



Laguna Beach Garden Club Weeder's Digest



MARCH 2024

MEMBER NEWS

Cultivating Delight through
Gardening & Community Service

*"May love and laughter light your days
and warm your hearth and home."*

— Irish Blessing

A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR • DALYNN MALEK

On a recent trip to Costa Rica, I was enthralled with all of the beautiful Bromeliads and Orchids that thrive in this tropical climate. I thought of our guest speaker Cristy Brenner, who shared her love of Bromeliads with us last March. I marveled that these amazing plants seem to grow carefree on all kinds of surfaces.

I saw many different kinds of Bird of Paradise as well. I was thankful that my LBGC membership has enriched my knowledge of plants so I could enjoy them to their fullest wherever I encounter them.



COME JOIN IN
THE FUN

Events This Month

General Meeting March 8

Alan Barry

The joy of bird feeding.

See page 4

Laguna
Presbyterian
Church
9:30 am social



10:00 am meeting & speaker

Green Thumb Crafts March 15

Wood Burning Designs n Gourds

Sign up and pay at the March 8 meeting.

10:00 a.m. at the home of

Elaine Davis

32562 Sea Island Drive Dana Point

Cost: \$20 See page 12

Trips & Tours March 20

Huntington Botanical Garden

Sign up at the March 8 meeting.
See page 11

President's Message

Savor the Seasons in Your Garden

So many delightful things have happened with our Club this past month it's hard to pick just one! So I've picked two.

The Good of the Hive® Mural Kickoff. What a delightful night for our Club! Over 200 attendees came to hear **Matt Willey**, our muralist. His message: "Bees never forget that they are part of something bigger than themselves... their hive is a part of them. What if we embodied this idea? What if we got curious about the world and each other again instead of intimidated by it? This is why I turn walls into windows – to remember that we are all connected... that separation is an illusion."

-Artist, Matt Willey



The celebration of our Club's 'Love Letter to Laguna' and the energy we all felt that night embodies Matt's message. Our Club's mission gives us a sense of purpose and being part of our Garden Club Hive keeps us connected. There is no better way to spark conversation, challenge perceptions and inspire collective action for positive change than through public art. And no better place to do it than right here in our very own art town, Laguna Beach!

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With the Laguna Beach County Water District as our partner and venue for our Gate & Garden Tour, on just one day a year alone hundreds of people from all over Southern California will see our mural and take inspiration from it. Facebook & Instagram & TikTok our fabulous Good of the Hive® mural. How about engagement photos? And Prom photos? Graduation photos? Holiday card photos? Share the BUZZ!



Mark your calendars and bring your friends, neighbors and family to our ribbon cutting ceremony at the wall on **March 11, 3PM**. The two finalist songs will be performed by members of LagunaTunes and the winning song will be chosen via applause.

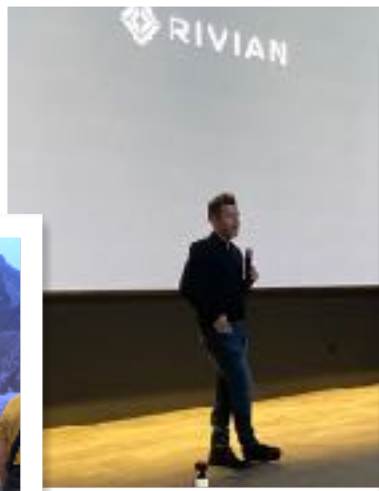
As a Club we have supported the kitchen garden at Glennwood House here in Laguna with our very own **Master Gardener Monica Thompson** as their garden manager. The Glennwood programs promote increased self-esteem and assist adults with developmental and/or intellectual disabilities in developing the daily living skills necessary to live

independently and live, work, and play in their local communities. We invited residents of Glennwood to attend our Valentine Open House and Plant sale and they were delightful! They helped with set-up, enjoyed the program, bought raffle tickets and even won a prize. They enjoyed being part of our hive for the morning and felt all the love you showered upon them. Residents Carter, Lily, Eleanor, Baneh, Tina, Nicole, Joe, Daniel and 'good Daniel', Drew, Andrew, Katie, Diana, Meghan, Ben, Brock - and staff Patty, Dana, Jeanne are a wonderful part of our Laguna Beach Hive. I have delighted in spending time with them these past few months volunteering at Doheny Beach, revitalizing the butterfly garden, and on beach clean-up day. If you want to join us send me an email! I guarantee it will be delightful. Continue to look for delights every day - in your garden, the smiles of passers-by, birdsong, the voices of children skipping on the stones at your Good of the Hive® mural on Third Street. Delights are all

around you
to share
and enjoy.
-Jane Leary



Scenes from the night of February 16 at The Rivian South Coast Theater. Two hundred people attended the evening of celebration & information about the "Good of the Hive" mural currently in progress by artist Matt Willey.





