & Arts Center

3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95816

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### MARCH/APRIL 2026

#### CENTER UPDATES

Kristen Baker, president of the Begonia Club, volunteered to help with the Search Committee for a Building Manager. She started by studying the proposed lease the City of Sacramento presented our Negotiating team. At the February Board meeting she described several aspects of the proposed lease that could financially damage the Board and the clubs. She compared hiring the future Building Manager as an employee versus a contractor, concluding with her opinion that a contractor would be less problematic for us.

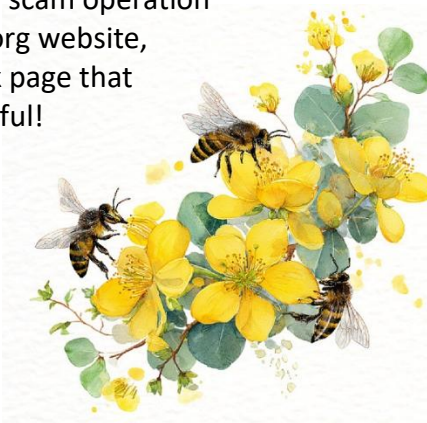
Kristen later announced that the Center has been awarded a \$5,000 grant from the City of Sacramento’s Office of Arts & Culture through the Small Organization Sustainability Fund. She had submitted the application for this grant and has volunteered to manage it. Funds will probably go entirely toward reducing rent and insurance costs for member clubs.

Lease negotiations have been at a standstill, as City representatives have stated they have made their best offer.

#### ANOTHER SCAM!

One person applying to become a vendor at the Spring Sale encountered a scammer pretending to reserve spots for whoever pays immediately with Zelle. The scam operation was not connected to the sgaac.org website, but to a member club’s Facebook page that featured the Spring Sale. Be careful!

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### Upcoming Events

March 2	7:00 PM
<u>SG&amp;AC Board Meeting</u>	<u>via Zoom</u>
March 7	see page 3
<u>Gardener’s Market</u>	
March 12	see page 4
<u>Rose Society rose auction</u>	
March 14-15	see page 5
<u>Spring Sale</u>	
March-April	see pages 6-8
<u>SCTA 11 classes</u>	<u>various locations</u>
April 6	7:00 PM
<u>SG&amp;AC Board Meeting</u>	<u>via Zoom</u>
April 9	see page 9
<u>Rose Society photography class</u>	
April 10-12	see page 10
<u>Perennial Plant Sale</u>	
April 11-12	see page 11
<u>Bonsai Show &amp; Sale</u>	
April 18-19	see page 12
<u>Iris Show</u>	
April 25	see page 13
<u>Rose Show</u>	

Free parking at rear of bldg.  
(entrance on Park Way)

Events in **blue** are held at addresses shown on the relevant flyers!



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### DOWN THE ROAD A BIT

The Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, July 11, in person. New officers will be elected to replace those whose terms expire. All terms last 2 years and are staggered so that some officers are elected each year. Openings in July 2026 will be:

- Vice President
- Secretary
- 2 Directors (one of whom currently edits the CHAT)



Currently, several clubs do not have an elected Board member. Perhaps those clubs, or your club, would like more say in Board decisions? If you or somebody you know might be interested in a Board position, or a spot on the Nominating Committee, please write to [ShepardCenter@gmail.com](mailto:ShepardCenter@gmail.com). It's the best way to make your voice heard.

New officers bring new ideas. A healthy organization elects new people often.

*Soleil Tranquilli*  
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# 21ST ANNUAL GARDENER'S MARKET

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026 • 9AM – 3PM



**C**ome and enjoy this popular gardening event featuring unusual plants and garden treasures from a variety of specialty nurseries and garden artisans.

### “WHAT’S BLOOMING” DISPLAY

Browse our collection of member-grown blooming perennials.

### MORE ...

- Donate-what-you-wish for used books and magazines; tool, scissors, kitchen knife sharpening and container drilling.
- Food and refreshments available for sale.
- Hourly drawings for garden items donated by the nurseries and artisans. Must be present to win.

