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**Spring Heirloom Plant Sale at the Hermitage, May 2nd**

Norfolk, VA - The fourth annual *Spring Heirloom Plant Sale* will be held on Saturday, May 2nd from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Museum members will receive a 10% discount throughout the day. The sale will feature perennials, shrubs, native and wetland plants, and several other heirloom plants that grow well in the Tidewater area.

**Special Guest:** Ken Nowitzky, local Bonsai Artist, will be demonstrating this exciting technique from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m. in promotion of his one day workshop [Beginning Bonsai](#). The workshop will be held from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. later in the afternoon (Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>) at the [Hermitage Visual Arts School](#). *Please note bonsais will not be available for sale.*

Plants available at the sale will include Bachelor's Button, Beautyberry, Cardinal Flower, Catmint, Columbine, Elderberry, Flax, Foam Flower, Foxglove, Hydrangea, Lady Banks rose, Peony, Pinks, Rose Mallow, Swamp Rose, Sweet Pepperbush, Verbena, Virginia Sweetspire, and many more!

For additional information regarding the *Spring Heirloom Plant Sale* contact Yolima Carr, Curator of Gardens and Grounds, at 757-423-205 x 202 or [yc@thfm.org](mailto:yc@thfm.org).

For details on *Beginning Bonsai* or other workshops at the Visual Arts School contact Dana Thompson, Public Programs Coordinator, at 757-423-2052 x 203 or [dt@thfm.org](mailto:dt@thfm.org).

*The Hermitage offers 45-minute guided tours, on the hour, of fifteen galleries filled with the Sloane family world-wide art collection, furniture, and history in this Norfolk historic home. The Visual Arts School houses classrooms, a complete ceramics studio, and darkroom photography facilities. Open daily 10-5, Sundays 1-5-closed Wednesdays. Free for Museum Members, children under 6, and Active Duty military. Admission: \$5 for Adults, \$2 for ages 6-18, and \$3 for students. For more information on the museum and membership offerings call 757-423-2052 or visit [www.thfm.org](http://www.thfm.org).*

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