More images from the night at The Rivian South Coast Theater "Good of the Hive" event.



March Guest Speaker Alan Barry Presents:

The Joy of Bird Feeding



Alan Barry, owner of *Wild Birds Unlimited*, will be speaking on the Joy of Bird Feeding at the LBGC March 8th meeting.

Take an engineer and an educator, move them to South Orange County, and they discover birds! Alan Barry and his wife Maggie, moved to Rancho Santa Margarita 26 years ago. They were immediately enthralled by the variety of birds in their yard and sought out a bird feeding resource. This brought them to *Wild Birds Unlimited* in Mission Viejo. After having been customers for several years, they bought the franchise from the original owner in 2014. Now both retired from their prior careers, Alan and Maggie continue to enjoy operating the store with their team of fellow bird lovers. Alan's presentation will address all aspects of the hobby of bird feeding focusing on the actions you can take in your own yard to attract local birds.



Please join us on Friday, March 8th at 09:30-10:00 for social time and refreshments, meetings begin promptly at 10:00. Meetings are held at Laguna Presbyterian Church in Tankersley Hall located at 415 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach. Non-members are invited to attend for free on their first visit. For more information about the garden club: www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org or contact info@lagunabeachgardenclub.com



Please do not use church parking lot, street parking is available.

OH THOSE HATS!

Calling all creative ladies and gentlemen to turn heads at this year's
**Gate & Garden Tour May 4th
Hat Contest**

Categories are:

Most Elegant Hat

Most Creative Hat

Best Bee/Pollinator Themed Hat

Prizes for every category!



Matt Willey - Special Guest at Laguna Art Museum

As part of our Club's on-going collaboration with Laguna Art Museum we sponsored Matt Willey's The Good of the Hive® presentation held Saturday, February 24 as their final speaker in their Art + Nature programming. It was an intimate setting with about 40 people in attendance. Matt disused the experience of creating the murals including ours, and how the murals fit into the global puzzle – offering powerful moments of connection in our Laguna community and around the world.

One thing he shared which really resonated with the crowd is finding out that 90% of the seeds in the world's food systems are owned and controlled by corporations. For Matt as an artist and storyteller, this feels terribly bad. He said “there are only two symbols in the history of storytelling that are consistently used as symbols of hope and possibility. Babies and seeds. What does it mean when a few giant companies control hope?” This changed everything for Matt in terms of how he sees the bees and his work with them.

Our mural is now part of The Good of the Hive® world where people see the beauty and connectedness of all things and act accordingly – with curiosity, kindness, and love - for the good of OUR our hive. Spread the BUZZ!



She helped save one of the
world's rarest creatures from
extinction — and herself along
the way



Jana Johnson coaxes a Palos Verdes blue butterfly onto her finger. "After butterflies came into my life, I completely reinvented myself," she says. (Robert Gauthier / Los Angeles Times)

Valentine Open House Plant & Planter Sale

Our fund-raiser at the February meeting was a big success thanks to everyone who contributed a container garden, brought items to the plant table, or bought a raffle ticket. Those three elements raised over \$3,000! Sale of *Gate & Garden Tour* tickets brought in an additional \$4,300. The lovely variety of containers was a delight to see. There was a fun range of stuff on the boutique table. Please plan to save up your gently used treasures all year for an even bigger impact next year. Thank you also to everyone who helped set up, priced the items, brought goodies and worked at the various tables. It takes a lot of volunteers to put on a successful event.

Three of the Master Gardeners in our club answered questions and gave an exceptional overview of the wealth of information available on the Master Gardener website. Please take advantage of this rich source of knowledge to answer all your gardening questions. (<https://mgorange.ucanr.edu>)

Going forward, this event needs someone to organize it and a committee to run it. It has the potential to grow. Our location downtown gives us the opportunity to engage the community, bring in fresh buyers, show what the garden club is and raise more funds for the club to spend on scholarships and civic beautification. Start planning now how you can help make it bigger and better in 2025!

