

e-newsletter February 13, 2015



Happy Valentine's Day to all of you!

P.O.D.A. 2.0

Thanks to Council Member Brenda Stardig, Houston Arts Alliance, PODS® of Houston, and Gensler, as well as all of the participating artists! The P.O.D.A. 2.0 project kick-off was held this morning at the White Oak Conference Center, with a great turn-out. The artists were here to show off their work and answer questions. The PODS will be leaving next week for new locations, so be sure to stop by soon!



...and Speaking of Art

The City of Houston is developing the Arts and Cultural Plan and wants to hear from you! Help to create a common vision, goals and coordinated implementation strategies to guide the City's resources and activities. By aligning arts with Houston's identity, the City can enhance everyday life and further the development and economic impact of Houston as a world art center and cultural destination.

DATE: Wednesday, February 18th

TIME: 6:30–8 p.m.

PLACE: White Oak Conference Center
7603 Antoine Drive

No need to RSVP—simply show up and check in with a City representative!
Conversations are open to the public. Refreshments will be provided.

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District A CIP Meeting

Council Member Brenda Stardig invites you to attend the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Meeting for District A. The CIP includes large, long-term projects such as parks, buildings, roads and libraries; they do not include routine street maintenance. This is an opportunity to provide your valuable input about what projects you would like to see in District A. Submit your CIP requests at DistrictA@houstontx.gov or 832-393-3010 prior to the meeting, or in person at the meeting.

DATE: February 16, 2015

TIME: 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

PLACE: Spring Woods High School
2045 Gessner, 77080

Azalea Trail

*Celebrating Spring for 80 Years. . .
Let's Dig In!*



Experience River Oaks Garden Club's 80th Annual Azalea Trail

Home & Garden Tour. Visit The Forum of Civics Building, Bayou Bend, Rienzi and 4 private homes and their beautiful gardens, and "Ask the Experts" at The Forum. Admission to The Forum is free, a ticket for the other 6 locations is \$15 before March 1st, \$20 thereafter. Single site admission is \$5.

DATE: March 6, 7, and 8, 2015

TIME: 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

INFO: www.riveroaksgardenclub.org

713-523-2483



Advance tickets are available at many locations, including

The Arbor Gate – Tomball, TX

Bering's

Buchanan's Native Plants

The Empty Vase of Houston

Houston Arboretum and Nature Center

Mercer Arboretum and Botanic Gardens

Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens

Briargrove Pharmacy and Gifts

Cornelius Nurseries

The Forum of Civics Building

Leisure Learning Unlimited

Randall's – all Houston area locations

Thanks again to the River Oaks Garden Club for their generous contribution to the Japanese Serenity Garden at the White Oak Conference Center.

Calling all Brides

Have you recently become engaged? Do you know someone who has? Check out the White Oak Conference Center for your shower, wedding and reception! Call Jan at 713-895-8021 for a tour.



Spring Plant Sale

The White Oak Spring Plant Sale is coming up, so mark your calendars now! Heidi Sheesley, our resident plant guru and owner of Treesearch Farms will give a plant talk with a focus on featured plants in the sale (what they are, where to plant them, what they like). Save the date **HERE** and bring your wagon. Check out the White Oak Butterfly and Hummingbird Garden at 7603 Antoine Drive or **WEBSITE** for

plants you'd like to add to your own landscape. This sale features plants that are native or adapted to our heat and soil.

DATE: Saturday, April 11, 2015

TALK: 9:00 am – 10:00 am

SALE: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm – or we sell out

PLACE: 7603 Antoine Drive, 77088

White Oak Conference Center

Bring your wagon!