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ENGAGE: WITH THE FWBG AND BRIT COMMUNITY

Butterflies in the Garden Opens Feb. 29

“Celebrate the Change” in the Fort Worth Botanic Garden’s recently restored conservatory and marvel at a multitude of butterflies during “Butterflies in the Garden,” the largest exhibit of live, exotic butterflies in north central Texas. [Buy your tickets today—and sign up for volunteer opportunities!](#)



GARDEN: WHAT'S IN BLOOM

Bright Spots of Color Enliven a Winter Garden

January is a quiet time in the Botanic Garden, but winter has its own graces. Shrubs in particular can bring wonderful shots of color into the winter landscape. [Learn about two winter favorites and the role they could play in your garden.](#)



LEARN: STAY CURIOUS

Unexpected Uses of a Spring Favorite

The redbud tree (*Cercis spp.*) is a familiar and unassuming presence in the local landscape, although many love the plant for the beauty of its brilliant pink blossoms in early spring when other plants haven't yet bloomed. [But Native Americans found multiple uses for the redbud—uses you might not have anticipated.](#)



PLANT: THE SEEDS OF A STEM EDUCATION

Read Along with Bella Begonia

Bella the Begonia will be reading *And Then It's Spring* by Julie Fogliano at next month's family events. [You and your family can start planning for spring with a fun and easy nature activity from BRIT's education team.](#)



RESEARCH: FROM PLANT TO PLANET

Number of the month: 1.44 million

That's roughly the number of plant specimens in the BRIT Herbarium. That astounding number of specimens places BRIT among the top 10 largest herbaria in

the United States. [So what is an herbarium? And why is it important?](#)



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