-Nancy Englund





COMMUNITY NEWS

Hortense Miller Garden Open House

Saturday, April 6, 2024 from 10:30am – 2:30pm

There is continuous Shuttle Bus service from the parking lot of First Church of Christ Scientist, at 635 High Drive, Laguna Beach

This hidden Laguna Gem features a 2.5 acre garden with over a dozen unique trails and a pristine Mid-Century Modern home build by Knowlton Fernald in 1958 on the slope of Boat Canyon. Tucked under towering Torrey Pines, planted from one gallon saplings in 1959, there are over 1000 plant species of which about 150 are California natives. The wondrous variety gives the garden color and texture during every season. The home's walls of glass offer breathtaking ocean views. The original furnishings give the home a rare authenticity, fitting of a true Laguna artist.

Free Art Workshop for Children. Sack lunches permitted. Beekeeper Talk at noon.

Walking shoes recommended. Garden tours offered every hour. House open to tour.

Books by Hortense Miller, as well as container gardens and garden art available for sale.



No reservation necessary. **Admission is free.**
Donations gratefully accepted.

For more information: www.hortensemillergarden.org or
call 949-374-2696

Friends of Hortense Miller Garden

P.O. Box 742 Laguna Beach, CA 92651

www.hortensemillergarden.org

We are looking for volunteers to help make flower arrangements on Thursday, April 4 for the event. We are also needing volunteers for the day of the event to help out with plant sales, greeters as patrons arrive, refreshments for a couple of hours during the 10:30am - 2:30pm timeframe. I'll have a sign up sheet at the March meeting as well.

Contact: Diane Lannon
diane.lannon@gmail.com
949.374.2696



Membership Update

Welcome to March! I am pleased to announce that we now have **232** members as of February 10, 2024.

If you have not picked up your 2023-2024 Membership Book yet, tables will be located inside for your convenience at our next meeting March 8.

Name tags – reminder to wear yours to receive a ticket to be eligible to win a great prize as a reward for wearing it.

Special Note* If you joined the Club in February or ordered a replacement name tag, your new name tag will be ready for pick up at the April 12 general meeting because I am leaving for New Zealand and will return March 17, so I will not attend the March 8 meeting. Rest assured the Membership Table will be up and running well at the March 8 meeting with Jackie Knauer and JoAnn DeYonker who have been my assistants for the past several years. And Mary Jones will step in as interim- Membership Director to hand out the name tag winner gift.

If you have a friend, neighbor, or colleague who might be interested in our Speaker Series, please invite them to attend a meeting to see if we are a good fit. The first meeting is free, and we accept members at any time.

-Lynn Jax, Director of Membership



No Doubt We Will Hit 1000!

Wow, our egg carton count for the Food Pantry is up to 780 through February! We are averaging 130 per month. Not only are we saving the Pantry 45 cents per carton but we are helping our hive known as planet Earth by giving these cartons at least two trips into homes before they 'die'.

With three months to go in this Club year I predict we will collect 1200! We can do even more if you ask your family, friends and neighbors to help.

Reminder to stack them like the photo. Only egg cartons with lids, please, not the flats that hold more eggs but have no lids. Plastic and cardboard are both welcome. Canned goods are also welcome.

Thank you to **Mary Lewis** for being our Pantry Ambassador and loading up her SUV each month to make the delivery.

-Jane Leary



Scholarship Winners Today

Dana Spencer and Stephanie Alvarado, students of the Horticulture and Landscaping Department at Saddleback Community College (SBCC), were recipients of the **Laguna Beach Garden Club 2023 scholarships**. I spoke with these delightful students at our meeting last spring then communicated with Ken Lee, Chairman of their department, to discuss using our Laguna Niguel HOA, which has many acres, for potential future classroom projects. It was Dana and Stephanie who enthusiastically volunteered and accepted the challenge to plan and design the highly visible clubhouse area near the front entry. Their comprehensive plans included recommendations and resources regarding drought resistant plants, seasonal color, fire hardening, maintenance, and irrigation. We live in a high hazard fire area and the students addressed the community's concern regarding future fires. Dana and Stephanie are a creative team who worked many hours completing this project. Their professional commitment has been outstanding.

Currently, Dana and Stephanie are enrolled in The Native Landscape Design Class taught by Jodie Cook (who is LBGC's featured speaker for May 2024) and Mike Evans. Jodie is the instructor who advised them on the Laguna Niguel HOA project and is well-known locally for her work with Moulton Niguel Water District developing their Naturescape program. Mike is the owner of Tree of Life Nursery and Native plant expert.



