As Houstonians gather weekly at farmers markets and community gardens and urban farms sprout everywhere from corner lots to utility corridors to former industrial sites, the city seems host to a renewed passion for a habit of dwelling that feeds the spirit and the body. This spring, the Rice Design Alliance invites you to “Nourish,” a tour of six contemporary houses with edible gardens, created by architects, landscape architects, and designers.

“If our kitchen is the heart of our house,” says tour chair and landscape architect Flora Yeh of Mirador Group, “our edible garden would be a nurturing extension. The houses on this tour share an integral theme, a way of life.”

“Nourish: An Architecture Tour of Houses and Edible Gardens,” RDA’s 41st annual architecture tour, takes place from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 9, and Sunday, April 10. The tour includes:

01 4523 Teas
Natalye Appel + Associates Architects, 2015
Landscape: RH Factor

02 3312 University
Strasser Design, 2016
Landscape: Edible Earth Resources

03 2709 Albans
1941; English + Associates Architects, 2012

04 1514 Banks
Lantz Full Circle, 2012

05 1603 Cherryhurst
1922; GSMA
Landscape: Grove Hill Farm

06 748 Arlington
Landscape: Fischer Schalles

The tour is open to the public. This year, eMember tickets start at $35, which also provide a year of digital communications from RDA. Current RDA members can purchase discounted tour tickets at $25; tickets are $15 for students with ID. As always, RDA membership is open to the public.

Tickets and memberships can be purchased at ricedesignalliance.org.

RDA has organized tours every year since 1975 to help Houstonians experience firsthand the most interesting works of architecture and landscape and interior design in the city. This year’s tour is made possible by the support of RDA Underwriters 4b Technology Group; Cardno Haynes Whaley; D.E. Harvey Builders; Hines; Louisa Stude Sarofim; and Walter P Moore. Support also comes from Austin Commercial; Brochsteins; Builders West; Kirksey; Parra Design Group; Planning Design Research Corporation; Puterman, Scharck & Associates; The Southampton Group; Tellepsen; and workplace solutions. PaperCity is the tour’s media sponsor.