## Sacramento Perennial Plant Club

**SHEPARD GARDEN & ARTS CENTER**

3330 MCKINLEY BLVD., SACRAMENTO • FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

### NEW & RETURNING VENDORS

- Alexis Genung Studios
- All Things Wild
- Arti.fizer Yard Art
- Brenda's Midtown Flowers
- Cactus and Clay
- Classy Glass Art by Ali V
- Confluence Gardens
- Everything Shoe and Hammer
- Friends of San Juan de Oriente
- Garden Art By Nancy
- Golden Pond Water Plants LLC
- Gourds By Debby Rising
- Judy's Plate Flowers
- Laure's Gardens
- Light & Breezy Paper
- LinWil Designs
- Maximum Joy Photography
- Morningsun Herb Farm
- Objects Found
- Out on A Whim
- Rustic Bird Houses
- Second Chance Creations
- She Sews-He Saws
- Shmak Creations
- Sin-sational Confections
- Star Succulent Nursery
- Susan J Berg
- Terrestrial Plant Co
- The Emerald City
- The Shaman's Garden
- Top of The Bottle
- Yankee General Goods
- Yari's Garden Art

### FOOD & REFRESHMENTS

- Pioneer Pie and Pastry

### ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

- Mother Natives
- Sac/Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control

### PERENNIAL PLANT CLUB

- Membership
- Saul Wiseman Grants Program
- Used Books & Magazines



Sacramento Rose Society  
Presents

# *Rose Auction*

We've come up with a stellar selection of over 40 must-have, healthy roses that will add beauty to your garden for years to come.

Come in, browse, and pick up an auction paddle - because finding your perfect rose should be just as fun as growing it.

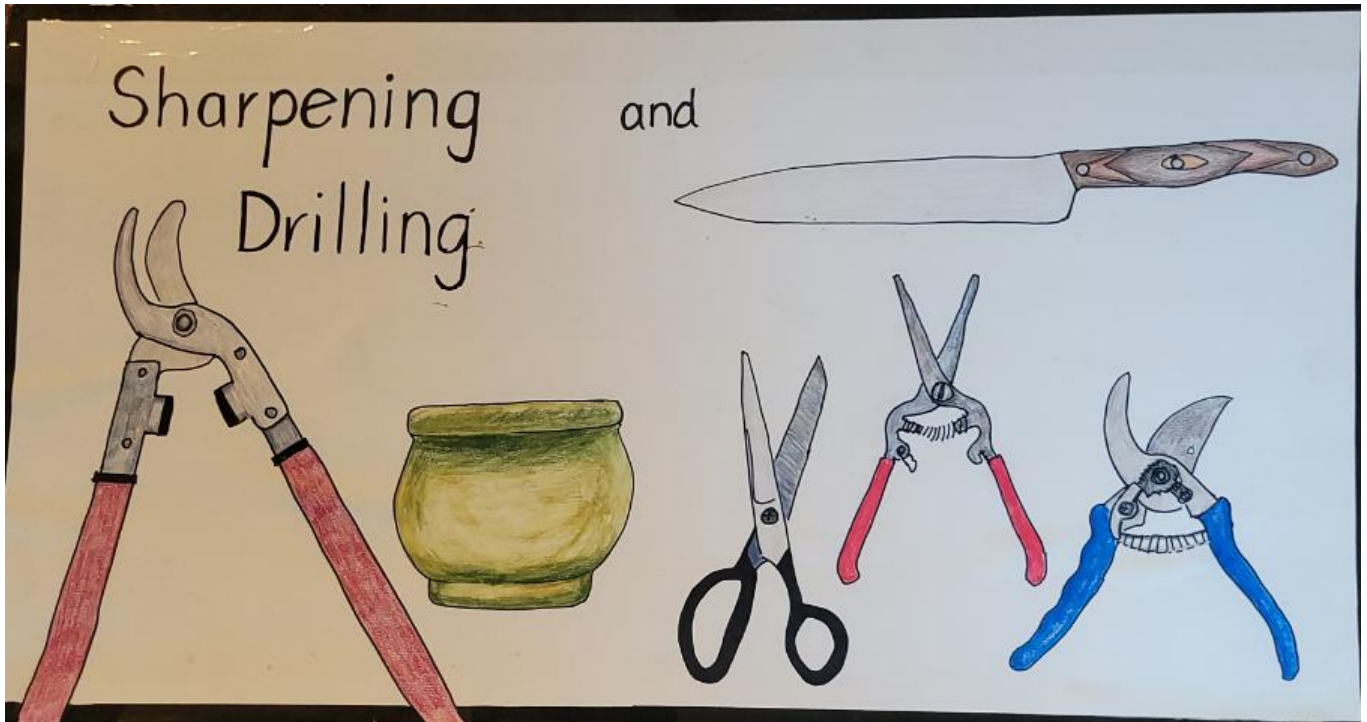
Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend.

