

# The Crosby Arboretum

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## Bruce Barbaum: Architecture & Nature Photographer

Bruce Barbaum is one of the few people who took the opportunity to turn a hobby into a career. He went from being a mathematical analyst and computer programmer to a professional photographer in 1970. Photography, of course, was always a passion for him since the 1960s. Drawing inspiration from Ansel Adams, Barbaum demonstrates his own unique expressions. Contrast, tonalities and color saturation are the fundamental tools he uses to create a truly remarkable piece.

Barbaum holds workshops that illustrate photography in its expressive form. One of particular interest to the Arboretum and our community will be held April 2-8, 2006 and is entitled Mississippi: the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Participants will "explore both the beauties of the region and the overwhelming damage that remains 7 months after the storm" using the art of photography. A trip to the Arboretum will be included in this workshop. For information about participating in this workshop, visit [www.barnbaum.com](http://www.barnbaum.com).



Dance of the Cornlily



Salmonberry and Cornlily

# ARBORETUM NEWS

## Special Thanks!

Monetary donations for our recovery efforts have continued to pour in!

Special thanks goes out to our generous donors!

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# ARBORETUM NEWS

## Signs of Progress

The savanna exhibits are going to be spectacular this spring! Our on-site prescribed burn schedule went smoothly this winter. The entire savanna exhibit was burned. This helped so much with the recovery process! We also received some extra help from a very enthusiastic group of Mississippi State University Landscape Architecture Students!



## Crosby Arboretum Foundation News

-Despite the set backs caused by Hurricane Katrina, the Arboretum Foundation Board decided to move forward in fund raising efforts for the new Visitors Center.

-The Bi-Annual Jean Lindsey Memorial Lectures in Landscape Architecture are post-poned until Spring of 2007.

-The Arboretum Foundation is giving the Arboretum a much needed upgrade to its website. What would you like to see on our website? Please email Melinda Lyman at [mlyman@ext.msstate.edu](mailto:mlyman@ext.msstate.edu) with your suggestions.

## Don't Miss These Blooms This Spring!

Yellow Pitcher Plant *Sarracenia alata* Wood; March-April

Parrot Pitcher Plant *Sarracenia psittacina* Michx.; April-May

Wild Azalea *Rhododendron canescens* (Michx.) Sweet; March-May

Orange-Flowered Azalea *Rhododendron austrinum* (Sm.) Rehd.; March-April

Louisiana Iris; March-May

# Crosby Arboretum Program Schedule

March -May 2006

## March 2006

Bog Ecology & Pitcher Plant Rescue  
(Adults)

Saturday, March 11  
10 a.m. to Noon

Find out why bogs are so important to the Gulf Coast ecosystem and explore the plants that thrive in them, then help us rescue a small pitcher plant population. Admission is free for members and \$4 for nonmembers. Wear old clothes and boots. Prepare to get muddy! Call (601) 799-2311 to register.

Wildlife Day (Children)

Thursday, March 16  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Join us for our annual Wildlife Day! Representatives from various wildlife organizations will be displaying live and preserved animals and talking about how to protect and maintain wildlife. Admission is free for schools. Call (601) 799-2311 by March 10 to register.

Scavenger Hunt Using GPS (Family)

Saturday, March 25  
2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Have fun learning how to use Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) technology in real life settings at The Crosby Arboretum. A short training session will precede a scavenger hunt where you will use a GPS receiver to locate individual plants and plant communities. All ages are invited to participate so, bring the whole family! Weather permitting. Admission is free for arboretum members, \$8 per family who are non-members. Call 601-799-2311 to register.

## April 2006

Spring Plant Sale

Saturday & Sunday, April 1 & 2  
9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Members  
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. General Public

Grab a cart and choose from our selection of native forbs, shrubs, and trees for your home landscape. Admission is free.

Strawberries & Cream (Family)

Sunday, April 9  
Noon to 3 p.m.

Did you know the Arboretum was a strawberry farm in the 1930's? Come celebrate the history of the Arboretum with us by enjoying a relaxing afternoon under Pinecote Pavilion with a heaping bowl of strawberries and ice cream! The pond will be open for fishing and a guided tour will be offered at 2 pm. Admission is free and open to the public.

Botanical Illustration Course (Adults)

Saturdays, April 15, 22 & 29  
10 a.m.

Learn the fundamental principles of Botanical Illustration using graphite in the setting of the Arboretum. Two days will be spent practicing botanical illustration by sketching and the following days will be spent working on a completed project for show on the final day (May 6). Dress appropriately for the weather as you will be outdoors a lot. Fees are \$45.00 for members and \$65.00 for non-members and includes all materials needed to complete the project. Call (601) 799-2311 ext. 23 by April 9 to register.

# Crosby Arboretum Program Schedule

March-May 2006

## April 2006 (continued)

### Scavenger Hunt Using GPS (Family)

Saturday, April 22

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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### Flower Press Activity (Children)

Sunday, April 23

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Learn to collect, press and dry flowers for fun art projects! All materials will be provided. Admission is free for members and \$6 for non-members. Recommended for ages 8 and up. Program is limited to 15 participants. A parent or guardian must be present with each child or group of children. Must be registered by Friday, April 14. Call (601) 799-2311 to register.

Reservations: Call the Arboretum office at (601) 799-2311 to confirm all events and to make a reservation, seating is limited. Programs subject to change.

Address: 370 Ridge Road, Picayune, MS 39466; P.O. Box 1639, Picayune, MS 39466

Hours of operation: Wednesday-Sunday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Admission Fees: Adults, \$4; children under 12, \$2; members, free.

Email: [crosbyar@datastar.net](mailto:crosbyar@datastar.net)

Crosby Arboretum Webpage: This website includes upcoming programs and events, volunteer opportunities, natural area information, and news updates.

<http://msstate.edu/dept/crec/camain.html>

## May 2006

### Botanical Illustration Course (Adults)

Saturday, May 6

10 a.m.

This is the final day of the course in Botanical Illustration using graphite. Projects should be complete and ready for display. For more information call (601) 799-2311 ext. 23.

### Make A Sundial (Children)

Saturday, May 6

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Come make your own ancient timepiece and learn how these instruments tell time. All materials will be provided. Ages 5 and up. Weather permitting. A parent/guardian must be present with each child or group of children. Admission is free for members and \$2 for non-members. Programs is limited to 15 participants. Call 601-799-2311 to register.

### Plant Swap (Adults)

Saturday, May 20

9 am to 11:30 am

Have too much of one plant and want to trade it for something different? Come to our plant swap that will be held in our Visitor's Center parking lot. Admission is free.

### Scavenger Hunt Using GPS (Family)

Saturday, May 20

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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### Arboretum Staff

Melinda R. Lyman, Senior Curator  
Robin Veerkamp, Volunteer Coordinator/Gift Shop Manager  
Kim Johnson, Customer Service/Memberships  
Terry Johnson, Burn Manager/Maintenance  
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### Membership Application

All contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed. For more information call: (601) 799-2311

_____	Student (send student i.d.)	\$ 10.00
_____	Individual	25.00
_____	Family	35.00
_____	Donor	100.00
_____	Business	100.00
_____	Patron	250.00
_____	Benefactor	1,000.00

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Renewing?

Memberships are for one year.

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