



DALLAS ARBORETUM
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Summer at the Arboretum Features Fantastic Discounts All Season

DALLAS, Texas (Summer 2015) — Just in time for summer, the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden has announced plenty of discounts for locals and visitors looking for some outdoor fun in one of the “10 Best Botanical Gardens for Families” (VacationIdea.com, 2015).

“We have plenty to do and to see during the hot days of summer, so pack your picnics, wear your walking shoes, and come visit us in the main garden as well as the Rory Meyers Children’s Adventure Garden, where science and fun become one for all ages,” said Bill Graue, Dallas Arboretum board chairman.

Summer at the Arboretum Flower Houses in Pecan Grove:

Summer at the Arboretum, sponsored by Dave Perry-Miller Real Estate, CBRE and Mutual of Omaha Bank, features “Flower Houses: Fairy Tales with a Texas Twist.” Continuing the year-long “Deep in the Hearts of Texans” theme, the flower village features four topiary houses up to 15-foot-tall enveloped in red, white and blue flowers. Each house highlights a Texas-inspired fairy tale vignette—a picante gingerbread man dances around a babbling brook; Goldilocks’ irascible cousin finds herself behind the Pine Curtain, and stubborn livestock starts a chain of events causing a kerfuffle across the prairie.*

Summer at the Arboretum also includes a western covered wagon pulled by two life-size topiary horses. Two large topiary longhorn cattle, affectionately named “Lone Star” and “Blue Bonnet,” with real horns complete the scene. All summer long there will be activities, events and music for garden guests to enjoy.

Rory Meyers Children’s Adventure Garden:

Those young and young-at-heart are invited to learn about science and nature in the eight-acre [Rory Meyers Children’s Adventure Garden](#). In addition to the daily activities including hands-on labs and tours of the various galleries, there are special events taking place all summer. Check online for daily activities.

Family Fun Fridays:**June 5, 12, 19 & 26 and July 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31****10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Plan the family's summertime adventures at the Arboretum on Fridays in June and July in the Pecan Grove. Join other families for kid-friendly activities that include face painting, a petting zoo and music for the little ones in the shady Pecan Grove—topped off with a cool spray of water in the Toad Fountains. All activities are included with paid garden admission.

WFAA Family First Day in the Rory Meyers Children's Garden:**Saturday, June 13, Activities 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

Puppet shows, hands-on outdoor science experiments (in conjunction with Texas A&M University), collaborative tessellation assembly, and scenes from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" (with the Dallas Junior Players) round out a family-centered day anchored by a special presentation with WFAA Meteorologist Greg Fields at the OmniGlobe. For this day, admission to the RMCAG and main garden is \$8 at the gate only with \$8 parking available for advance purchase online. Hot dogs are just \$2.

Student Discounts:

Monday–Friday, now through June 12, \$5 admission after 3 p.m. with a valid student ID.

Wednesdays BOGO (Buy One Get One Free):

Every Wednesday through July 29, buy one ticket, get one free, good at the ticket booth.

C.C. Young Senior Thursdays:

Every Thursday, seniors 65 and older receive admission for \$11 at the ticket booth plus a 20% Gift Store discount.

Bring a Friend Friday:

3rd Friday of the Month, now through July 31

Buy a regular paid admission and get one free with coupon found online.

YMCA Discount:

\$5 Admission with valid YMCA card, July 6-9 .

Scout Discount:

Friday, July 31 for Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies and Cubs wearing their scarves to receive free admission, plus 50% off for their families (up to 4 members). This discount is in honor of World Scout Day on August 1.

About the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden:

The Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden is located on the southeastern shore of White Rock Lake at 8525 Garland Road, Dallas, Texas 75218. The Dallas Arboretum is also the home of the internationally acclaimed Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden. It is open daily from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Regular general admission is \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors 65 and older, \$10 for children 3-12 and free for Arboretum members and children two and under. See website for special discounts. There is an additional cost of \$3 per person for entrance into the Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden. On-site parking is \$15; pre-purchased online parking is \$8. *The Dallas Morning News* is the principal partner of the Dallas Arboretum. The Arboretum is supported, in part, by funds from the Dallas Park and Recreation Department. WFAA is an official media sponsor for the Dallas Arboretum. For more information, call 214.515.6500 or visit www.dallasarboretum.org.

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*Books include *Zeke and the Longhorn* by David Davis; *The Jalapeño Man* by Debbie Leland; and *Dusty Locks and the Three Bears* by Susan Lowell.