The project at our HOA was mutually so successful that SBCC inquired if we would consider having future students do design work in other communal areas and if current students could do group conceptual designs as finals for the class with incorporation of seating area, rocks,

paths, etc.

The nearby Saddleback Community College Horticulture and Landscaping Department has amazing resources and talent and is willing to assist local communities through their classroom projects.

Thank you LBGC for supporting this program and awarding scholarships to deserving students!

-Mary Koebler



You're invited
to the 7th annual
**City of Laguna Beach
Arbor Day Celebration!**

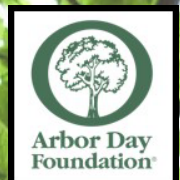
Thursday March 7th - 3:00pm to 5:00pm
Boat Canyon Park



The City received a Congressional Certificate of Recognition from U.S. Rep. Katie Porter's Office for the City's efforts in environmental stewardship at Arbor Day 2023

Event Activities

- 🌿 Native Tree Planting Ceremony
- 🌿 Tree Planting and Tree Care Advice
- 🌿 Composting Demonstrations
- 🌿 Activities and Giveaways for Kids
- 🌿 Connect with Community Gardening Groups
- 🌿 Plant Giveaways (Limited Supply)
- 🌿 LIVE MUSIC



Trips & Tours

March Trip & Tour - Huntington Library, Art Museum, and Botanical Gardens

Wednesday, March 20

There is a change in date to Wednesday, March 20th, our clear preference from the informal vote last month. The plan is for a self-guided tour with an 11:00 a.m. entry.

A club member shared an *LA Times* article (link at bottom) about the Japanese heritage Shoya House, described as “an early model of sustainability and a lesson in the beauty of simplicity.” The Huntington website also highlights a digital guide via a free app that you could check out (see below).

As usual, a sign-up sheet to join will be available at our March 8th general meeting. We welcome drivers - please note your willingness to drive a carpool on the sign-up sheet.

Please be prepared to pay your admission at the general meeting on the 8th for effective coordination of the group admission. The price will be \$20/person for a group ranging from 15 to 45 people, and every person in our party needs a ticket. Cash in the exact amount is preferred.

There are choices of lunch venues on-site or you can choose to bring your lunch since there are picnic tables adjacent to the ticketing area.

We will carpool from St. Catherine's Church on Temple Terrace. Plan to arrive at 9:30 am, leaving promptly at 9:45. Any changes will be communicated at the general meeting or via Constant Contact. Parking will be free. Reminders: pay attention for updates and changes communicated at the general meeting and through Constant Contact email and remember to wear your badge on the T&T.



Link to LA Times Shoya House article: http://enewspaper.latimes.com/infinity/article_share.aspx?

Club Activities & Opportunities

Green Thumb Craft Wood Burning Gourds

March 15th

at 10 AM, at the home of Elaine Davis
\$20.00



Please RSVP with text to Elaine at 949-510-7858
Limited Space

We will again be working with gourds and learning
wood burning skills.

There will be scraps to practice your ideas on and a
gourd for you to create
your work of art. You can augment the burning
with paint. I have a couple extra
wood burners but they don't have temperature
control which is very useful.



Amazon has burners
with a range of prices,
see below. Take your
pick. They are also
available at many craft
and box stores such as
Home Depot.

Wood Burning Kit,
Wood Burning Tool
Adjustable Temperature

200~450 °C Pyrography
Amazon \$12.99 One day Delivery

February Volunteer of the Month & Name Tag Wearer

Pam Bisson was selected as Volunteer of the
Month. She has been a member since 2014
and can be seen selling raffle tickets, setting
up our meetings, and working at the Gate &
Garden Tour. Pam has also marched in the
Patriots Parade for several years.



Lucky name tag wearer **Pam Talarico**
received 3 jars of honey for wearing her green
LBGC name tag at the meeting. Pam has been
a member since 2022.

Annual Photo Contest – Deadline for submissions April 26

It's that time again and the deadline to submit is fast approaching. Members submit photographs from their gardens for our annual photography contest. The first and second place entries are featured on the front and back covers of our Membership Book. The winners of the 17th annual contest were: Mary Jones's photo of a Monarch butterfly on a Mexican sunflower (front cover), and Brian Jones's photo of Bolivian sunflowers (back cover).

