

WILSHIRE GARDEN M A R K E T

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CELEBRATING 20 YEARS

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LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING OUT

The observant reader will notice a subtle change in this newsletter masthead above, "Celebrating 20 Years". We look forward to celebrating our 20 years beginning in March, our anniversary month, and some fun will be had; keep an eye out for fun! Now lets look back on 2016!

Last year's spring pillows were artful and full of whimsy, thanks to artists Robbin Rawlings and Tim Coffey. Spring pillow time is our happy place!



Valentine's was a favorite day, pink and red burst forth in the drab winter days, full of hearts, beautiful things, and loving thoughts and deeds.

March featured handsome pots for porch, patio, and lake home; pots of fiberglass, glazed terra cotta, or cast stone in traditional and contemporary styles.



April brought out fountains in cast stone and glazed terra cotta, always a welcome sound on the patio.



Mother's Day in May featured among other things, this precious yellow fairy cottage with yellow accessories. If you think this is cute, just wait.



In June, *the* garden month, solar lanterns, with their romantic ambiance, lit up outdoor spaces.



Colorful, washable ribbon hats featured UV protection and kept us cool in more ways than one in July.



For the August garden, a beautiful pot filled an empty spot, and served as a focal point.



We had a great September visit to NYC with Campania!



In October, many Campania pieces from September buying trip arrived well ahead of spring 2017.

November featured amazing oversized terra cotta apples by Campania



Spicy Apple and Forest candles were a December favorite, along with decorative angels.



Now we look forward to the new year 2017, and the chances to help more people beautify their outdoor spaces, large or small. Only six more Mondays until the First Day of **SPRING!**



TRENDING 2017



Greenery is Pantone's Color of 2017. A fresh, zesty yellow green, it evokes the first days of spring when nature re-
vives, restores and renews. The fortifying attributes of Greenery signals consumers to take a deep breath, oxy-

genate, and reinvigorate. It provides calm amid a tumultuous global environment, symbolizing a mood and desire to reconnect with nature.

There is heightened interest in using natural materials like wood and stone for garden elements. Last year's trend of painting fences and walls in dark colors to highlight plantings (still a great look) has evolved into color blocking to highlight a special plant or gorgeous pot.

Houseplants are back! In fashion in a big way! Rooms are shown filled with a lush assortment of houseplants in attractive pots. Supplementing the look is furniture upholstered in tropical leaf pattern fabric.



Hyperlocalism is the sensible practice of sourcing local plants and materials to accommodate a region's changing climate. It allows plants to thrive and materials to look at home in an area.

Blending traditional and contemporary styles has been introduced in interiors and architecture and is coming into the garden, by combining the two in a compelling way, such as pairing handmade artisanal ware with a sleek modern design.

We are very interested in helping our customers implement new ideas in their gardens.

Valentine's Day alert! We always suggest long lasting, zero calories Valentine's gifts. French heart



soaps in delicious rose and camellia fragrances are gifts that will be appreciated. Mike Paluska's heart shaped ceramic dishes hold soap or jewelry.

Everlasting love is embodied in these everlasting lovebirds by Campania.



Now is the time to bring in your old faded outdoor cushions and refresh them with new Sunbrella fabric



and trim. New cushions make a huge difference in the appearance of your outdoor area. You will love the way it looks and feels. Beat the rush, enjoy your furniture all season long.

LINDA VATER WORKSHOP

You are cordially invited to attend a garden workshop with Linda Vater at 10:30 on Saturday, March 18. Fee \$15 each.



Linda will present "The Importance of Defining Your Garden Space", The Why, Where, How, When to Define Your Garden Spaces. Join us!

WINTER TO DO LIST

- Review 2016's notes. Order seeds.
- Plan to subtract, add or divide plants.
- Plant daffodil and tulip bulbs but hurry.
- Plant fruit trees, roses, and other trees.
- Check plants overwintered in garage. Water.
- Water grass and garden if temperature is above freezing and it hasn't rained.
- Measure patio for new outdoor rug.
- Shop for Campania pots, have them delivered.
- Scope out places to put new spring pillows.

EXTERIOR DECORATING

Are you in need of some inspiration for your entryway or patio? Wilshire Garden Market provides an exterior decorating and small space design consultation service. By appointment, for a nominal fee, we will make a consultation visit and follow-up report to make your garden retreat more charming, cohesive, and useful. Call the store at 405-879-1121 to set up an appointment.



Let us help you create your outdoor living room!

