



TEN GREAT REASONS TO JOIN CRAGS

1. **Monthly Meetings**

Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month from September through June. We feature knowledgeable local and international speakers, and offer alpine gardeners an opportunity to exchange ideas. We also have great raffles!

Meetings are held at:

**Lakeview Community Association Hall
6110 – 34th Street SW**

2. **Workshops**

Workshops are held periodically throughout the year. A wide range of topics are covered. Costs to members are extremely reasonable.

3. **Garden Tours**

Advertised to members only! Tours are held from May through July. Come and admire the gardens of other CRAGS members and get ideas for your own garden.

4. **Annual Plant Sale**

In May, CRAGS members and commercial growers offer alpine plants and related supplies for sale.

5. **Newsletters**

Four newsletters per year (paper or email) with information on local gardening news, plant profiles and upcoming CRAGS events.

6. **Affinity Discounts**

CRAGS members enjoy significant discounts from local garden suppliers and service providers.

7. **Hikes**

Hikes are scheduled according to interest. Past trips have included heli-hikes to the Bugaboos.

8. **Lending Library**

Access to Southern Alberta's most extensive (and still growing) library of books and journals on alpine and rock gardening. Included are publications from the North American Rock Garden Society (NARGS), the Scottish Rock Garden Society, and the Alpine Garden Society.

9. **Website**

The club website www.craggs.ca lists upcoming CRAGS events, informational materials, and links to great resources.

10. **Affiliations**

CRAGS is a chapter of NARGS – the North American Rock Garden Society. NARGS (www.nargs.org) has 35 chapters in Canada and the US, with over 34,000 members from other countries. We are also affiliated with the Calgary Horticultural Society (www.calhort.org).

For CRAGS membership, contact:

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FORM

Please fill in and post with a cheque payable to CRAGS to:

CRAGS Membership 1643 Altadore Avenue SW Calgary AB T2T 2P8

Enclosed is: \$30.00 Individual or \$35.00 Family/International Individual

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Province: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Newsletter by email? (Y/N) Occupation: _____

Email: _____

Membership term commences October 1 and expires September 30.
Please fill in back for volunteer opportunities

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Membership number: _____

Date received: _____

Expiry Date: _____

Amount Paid: _____

Cheque Cash

Other: _____

**THE CALGARY
ROCK & ALPINE
GARDEN SOCIETY**



About Us...

The Calgary Rock and Alpine Garden Society (CRAGS) is a volunteer-based group interested in growing alpine plants in Calgary's challenging climate. We cultivate native and introduced alpine plants in alpine, rock, and container gardens.

CRAGS appeals to both beginner and expert gardeners alike. We deal with a wide range of rock and alpine gardening topics. These include: alpine plant education, plant propagation techniques, soil conditions, and rock garden design.

Our events are conducted in a friendly, social environment and include monthly meetings, workshops, and field trips.

What is an 'Alpine' Plant?

The term *alpine* encompasses a wide range of small, hardy, mainly perennial plants found near or above tree line in mountainous areas.

Given our altitude, climate, and proximity to the mountains, alpiners make ideal plants for Calgary gardens.

CRAGS

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**General Information
&
Membership
Application**

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

This is *your* society, please volunteer. We need help to make the society work. Please indicate your areas of interest:

- News letter: articles mail out Speakers: hosting suggestions
- Field trips / Hikes: organize conduct Raffles: meeting requesting donations
- Special Events: Christmas Party Picnic Home & Garden Show Springtime Serenade
- Plant Sales: Garden Visits: Phoning Committee:
- Executive Committee: Computer/Webpage: Advertising:

Thank you for volunteering!