



NATURE CENTER NEWS

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Welcome Spring at Nature Center's Annual Plant Sale

April 25, 2022– Shaker Heights, Ohio - The Nature Center at Shaker Lakes presents its 40th Annual Plant Sale, sponsored by Curb Appeal Painting. The in-person sale will be held on Saturday, May 7 from 9:30 am to 1 pm in the parking lot and amphitheater at the Nature Center located at 2600 South Park Boulevard in Shaker Heights. The Nature Center Plant Sale offers a beautiful variety of affordable herbs, vegetables, perennials and annuals selected by a local team of experienced gardeners. Annual plants can be purchased individually or in convenient, pre-arranged hanging baskets and container assortments.

This unique Plant Sale features hard-to-find native plants that attract and support local wildlife, particularly butterflies, birds and insects. Experts will be available throughout the day offering guidance in making selections of plants to add texture and color to any garden – wet, dry, sunny or shade. This year's theme focuses on rain gardens, with many native rain garden plants to choose from. Joe Pye Weed is the featured plant of the year; it grows best in wet conditions, which is ideal for native rain gardens, and is a beautiful addition to any native garden.

A members-only preview will take place the hour prior to the sale, from 8:30 to 9:30 am, offering Nature Center members first choice of sought-after plants and arrangements while enjoying complimentary pastries from The Stone Oven Bakery and coffee from Phoenix Coffee.

A special Mother's Day kids' craft makes it a fun day for the entire family. Phoenix coffee will also be available for sale to enhance the shopper experience. Parking can be found on nearby streets, and curbside assistance to load plant purchases into customer's vehicles is provided.

The Annual Plant Sale is an important fundraiser for the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes and supports the public trails, natural habitats and acclaimed environmental education programs that welcome over 140,000 people each year.

For more information about the Plant Sale and all the programs and events offered at the Nature Center, visit www.shakerlakes.org or call (216) 321-5935.

About Nature Center at Shaker Lakes

The Nature Center at Shaker Lakes enriches people's lives through education, innovative programs and community involvement. Founded in 1966, the Nature Center is the result of a large grassroots undertaking that preserved the Shaker Parklands and prevented the construction of a freeway that would have connected Cleveland's East Side to downtown. True to its humble beginnings, the Nature Center continues to conserve a natural area, connect people with nature and inspire environmental stewardship. Learn more at www.shakerlakes.org.

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