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## UNH Hosts Spring Greenhouse Open House, April 5-6

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DURHAM, N.H.—Come learn about home gardening, landscaping, current horticultural research, and other growing information at the University of New Hampshire Spring Greenhouse Open House at the Macfarlane Research Greenhouses Friday, April 5, and Saturday, April 6, 2019. The greenhouses will be open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. both days. The event is free and open to the public.



ENDLESS SUMMER HYDRANGEA. CREDIT: UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION.

A facility of the NH Agricultural Experiment Station (<http://colsa.unh.edu/nhaes>), the greenhouses provide a venue for UNH faculty, staff and students to present colorful displays and educational lectures of interest to home gardeners, greenhouse producers, and landscapers. This year's lectures including learning to prune fruit trees, how to make a fresh vegetable roll, how to grow great tomatoes, and knowing and growing hydrangeas. Lectures will be held in Putnam Hall, Room 103.

The UNH Thompson School will offer a flower show-quality display with a Beatrix Potter Peter Rabbit theme. The UNH Plant Diagnostic Lab and Cooperative Extension Plant Health Program will have a display on common diseases and problems of garden and landscape plants. Attendees are encouraged to come with questions about plant health problems. UNH experts and Master Gardeners will be on hand to help get gardens off to a great start.

Tours of the Macfarlane Research Greenhouses, the aquaponics research greenhouses at Kingman Research Farm and the UNH high tunnels, two greenhouse-style structures associated with the Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems program where students produce greens for on-campus consumption will be available. Other activities include a flower show and plant sale, and children's activities. The Greenhouse Café will serve coffee, lunch, and homemade treats.

The greenhouses are located off Main Street on the west end of Durham. Seminars will take place in Putnam Hall across the parking lot from the greenhouses. On Friday, metered parking is available at the UNH Visitor Center across from the greenhouses; parking on Saturday and Sunday is free. Handicap parking spaces and short-term parking for plant pickup will be available near the main greenhouse entrance. The greenhouses are also served by Wildcat Transit's shuttle service (<https://www.unh.edu/transportation/wildcat-transit>).

The UNH Greenhouse Open House is sponsored by the NH Agricultural Experiment Station (<http://colsa.unh.edu/nhaes>), the Thompson School of Applied Science (<http://colsa.unh.edu/tsas>), UNH Biological and Sustainable Agriculture programs of the UNH College of Life Sciences and Agriculture (<http://colsa.unh.edu/>), and UNH Cooperative Extension (<http://extension.unh.edu/>).

Founded in 1887, the NH Agricultural Experiment Station (<http://colsa.unh.edu/nhaes>) at the UNH College of Life Sciences and Agriculture (<https://colsa.unh.edu/>) is UNH's original research center and an elemental component of New Hampshire's land-grant university heritage and mission. We steward federal and state funding, including support from the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture ([https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A\\_\\_nifa.usda.gov\\_&d=DwMFaQ&c=c6MrceVCY5m5A\\_KAUkrdoA&r=gk49I-YqmOGbrtzX3HbAPq8XDfJkq7dTqjtXuPwlyXo&m=MjYLZTg3RW4sdO\\_mj-0NpUx9AYUivWGakvtlbrxQRiQ&s=zNQ5H9KcwQ2a41e7xuKQ1C18rwr6ZvuTJaYzOwMRpbw&e=](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__nifa.usda.gov_&d=DwMFaQ&c=c6MrceVCY5m5A_KAUkrdoA&r=gk49I-YqmOGbrtzX3HbAPq8XDfJkq7dTqjtXuPwlyXo&m=MjYLZTg3RW4sdO_mj-0NpUx9AYUivWGakvtlbrxQRiQ&s=zNQ5H9KcwQ2a41e7xuKQ1C18rwr6ZvuTJaYzOwMRpbw&e=)), to provide unbiased and objective research concerning diverse aspects of sustainable agriculture and foods, aquaculture, forest management, and related wildlife, natural resources and rural community topics.

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Endless Summer hydrangea. Credit: UNH Cooperative Extension.

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