

Tower Hill Botanic Garden: 11 French Drive, Boylston, MA 01505

Open year-round: Tuesday-Sunday & Holiday Mondays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

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-Our Orangerie (18th century style greenhouse, provides a 4,000 square foot environment to outstanding plants for winter display) is a treat for families during the winter

-Visitors are welcome to ***x-country ski on the trails outside*** (if there's snow!) and come inside to enjoy the Orangerie—they can get hot chocolate at the Café, or order a boxed lunch if they wish

- -Garden Discovery Program for Ages 3-5 w/Adult*, Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m.
- January 13: Winter Wonders, February 10: Walk Like an Animal, March 10: I Spy Spring
- Per class: Member Adult/child pair \$3, Non-member Adult/child pair \$6
- Series: Member Adult/child pair \$7, Non-member Adult/child pair \$15
- -These programs are designed for children ages 3-5 and their parent, grandparent or caregiver. The class will begin inside with an activity and storytime. Then participants will step outside (or into the Orangerie in extreme cold) for a short walk to discover what's new in the Garden. Please dress for the weather; be the first to see the Witch Hazel bloom or the snowdrops poke through the ground!
 - January 28- January 31, Flora in Winter 2010 Annual artistic collaboration of Tower Hill Botanic Garden and the Worcester Art Museum. Enjoy captivating floral interpretations of our Planet's extraordinary bounty with the theme of "Earth's Gifts" at Tower Hill and stunning arrangements at the Worcester Art Museum echoing fine art and sculpture.
- -Fri., January 29, 7:30pm, Flora Candlelight Concert at Tower Hill Botanic Garden, 11 French Drive, Boylston, MA 01505
Featuring Boston Conservatory Student Ensemble Cast in a rousing musical revue
Tickets: \$25 Members, \$30, Nonmembers. [Buy tickets now online.](#)

February Vacation Week: ABC's of Tracking Animals-All Ages Program

- -Saturday, February 13, 11 a.m.–12 p.m., Free with Admission
- Leader: Ann Marie Pilch, Youth Education Coordinator
- Participants will hike the gardens and trails to see who lives at Tower Hill in the winter. Dress in warm layers and boots.

- -Let Worms Eat Your Garbage!
 - Wednesday, February 17, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 - Members \$6, Non-members \$8
 - Back by popular demand! Don't throw away your kitchen scraps, mushy fruit and stale bread! Take advantage of nature's recyclers to turn your waste into food for your houseplants or garden. You don't need a backyard compost pile – just a bit space under the sink or in the basement – to take advantage of vermi-composting. Observe worms in action and take home your very own mini “worm farm.”
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- -Especially for Families: Learn to Feed Carnivorous Plants!
 - Sunday, February 21, 1 P.M. – 2 P.M.
 - Member adult/child pair \$15, Non-member adult/child pair \$18
 - Additional child: Members \$10, Non-member \$12
 - Instructor: Ken Sicard and Devan Parker, New England Carnivorous Plant Society
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- -Carnivorous plants capture and eat animals! Then, they digest their prey, usually insects, the same way humans digest food. These strange and beautiful plants grow all over the world, even in New England. In this presentation, participants will learn about how these plants capture their prey and find out which ones grow in this area. Then, students will get a chance to feed a carnivorous plant and take one home with them! One plant per registration.