

# AUGUST *in the gardens*



## SEASONAL INTEREST

The recent heat of the past few weeks brings growth and depth to the gardens. Find respite wandering through the cool shade of the bird marsh and surrounding woodlands, Rhododendron Glen, Moss Garden, and Maple Lane. Benches tucked away near water bodies offer a relaxing pause from the bright sun.

**GARDENS NORTH** Delicate inflorescences sway in the wind as our diaphanous ornamental grasses continue to engulf the Arrival Garden. Be sure to enjoy the dappled light penetrating through the conifers along Maple Lane, creating a sublime effect when underneath the multi-hued canopy.

**GARDENS SOUTH** The meadow overlook planting this month is a rainbow of blooms including yellow Rudbeckia, red Salvia, purple Echinacea, orange poppy, and white pearly everlasting, to name a few. Also this August, we are partnering with the Bainbridge Island Fire Department (BIFD) to implement two small controlled burns, which will transform the landscape in the near and long term!

**GARDENS EAST** Blooming favorites like *Eucryphia x nymansensis* at the Residence, Lily 'black beauty' and Lily 'Lady Alice', as well as a second flush of *Cyclamen hederifolium*, are popping up throughout the Rhododendron Glen this month. In July, a large Western redcedar, *Thuja plicata*, came down in the Birch Garden, opening up the canopy to more sunlight.

**GARDENS WEST** Blooms are fewer in August, which just means it's the perfect time for a treasure hunt! Search for tiny, light lavender flowers on Black Mondo Grass and purple *Hydrangea aspera* in the Japanese Garden and surrounding areas.



*Black Fountain Grass*  
*Pennisetum alopecuroides* 'Moudry'  
Arrival Garden



*Japanese Maples | Acer palmatum*  
Maple Lane



*Wildflowers*  
Buxton Bird Marsh and Pollinator Meadow



*Hydrangea | Hydrangea aspera*  
Japanese Garden



*Black Mondo Grass | Ophiopogon planiscapus* 'Nigrescens'  
Arrival & Japanese Gardens