

January 21, 2026 Warm and Cozy Houseplants That Thrive

Tarrah Richardson, Newport Florist



Tarrah & Ryan Richardson have owned Newport Florist for 11 years. Tarrah has worked in the retail floral industry for 31 years, including 8 different flower shops. They specialize in weddings and funerals, as well as birthday, anniversary and get-well occasions.

"Do's & Don'ts of Indoor Plants"

Newport Florist strives to sell as many locally grown flowers as possible (unusual in the industry) and have experimented with growing many of their own such as dahlias, cosmos, yarrow, campanula and others. They are learning all they can about gardening on the Oregon Coast and appreciate a community focused on that, like the Seal Rock Garden Club.



February 18, 2026 My, My, My Migration in the Garden

Jim Welch, SWIFTY (Swallows in Flight to Yachats)



As a lifelong environmentalist, Jim Welch has been active in conservation related projects in the area since moving to the Oregon Coast in 2016. He retired from the renewable energy industry in Colorado.

Jim co-founded SWIFTY and established Wild Things, the annual Yachats environmental festival, where kids and families learn to enjoy and protect our treasured coastline and its wildlife.

Currently Jim serves on the Seven Capes Bird Alliance Board and is in the process of getting the City of Yachats certified as one of the first "Bird Cities" in Oregon.



March 18, 2026 Come Hang Around with Us Hanging Baskets
Darren Morgan, Shonnard's Nursery



Darren grew up on a small family farm in the Willamette Valley and has worked at Shonnard's for 35 years. He is currently the Manager at the nursery in Corvallis and specializes in plants of all sorts, including edible gardening and has recently explored beekeeping.

Darren teaches community education classes and workshops at Shonnard's and through Linn-Benton Community College. He will focus on hanging baskets as well as covering coastal tolerant plants for boxes, pots and baskets.





April 15, 2026

Hostas 101

Jeff Cope, Home Grown Gardens

Nursery & Landscape



From their elegant leaves to their hardy nature, Hostas are a favorite among gardeners across the country. Suitable for every skill level, these shade-loving perennials add color and texture to the darkest corners of your garden. With all the many Hosta varieties available to the gardener, there is a Hosta for everyone.

If you want to add these beauties to your landscape or improve their care, come to the Hosta 101 talk. We will cover Hosta types, how and where to plant Hostas, how to care for Hostas, and companion plant ideas.



Jeff Cope Bio: Jeff Cope is co-owner of Home Grown Gardens, retail and landscape service provider in Corvallis, Oregon. Having started his horticulture career at the age of 12 learning everything about gardening from a neighbor who hired Jeff to take care of her yard, Jeff went on to earn a BS degree in horticulture from Cal Poly and a Masters in Public Administration. He has enjoyed a career in horticulture for over 60 years.



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May 20, 2026 A Bird in the Hand is Better in a Bird House

Amen & Maria Fisher, Given Back Bird Houses

Given Back Bird Houses are handmade by Amen and Maria Fisher. Amen is a lifelong woodworker and poet. Maria is a classically trained commission artist with a Masters from the New York Academy of Arts.

Both are nature lovers with a soft spot for birds.



"Often Imitated, Never Duplicated"



Maria and Amen live in Florence where they hand make Given Back Bird Houses, the most sought after homes for birds ever seen. Their world-famous product line includes a huge variety of unique song bird, owl, bat and pollinator houses, suet and seed feeders, open nesters, tree stands, nurse logs and commissioned pieces. They Give Back to the local economy by buying supplies and making charitable contributions locally.

Betty Bahn Memorial Plant Sale
Flower Show and Garden Art Sale

Saturday
June 6, 2026
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Flower Show



Garden Art Sale

