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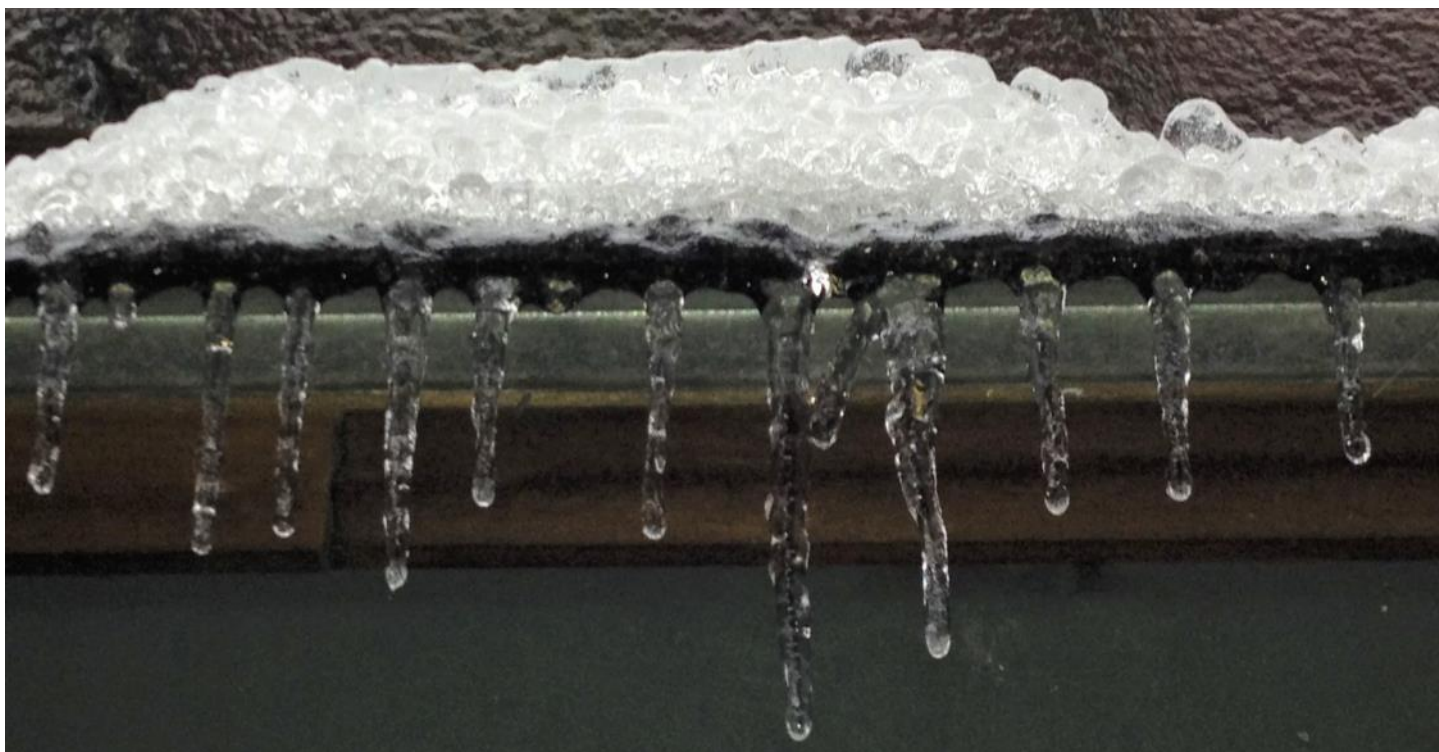


Photo: Icicles on the Roof Credit: Michael Woods

Next Meetings:

Thursday January 17th, 2019, 7:30PM

Topic: "Garden Lessons from My Travels"

Speaker: Paul Zammit

Gardens of all sizes can both teach and inspire. Join Paul for a lively evening as he draws on his garden travels over the past 25 years and shares the personal lessons that continue to fuel his passion for horticulture.

