

## Garden Event

12-9-21, 710pm, Online Zoom, California in a Vase - Native Plant Arrangements for Every Season with Lucinda McDade and Linda Prendergast

Description = Southern California Horticultural Society hosts Lucinda McDade, Executive Director of the California Botanic Garden, and Linda Prendergast, head of the Native Designs volunteer group at California Botanic Garden discussing their work and provide step-by-step instructions - along with a materials list - for creating a gorgeous seasonal arrangement using native plant materials. Their “in-conversation” talk will be illustrated by gorgeous photography and reference the new book *California in a Vase: Native Plant Arrangements for Every Season* which was crafted to inspire people to bring the native plants of their region into their gardens, their homes, and decorative arrangements. *California in a Vase*, written by David Bryant, former Director of Visitor Experience at CalBG, and with a foreword by Susan Gottlieb, features arrangements from CalBG’s Native Designs volunteer group and The Gottlieb Native Garden, celebrating each season through the changing palette of native plants. Prendergast and McDade will be presenting an “in-conversation” talk based on the book and illustrated by gorgeous photography. Prendergast is a native Californian who put herself through college working at flower shops, which led to years employed as a grower in the wholesale nursery industry, followed by a career as a horticulture buyer for retail home centers and a national chain. After retiring in 2003, she became a volunteer at the CalBG (then Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden), where she joined the Native Designs group, eventually attaining her current position as crew chief. McDade is a plant scientist and the Executive Director at CalBG, but characterizes her role in CalBG’s Arrange Wild workshops as Prendergast’s side kick. She assists by explaining the plant biology behind some of the tips and tricks Prendergast demonstrates – important steps that will help your glorious design last as long as possible.

Cost = Free, but must register to receive Zoom access = [www.socalhort.org](http://www.socalhort.org)

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Meeting Timeline = 7:10pm Announcements, 7:15pm Plant Forum, and 7:30pm Webinar