Let Your Creativity Bloom!

Fun Fact!
James Gurney, the first head gardener, brought Victoria water lilies to the Missouri Botanical Garden in 1894. He was present when Queen Victoria first visited the lily pads named for her at the Royal Kew Gardens in 1852.
Where can you find water lilies in the Missouri Botanical Garden?

Linnean Plaza
Visit the pools outside the historic greenhouse to find many types of water lilies this summer! Lilies need warm, dark water to grow. Their roots take hold underneath the water!

Central Axis near Climatron
This main area of the Garden is home to the amazon Victoria lilies, some of the largest in the world. How many can you count?

Today, I Spy...
- water lilies that have flower
- bugs on lily pads
- horticulturists working
- lily pads touching each other
- flowers with two colors
- lily pads that are perfectly round
- flowers with pollinators
- different colored lily pads

Come Grow With Us...
From young explorers to budding botanists, programs at the Garden are expertly designed for children and adults to experience together. Instructors strive to engage children in age-appropriate activities, while providing adults examples of ways to learn about the natural world at home.

Register today at www.mobot.org/classes.