Paul Zammit, a graduate of the University of Guelph, is the Nancy Eaton Director of Horticulture at the Toronto Botanical Garden. He has presented across North America & Internationally. Paul has appeared both on TV and in print, including a weekly gardening column on the CBC. He has led tours & will be co-leading a tour to England in 2019 where with his wife, he previously studied at Great Dixter.

Members with Surnames beginning with "A" through "B" are asked to bring some cookies or squares for the refreshment table. Thank You!

Remember the January Peoples Choice Photo Contest, Topic: "Enjoying Winter"

Thursday February 21st, 2019, 7:30PM

Topic: "Creek Rehabilitation"

Speaker: Jean-Marc Daigle

Jean-Marc will present a case study on a successful cold water stream restoration project completed in 2012, in King Township, ON. The talk will address a number of issues, including the perils and pitfalls of working without permits in areas regulated by Conservation Authorities.

Jean-Marc Daigle is a landscape architect and senior partner with Genus Loci Ecological Landscapes Inc. He has a Bachelors Degree in Landscape Architecture, a Masters in Environmental Studies and 30 years of experience as both a landscape designer and builder including complex design/build landscape projects. He is the co-author of "Restoring Nature's Place: A Guide to Naturalizing Ontario Parks and Greenspace"

Members with Surnames beginning with "C" through "D" are asked to bring some cookies or squares for the refreshment table. Thank You!

Remember the February Peoples Choice Photo Contest, Topic: "Clouds"



The **East York Garden Club** is
a member of:
The Ontario Horticultural
Association, District 5.

Meetings are held on the third
Thursday of each month (except
August and December) in the
Stan Wadlow Clubhouse, 373
Cedarvale Avenue, at 7:30 pm.

Refreshments are available at
7:00 pm. The Clubhouse is
wheelchair accessible. Visitors are
always welcome.

Yearly membership fees are
\$20.00 for a single, \$30.00 for a
family. To inquire about
membership, please contact:

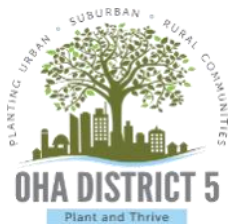
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Event Time: 12 pm - 5 pm - Thurs, 10 am - 6 pm - Fri
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The Ontario Lung Association will proudly celebrate its
19th annual Stratford Garden Festival in 2019.



Spring garden design
theme is Small Space
Gardening & Urban
Edibles!



Cover Photo

Have you got a photo that says to you:

"This is March-April in East York"

Send it in to the newsletter for a chance to be on the
cover of the March - April Newsletter!

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Message from EYGC's President



Prez Patch
by Barbara Fairbanks

Here we grow again—a new year full of hopes and wishes—wishes for a great blanket of snow to insulate our perennials—wishes for no ice storms—wishes for a properly timed spring and wishes that the squirrels didn't dig up all the tulip bulbs we planted!

We have a terrific line-up of speakers this year due to the work of Lynda Tanner and her "Speaker Team". Many of our speakers have been inspired or suggested by members—Reggie Morgan with her Daylily talk and Nurseryman Jim Lounsbury with his font of knowledge about Little Known Garden Gems. We kick the year off with the ENERGETIC Paul Zammit from the Toronto Botanical Garden and end it with a thoughtful young couple, Crystal and Liam, who have their own small nursery of native plants in Princeton Ontario. They give you hope that every age is interested in gardening and taking care of our planet.

My personal wish and hope is that our grandson Hugh, who is turning 4 on January 23rd and is an EYGC member, will continue his interest in bird watching and planting with me and using the wheelbarrow to move rocks just like the construction workers he watches at any opportunity!

He was very proud of his first tomato and we hope to duplicate that and add peas to the mix this year.

Enjoy the winter and anticipate the spring!

Barb



I look forward to seeing you at our meetings this year and, as always, you can contact me at: barb.fairbanks-eygc@bell.net or 416-755-0278

Get the Jump on Spring

GET THE JUMP ON SPRING & SEEDY SATURDAY SATURDAY FEBRUARY 23, 2019 10am to 3pm

TBG's Annual Horticultural Open House is jointly sponsored by the volunteers of the Toronto Botanical Garden and the Ontario Horticultural Association District 5.



