

2018 Volunteer Calendar and Information



The Nokomis Naturescape Gardeneer*

Our mission "To encourage people to connect with nature by growing native plant habitat gardens"

APRIL

4/24/Tues ~ Minneapolis Park Board (MPRB)

Volunteer Appreciation Open House

4/17/Tue - Wild One's Table Talks at Woodlake Nature Center, Richfield, 6:30 - 8:30

4/21/Sat ~ **MPRB Earth Day Clean-Up Event** at Lake Nokomis, 9:30 - 12noon

MAY

5/1, 8, 22 & 29/Tues ~ **NN Gardening 6-8pm** (**Wild Ones Meeting** on the **5/15/Tues**)

5/6 Sunday May Day Celebration at Powderhorn Park with NN outreach

5/17/Thu ~ **Wells Fargo Volunteers** at NN 1-4pm, 2 + NN gardeners help requested.

5/19, 9-12pm Grow Monarch Habitat Workshop at the Nokomis Community Center
Set-up: 5/18, 3-5pm

JUNE

6/5, 12, & 26/Tue ~ **NN Gardening 6-8pm**

6/16/Sat ~ **Wild Ones New Member Open House** at the Nokomis Community Center

6/21/Thu ~ **Wells Fargo Volunteers** at NN 1-4pm, 2 + NN gardeners help requested

JULY

7/3, 10, 24 & 31/Tue ~ **NN Gardening 6-8pm**

7/19/Thu ~ **Wells Fargo Volunteers** at NN 1-4pm, 2 + NN gardeners help requested
TBA ~ **MPRB Pollinator Party** at Lyndale Gardens

AUGUST

8/7, 21, 28/Tue ~ **NN Gardening 6-8pm**

Time change later in month to 5-7pm
8/16/Thu ~ **Wells Fargo Volunteers** at NN 1-4pm, 2 + NN gardeners help requested

SEPTEMBER

9/4, 11 & 28/Tue ~ **NN Gardening 5-7pm**

(**Wild Ones Meeting** on the **9/18/Tue**)

9/9/Sat 10am - 4pm

The Minneapolis Monarch Festival

OCTOBER

10/9 & 23/Tue ~ **NN Gardening 5-7pm**
(**Wild Ones Meeting** on the **10/16/Tue**)

**The Nokomis Naturescape is located on Lake Nokomis
50th Street and Nokomis Parkway, Minneapolis MN 55417**

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Gardeneering Information

- NN Gardeneer Coordinators are: Vicki Bonk, 612-232-8196, vbonk@usiwireless.com and Marilyn Jones, 518-928-7819, marilyndjones@gmail.com
- Regular group gardening sessions begin in May at 6-8 pm on most Tuesday evenings.
- The meeting time of group gardening sessions changes in late August to 5-7 pm.
- Gardening is weather permitting - light rain, some heat or cold is fine but with any extreme, a gardening cancellation notice will be emailed to group day of session.
- Join our email list for weekly updates with a gardening reminder- contact Vicki.
- Follow us [facebook.com/NokomisNaturescape/](https://www.facebook.com/NokomisNaturescape/)
- We work with the **Nokomis East Neighborhood Association**, 612-724-5652, nokomiseast.org
- **Wild Ones Twin Cities** are our lead gardeneering base. Learn more about them and native plants at wildonestwincities.org
- We are ongoing original participants and the site of the **Minneapolis Monarch Festival** monarchfestival.org



2018 GOALS ~ Continue Growing!

- *Develop new educational sign/s for NN with fund raising strategies.*
- *Circulate the Nokomis Naturescape volunteer promotional video.*
- *Develop a Nokomis Naturescape website.*
- *Improve our spring garden clean-up methods to be optimal for beneficial insects.*
- *Plant ID tags throughout the 3 demonstration gardens.*
- *Set Saturday gardening sessions for optimal park visitor outreach.*
- *Improve social media (FB) outreach and NN garden documentation ("what's in bloom").*
- *Develop a Nokomis Naturescape brochure.*
- *Enhance upper hillside plantings near Minneapolis Monarch Festival site.*

2018 ~ Outreach Projects Expanded

- **The MONARCH MILE:** A Nokomis East Neighborhood Association (NENA) Green Initiatives project connecting the Gateway Gardens to Nokomis Naturescape along 50th Street. Grants available. Contact NENA.
- Participate as **NENA's Green Initiatives Committee** member.

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