



# Holden Garden Club Programs, 2023–2024

Thursday, September 7, 2023 6:45 pm

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Holden Senior Center

## Perennial Gardening

With **Kathi Garipey**. Perennials are the workhorses of the garden, coming back year after year. Kathi will discuss which perennials work best in your gardens and how to keep them in good form.

Thursday, October 5, 2023 6:45 pm

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## Tuber Goober: Success with Dahlias

HGC member **Carol Manning**, who has a way with dahlias and grows hundreds, will share her tips.

Thursday, November 2, 2023 6:00 pm

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(Please note: This is an earlier time than usual.)

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## 90th Anniversary Celebration and Harvest Dinner – Spouses Welcome!

Celebration includes music, entertainment, and more. Deluxe main course and dessert provided.

Thursday, December 7, 2023 6:45 pm

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## Christmas at the White House

Every year at the end of November over 125 volunteers decorate private and public spaces at the White House. The First Lady, White House staff, the White House Historical Association, and the National Park Service spend many months planning, designing, and installing a marvelous holiday display. **Betsy Szymczak** will show photos of her visit to the White House in December 2016.

Thursday, February 1, 2024 6:45 pm

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## Mindfulness and the Aging Gardener

**Michele Schuckel**, MBA, BSN, RN, Certified Master Gardener and owner of Natural Selections Gardens, will share advice for modifying our gardening efforts as we age. Michele has visited us several times before and her programs are always informative.

Thursday, March 7, 2024 6:45 pm

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## Peonies, Love of My Life

With **Christine Paxhia** of the Massachusetts Master Gardener Association Speakers Bureau. Christine will share her passion for peonies with slides of the many varieties she grows.

Thursday, April 4, 2024 6:45 pm

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## Garden Objects

With **Christie Dustman**. Garden accessories are the non-plant items that play a role in the landscape – for function, aesthetic value or both. Some objects contain plants, such as repurposed fountains. Some are part of the overall garden composition, and play the role of a focal point or supporting element to the plantings. Deciding what to include and where and why are key considerations in landscape design.

Saturday, May 18, 2024 8:00 am – 1:00 pm

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Damon House

## Perennial Plant Sale

Our club's only fundraiser and best community service. All members are urged to contribute 10 plants (or more) and to share your expertise with our faithful customers by working at the Plant Sale.

Thursday, June 20, 2024 10:00 am – 2:30 pm

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## Members' Garden Tour, Luncheon, and Annual Meeting

We will tour the gardens of three club members. At the third garden garden we will have our Annual Luncheon from noon until about 1:00, followed by the Annual Meeting.

At the Annual Meeting we will review the highlights of the past year and preview our next program cycle. The slate of new officers will be presented and voted on.