



WELCOME

Dunedin people can be justifiably proud of their botanic garden. Since its opening in 1863 it has held a special place in this city's heart and has long been one of our favourite facilities, consistently scoring more than 95% visitor satisfaction in the Residents' Opinion Survey. That is no surprise because when you wander the paths amid its collections of flowers, shrubs and trees spread over such a stunning site, you get a sense of what has made it a 'Garden of International Significance'.

This 150th anniversary is a significant one and I hope all Dunedin residents and visitors alike will take the opportunity to be a part of this special year.



When Dunedin Botanic Garden opened on 30 June 1863 it became the country's first botanic garden.

The original site, now occupied by the University of Otago, proved challenging and had to be abandoned after repeated flooding. In many ways that has proved fortuitous because the present site, spread over 28 hectares of both flat and hilly terrain, is now a spectacular home to thousands of plants of all types and collections of national and international standing, including an 'International Camellia Garden of Excellence'.

This year's 150th anniversary will be celebrated through exhibitions, talks, displays and other events. Most of these will be free, making it easier for you to be part of these celebrations.



For more information visit www.dunedin.govt.nz/events
All events are **FREE** unless otherwise stated.
*Bookings phone 03-477 4000, dcc@dcc.govt.nz or visit 50 The Octagon, ground floor

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY SOUNDS: CITY SLICKERS

Seriously lively brass band.
Sunday 3 February | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

SUNDAY SOUNDS: KAIKORAI/METRO BRASS BAND

Nostalgic music with a twist.
Sunday 10 February | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

EXHIBITION: 20 YEARS OF CREST & THE COMMUNITY COACH TRAIN

CREST is the Children's Recreational Enterprise Support Trust.
Wednesday 13 — Thursday 28 February | 10.00am — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

LIONS LARK IN THE PARK

Concert, rides and displays.
Sunday 17 February | 11.00am — 4.00pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Lower botanic garden

SUNDAY SOUNDS: MOSGIEL BRASS BAND

Sunday 24 February | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

BACKSTAGE WITH THE FRIENDS: HERBAL HAPPENING

Look at plans for the future with Otago Herb Society. Food, plants, herbal vinegars and teas.
Sunday 24 February | 2.30pm — 3.30pm
Meet at Information Centre, lower botanic garden and then go to herb garden

LIVE VARIETY CONCERT

Featuring members of Artsenta.
Wednesday 27 February | 12.00 noon — 3.00pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

MARCH

HORT TALK: A WORLD OF PLANTS IN 28 HECTARES

Learn about Dunedin Botanic Garden's beautiful plant collections with Barbara Wheeler, Dunedin Botanic Garden Collections Supervisor.
Friday 1 March | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre: Upper Lovelock Ave

EXHIBITIONS LAUNCH:

Taoka Pūoro by Alistair Fraser
Traditional musical instruments of southern Māori.
Ngā Kākahu by Roka Cameron
Cultural use of native plants.
Saturday 2 March | Launch 10.00am
Runs until Sunday 31 March | 10.00am — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

CONCERT: RADIO ONE MARCH HARE

Saturday 2 March | 12.00 noon — 8.00pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

WORKSHOP: NGĀ TAONGA

Weaving with harakeke, pingao and kiekie to make kete/kono and putiputi with Roka Cameron.
Saturday 2 March | 1.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

SUNDAY SOUNDS: DUNEDIN CITY JAZZ ORCHESTRA

Sunday 3 March | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

BACKSTAGE WITH THE FRIENDS: PLANTS IN THE RAW

A tour of native plants like those used in the information centre exhibitions of Māori cultural use of plants, led by Shirley Stuart, Collection Curator of native plant collection.
Sunday 3 March | 2.30pm — 3.30pm
Meet at upper garden carpark by aviary entrance

SUNDAY SOUNDS: UNFORTUNATE REPERCUSSIONS

Drummers and belly dancers.
Sunday 10 March | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

BACKSTAGE WITH THE FRIENDS: AROUND THE WORLD

Tour of plants from around the world thriving in Dunedin led by Dylan Norfield, Collection Curator of geographic plant collection and arboretum.
Sunday 10 March | 2.30pm — 3.30pm
Meet at upper garden carpark by aviary entrance

SUNDAY SOUNDS: JAZZ CONCERT

Sunday 17 March | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

BACKSTAGE WITH THE FRIENDS: MAGICAL MYSTERY TOUR

Explore the lower garden with Marianne Groothuis, Collection Curator of camellia collection and theme borders.
Sunday 17 March | 2.30pm — 3.30pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