This one-day garden extravaganza includes:

- free talks and demonstrations
- gently-used gardening book sale
- gardening advice from Toronto Master Gardeners
- special discounts in the TBG Garden Shop
- Café and Coffee Bar (Bring a mug and/or a water bottle to help us reduce waste.)

Free Admission

\$2 donation appreciated (Those who donate will be entered in free prize draws, 1 every hour!)

How to participate in the seed swap:

1. Bring seed in envelopes labeled with:
2. Plant name (common and botanical name if you know them both)
3. Year of harvest
4. Place of harvest (postal code)
5. Your name (if you wish)
6. A bit about where the seed came from (if you wish)
7. Register at the table and add your seed to those available for swapping
8. Swap seeds – try to leave with around the same number that you brought
9. Buy seeds from the vendors – you can use these for swapping as well if you're not able to bring your own

For more information check out TBG's website: www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca



Container Gardens

I'll Show You Mine if You Show Me Yours...

No, not that, we're talking about container gardens here - get with the program!

We want to see your container gardens! Whether your main garden is a container garden, or you use containers in special areas to achieve a particular effect, or maybe you grow all your vegetables in containers. Most of us plant some containers, or have done container gardens in the past.

Do you have some photos that you can share with us? They can be colourful, crazy, all foliage, all flowers, seasonal, etc. Container gardens are so versatile, and we want to see what you are doing with your containers.

We're all anxious to get back out into the garden, (or into the containers...) so let's inspire each other with our containers. Send your container photos to:

woods-eygc@bell.net

We're going to have a special "Container Feature" in the next newsletter, so be sure to check it out to for some great ideas of what to grow in your next containers!



Here is a lovely container photo from Joan Scott, showing nasturtiums, sweet potato vine, and a couple of very happy canna lilies



2018 Flower Show Round-Up

Thank you to the 33 members for bringing a total of 662 horticultural specimens, plants, fruit and vegetables, preserves and designs to the four flower shows of 2018. Thank you for taking the time to bring in entries. We also had a few of our new members enter for the first time and it was fun to see their excitement of entering and placing.

Congratulations to Vera Stoyanoff for winning the George S. Henry trophy for the highest number of aggregate points in horticulture and design for 2018. Congratulations also to Kim Hewitt for winning the Anna Leggatt Novice Award. Kim had 103 points which is the most of all the Novice Award winners to date! Our second place winner by points is Kim Hewitt and third place winner is Anna Leggatt.

Thank you to all the volunteers and board members who helped at flower shows from start to finish, and to the 2018 Flower Show Committee for planning a great season of designs. Thank you also to our Flower Show Chairs: Linda Boyko, Cristina Brown and Claudette Levesque and to our Judge Coordinator, Linda Heath. Well done everyone!

Barb Fairbanks

Flower Show Co-Coordinator

Flower Show Changes for 2019

The Flower Show Committee has made a few changes to the 2019 Flower Show schedule and a few reminders:

- **We will not be having a Preserves competition this year.**
- Entries for the monthly shows (April, June and September) will be **restricted to only one entry per competitor per class**
- For each of the monthly shows (April, June and September) we continue to have a **class in the "Cut Specimens" section that is just for first-timers**. These first-timers have NEVER competed in a show prior to 2019. This is to get them/you to dip your toes and compete amongst yourselves. The entries will be judged based on the same criteria as the rest of the classes, but some helpful information from the judge and show chairs may be written on your entry tag. These first-timers may also fully compete in all other classes. The first-timers are considered first-timers for all 2019 shows.
- **There are a few tweaks to the cut specimen sections.** Please fully read through the Flower Show Schedule in the yearbook to see any changes.

