

Huntsville Botanical Garden

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Chinese Lantern Festival (April 1 - May 19, 2019)

Click the links below for more information on Garden's biggest exhibit to date and how you can be involved.

[April SIGN UP HERE](#) [May SIGN UP HERE](#)

Garden Greeters

Monday through Sunday, [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

Special Events, Bunny Bonanza

Volunteers will assist with hiding Easter eggs filled with candy around the Garden. There will be music, games, crafts, face painting, and refreshments. Volunteers needed to assist with crafts, face painting and refreshments. Easter Bunny will greet guests and take pictures with them.

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Spring Plant Sale (April 11 - 14, 2019)

Seize your opportunity to volunteer at the annual Spring Plant Sale and be a part of a rewarding team at the Garden's second largest fundraiser! Remember the "early bird catches the worm" so ACT now! Browse through the spots we need filled and [SIGN UP HERE](#)

Horticulture

Dot's Greenhouse: Workers needed to help get ready for the Spring Plant Sale in April. Please report to Dot's Greenhouse on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:00-8:30 AM and report to Sally Peercy or call 256-679-8106, email sallypcactus@gmail.com.

Gardening Assistant: Pulling weeds in flowerbeds. Flexible from 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Contact Cookie Adams at cadams@hsvbq.org

Fern Glade: Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am, weeding fern beds; help plant and prune when necessary. Contact Susan McDonald at susan.mcd@knology.net for more information. Flexible, bring your garden gloves.

Garden Grubbers: Tuesday mornings from 9:00 am-noon, flexible. Maintain the Nature Trail, support Holmes Trillium Trail, Bush Azalea Trail, and provide plants, trees, and shrubs through propagation to the Garden and HBG plant sales. Contact Jayne Venters at venters4@hiwaay.net.

Children's Field Trip Volunteer

Tour groups are 9:00-11:00 AM or 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. You may do one session or both. Each tour can range from 1-2 miles, and up to 300 students from Pre-K to 8th grade come to the garden. We offer training and the opportunity to shadow a seasoned volunteer before taking a group of your own. We also need volunteers to help with check in and directing traffic in the mornings. Contact Misty Hertzig, Children's Education Manager, 256-830-4447 ext 253 or mhertzig@hsvbq.org.

Boxing Butterflies for Release, Saturday, May 11, 2:00-4:00 PM, Anderson Education Classroom Kitchen. We need volunteers for transferring new butterflies into small Chinese take-out boxes for our releases.

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Butterfly Release, May 4, June 8 and July 13 – Anderson Education Center and Purdy Butterfly House, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Volunteers will be boxing butterflies prior to the release and then assisting with checking in guests participating in the release. We need help gathering the empty boxes from the Butterfly House and to reset the room for next release. Boxing butterflies will be at 9:00 AM and first release from 10:00-11:00 AM. You will have a lunch break and then the last release from 1:00-2:00 PM. If you are only available for part of the time, just note that in the SignUp Genius Comments. [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

Mother's Day Brunch and Butterfly Release, Nichols Arbor and Purdy Butterfly House, Sunday, May 12, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM. Volunteers will assist with set up, check in, serving food, releasing butterflies, and clean up. You're welcome to enjoy a light lunch. If you have a job preference, please note in Comments when you sign up. [SIGN UP HERE!](#)

Guest Center

Admissions & Information Desk: Located in the Guest Center Atrium. Volunteers needed for the following days and times: Monday morning and afternoon; Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons; Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Shifts 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM; 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM. Greets and welcomes guests; take admission; membership check in and sales; share info about the Garden; and answer incoming calls to the Garden. Full training provided. Please contact Jared Keesee at jkeesee@hsvbg.org.

Docent "Making Alabama" A Traveling Exhibit: Shifts available June 14 - July 31:

- Mondays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Tuesdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Wednesdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Thursdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Fridays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Saturdays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Sundays 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Welcome our guests and answer asked questions about "Making Alabama" to include info about the Huntsville community. Historical training provided. [SIGN UP HERE](#)

Native Plants Symposium to be held at Huntsville Botanical Garden, September 12-14, 2019.

Volunteers needed! The three day symposium will include an exhibit hall (Carriage House) with 21 vendor/exhibitors, evening reception on Thursday, 9/12 in the Carriage House, anticipated 350 participants for the day of speakers Friday, 9/13 (Grand Hall), poster competition for local college students/researchers, catered lunch, Garden walks to view the newly planted (in progress) beds of native plants at HBG and exposure to HBG. Workshops will be Saturday, 9/14, in Murray Hall. POC Soozie Pline, 256-424-3370, soozie.pline@gmail.com, [SIGN UP HERE](#)

Galaxy of Lights Crew

GOL Construction Crew is made up of volunteers, some of whom work daily, while others only work seasonally. Work Schedule: Monday – Thursday, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM with a break around 10:30 AM. Volunteers are given the chance to try as many different jobs as they want. No technical expertise is required to do any of the jobs. We train everyone on-the-job and most jobs are done as a team. For more information please contact: Bob Hovde at Bob@hovde.us.

For more information, please contact Cookie Adams, Volunteer Coordinator, at cadams@hsvbg.org.