Let the bidding begin!!

**THURSDAY,  
MARCH 12TH**

6:30 PM

Shepard Garden and Arts Center  
3330 McKinley Blvd,  
Sacramento, CA 95816



Bring your dull tools to the Spring Sale for sharpening and pots for drilling.



# 2026 Spring Sale

SHEPARD GARDEN & ARTS CENTER

Saturday, March 14, 2026, 10 am - 4 pm  
Sunday, March 15, 2026, 10 am - 3 pm

**PLEASE COME FOR**  
Plants, jewelry, crafts,  
flowers, art, food, and more

3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95816  
[www.sgaac.org](http://www.sgaac.org) - Free admission and parking



# March Membership Meeting & Lecture by Cathy Cederlind

**Jewelry-Mixed Media -Fiber Artist**

**March 21, 2026**  
**10am - 1pm**



**What is Joomchi and why would we felt it? Cathy will present several of her felted artworks and discuss various techniques she has used in her felted Joomchi artworks.**

**Join us:**  
**@ Clara**  
**2420 N Street**  
**room 135**  
**Sacramento CA 95816**

# SACRAMENTO COLLECTIVE FOR THE TEXTILE ARTS STUDY GROUP MEETINGS



**10**  
MARCH

## BEAD ARTS STUDY GROUP

CLARA STUDIO #135  
2420 N STREET SAC

**10:00-1:00**

**14**  
MARCH

## NEEDLE ARTS STUDY GROUP

CLARA STUDIO #135  
2420 N STREET SAC

**10:00-1:00**

**19**  
MARCH

## BOOK ARTS STUDY GROUP

CLARA STUDIO #135  
2420 N STREET SAC

**12:30-3:30**

**26**  
MARCH

## SURFACE DESIGN & MIXED MEDIA STUDY GROUP

CLARA STUDIO #135  
2420 N STREET SAC

**1:00-4:00**

**26**  
MARCH

## CREATIVE CLOTHING & SEWING STUDY GROUP

BEL AIR GATHER SPACE  
4320 ARDEN WAY SAC

**6:30-8:00**

FOR MORE INFO VISIT: [WWW.SACTEXTILEARTS.ORG](http://WWW.SACTEXTILEARTS.ORG)

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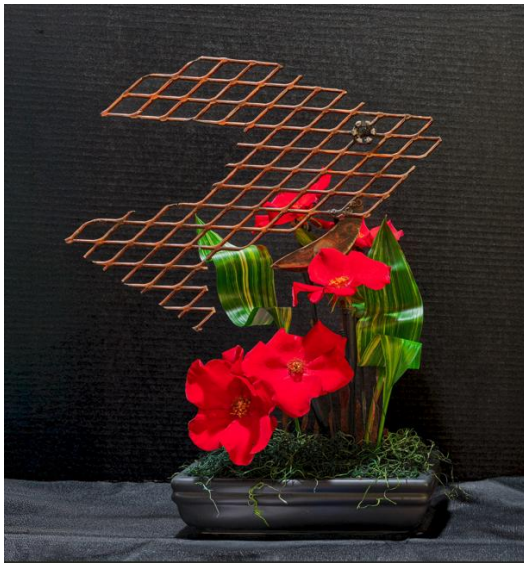
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**Have you ever wanted to enter a beautiful photo in a rose show,  
but your favorite camera is on your cell phone?**



Come to the Sacramento Rose Society's meeting on **April 9 at 7:00 pm** at the **Shepard Garden and Arts Center** where award winning rose photographer Audrey Brandt will be leading a workshop on

***How to Take Fabulous Photos with your iPhone***

Although the tips and tricks shared will be directed to iPhones, most of the directions will be easily adapted to Android phones also. And if you enjoy photographing food - she's got you covered there as well!