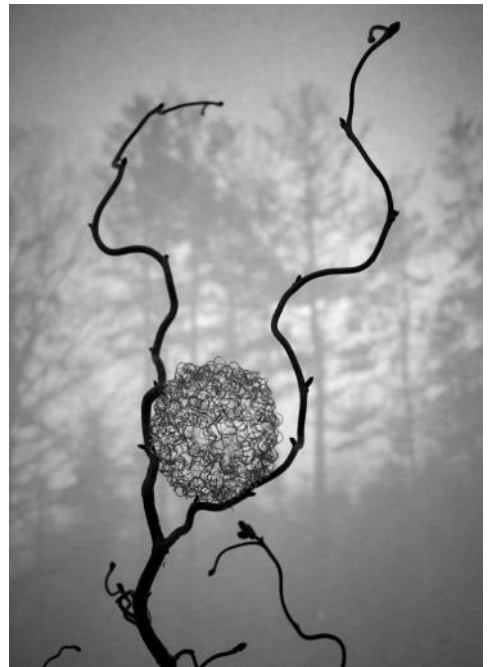


Fall Photo Contest 2018



Here are a few of the entries in our Fall Photo Contest. If you received an award for any of your photos and would like to see it here, please send your photos to the EYGC newsletter at:

woods-eygc@bell.net



EYGC AGM - Wrap-Up



On Friday November 16th we held our Annual General Meeting, Pot Luck Dinner and Awards night.

We had 87 members in attendance this year and many first-time attendees joined us for the evening. The buffet of potluck items was incredible as always with punch and tea and coffee. The leftovers were packaged up and went to Kennedy House, a youth hostel on Pape Ave. They have a new website if you would like to know a bit more about Kennedy House:

www.kennedyhouseyouthshelter.com They were very grateful for our food donation.

Our new Executive Board for 2019 was sworn in by Assistant District Director Gloria Broks (you may remember Gloria for the wonderful talk she gave in June about roses). The full listing of the Board members will be listed in the upcoming yearbook that will be available in January with your new membership cards.

The winners of the Flower Show and Photography Competitions were announced (also to be fully listed in the upcoming yearbook) along with the President's awards given out by me. These awards are given to members who may fly a little 'under the radar' or have been a big help to me throughout the year. This year I presented certificates to: Rosalind Regnier, Dan Heath, Linda Heath, Malcolm Geast and Gord Piercey. Congratulations and thank you all.

We had lots of draw prizes including many wonderful gift cards and the poinsettia plants on the tables were given out. It is always a fun evening with many laughs and a look back on all we did as a Club in 2018.

Thank you to Mary Donovan and all her volunteers for coordinating this annual event.

Barb Fairbanks



Jacqueline & Lynda Tanner



Jean Quinn has her Draw Tickets



Michael Woods Selling Logowear

EYGC AGM - Wrap-Up



Wendy Plume Winning the Photo Award & Trophy from Malcolm Geast



President Award Winners:



Roz Regnier



Linda Boyko & Anita Miller the Photo Contest Coordinators



Gord Piercey



Dan Heath



Linda Heath



Malcolm Geast

Main Potluck Dinner Table and the Equally Impressive Dessert Table

EYGC AGM - Wrap-Up



Flower Show Chairs Claudette Levesque, Linda Boyko & Cristina Brown presenting George S Henry Award to Vera Stoyanoff



Anna Leggett presenting to Kim Hewitt, Novice Award



Voting for the Yearbook Cover

Issue Date: January February 2019

Betty Meyers Best Cut Specimen Awards:



Anna Leggett



Daisy Auer



Sonia Van Heerden



Eileen Wesley one of the Refreshment Team

EYGC Board Members for 2019



Joyce Crook, Associate Director, Sonia Van Heerden, Financial Reviewer, Mary Donovan, Jacqueline Tanner, Anita Millar, Barbara Foster, Cristina Brown: Directors, Lesley Grimshaw, Secretary, Michael Woods, Linda Boyko, Paul Sarjeant: Directors, Barbara Fairbanks, President, Rosemary Vandierendonck, Treasurer, Rosalind Regnier, Vice-President, Gord Piercey, Financial Reviewer, Lynda Tanner, Director

