

Program Topics for 2016

Date	Main Topic(s)	Secondary Activities
February 9, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Slideshow of New Introductions for 2016.</i> • <i>Fertilizing – pH and adding lime.</i> • <i>Free pH testing - bring in 1C moist soil.</i> • <i>Slug control.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Suggestions for bulk purchases through club.</i> • <i>Tuber Silent Auction.</i>
March 8, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Starting Tubers & Seeds, Taking Cuttings.</i> • <i>Cuttings Demo & Hands-On.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Free mixed dahlia seed – bring blooms to October Meeting for display & competition.</i> • <i>Tuber Silent Auction.</i>
April 12, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tuber Sale</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tuber Auction</i>
May 10, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Planting, Staking & Tying</i> • <i>Fertilizer Panel Discussion</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Tuber & Plant Sale & Auction</i>
June 14, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Watering Dahlias, Mulching & Shading</i> • <i>Pest, Weed & Disease Control Panel</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Plant Sale & Auction</i>
July 12, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Saving Seeds & Breeding Dahlias</i> • <i>Dahlias as Cut Flowers – Good Varieties for Cutting</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How to Enter a Photo Competition</i>
August 9, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Dahlia Shows & Staging</i> • <i>Arranging Prize-Winning Baskets</i> • <i>Beginners' Class – How to Stage, Choosing Containers, Transporting Show Blooms, How to Enter a Show</i> • <i>Mini-Show, open to all, cash prizes</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Container Exchange – bring your extra containers</i> • <i>Floral Foam for Sale</i>
September 13, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Potluck at Swan Island Dahlias</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Arranging Demonstration by Gordon Jackman</i> • <i>Presentation & Q&A by Nick Gitts Jr.</i> • <i>Judging in the Trial Garden – class before potluck.</i>
October 11, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Digging, Dividing & Storing</i> • <i>Demonstration & Hands-On - How to Divide</i> • <i>BYO clumps for experts to divide</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Seedling Competition – cash prizes – any seedling 1st through 3rd year not in ADS Book</i> • <i>Special Seedling Competition – cash prizes – from Seeds given out at March meeting</i> • <i>Selection of Flower of the Year for 2017</i> • <i>Tuber Clump Silent Auction</i>
November 8, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Digging, Dividing & Storing</i> • <i>Demonstration & Hands-On - How to Divide</i> • <i>BYO clumps for experts to divide</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Photo Contest</i> • <i>Officer Elections</i> • <i>Tuber Clump Silent Auction</i>
December 13, 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Holiday Potluck Dinner</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Bingo</i>