Photo Contest Rules

1. Photo entries are due to the Photo Contest chair, Perry Stampfel, by **Friday, April 26, 2024**.
2. Garden Club members may submit one photo for the **FRONT** and one for the **BACK** cover.
3. Renewed membership is required.
4. Photos must be **HIGH-RESOLUTION**. If using iPhone or Android when sending the photo, be sure to send the photo in "ACTUAL SIZE" – not small, medium, or large. Minimum photo size of 4,000 KB is required.
5. To win the **FRONT** cover contest, the photo must be **horizontal or square**.
6. To win the **BACK** cover contest, the photo must be **vertical or square**.
7. The entry must be a recent photo of some part of the member's garden.
8. By submitting the entry, the member declares that he/she owns the rights to the photo.
9. Entries will be judged anonymously by the Board by the end of the club year.
10. The winner's photos will be featured on the front and back cover of the 2024-25 Membership Book.

Submissions should be sent to Perry Stampfel via email. You will receive a reply confirming that your photo has been received.

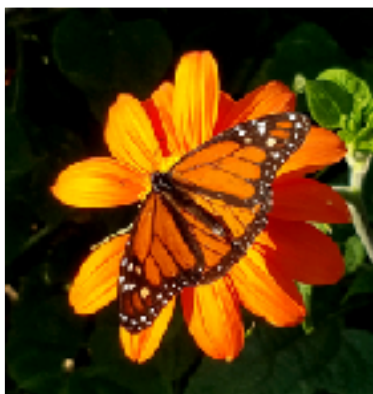
Rules are also listed on **page 43** of your Membership Book.

For information contact:

Perry Stampfel
456 Cress Street
Laguna Beach, CA 92651

Home: 949-497-7363 or Cell: 949-294-1502

Email: stampfeljax@cox.net or stampfel@icloud.com



On a recent trip to Costa Rica, club members **Marie Wake & Dalynn Malek** and their husbands Lewie & Chet, had the opportunity to visit the Monteverde Institute, a research and educational organization supported by National Geographic. We heard from a researcher about some of the institute's conservation initiatives, including a successful reforestation project. The MVI 38-acre campus forms part of the famous Monteverde Reserve Complex, an area of natural preserves that protect more than 65,000 acres of endangered tropical forest. This location underlines the importance of MVI's commitment to sustainability. In the adjacent photos, we are making soil pods for tree seedlings to get their start.

On another day we rafted through the Cano Negro Wildlife Refuge, where we planted 4 young trees as part of the reforestation project. The Costa Ricans are passionate about rebuilding their forests. -Dalynn Malek



February Trips & Tours

Almost 20 club members enjoyed perfect weather for a leisurely tour of the **San Diego Botanic Garden** on Friday, 2/23. President and CEO of the garden, the dynamic **Ari Novy** gave us an overview and pointed out some of the engineering challenges of suspending gorgeous chandeliers of epiphytes to make more room for events in the new greenhouse.

With nearly four miles of trails spanning 37 acres, we wandered among plants and environments from desert to tropical forest and everywhere in between. There are twenty-nine different gardens with more than 5,000 species of trees, palms, and bamboo from around the world. The bamboo collection is impressive. We felt like kids exploring the different interactive children's gardens. The gardens have expanded and there is a new entrance by the greenhouse. My favorite garden, Jeff Moore's underwater succulent installation, is still there, albeit across a parking lot.

After the garden we all enjoyed lunch at Fish Shop in Encinitas.

-Nancy Englund



Bees, Rain and Murals

Based on several studies and a lot of anecdotal evidence, we know that honeybees are good at predicting the weather. In fact, honeybees seem to be more accurate than The Weather Channel when it comes to predicting rain. Not only can they predict it, but they can estimate its intensity. When they sense a heavy rain, their defensiveness increases as they predict that food will be in short supply due to not being able to leave the hive.

Like the bees and their behavior in the rain, the *Laguna Beach Garden Club* sensed the clarion call for education about how dire the problem of diminishing pollinators has become and that the world's food supply is radically decreasing. According to a 2017 report, more than 700 different North American species of bees are headed toward extinction. This creates a huge concern for US food security. Bees are a key link in the natural food chain, without bees, many herbivores would simply starve. And without those plant eaters, the meat eaters would also falter. Honeybees contribute an estimated 15 billion to crop production. Honeybees are like flying dollar bills flying over US crops!