Not in photo: Susan Bartlett, Past President (FYI: she wasn't absent, but either we forgot to ask her up or she didn't come up)

Date	Title	Speaker
January 17	Garden Lessons From My Travels	Paul Zammit
February 21	Creek Rehabilitation: a case study on the perils and pitfalls of working without permits in areas regulated by Conservation Authorities	Jean-Marc Daigle
March 21	Little Known Garden Gems for the Landscape	Jim Lounsbury
April 18	Weeds that are Common in Toronto	Miles Hearn
May 16	Plant Sale	
June 20	Daylilies...You've Come a Long Way	Reggie Morgan
August 17 (Sat)	Annual Flower Show & Tea	
September 19	The Trees of East York and How Gardeners Can Care For Them	Stephen Smith
October 17	Creating a Pollinator Paradise	Crystal Bradford & Liam Kijewski
November 21	For Members Only: Annual General Meeting, Awards, Presentations	

EYGC Logowear 2018 - Buy it Now







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EYGC logo is now
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EYGC Logowear - Price List

2018

Item	Description	Price (each)
T-Shirt 	100% Cotton preshrunk jersey, 10 oz. Ultra Cotton® Classic Fit Adult T-Shirt Seamless double needle 7/8" collar Double needle topstitched neckline Double stitched sleeve and waist hems Seamless collar - taped neck/shoulders Quarter turned body—no center crease Comes in 8 sizes Printed logo, large, centre chest	\$10.00
Embroidered Patch 	Full colour embroidered patch Add to your favourite existing shirt, hat, bag, backpack, etc.	\$5.00
Apron 	Short bib apron 27" Wide x 24" Long 11" x 9" Wide x 9" Long Pockets Adjustable neck strap 65/35 Poly/Cotton-7.25 oz. Fabric	\$30.00
Tote Bag 	Metro look & modern functional design Spacious main compartment with 14" laptop compartment & padded tablet pocket Side and front slash pockets give you immediate access to your phone, water bottle, etc. Wide cotton shoulder strap 16-oz cotton canvas with vinyl accents. Size: (14-1/2" x 13" x 3-1/4") Embroidered logo on front pocket	\$45.00
Mug 	Double-walled construction insulates your drink, keeping it the desired temperature longer, while also making it comfortable to hold. Perfect for coffee, tea, water, etc. Chip-proof, crack-proof, great to bring to meetings, and eliminate plastic cups Size: 266 mL (9-oz). (Won't empty the coffee urn with one fill...) One-colour logo imprint opposite the handle.	\$10.00

Quiz Page - Test your Knowledge



The answers to this puzzle are found in the word:

VIOLETS

1. Part of a house _____
2. Found in every garden _____
3. A biblical character _____
4. Part of a lady's attire _____
5. A foreign fruit _____
6. A musical instrument _____
7. What we all wish for _____
8. The opposite of good _____
9. Wicked _____
10. Part of the human body _____
11. To fasten _____
12. To work hard _____
13. Land surrounded by water _____
14. Necessary for a building _____
15. A false statement _____
16. To answer a puzzle _____

This puzzle was compiled & sent in by EYGC member Joan Tilt

Letter Jumble

Unscramble these letters to make the name of a vegetable

1. HAD SIR _____
2. TEE CILT _____
3. CAN SHIP _____
4. A MOTTO _____
5. SIR NAPP _____
6. NO SION _____
7. A PEST TOO _____
8. PRINT US _____
9. A CUE FOR WILL _____
10. CORA KEITH _____
11. BC GABEA _____
12. CRY EEL _____
13. LESS P BURSTOURS _____
14. EGAN SPEER _____
15. NORC _____
16. XAW SB NEA _____
17. ASHUQS _____
18. TEBES _____

This puzzle was compiled & sent in by EYGC member Joan Tilt

Answers will be in the next issue of the newsletter.