# Sacramento Perennial Plant Club Spring Plant Sale

FRIDAY & SATURDAY • APRIL 10-11, 2026 • 9AM - 1PM  
1911 BANNON CREEK DR., SACRAMENTO, CA 95833



## OUR MEMBER GROWN PLANTS WILL INCLUDE:

- ☀ **Organically grown veggies, berries and herbs**– Tomatoes, peppers, squashes, eggplants, cucumbers, oregano, basil
- ☀ **California natives**– Clarkias, Poppies, Buckwheat varieties, Penstemons, Monkey flowers, Lupines and many more!
- ☀ **Lots of perennial and annual flowers to brighten your yard through the spring and summer**– Zinnias, Sunflowers, Nasturtiums, Yarrows, Black-Eyed Susans, Fuchsias to name a few!
- ☀ **Drought tolerant varieties**– Salvias, orchid cactus, succulents
- ☀ **Trees and shrubs**– Manzanitas, Ceanothus, many beautiful Abutilons

## Also at the Spring Plant Sale–

### STAN, THE TOOL MAN

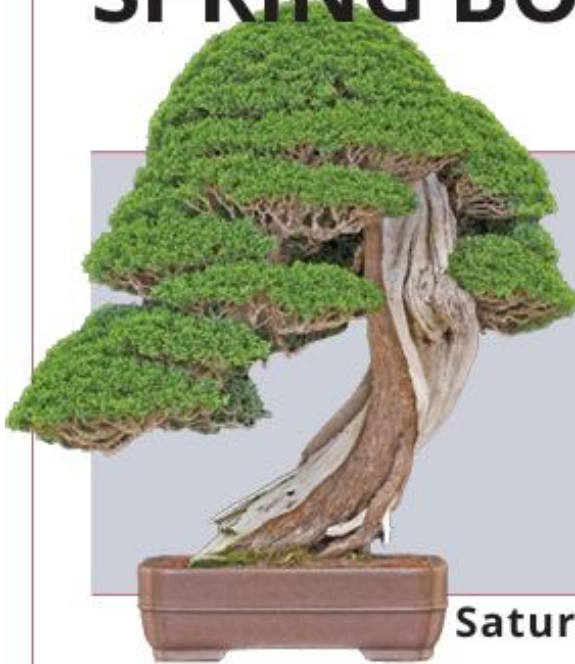
Garden tool, scissor and kitchen knife sharpening;  
container drilling

Come and join us in April for this special event open to all!

AMERICAN BONSAI ASSOCIATION, SACRAMENTO PRESENTS:



# 66TH ANNUAL SPRING BONSAI SHOW AND SALE



- Premier Bonsai Vendors & Club Consignment Sale
- Club Member Bonsai & Suiseki Exhibits
- Daily Demonstration & Raffle @ 1:30 PM

**Saturday & Sunday, April 11th & 12th**  
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

*featuring special guest*

**Jennifer Price**

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bonsai artist based in Chicago*



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reserve a space

**Open To The Public - Free Admission**

Shepard Garden and Arts Center  
3330 McKinley Blvd, Sacramento, CA  
@ McKinley Park





**2026**

**Seventy Fifth Annual  
Sacramento Iris Show & Sale**  
Presented By  
**Sacramento Iris Society**  
Affiliate of the American Iris Society

**America 250 !!!**



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**Open to Public  
Free to Enter and View  
Saturday, April 18, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
Sunday, April 19, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
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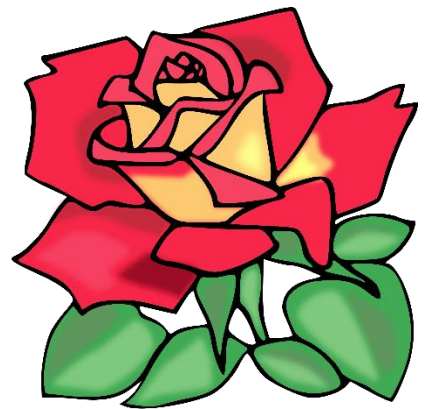


*Sacramento Rose Society along with  
the Sacramento Floral Design Guild present  
2026*

# Sacramento Rose Show

1:30 to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 25

Shepard Garden & Arts Center      Free admission



See hundreds of roses at their peak of beauty and beautiful arrangements by floral artists. Cut roses and live plants will be offered for sale.

The public is invited to enter blooms from 7 to 10 a.m.; first-timers should come early. Arranger's theme: "Happy 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday, America!" Interested arrangers or exhibitors may request a schedule. Please email Debbie Arrington at [DebArrington17@gmail.com](mailto:DebArrington17@gmail.com).