Our bee friends, particularly wild bees are also responsible for climate change mitigation. They are credited with fostering rich natural vegetation, which is known to offset carbon emissions. This is why your Board of Directors felt so strongly about raising greater awareness to the plight that will affect every single one of us if we cannot turn the tide on this serious problem.

Public murals have long served as powerful platforms for social activism. Public art is uniquely accessible and enables people to experience art during daily life, outside of museums. By presenting these messages in public spaces, artists spark conversation, challenge perceptions, and inspire collective action for positive change. The engagement builds a sense of ownership and pride within a community, fostering a shared commitment to the message. Public art activates the imagination and encourages people to pay attention and perceive more deeply the environment they occupy. A lecture or email does not have near the same impact!

Combined with our participation in bringing more pollinator gardens to our city, assisting the local schools to integrate this education using the school gardens we have funded, and now with our beautiful mural, we hope to spread the message in a hope-driven, positive way to change the behaviors in all who engage with this beautiful work of art.

So if you have wondered why a mural? Why this mural? Why this artist? Why now? I hope you understand the depth of the thought process that went into deciding how we, as a club could have the biggest impact on our city to bring about the changes needed to reverse this dire trend. From influencing public policy such as the latest bill to save the bees signed by Governor Newsom to restrict bee-killing neonicotinoids (class of pesticides) to encouraging the allowance of more green space to provide more habitat as the Xerces society focuses on, (yet another organization that the club supports), to having the public understand and appreciate what pollinators bring to their lives. “Bee” positive and “Bee” supportive and help save the bees! Buzz Buzz

-Karen Nelson



Budget Committee Report for LBGC Final Budget for 2024-2025

Please review the Final Budget for 2024-2025. We will be taking a vote in March.

The Budget Committee consisting of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, and Director of Ways and Means prepares an annual budget to be sent to the membership in early March. It is the goal of a 501c(3) non-profit to have Gross Profit and Total Expenses for the year match.

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

4000 – Donations	\$15,000	
4050 – Plant Table Donations	\$1,000	
4100 – Garden Tours Income	\$26,360	
4200 – Grants	\$0	
4300 – Membership Dues	\$14,300	
4400 – Penny Pines Donations	\$0	
4500 – Raffle Income	\$4,000	
4600 – Special Events Income	\$0	
4700 – Restricted Donations		
4720 - Community Proj Restricted	\$0	
4730 - Gate & Garden Tour Restr	<u>\$5,000</u>	
Total 4700	\$5,000	
4950 – Taxable Sales	<u>\$2,560</u>	
Total Income		\$68,220
Cost of Goods Sold		
5000 – Cost of Taxable Sales	<u>-\$1,000</u>	
Total Cost of Goods Sold	<u>-\$1,000</u>	

Gross Profit	\$67,220
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Expense

Direct Expenses

5100 – Contributions and Donations	\$19,000	
5200 – Educational Program Expense	\$0	
5500 – Raffle Expenses	\$0	
5700 – Regular Speaker Expenses		
5710 – Professional Fees	\$7,000	
5730 – Air, Hotel & Meals	<u>\$2,000</u>	
Total 5700	\$9,000	
6000 – Restricted Expenses		
6010 – Community Projects Restr	\$5,000	
6020 – G> Restricted Expenses	<u>\$5,000</u>	
Total 6000	\$10,000	
6500 – Special Events Cost	\$300	
7000 – Gate & Garden Tour Expenses	<u>\$9,400</u>	

Total Direct Expenses		\$47,700
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General & Administrative

8100 – Accounting & Professional Serv	\$3,000	
8200 – Bank Charges	\$1,000	
8300 – Meetings	\$0	
8350 – Insurance	\$900.00	
8500 – Promotion/Publicity	\$500.00	
8800 – Dues & Fees	\$2,000	
9000 – Club Expenses	\$3,700	
9200 – Hospitality Supplies	\$0	
9500 – Rent	\$3500	
9700 – Website, Email & Technology Serv	\$4,920	

Total General & Administrative		<u>\$19,520</u>
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Total Expense	\$67,220
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Net Income	\$0
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Dear Merchant,

Laguna Beach Garden Club, Inc. is requesting a raffle donation for one of our Raffles. Our next raffles will be held:
• **May 4, 2024** at our annual Gate & Garden Tour, our major fundraiser for the year. Deadline: April 16, 2024.

