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## Spring 2018 Garden Events

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### Sun. May 6: Audubon Bird Walk | 9 AM - 11 AM



Join us for a mile slow to moderate walk through areas surrounding the SLO Botanical Garden while we look for spring-time birds. The terrain is gentle and people of any birding skill are welcome. Please bring binoculars if you have them, if not, loaners will be available. Walk begins at the Garden's purple entrance bridge. *Reservations requested, email [education@slobg.org](mailto:education@slobg.org)*  
Suggested donation \$5 Garden and Audubon members / \$10 public

### Sat. May 19: Pine Needle Basket Weaving | 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM



Artist Elizabeth Bear will guide attendees through the process of creating beautiful, fragrant, and sustainable pieces of artwork at this intimate workshop. Just bring sharp scissors, imagination, and a bagged lunch as Ms. Bear provides all materials and her masterful insight. Each participant will make their own basket and start a second basket to complete at home. *Pre-registry is REQUIRED for this workshop.*  
Workshop is \$100 Garden members / \$130 public.

### Sat. June 16: Advanced Pine Needle Basket Weaving | 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM



Take your pine needle basket weaving skills to the next level. Artist Elizabeth Bear will guide former students through new weaving techniques, using new materials. Learn how to incorporate polished stone and sliced black walnut to create ornate centers and create decorative stitching patterns by making two new baskets. *Pre-registry is REQUIRED for this workshop.*  
Workshop is \$100 Garden members / \$130 public. + \$25 materials fee.

### Thurs. June 21: Rare Plant Rescue | 6 PM - 7 PM



California is home to 6,000 different native plants, but 35% of them are rare and require special attention if we hope to share them with future generations. Dr. Heather Schneider of the Santa Barbara Botanical Garden will share information about conservation efforts taking place in SLO County, and why rare plant conservation matters, and what you can do to help.  
Suggested donation \$5 Garden and CNPS members / \$10 public

### Sat. July 28: Chumash Kitchen | 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM



Chumash chefs and herbalists, Violet and Jeanette, will share the practices of collecting, processing and transforming seasonal, local foods into several modern and traditional recipes, paired with other summer flavors. Enjoy a beautifully prepared breakfast and lunch featuring wild game, wild berries, herbs, nuts and grains that grow in our area during the summer season.  
*Pre-registry is REQUIRED for this intimate offering.* Sliding scale \$88-\$120

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## Spring 2018 Good News!

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### Hop On Down to See the New Display By Lindsey Morgan, Education Director

San Luis Obispo County resident cartoonist, Leigh Rubin, worked with Interpretation Committee volunteers, Ron Kindig, Ken Levine and Michael Devine at the San Luis Obispo Botanical Garden to create ten whimsical signs that are now on permanent display in the Children's Garden. The signs feature "American Gothic" bunnies, meditating bunny, and others that showcase areas of the Children's Garden. A ribbon cutting event with Leigh Rubin took place at the Children's Garden on Tuesday March 6<sup>th</sup> and was attended by volunteers and members of the press. A heart-felt *Thank You* to the **Kiwanis Club of Arroyo Grande Valley, IBM, Michael Devine, and Ken & Gaby Levine**, for providing the funds to construct the signs, and to **Leigh Rubin** who donated his time and creativity.



Leigh Rubin and his creation  
"chillax" in the Kid's Garden

### So Much Support this Spring By Eve Vigil, Garden Founder

Over 200 people attended our Spring Plant Sale Fundraiser this March to buy beautiful volunteer-grown plants and plants donated by **Native Sons Nursery**.

A special *Thank You* goes to **Larry Cusick of Cusick Landscape Management and Love SLO**. Larry offered his professional know-how and equipment to transform the front patio of the buildings. Awesome job Larry!



Larry in action!

### Tuesday & Sunday Waterer Wanted

Do you have a spare hour—hour and a half on Thursday or Sunday morning? If so, we are looking for a volunteer to water the tender plants in the shade house. We'll provide the training. Contact [lindsey@slobg.org](mailto:lindsey@slobg.org) if you are available to help out!