



DALLAS ARBORETUM
AND BOTANICAL GARDEN

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Celebrate Labor Day Weekend at the Dallas Arboretum

Active and retired military receive free admission, August 31-September 2

DALLAS, Texas, July 30, 2019 – The Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden invites locals and visitors to bring the entire family and savor the final days of summer during Labor Day weekend. Activities include live music all weekend at the Martin Rutchik Concert Stage and Lawn, \$2 hot dogs and root beer floats at Terrace Café, and complimentary beer samples at A Tasteful Place (for those 21 years and older). During the weekend, August 31 to September 2, active and retired military receive free admission with proper photo identification (offer valid at the ticket booth).

In addition to making memories, guests can cool off in the misters at the Palmer Fern Dell, relax with a family picnic in the shaded Pecan Grove, and splash around in Toad Corners or in the entry plaza fountains in the Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden.

As summer ends, bright spots of marigolds, dahlias and black-eyed Susans appear throughout the garden, creating the quintessential setting for an afternoon picnic at one of the "[8 Most Instagram-Worthy Botanical Gardens in the U.S.](#)," according to *Better Homes & Gardens*.

Now through October 15, guests can see "Celebrate the Children," an art exhibition designed and created by Gary Lee Price, displayed throughout the gardens. Ranging from two feet to seven feet, these beautiful, handcrafted bronze sculptures of children create the perfect photo opportunity for visitors. The exhibition is presented by [Reliant](#) and supported by the Dallas Tourism Public Improvement District.

Labor Day Activities for the Main Garden:

Live Music at the Martin Rutchik Concert Stage and Lawn

August 31- Dallas Unity String Orchestra performs from **Noon to 2 p.m.**

September 1- **Party Machine**, an Emerald City Band, brings the party to the concert stage from **2 to 4 p.m.**

September 2-**Missing Three Band**, a versatile trio, entertains crowds with hit cover songs from a wide variety of music genres from **2 to 4 p.m.**

Complimentary Beer Samples in A Tasteful Place

Noon- 3 p.m., Three Sisters Lagoon Overlook

August 31: Sample craft beers from **Pegasus City Brewery.**

September 1 & 2: Sample craft beers with **White Rock Ale House and Brewery.**

Cuates Kitchen Food Truck

August 31-September 2, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Main Parking Lot-left of Main Ticket booth

Guests can enjoy a variety of dishes inspired by cuisine south of Veracruz.

El Centro College Cooks

September 2, 11 a.m.-Noon, The Charlotte and Donald Test Pavilion, A Tasteful Place

Free with paid garden admission

Participate in this popular demonstration, led by Chef Lisa Roark from the college's nationally recognized culinary school.

September: Tomatillo Relish and Eggplant Dip

\$2 hot dogs and root beer floats at Terrace Café

August 31-September 2, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Enjoy hot dogs and root beer floats, just \$2 each all weekend.

Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden:

Labor Day Weekend, August 31-September 2

Dallas Zoo Visit **Monday, September 2 ONLY

11:15 a.m., Entry Plaza

The Dallas Zoo brings a few of their favorite friends for an animal encounter in the Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden. Stop by for a wild adventure with interesting critters.

Fall is for Fairy Tales in the Children's Garden

***Begins September 1, 9:30-10 a.m., Habitats**

Enjoy hearing favorite fairy tales in the Habitats gallery. Take a seat in the very large bird's nest and learn about an adventure surrounding nature or science.

Creativity Corner: Fantastic Fireworks

10 a.m.-2 p.m., Entry Plaza

Celebrate Labor Day in style with a firework ring! Come to the Creativity Corner to learn how chemical reactions cause the beautiful booming colors in the sky during our favorite firework shows. Make a firework ring out of pipe cleaners to wear in style and carry a firework throughout the day in the gardens!

Plant Lab: Natural Plant-tastic Lip Balm

11 a.m., 1 p.m., & 3 p.m., Exploration Center

In this special edition, Plant Lab participants learn to create their own lip balm using natural materials such as bees wax and coconut oil.

OmniGlobe Presentation: Shakin' and Quakin' in My Boots!

11:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m., Exploration Center

Earthquakes, volcanoes and mountains often appear in the same places. Come to the OmniGlobe Theater to learn how plate tectonics explains this activity.

Adventure Activity: Science of Sounds

12 p.m., Exploration Center

Learn about sound and test noise-making skills on a Popsicle stick kazoo.

Adventure Activity: POP! Power of Pressure

4 p.m., Exploration Center

What makes things go POP?! Explore the science behind air pressure and have an explosive time!

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. It is also the home of the internationally acclaimed Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden. The Arboretum is open daily from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. General admission is \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors 65 and older, and \$10 for children 2-12 and free for Arboretum members and children under two. On-site parking is \$15 or \$9, if purchased in advance online. *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.

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