

If Wishes Were Peonies

Schedule of Events

The American Peony Society is excited to present “alternative” options to enjoy peonies, in lieu of the normal “live” APS Convention. Due to the multiple impacts of the Covid-19 Pandemic, APS understands the need for options which keep members safe and healthy, and provides for those who have restricted travel. Public and Member participation options are available for enjoying peonies through a number of online options. APS Members have the same options as the public, but are also able to attend Society meetings and seminars, enter photos in the show, visit a number of APS Member only tour gardens and participate in the Annual Spring Auction (online). Additionally we’d like to invite anyone to become a “Sponsor” and become a [Paeonia Hall of Fame](#) member.

If you are not an APS member and would like to participate in “If Wishes Were Peonies” offerings, we invite you to become a member at: [Purchase Memberships](#) – it’s easy and there are many other benefits.

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Schedule of Events and Activities

(See details for each using links)

DATE/TIME	OPTION TITLE	DESCRIPTION	ATTENDANCE OPTIONS SIGNUP
tbd	Annual General Membership Meeting – Zoom Meeting –	APS Member business meeting: Welcome, State of the Society, Reports, BOD Elections. More Information HERE	APS Members – Zoom Signup through Member Portal –
Sunday, May 2, 2021; 6:30 CDT	Micropropagation of Woody and Intersectional Peonies – Zoom Presentation –	Online seminar presented by Donald Smith. More Information HERE	APS Members – Zoom Signup through Member Portal –
Saturday, May 15, 2021, 12:00 noon CDT	Photo Contest and Virtual Show Entries – Entries Open –	Uploads to the APS website for entry into the Virtual Peony Show begins (last date to enter is August 1, 2021). More Information HERE	APS Members – Member Portal Submission –
Sunday, May 16, 2021, 10:00 a.m.	Peony Hybridizer Meeting	Online discussion and Q&A facilitated by Nate Bremer. With	APS Members – Zoom Signup

CDT	– Zoom Discussion, Q&A	Don Smith and others. More Information HERE	through Member Portal –
Wednesday, May 19, 2021; 7:00 p.m. CDT	Peonies 101 – Zoom Presentation –	Online seminar presented by Becky Swenson. More Information HERE	APS Members – Zoom Signup through Member Portal –
Thursday, May 20, 2021 (approximate date)	Photo Contest and Virtual Show – Public View of Galleries –	The Virtual Peony Show will begin posting images by Show Managers as submissions occur. Viewable by public as posted. See Virtual Peony Show HERE	Public – APS Website –
Monday, May 31, 2021; 12:00 noon CDT	Jill Stevens Garden – Onsite Member Tour –	Tour Jill Stevens’ gardens in person. More information HERE . Self travel to location. Signup required in Member Portal.	APS Members – Member Portal Signup required –
Tuesday, June 1, 2021; 6:30 p.m. CDT	Historically Overlooked Peonies of the Midwest – Zoom Presentation –	Online seminar presented by Harvey Buchite. More Information HERE	APS Members – Zoom Signup through Member Portal –
Tuesday, June 8, 2021, 12:00 noon CDT	Hidden Springs Flower Farm – Onsite Member Tour –	Tour Harvey and Brigitte’s Peony fields and nursery. More information HERE . Self travel to location. Signup required in Member Portal.	APS Members – Member Portal Signup required –
Wednesday, June 9, 2021; 6:30 p.m. CDT	Swenson Gardens – Onsite Member Tour –	Tour the Swenson family’s gardens and nursery. More information HERE . Self travel to location. Signup required in Member Portal.	APS Members – Member Portal Signup required –
Friday, June 11, 2021; 10:00	Ovans Peony Farm – Onsite Member Tour	Tour Michelle Ovans cutflower peony operation. More	APS Members – Member Portal

a.m. CDT	–	information HERE . Self travel to location. Signup required in Member Portal.	Signup required –
Friday, June 18, 2021; time 1:00 p.m. CDT	Peony Cut Flower Production – Zoom Presentation –	Online seminar presented by Michelle Ovans. More Information HERE	APS Members – Zoom Signup through Member Portal –
Monday, July 26, 2021; 10:00 a.m. CDT	Growing Peonies From Seed – Zoom Presentation –	Online seminar presented by Nate Bremer. More Information HERE	APS Members – Zoom Signup through Member Portal –
Sunday, August 1, Noon CDT	Virtual Peony Show – Entries close –	Uploads to the APS website for entry into the Virtual Peony Show end. More Information HERE	APS Members – Member Portal –
August 15 to August 31, 2021	Virtual Peony Show – All Entries Posted & Judging –	All entries (photos) will be posted by August 15 and judging of images will commence. Judging completed on August 31, 2021. More Information HERE	APS Members – Posting and Judging – -Public Image Viewing on Website –
September 10, 2021 & After	Virtual Peony Show – Awards Announced –	Recognition of outstanding photographic images are awarded and promoted through APS channels.	APS Members and Public -Website, Social Media, Bulletin
As submitted and processed through the season	Garden and Peony Related Video (non promotional)	APS member videos of gardens, activities and processes. Available to public when applicable. Upload in Member Portal HERE .	Public and APS Members – Website –