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Spring Blooms presented by Wild Birds Unlimited is Back with 50,000 New Bulbs
From the earliest days of spring through Mother's Day, Newfields is in bloom



Image Credit: Tulips flowering during *Spring Blooms* in The Garden at Newfields.

INDIANAPOLIS, IN, March 26, 2026 — [Spring Blooms presented by Wild Birds Unlimited](#) is back at Newfields, and no matter the weather, our spring traditions start with a bloom. Now through Mother's Day, more than 50,000 new bulbs including daffodils, hyacinths, tulips and more will emerge to blanket every corner of The Garden.

"I am delighted to invite guests to spend their spring at Newfields," said Jonathan Wright, The Ruth Lilly Director of The Garden and Fairbanks Park. "There's something for everyone this time of year. I encourage guests to come early and often to see The Garden come to life. Presented by Wild Birds Unlimited, this exhibition will highlight springtime traditions from across the world. These stories, activities and new perspectives provide the perfect companion for a day of exploring at Newfields."

The Beer Garden at Garden Terrace will serve up the perfect setting to grab a bite to eat, sip on a drink and enjoy Indy's most unique patio. The menu features fresh, garden-inspired favorites, crafted by Newfields' Director of Culinary Arts, Chef Patrick Russ, that are perfect for lunch or a casual afternoon snack. Savor rotating flatbreads, hearty sandwiches, vibrant salads and our giant Bavarian pretzel made for sharing. Wash it down with a great lineup of beers from Germany, Belgium and right here in Indianapolis, curated by Certified Cicerone Lindsay Jo Whirley. Keep an eye out for the Culinary Arts food truck this season, popping up in the months ahead with new chef-driven specials throughout the season and a few surprises you won't find anywhere else. The Beer Garden will soft open April 1, weather permitting and will ramp up offerings as the weather improves.

Celebrate Earth Day on Saturday, April 25 at Newfields' Earth Day Extravaganza. Spend the day with family and friends, admiring peak blooms in The Garden, then head inside the IMA Galleries to experience our remarkable works of art and discover all that the museum has to offer. Newfields will host a variety of Earth Day programs throughout April, including a guided walk through The Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park on April 22 with the Indiana Audubon Society, led by Newfields' own Wes Homoya.

The latest days of spring will bring spectacular scenes of flowering trees and shrubs, including favorites like serviceberry (*Amelanchier* sp., also known as shadbush or Junebush), eastern redbud (*Cercis canadensis*) and flowering dogwood (*Cornus florida*).

"The beauty of the blooms, the singing of the birds – it all brings us so much joy!" said Wild Birds Unlimited CEO, Jim Carpenter. "Wild Birds Unlimited is very pleased to partner with Newfields to present this joyous seasonal celebration, not only to Newfields Members and guests, but also to the birds and critters who call Indianapolis home."

The grande finale will come on Mother's Day Weekend. Treat the mothers in your life to a gorgeous stroll through The Garden and a moment of quiet reflection in the IMA Galleries.

Wrap up your day with a stop by [The Museum & Garden Shop](#) for Member Double Discount Week to pick out the perfect gift. Find the latest spring decor to liven up the living room or grab some garden supplies with our wide selection of seed packets, pots and tools on a 20% discount from Monday, May 4 through Sunday, May 10.

Spring & Summer Hours:

Sunday – Wednesday | 10 AM – 5 PM

Thursday – Saturday | 10 AM – 8 PM

Lilly House and Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse will be open during standard business hours and are included with General Admission and free for Members.

Visit discovernewfields.org for more information on The Garden and Fairbanks Park tours, as well as Elder Greenhouse classes. Highlights include:

- **[Wee Wonders](#)**
April 10, April 24, May 2, May 8
\$14 Members & \$18 Public / Advance registration required
- **[Botanic Book Club](#)**
Thursday, May 14 / 6–8 PM
Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse
\$15 Members & \$20 Public / Advance tickets required
- **[Greenhouse Class: Orchid Basics](#)**
Thursday, April 9 / 11 AM–Noon / 2–3 PM
Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse
\$55 Members & \$65 Public / Advance tickets required
- **[Studio Social](#)**
Second Thursdays / April 9, May 14
The Studios
\$10 Members & \$15 Public / Advance registration required
- **[Spring Blooms: After Dark](#)**
Thursday, April 30 / 7–9:30 PM
The Garden
\$34 Members & \$45 Public / Advance registration required
- **[Seniors Stay Creative](#)**
Second Tuesdays / April 14 & May 12 / 11 AM–12:30 PM
The Studios
\$25 Members & \$30 Public / Ages 55+ / Advance tickets required

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About Newfields:

Newfields offers dynamic experiences with art and nature for guests of all ages. The 152-acre cultural campus features art galleries, lush gardens, a historic home, performance spaces, a nature preserve and sculpture park. From inspiring exhibitions in the IMA Galleries, to concerts in The Tobias Theater, to a stroll through The Garden with a glass of something cold, guests are invited to interact with art and nature in exciting new ways. Newfields is home to the Indianapolis Museum of Art, among the ten largest and ten oldest general art museums in the nation; the Lilly House, a National Historic Landmark; The Garden, featuring 40 acres of contemporary and historic gardens, a working greenhouse and an orchard; and The Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park, one of the largest art and nature parks in the country. The Newfields campus extends outside of Indianapolis with Miller House and Garden in Columbus, Ind.—one of the nation’s most highly regarded examples of mid-century Modernist architecture. For more information, visit

DiscoverNewfields.org.

About Wild Birds Unlimited:

Wild Birds Unlimited is the original and largest franchise system of backyard bird feeding and nature specialty stores with more than 360 locations throughout the United States and Canada. Wild Birds Unlimited specializes in bringing people and nature together with bird feeding and nature products, expert advice and educational events. Listen to our podcast, Nature Centered, to learn more about feeding the birds and enjoying nature in your backyard. Episodes can be found here, <https://www.wbu.com/podcast>. Visit our website and shop online at www.wbu.com. To learn how you can open your own Wild Birds Unlimited, visit www.wbufranchise.com.

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