SUNDAY SOUNDS: OTAGO SYMPHONIC BAND

Eclectic performance of wind instruments.
Sunday 24 March | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

WORKSHOP: PROPAGATION OF NATIVE PLANTS

Presented by Alice Lloyd-Fitt, Propagation Services Officer.
Saturday 30 March | 10.00am — 12.00 noon
Meet at upper garden carpark by aviary entrance
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

APRIL

HORT TALK: FOOD FOREST FRENZY

Jump onto the food forest train that is speeding across New Zealand! Presented by Jason Ross, Sutherland Nursery and Edible Garden Design.
Friday 5 April | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre, upper Lovelock Ave

SUNDAY SOUNDS: EASY LISTENING & REGGAE

Concert with Jae Bedford.
Sunday 7 April | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

SUNDAY SOUNDS: BLUES CONCERT

Sunday 14 April | 1.00pm — 2.30pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

Collect and create a collage.
Monday 22 April — Friday 3 May | Weekdays only 11.00am — 12.30pm
Meet at the Information Centre, lower botanic garden
Bookings essential*

MAY

PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

Dunedin Botanic Garden photography competition winners and judges' choice.
Friday 3 — Tuesday 21 May | Daily 10.00am — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

HORT TALK: GARDENING IN GUINEA

The ultimate African adventure. Join Sarah Manning, home gardener.
Friday 3 May | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre, upper Lovelock Ave

PLANT SALE

Run by the Friends of the Dunedin Botanic Garden.
Saturday 18 May | 9.00am
Upper garden carpark

WORKSHOP

Cultivation of indoor plants with Stephen Bishop, Collection Curator of winter garden glasshouse.
Saturday 25 May | 10.00am — 12.00 noon
Meet at upper garden carpark by aviary entrance
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

JUNE

HORT TALK: HOW IT WAS

Plants and vegetation of Dunedin 150 years ago with Dr Peter Johnson, botanist.
Friday 7 June | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre, upper Lovelock Ave

150TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

Join the Friends of the Botanic Garden to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Dunedin Botanic Garden at the unveiling of a commemorative sculpture.
Sunday 30 June | 11.00am
Tea kiosk lawn, lower botanic garden

EXHIBITION: BOTANICAL ARTISTS ACCLAIMED IN NEW ZEALAND & ABROAD

All month | Daily 10.00am — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

JULY

HORT TALK: MAKING HISTORY

Looking back and looking to the future. Join Alan Matchett, Team Leader/ Curator of Dunedin Botanic Garden.
Friday 5 July | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre, upper Lovelock Ave

EXHIBITION: DELIGHT IN DETAIL

Works of Jenny Longstaff.
Friday 5 — Tuesday 30 July | Daily 10.00am — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

WORKSHOP: ROSE PRUNING

Join Linda Hellyer, Collection Curator of the rose garden.
Saturday 27 July | 10.00am — 12.00 noon
Meet at the Information Centre, lower botanic garden
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

Collect and create a collage.
Monday 15 — Friday 26 July | Weekdays 11.00am — 12.30pm
Meet at the Information Centre, lower botanic garden
Bookings essential*

AUGUST

HORT TALK: TAPPING IN TO SOIL NUTRIENT RESERVES

How compost tea can help. Join Ray Annan, master compost tea brewer.
Friday 2 August | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre, upper Lovelock Ave

EXHIBITION: COLOURS FROM A LANDSCAPE

Works by artist Celia Wilson.
Monday 5 — Friday 30 August | Daily 10.00am — 2.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

EXHIBITION: 150 YEARS AT DUNEDIN BOTANIC GARDEN

Friday 16 August — Sunday 17 November
Weekdays: 9.30am — 8.00pm | Weekends: 11.00am — 4.00pm
Reed Gallery, third floor, Dunedin City Library

WORKSHOP: PRUNING DECIDUOUS & EVERGREEN PLANTS

Join Dylan Norfield, Collection Curator of geographic collection and arboretum.
Saturday 31 August | 10.00am — 12.00 noon
Meet at upper garden carpark by aviary entrance
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

SEPTEMBER

HORT TALK: BIODOMES AMIDST THE OASIS PROJECT

An initiative promoting edible gardens at schools and beyond. Join Graham Copson, Technical Manager University of Otago and Director at BioDome NZ Ltd.
Friday 6 September | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre, upper Lovelock Ave

WORKSHOP: CULTIVATION OF CAMELLIAS

Join Marianne Groothuis, Collection Curator of camellia collection and theme borders.
Saturday 14 September | 10.00am — 11.00am
Meet at the Information Centre, lower botanic garden
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

