

# Council Garden Clubs and Plant Societies:

**Albuquerque African Violet Club.** To share the joy of growing African Violets by exchanging knowledge, experience and plants. Show & Sale in April. Meet: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month; 1pm. Contact: Sharon Shannon, 865-0171

**Ko Shari.** Encourage interest in home gardening and better horticultural practices; promote civic beautification & conservation of natural resources. Sponsor Chile Ristra workshop; support Council activities. Meet: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of most months; 7:30 pm. Contact: Betty Heisler, 299-3319

**Albuquerque Area Master Gardeners.** Train and educate experienced gardeners in horticulture for volunteer service to the community in a number of projects, including the Master Gardener Hotline. 14 week training sessions begin in January. Contact: Chuck Wood, 332-8268, chuck.wood06@comcast.net

**Valley Gardeners.** Stimulate knowledge and love of horticulture, encourage training in flower arrangement. Promote civic beautification and conservation of native plants. Maintain gardens at Los Griegos Community Center. Meet: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm, Los Griegos Community Center, 1231 Candelaria NW. Contact: Nancy Core, 344-3721, ncore3@comcast.net



**Albuquerque Rose Society.** Promote educational and social activities regarding the history, cultivation and exhibition of roses. Spring and Fall shows. Maintains the Albuquerque Rose Garden at the Wyoming Regional Library. Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of most months; 7:30 pm. Contact: Fran Hardy, 259-3348, FranandDon@aol.com

**Petal Pushers.** Stimulate interest in and knowledge of different forms of gardening. Emphasis on private gardens, horticulture, culture and use of everlastings and herbs. Maintain Garden Center Courtyard; support Council programs. Meet: 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of most months, 9:30 am. Contact: Carol Stomp 298-3824

**Xeric Garden Club.** Dedicated to promoting xeric landscapes which conserve water through plant selection and zoning through educational, social and community activities. Meet: 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month, 9:00 am, various locations. Contact: Jennifer Marquardt, 296-4799, xericgardenclub.org  
President@xericgardenclub.org

**NM Cactus and Succulent Society.** Educate and inform public on all aspects of cactus and succulent culture; provide opportunities for discussion and learning among members. Show & sale in April. Meet: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday, most months, 7 pm. Contact: Carl Hime, 293-2213, raresalt@yahoo.com

**Albuquerque Aril and Iris Society.** Annual show in spring; plant sale in July. Meet: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of February, March, April, June, & September, 2:00 pm. Contact: Cindy Rivera, 934-1441, crivera15@comcast.net

**Ikebana International.** Study and promote Japanese art of flower design and understanding of related cultural subjects. Sponsor workshops and exhibits. Meet: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of most months, 12:30 PM. Contact: Betty Chowning, 298-7764, brchowning@comcast.net

**Uptown Garden Club.** Encourage interest in and knowledge of gardening and the art of flower design. Promote civic improvement, recycling and conservation. Support and encourage active participation in Council events. Meet: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of most months, 9:30 am. Contact: Debi Harrington, 296-8208, jdharri@mailaka.net

**Albuquerque Daylily Society.** Promote study and appreciation of daylilies through cooperation with American Hemerocallis Society. Daylily Shows, sales, and tours. Meet: 6 times per year, Saturdays, 9:30 am, members' homes. Contact: Alan Tuffnell, 298-8992, abtuffnell@msn.com

## Affiliate Members:

**NM Native Plant Society**  
Frances Robertson, 828-4775

**Albuquerque Botanical Garden**  
Catherine L. Hubbard, 848-7181



**The Council of Albuquerque Garden Clubs, Inc.**

a non-profit corporation, was formed in 1950 when existing garden clubs and plant societies joined forces to offer education and services beyond the resources of single group. Out of this cooperation came The Albuquerque Garden Center. Built in 1975 with funds raised through the efforts of members, local businesses, and the County of Bernalillo, the Center is located in the Los Altos Park on Lomas between Wyoming and Eubank. An expanded Garden Shop, new office, storage and additional restrooms were added to the Garden Center in 1994. The Los Altos Demonstration Gardens have been added since 2004. They include: A Xeriscape Garden, Children's Garden, Alpine Garden, Bonnie Lowenstein Garden, Iris & Rose Garden, Daylily Garden, Cactus & Succulent Garden, Native Plant Garden, and Uptown Garden. Other major features include a Japanese Pavilion, a Pond, and an Entertainment Patio. These gardens are maintained by volunteers from the various Garden Clubs and Plant Societies.

Today, most garden clubs, plant societies, and related groups in the area are members of Council. They work together to maintain the Center and provide learning opportunities to their members and to the community at large.

**Services:**

**\*The Master Gardener Hotline** is staffed by Albuquerque Area Master Gardeners and operates February through October. They work to provide advice and offer solutions to your gardening questions. Call: **(505) 292-7144** on weekdays from 9:30 am - 2:30 pm.

**\*The Library** contains a comprehensive collection of books and periodicals on horticulture, gardening, floral design, and related topics. Members may check out books and the public is welcome to use the resources on site.

**\*Newsletter** is available on request. Call **(505) 296-6020** and get on our mailing list.

**\*A Speakers List** can be provided to groups seeking talks by knowledgeable people on a wide variety of gardening and conservation topics.

**\*Courses** in horticulture, home landscaping, and floral design are offered throughout the year. These address the special needs of our Southwestern climate, soils, and regional character.

**Services, continued:**

**\*Plant Sales and Fairs** are held throughout the year and give gardeners a chance to purchase locally grown and proven plants, as well as the newest introductions. Check out our website at **AlbuquerqueGardenCenter.org** for in-depth information about our events.

**\*The Garden Shop**, open weekdays from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm, stocks gardening books and supplies including fertilizers, tools, gloves, and seeds. The Garden Shop also carries gifts and cards and can special order gardening items.

**\*Soil Testing Kits** are offered for sale in our Garden Shop

**\*Facility Rentals.** The Garden Center may be rented for weddings, business meetings, luncheons and a variety of other events. The Pinon Room can accommodate events up to 250 people and the Patio Room up to 60 guests. Visit our website at: **AlbuquerqueGardenCenter.org** and click on "Party Package Rentals" or "Business Meeting Rentals" for more information.



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**Hours: Weekdays, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm**  
**Closed: Weekends, and Holidays**

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# Member Organizations and Council Services



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