

# *New this year: Art in the Gardens!*

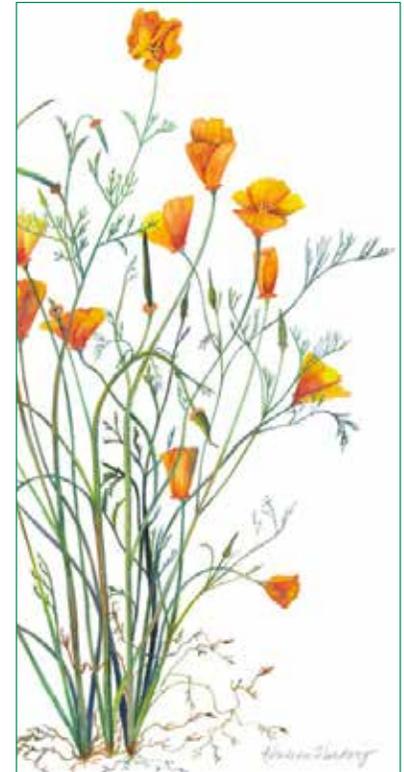
## *Garden Art & Native Plant Extravaganza Fundraiser at East Bay Wilds Native Plant Nursery*

2777 Foothill Blvd., Oakland (entrance on 28th)

A free Garden Art and Native Plant Extravaganza fundraiser will take place on Sat., April 28, 2018 from 10:00-4:00 at East Bay Wilds Native Plant Nursery. Shop for garden art, native plants, and illustrations at this special fundraiser for the Bringing Back the Natives Garden Tour! Browse through owner Pete Veilleux's extensive, eclectic collection of garden benches, tables, chairs, statues, planters, antiques, and tchotchkes for sale at great prices. Peruse the more than 400 species of native plants—many of them not available elsewhere—grown at this amazing nursery. Admire and purchase Melissa Snider's beautiful illustrations of native plants, butterflies, moths, waterfowl and more. East Bay Wilds is not normally open to the public, so don't miss this opportunity to bring home garden art and native plants that are just right for your garden! A percentage of your purchases will go to support the Tour.

### *Banners*

Look for the beautiful native plant banners that will be on display at Alan Harper and Carol Baird's garden in Oakland (Humboldt lily), Natalie and Armand's garden (California poppy), Pat Rudebusch's garden (oak and woodpecker), and Annie Jensen and Carol Manahan's garden (cattails). Interested in owning one yourself? Each banner is \$500 (a portion of the proceeds will benefit the Tour and the Audubon Society).



California Poppy  
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## *Art Activities & Talks*

#13–Leslie Buck’s Berkeley garden: All day – Calling all artists! Sketch this garden or any of its plants with the art supplies that will be available, and tape your drawing(s) on the house.

#20–Robin Heyden’s Alameda garden: 12:00 “Have you considered incorporating mosaics into your garden? Garden mosaics can be functional (stepping stones, table tops) and also colorful and playful. Join me for a short demonstration of the basics—tools, materials, and approaches. It’s easy and inexpensive to get started, and so fun to do!” by Robin Heyden.

#32–Pat Rudebusch’s Orinda garden: 11:00 Artist Talk “Getting started with nature journaling” by Katherine Rudebusch.

## *Art for Sale in the Gardens*

Cash and checks only. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Tour.

#7–Mardi and Jeff Mertens’ Berkeley garden: Local artists will display and sell watercolors and acrylics.

#8–Sallie Bryan’s Berkeley garden: Nature landscapes in acrylic and prints, created by Sallie’s sister, Sukey Bryan, will be available for sale, as will potted succulent planters, created by Sallie’s son.

#13–Leslie Buck’s Berkeley garden: Penny Ticehurst will sell flower drawings.

#14 & #15–Sue Duckles and Cherie Donahue’s Oakland gardens: Dianne Lake will sell cards with native plant photographs.

#16–Alan Harper and Carol Baird’s Oakland garden: Bird V Bird will sell note cards, coasters, pins, pouches, wallets, and illustrations for bird watchers and nature lovers. Sculptor Jamie Vaida’s elegant, graceful, and artistic pieces, created from a variety of metals, will available for sale.

#21–Natalie and Armand’s Alameda garden: East Bay Wilds will sell a selection of garden art.

## *More Art for Sale in the Gardens*

#23–Natalie Forrest’s Hayward garden: Enjoy the vintage, kitschy, rustic and rusty art pieces!

#31–Elizabeth O’Shea and Richard Howard’s garden: Melissa Snider’s beautiful illustrations of native plants, butterflies, moths, waterfowl and more will be available for purchase.

#32–Pat Rudebusch’s Orinda garden: Featured artist Katherine Rudebusch’s watercolors of native plants and their pollinators will be on display. Cards and prints will be available for purchase.

#33–Martha and Kerwin Lee’s Lafayette garden: Coyote Brush Studios will sell handmade zipper pouches made of cloth with native plant designs, as well as native plant prints, cards, and more.

## *Artful Gardens*

#1–Anni Jensen and Carol Manahan’s Richmond garden: Don’t miss the new ceramic pipevine step decorations and handmade glazed tile tabletop, with its impressions of six native plants, the hammered garden gate copper relief sculpture, and the soldered copper pipe trellises, all made by Carol. The three colorful mosaic wall pieces were created by Anni’s sister, Birgit Adonis, from broken dishes donated by friends.

#20–Robin Heyden’s Alameda garden: The mosaic stepping stones, tabletop, address panel, and inlaid stone path decoration were made by Robin.

#23–Natalie Forrest’s Hayward garden: East Bay Wilds will sell garden art, plus some interesting tchotchkes.

#30–Leesa Evans and Steve Danziger’s Orinda garden: Artist Bonnie Bonner will sell Bug Hotels; beautiful and interesting hanging garden art made from lichen, seeds, bark, pine cones, oak galls, and other natural materials, as well as prints and cards.

#31–Elizabeth O’Shea & Richard Howard’s Orinda garden: View the evocative and whimsical sculptures created from organic and reused materials that are nestled comfortably throughout the garden. The large metal palm provides focus in the central area; Ozzy the ostrich rocks gently when birds light upon it. Admire and purchase Melissa Snider’s beautiful botanical and wildlife illustrations.

#32–Pat Rudebusch’s Orinda garden: Enjoy the whimsical garden art created with natural elements such as rusted metal, wood, and stone reflects the family’s interest in wildlife.