DEADHEADERS’ PICNIC

Camellia deadheading. Bring your own picnic to share.
Saturday 14 September | 11.00am — 1.00pm
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PERFORMANCE: PRIMARY SCHOOLS’ WRITING CHALLENGE

Winning stories performed by Kat Anna Fiddle.
Monday 30 September | 11.00am — 12.00 noon
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Playground

DISPLAY: PRIMARY SCHOOLS’ WRITING CHALLENGE

Entries to primary schools’ story writing challenge.
Saturday 28 September — Sunday 13 October | Daily 10.00am — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

OCTOBER

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EXHIBITION: PAST PHOTOS OF DUNEDIN BOTANIC GARDEN

Snippets from the Reed Gallery.
All month | Daily 10.00am — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

DISPLAY: PRIMARY SCHOOLS’ WRITING CHALLENGE ENTRIES

Entries to primary schools’ story writing challenge.
Saturday 28 September — Sunday 13 October | Daily 10.00am — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden

THEATRE FOR KIDS

Join Kaitrin McMullan & Anna Bowden.
Wednesday 2 and Friday 4 October | 11.00am — 12.00 noon
Dunedin Botanic Garden near bandstand

HORT TALK: THE MAGIC OF MUSHROOMS

Cool new developments in the world of fungi. Join Bart Acres from Otago’s Local Food Network and Otepoti Urban Organics.
Friday 4 October | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre, upper Lovelock Ave

CLOWN SHOW FOR KIDS

Join Kaitrin McMullan and Danny Still.
Monday 7, Wednesday 9 and Friday 11 October | 11.00am — 12.00 noon
Dunedin Botanic Garden near bandstand

WORKSHOP: MAKING WATERCOLOUR & OIL PAINT FROM ROCKS & PLANTS

Learn some of the secrets from artist Celia Wilson.
Saturday 12 October | 2.00pm — 4.00pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

GALA DAY

Rhododendron Day plant sale, tours and entertainment.
Sunday 20 October | 9.00am — 1.00pm
Upper garden carpark and Rhododendron Dell
Variety show, roving entertainers, kids’ zone and train rides.
2.00pm — 4.00pm
Dunedin Botanic Garden: Bandstand

WORKSHOP: CULTIVATION OF RHODODENDRONS

Join Doug Thomson, curator of Rhododendron Dell.
Saturday 26 October | 10.00am to 12.00 noon
Meet at upper garden carpark at Rhododendron Dell entrance
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

TEMPORARY ART INSTALLATIONS: OTHER ECHOES

Pick up a guide from the Information Centre, lower botanic garden.
October — December

5TH GLOBAL BOTANIC GARDENS CONGRESS

Watch out for opportunities to get involved.
Sunday 20 — Friday 25 October

NOVEMBER

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HORT TALK: HAPPY 5TH BIRTHDAY LIVING CAMPUS!

Otago Polytechnic’s campus is reaching out to Dunedin and beyond. Join Michelle Ritchie, Organic By Design.
Friday 1 November | 12.00 noon
Botanic Garden Centre, upper Lovelock Ave

WORKSHOP: CULTIVATION OF ROCK GARDEN & ALPINE PLANTS

Join Robyn Abernethy, Collection Curator of rock garden and alpine house.
Saturday 30 November | 10.00am — 12.00 noon
Meet at Information Centre, lower botanic garden
ENTRY: \$10. Bookings essential*

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DECEMBER

SEMINAR: CELEBRATING HERITAGE ROSES

With Heritage Roses Otago.
Saturday 7 December | 9.30am — 3.30pm
Information Centre, lower botanic garden
ENTRY: Registration fee applies. Bookings essential*

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SUNDAY 30 JUNE
11.00AM
TEA KIOSK LAWN
LOWER BOTANIC GARDEN

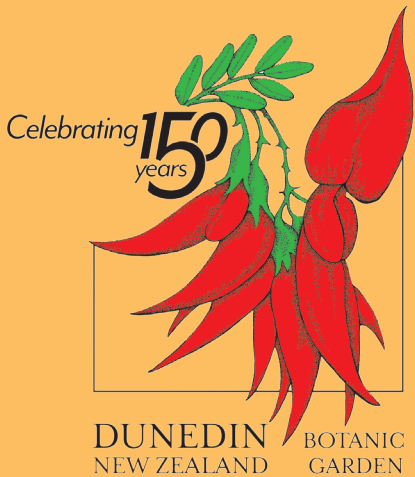


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DUNEDIN BOTANIC GARDEN



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