District 5 AGM - 2019

District 5 AGM: Saturday April 27th in Markham

This year the District 5 Annual General Meeting will be held in Markham and their theme is: Building a Greener Tomorrow. It will be held at the St. Maurice & St. Verena Coptic Orthodox Church at 3300 Highway 7 at Rodick Rd in Markham on Saturday April 27th from 9am to 3:30pm.



The cost for registration is \$35 and that includes 2 speakers, lunch, door prizes, draw prizes and the flower show competition. This year the speakers will be: David Leeman "Preserving Bio-diversity for the Future" and Lorraine Johnson "Tending the Earth".

To reserve your seat, we will have a sign up sheet and will accept payment in cash or cheque (payable to East York Garden Club) at the January meeting.

The following pages can also be referenced on the **OHA website**.

Ontario Horticultural Association District 5: Toronto East, York Region East 2019 Annual General Meeting

**Markham Garden & Horticultural Society
Presents....**

"Building a Greener Tomorrow"



**Saturday, April 27, 2019
9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

**Saint Maurice and Saint Verena Coptic Orthodox Church
3300 Hwy 7 at Rodick Rd Markham, L3R 5N9**

markham@gardenontario.org
Diane Olmstead 416-278-3250
Lana Peck 416-575-5301



2019 District 5 Annual General Meeting
Saturday, April 27, 2019 - 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Saint Maurice and Saint Verena Coptic Orthodox Church

The Markham Garden & Horticultural Society is hosting the 2019 OHA District 5 Annual General Meeting. We are planning a day with **two speakers**, the District 5 business meeting, and competitions for floral design, horticulture, and publications. Morning goodies will be available both upon arrival and at morning break, and a boxed lunch containing your choice of sandwich, along with salad and dessert will be provided. As well, there will be door prizes (provided by all D5 Societies), and a bucket raffle. We encourage you to mingle and meet fellow gardeners from our 18 societies across District 5. And all of this for only \$35.

Door Prizes Competition

Each registrant's name will be automatically entered in a draw for a door prize. Each Society is asked to bring a wrapped gardening item valued at approximately \$30 to \$40. These door prizes will be awarded at various times during the day.

Flower Show & Printed Materials Competition

The Flower Show Rules and Schedule are included with this information package and are available on the District 5 website www.gardenontario.org.

Horticultural and design entries will be accepted between 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. sharp – no exceptions. Each society is allowed a maximum of two entries in each horticultural and design class.

Check-in stations for entries will be inside the entrance to the flower show hall located on the lower level of the church.

Publication entries are prejudged. Each Society is invited to submit a yearbook, newsletter or any other printed material for this annual competition. Entries must be received no later than March 2, 2019. Entries can be submitted at the District 5 President's Meeting, to be held on March 2, 2019. These dates will allow time for judging. Please refer to Division IV of the Show Schedule for details.



2019 District 5 Annual General Meeting
Saturday, April 27, 2019 - 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Saint Maurice and Saint Verena Coptic Orthodox Church

Our prestigious speakers for 2019 are:

David Leeman

David Leeman has operated his own garden design consulting and maintenance business for 20 years. He was head gardener at the Toronto Botanical Garden for its first two years. He has designed and planted at botanical gardens in California and St. Lucia and has been involved in various garden projects in Barbados during the winter months. His extensive world travels in Europe and Asia are usually with a horticultural focus. He is an expert pruner and places emphasis on sustainable native and drought tolerant plants.

David will be talking about "Preserving Bio-diversity for the Future".



Lorraine Johnson

Lorraine Johnson is the author of more than 10 books related to environmental issues, urban agriculture, and native plant gardening. A third edition of her classic "100 Easy-to-Grow Native Plants for Canadian Gardens" was recently published.

A recognized North American expert on native plant gardening and naturalization, Lorraine is a past president of the North American Native Plant Society, a patron of the Toronto Botanical Garden, and a long-time community garden advocate. Lorraine is the editor of "Ground: Landscape Architect Quarterly".

Lorraine will be talking about "Tending the Earth".

Lorraine will have books for sale.



