

# THE BLACK BELT CONNECTION

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## Flashlight Tour at Black Belt Garden

**Tuesday, October 13**

**6:30-9 p.m.**

### Black Belt Garden Gazebo

A night of unique live entertainment featuring local music, poetry and readings.

*Admission:* No charge.

*Sponsor:* University of West Alabama's Garden.

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Click [here](#) to view an event flyer.



**Tuesday, October 20**

**7:30-9 p.m.**

### Black Belt Garden

Join the Center for the Study of the Black Belt's Black Belt Garden Flashlight Tour for an evening of animals, insects and plants. Learn about the unique natural and cultural diversity of the Black Belt. Enjoy owls from the Alabama 4-H Raptor Trek program and hear ghost lore from a local storyteller. Please bring a flashlight and wear outdoor appropriate clothing and shoes. Click [here](#) to view an event flyer.

## FACEBOOK LINKS

[Center for the Study of the Black Belt](#)

[Black Belt Garden](#)

[Black Belt Archives](#)

[Black Belt Museum](#)

## DEDO Partners

### Alabama Black Belt Heritage Area

Alabama's Black Belt: Where the Culture is as Rich as the Land. The Alabama Black Belt Heritage Area comprises 19 counties in central and western Alabama that are working together to attain designation as a National Heritage Area. Visit them on Facebook [here](#).

### Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation

The Alabama Trust for Historic Preservation is the voice for the future of Alabama's historic places. Visit them on Facebook [here](#).



## Flint-Knapping Demonstration

*Friday, Oct. 16*

**2:30 - 4:00 p.m. - University of West Alabama**

For over 2 million years, one of the most important survival skills that our ancestors had to learn was how to make a stone tool. Stone knives, spear points, drills, awls, hide scrapers, and dozens of other tools were essential to life, so understanding how these tools were made is necessary for understanding life in the past.

Trying to replicate these tools is also helpful for archaeologists trying to interpret how they were used and made. Steven Meredith, archaeologist and regional manager at Panamerican Consultants, Inc., will demonstrate. Free flint-knapping kits are available to the first 20 participants.

*Location:* Truelove Place, University of West Alabama, Student Union Drive, Livingston.

*Admission:* No charge.

*Sponsor:* University of West Alabama's Black Belt Museum.

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