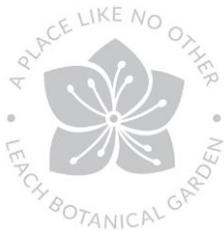




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Dear Friends, members and visitors:

Leach Botanical Garden is continuing to monitor the status of the coronavirus (COVID-19) and enact prevention and preparedness measures in accordance with the latest guidance from the Multnomah County Health Department, Oregon Health Authority, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and World Health Organization. We are committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for visitors, volunteers, and employees. We thank our American Public Garden Associations including The Morton Arboretum for providing protocols during this situation.

The garden grounds are open at this time for visitors to enjoy the outdoors. **However, all garden buildings are closed through Monday, April 13 with possibility of extension, including the Gift Shop and Manor House.** Limited restroom facilities are available to visitors at the Manor House.

All garden classes and educational programs are canceled or postponed through April 12. Program registrants have been notified via email regarding the refund process.

There are no existing special events on the calendar prior to April 12. Special events scheduled on or after April 12, will continue to be evaluated. Event registrants will be notified directly of any changes.

For more information and timely updates, please continue to visit the [Leach website](#).

Trees and nature offers physical and psychological benefits that are especially valuable during this international crisis. We encourage you to visit Leach Botanical Garden this spring and enjoy the many benefits it offers you, with confidence that we are following recommended protocols to protect your health and safety. Please monitor your health for your own wellbeing and be respectful of its potential impacts to others. If you are not feeling well, please refrain from visiting the garden until you are fully recovered. We plan to remain open while it is safe and prudent to do so.

Yours sincerely,

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