Laguna Beach Garden Club is a service organization founded in 1928 that now has more than 220 members from all over Orange County.

The money raised from these raffles is used to fund school gardens, specifically Top of the World Elementary, El Morro Elementary, and Thurston Middle School. Additionally, we offer scholarships to students at Laguna Beach High School and to horticultural students at Saddleback Community College. We also use the money for our monthly educational speaker series and to fund our civic beautification projects within Laguna Beach.

Please complete the attached Raffle Donation Form.

Lynn Jax can be contacted via email or by telephone to arrange for pick-up of any item donated, including a gift card. I am more than willing to stop by at your convenience.

If you prefer mail a gift card, please send to:

Laguna Beach Garden Club, Inc. 456 Cress Street, Laguna Beach, CA 92652

ATTN: Lynn Jax

Benefits to Donors:

- Recognized with your name & donor level: *(linking your business website to appropriate places)*
 - **LBGC website**, viewed by hundreds of members & non-members annually
 - **LBGC 2024-25 Membership Book**
 - **Gate & Garden Tour Brochure** – given to 600+ ticketholders (local, surrounding areas, & other states).
- Name added to **In-Kind Donor Wall of Fame** – Levels:
 - **Monarch** \$1000 +
 - **Pelargonium** \$500 - \$999
 - **Poppy** \$250 - \$499
 - **Agave** \$100 - \$299
 - **Aloe** \$25 - \$99

Thank you in advance for your generosity. You have always been so generous in the past, and we are most appreciative.

Lynn Jax

Lynn Jax, Director of Membership & Raffle Administrator

E: lynnmjax@icloud.com C: 949-294-1500 or Home: 949-497-7363

Our Federal Tax ID number is listed below.

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Federal Tax ID 23-7297058 • P.O. Box 362, Laguna Beach, CA 92652 • Website: LagunaBeachGardenClub.org



Merchant Raffle Donation Form

Return this completed form with your donation **OR** if using USPS, mail to:

Laguna Beach Garden Club, Inc. 456 Cress Street, Laguna Beach, CA 92651

ATTN: Lynn Jax

Donor/Company Name: _____

Name you would like to be acknowledged: _____

Contact Information:

Contact person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Cell: _____

Item Description: _____

Retail Value: _____

Is item **No Exchanges or Returns?** YES _____ NO _____

Garden Club Member name: _____

Contact Info: Email or phone #: _____



PO Box 362, Laguna Beach, CA 92652

www.LagunaBeachGardenClub.org

501(c)(3) Charitable Organization



FREE COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS

FOR LAGUNA BEACH RESIDENTS

Composting is a simple and natural way to turn your yard and food waste into valuable organic fertilizer for your home garden.

Compost improves soil health, helps retain moisture, and increases nutrient content.

Food scraps and yard waste currently make up 30 percent of what Californians throw away.



The City and Waste Management will offer 1 – hour long composting workshops throughout Spring 2024 at no cost to Laguna Beach residents.

Attendees will learn how to recycle yard and food waste into valuable organic fertilizer for the garden using simple composting practices.



Scan the QR Code for more info!



WORKSHOP CALENDAR

10:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.

▶ **SATURDAY APRIL 13, 2024**

Bluebird Park
772 Cress Street

▶ **SATURDAY APRIL 20, 2024**

Laguna Beach Library
363 Glenneyre Street

Celebrate Earth Day!

Kids Can Compost - a special compost class for kids and parents!

▶ **SATURDAY MAY 11, 2024**

Bluebird Park
772 Cress Street

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COMPOST BINS - Compost bins and worm bins will be available for purchase at a discounted price.

Soil saver Backyard Compost Bin.....\$ 40.00

2-Tray Worm Bin (Red Worms Included).....\$ 55.00

REGISTER TODAY!

- ▶ Space is limited.
- ▶ Register by emailing your name(s) and number of participants to recycle@lagunabeachcity.net.

NEED MORE INFO?

- ▶ For information regarding the class, contact the class instructor, Lisa Ryder, at (310) 874-2499, or at lisarydermoore@gmail.com.
- ▶ For information about the city's recycling programs visit www.lagunabeachcity.net/recycling or call us at (949) 464-6677

Attendees will be entered into a raffle for a chance to **WIN a free compost bin!**

This event is provided as part of the Franchise Agreement with the City's solid waste hauler, Waste Management.