

# PWIG Program Focus

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## Events & Volunteer Opportunities

PWIG will focus on two seasonal volunteer events each year, with additional opportunities for learning and enrichment.

### Spring — Community Fundraiser

#### Placitas Community Library (PCL) Spring Fling Plant Sale (Mid-April)

- A key annual fundraiser supporting the Placitas Community Library
- PWIG coordinates and runs the plant sale portion, with all proceeds benefiting the library
- Volunteer opportunities include:
  - Event planning and preparation
  - Pricing, staging, and organizing plants
  - Obtaining plant donations from local nurseries
  - Assisting with plant sales on event day

*Plants typically include trees, xeric perennials, annuals, vegetables, herbs, and other garden favorites including cuttings from your own backyard!!*

### Fall — A True Gardening Experience

#### Placitas Garden Tour (Mid-September)

- PWIG members support the Garden Tour through a variety of roles, including:
  - Garden docents and greeters
  - Ticket sales and parking coordination

*Additional volunteer opportunities may be offered for special Garden Tour-related events*

### Miscellaneous Event & Learning Opportunities

- Monthly Succulent Creations for Jardineros Monthly Meeting Presenters
  - Members may help create small succulent dishes to be gifted at the monthly Jardineros meeting presenters. All materials are provided, making this a fun, creative, and social activity for individuals or small groups
- Annual Garden Outing
  - A relaxed group visit to a local garden or garden-related destination for inspiration and connection
- Plant & Cutting Swap with Demonstration
  - An informal swap paired with hands-on planting or propagation demonstration
- Guest Presentation by a Master Gardener
  - An educational talk focused on practical gardening knowledge suited to our region
- Holiday Gathering in December hosted by a PWIG member
  - Serves as a time to connect and celebrate the year

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### Newsletters & Communication

- Beginning in 2026, the newsletter features a streamlined format
- The Plant Whisperer newsletter is sent monthly on the first day of the month
- The newsletter will focus on what is most timely and relevant that month
- Periodic links and updates related to PWIG events and activities will be included
- Shorter email updates, RSVP's, and reminders will be sent as needed for upcoming events

*Members are always welcome to send questions, ideas, or suggestions for future topics*