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Wasatch Community Gardens 2016 Spring Plant Sale, the best little plant sale in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY, UT- The Wasatch Community Gardens' annual Spring Plant Sale takes place this year on May 7. In addition to offering more than 30,000 plants, including 60 varieties of heirloom tomato plants and a large selection of perennials, herbs, and berries, knowledgeable Wasatch Community Gardens' staff, volunteers, and Utah State University Extension Master Gardeners will be on hand at the Spring Plant Sale to help shoppers choose just the right plants for their gardens.

Date: Saturday, May 7, 2016

Time: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Location: Rowland Hall, 720 S Guardsman Way (1580 E), Salt Lake City

The edible plants available at the sale are locally grown, and the plant sale is the largest annual fundraiser for Wasatch Community Gardens. "This event is an important way for us to promote our mission and engage the community," says Ashley Patterson, Executive Director. "With waitlists for plots in most of our community gardens in Salt Lake City, and the popularity of farmers markets exploding, it's clear that more and more Wasatch Front residents are seeking locally produced food. Our plant sale allows those with their own yards to personally select heirloom vegetables, and share knowledge with experienced gardeners on how to be successful with their own food production. And, it's just a really fun community event."

Additionally, there will be plenty of heirloom tomato plants available for sale. Marybeth Janerich, Community Education Program Director, recommends including at least one early- or mid-season producing tomato. "Tomatoes not only come in cherry, paste, slicer and beefsteak varieties, but they also vary in their number of days you have to wait between planting the seedling and getting your first tomato. Some tomato plants, like Siberian and Early Annie, start producing fruit in under 65 days, whereas Cream Sausage and Green Zebra, will have fruit in about 75 days. I love to have these early and mid-season varieties in my garden to enjoy in July and August while I'm waiting for the 1- and 2-pound whoppers like Hillbilly Flame and Pink Brandywine, which start ripening in late August to early September," says Janerich.

For complete event information, insider tips on shopping the sale, and more, visit our website's [Spring Plant Sale](#) page.

ABOUT WASATCH COMMUNITY GARDENS: [Wasatch Community Gardens](#) (WCG) has served Wasatch Front residents since 1989 with the belief that the quality of a community is directly related to the quality of its food. WCG offer garden space, educational programs, and community events to empower people to grow, harvest, preserve, and prepare fresh, healthy food. We execute our mission through four main programs: Community Garden, Youth Garden, School Garden, and Community Education.

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