

# Wildflower Week Celebrated Statewide in Early June

Wildflowers and other native plants are important to a region's sense of place. They grow uncultivated, without human care or control. Their presence indicates the natural environment is healthy and they provide food for native wildlife and pollinators. Grown in home landscapes, they bring visitors in the form of birds, butterflies and other creatures and they benefit and connect us with the larger environment.

June events are hosted by Nebraska Statewide Arboretum and other organizations that recognize the value of wildflowers, both environmentally and personally, as sources of inspiration and restoration.

Opportunities for wildflower enthusiasts across the state include tours, talks and native plant sales. Or make your own event by planting wildflowers or visiting parks, wildlife refuges or other natural areas near you. Check for event updates at <https://plantnebraska.org/wildflower-week/>.

## 2021 Wildflower Week Events

- May 27 in Lincoln. Plant sale with a focus on wildflowers from 4-7pm at Nebraska Statewide Arboretum greenhouses, Huntington & North 38<sup>th</sup> entrance to UNL East Campus. 402-540-6386, <https://plantnebraska.org/store/>, [arboretum@unl.edu](mailto:arboretum@unl.edu)
- May 28 to June 7 in Lincoln. "Self-Guided Tour of the Quilt Garden" open 24/7. International Quilt Museum, 1523 N. 33rd St. 402-472-6549, <https://www.internationalquiltmuseum.org/exhibition/building-and-garden>, [info@internationalquiltmuseum.org](mailto:info@internationalquiltmuseum.org)
- May 28 in Lincoln. Plant sale with a focus on wildflowers from 12-4pm at Nebraska Statewide Arboretum greenhouses, Huntington & North 38<sup>th</sup> entrance to UNL East Campus. 402-540-6386, <https://plantnebraska.org/store/>, [arboretum@unl.edu](mailto:arboretum@unl.edu)
- May 29 in Bellevue. Nature Hike through Fontenelle Forest from 2-4pm. Fontenelle Forest Nature Center, 1111 Bellevue Blvd. N in Bellevue. Free to members and \$15 for non-members. 402-731-3140, <https://fontenelleforest.org/>, [info@fontenelleforest.org](mailto:info@fontenelleforest.org)
- June 1 in Scottsbluff. "Third Annual Greener Gardens Greenhouse Sustainability Plant Sale" 2-6pm at the North Platte NRD, 100547 Airport Road. 308-632-2749, <https://www.npnrd.org/> [ashepperd@npnrd.org](mailto:ashepperd@npnrd.org)
- June 2 in Scottsbluff. "Third Annual Greener Gardens Greenhouse Sustainability Plant Sale" 8 am to 1 pm, at the North Platte NRD, 100547 Airport Road. 308-632-2749, <https://www.npnrd.org/> [ashepperd@npnrd.org](mailto:ashepperd@npnrd.org)
- June 2 near Denton. Wildflower Walk at Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center from 9-10:30am. Fee \$5 with online registration required. Space is limited and masks may be required. 402-797-2301, <https://springcreek.audubon.org/events/wildflower-walk>, [scp@audubon.org](mailto:scp@audubon.org)
- June 3 on Facebook Live. "The Wildflowers of Wachiska's Prairies" from 12-1pm. 402-540-6386, <https://facebook.com/NeArb/live>, [arboretum@unl.edu](mailto:arboretum@unl.edu)
- June 4 in Lincoln. Wildflower Evening Walk-about from 7:15-9pm at the Pioneers Park Nature Center, 3201 S. Coddington. \$5/person. Register in advance at 402-441-7895, <https://www.lincoln.ne.gov/City/Departments/Parks-and-Recreation/Parks-Facilities/Pioneers-Park-Nature-Center>, [JKelley@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:JKelley@lincoln.ne.gov)
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- June 5 in Lincoln. "Wildflower Walk at Prairie Pines" from 10-noon at Prairie Pines Nature Preserve, 3100 N. 112<sup>th</sup> St. 402-525-7653, <http://prairiepines.org/events.html>, [info@prairiepines.org](mailto:info@prairiepines.org)
- June 11 in Lincoln. Plant sale with a focus on wildflowers from 12-4pm at Nebraska Statewide Arboretum greenhouses, Huntington & North 38<sup>th</sup> entrance to UNL East Campus. 402-540-6386, <https://plantnebraska.org/store/>, [arboretum@unl.edu](mailto:arboretum@unl.edu)
- June 12 in Lincoln. The Garden Club of Lincoln's annual June Tour of Gardens from 9-noon. 402-417-3253, <https://www.facebook.com/lincolnNEgardenclub>, [gardencluboflincoln@gmail.com](mailto:gardencluboflincoln@gmail.com)
- June 19 in Bellevue. Plant sale with a focus on natives at Fontenelle Forest from 9-noon at Fontenelle's Camp Brewster, 1313 Bellevue Blvd North. 402-731-3140, <https://fontenelleforest.org/>, [info@fontenelleforest.org](mailto:info@fontenelleforest.org)