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Dates to Remember

Saturday March 2, 2019

Deadline for receipt of Printed Material either sent directly to District 5 Secretary Dawn McEachern or submitted at the Presidents Meeting.

Friday, April 5, 2019

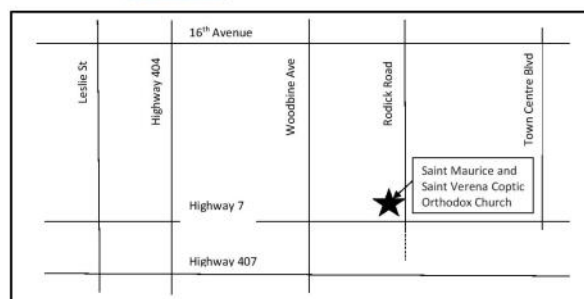
Deadline for registration.

Saturday, April 27, 2019

The AGM

Check in after 8:00 a.m., meeting begins at 9:00 a.m. The church will be open at 7:00 a.m. to receive floral designers, and horticultural entries. Entries will be accepted until 9:00 a.m. and no later.

The Saint Maurice and Saint Verena Coptic Orthodox Church is located on Highway 7 at Rodick Road. From Highway 404, exit at Highway 7 and travel east. Entrance to the car parking is from Highway 7 (westbound only) or from Rodick Road. **Extensive free parking is available including ample garage parking below the main level with the entrance at the west side of the building.** The underground parking is convenient for flower show exhibitors to bring their entries directly to the flower show hall which is located on the lower level of the church. [View Google map](#)



Hey, What's Going On?

Dates:

Title:

For More Info Contact:

09Jan2019	Film: "The Gardener" sponsored by the Credit Valley Hort Society - 8:00 to 9:30, South Common Comm. Centre, Mississauga	https://creditvalleyhort.ca/
Mondays, Jan. 21 to Feb. 11th	Designing with Roses, Lilies, Tropicals & Orchids, TBG. Course - \$190.00 for non-members, \$155.00 for members	https://torontobotanicalgarden.ca/
28Jan2019	Find out about "Garden Walk Buffalo", the largest free garden tour in North America, 7:00 to 9:00 pm, 250 Dunn Ave	http://www.parkdaletorontohort.com/
Wednesdays - Feb. 6-27th	Miniature, Small, & Large Floral Design, 6:30 to 9:30 pm, TBG Course - \$190.00 for non-members, \$155.00 for members	https://torontobotanicalgarden.ca/
Tuesdays, Feb. 5-25th	Classic Floral Design Fundamentals I, 6:30 to 9:30 pm, TBG. Course - \$190.00/\$155.00	https://torontobotanicalgarden.ca/
Mondays, Jan. 28 to March 4th	Introduce your toddler to nature through songs, crafts, puzzles, sensory activities and more. Recommended for toddlers 18 months to 3 years old. Course - \$190.00/\$155.00	https://torontobotanicalgarden.ca/

This list is to alert you to some of what's going on horticulturally in Toronto and the surrounding areas. Comprehensive information about each event is not listed here. We don't have the space for that, but if you see something that interests you, then please explore it further on your own.

If you go to any of these events, please let us know all about your experience. Thanks!

The Back Page Garden...

Show us your backyard! (or front yard, or balcony...)

Send a photo of your garden at its best, or at your favourite time of year. Show your whole yard, or a cozy corner, or a particular "vignette" that you love and would like to share with EYGC members.

Be selective and send only one or two photos, preferably in jpeg format, and fairly high resolution is best for clarity. No flower close-ups here, those are for the front page...

Send to the newsletter at:
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Shown to the right is Sonia Van Heerden's roses and burning bush.



Here we Grow Again...Welcome New EYGC Members

Please join us in welcoming our most recent members:

Stein Hansen, Trude Hansen, Doris Thom, Edward Thom



If you would like to make a submission to be included in the next issue of "The East York Garden" newsletter, the next deadline is:

February 20th, 2019

Please email your comments regarding our newsletter, or your submissions for the next issue, to

Michael Woods at:

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