

Birth of a New Baby Forest

It was a busy summer at Washington Park Arboretum. Planting of the 2-acre New Zealand Forest started in mid-June. Under the supervision of UW Botanic Gardens and Seattle Parks and Recreation, workers installed about 8,000 plants over a three-week period.

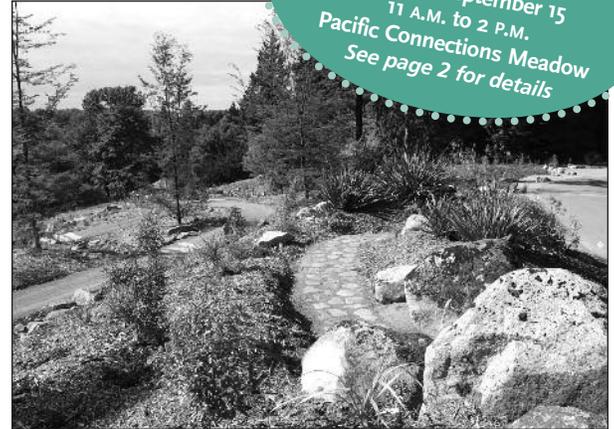
Volunteers even got in on some of the action! On June 20, a group of Pacific Connections Garden stewards helped install plants in the Mountain Tussock section of the new forest, and also helped transplant some large flax specimens into the New Zealand High Country Garden, which was relocated across Arboretum Drive as part of the current project.

By mid-July, the forest was mostly planted, construction fences were removed, and the exhibit was opened up to Arboretum visitors.

In late August, the final plant shipment arrived from Cistus Nursery,



VOLUNTEER HELP: Pacific Connections Stewards helping plant the new forest on June 20.
GARDEN PANORAMA: A shot of the new forest taken from the relocated High Country Garden.



NEW ZEALAND FOREST
OPENING CELEBRATION
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Pacific Connections Meadow
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in Oregon, and UW Botanic Gardens staff installed an additional 1,700 plants—representing 39 different taxa—in the forest in early September. These included some more specimens of silver beech (*Nothofagus menziesii*) and mountain beech (*Nothofagus cliffortioides*)—the main canopy trees

in the new exhibit—as well as shrubs such as five-finger (*Pseudopanax laetus*) and *Coriaria sarmentosa*, which were not included in the first phase of planting.

The planting and curation of the garden will be an ongoing process, continuing long after the Opening Celebration festivities on September 15 (see page 2), as UWBG acquires more wild-sourced and targeted plantings for the New Zealand Forest collection. The Foundation's focus will be on raising endowment funds to ensure the forest's future care, as well as operational funds to pay for the forest's brand-new, full-time gardener (see page 2).

Come and see our new baby forest; enjoy its dramatic rock framework and breathtaking views; discover its many beautiful plants, some of them new to cultivation in the Pacific Northwest; immerse yourself in unusual landscapes; and enjoy the new display as it grows and develops over the coming years and decades. ⇨



FallAbundance Plant Sale

Saturday, September 28, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Graham Visitors Center, Washington Park Arboretum



Fall is the best time for planting your favorite trees, shrubs, and perennials, so you will not want to miss our third annual FallAbundance Plant Sale. The sale is hosted by our dedicated volunteers in the Pat Calvert Greenhouse and Plant Donations Nursery, and your tax-free plant purchases will help raise revenue to support the Arboretum. The Arboretum Foundation is where to shop for plants at a great value, and during FallAbundance, ALL greenhouse plants will be an additional 15% off!

Specialty nurseries: This year's sale will also feature four local specialty nurseries:

- Botanica, selling a selection of highly-unique perennials
- Foliage Gardens, featuring hardy native and exotic ferns
- Madrona Nursery, offering native plants and perennials
- Tadpole Haven, featuring plants native to lowland Western Washington

Want to help? Contact Megan Meyer at 206-577-0549 or mmeyer@arboretumfoundation.org today!

Free parking and admission. All proceeds benefit Washington Park Arboretum.

News and Notes

Members-Only Lecture: “Symbols in Maori Carving”

Sunday, September 15, 9:30 to 10:30 A.M.
Graham Visitors Center

Members of the Foundation are invited to attend an exclusive event in the morning just before the New Zealand Forest Opening Celebration begins. Maori wood carver Caine Tauwhare will join us to talk about the special custom slats he carved for the commemorative bench donated by the Seattle-Christchurch Sister City Association and installed near the trailhead of the New Zealand Forest. Not a member? Join at the door!

GUARDIANS OF PACIFIC CONNECTIONS

The new gardener for the New Zealand Forest, Kathleen DeMaria (right), with Pacific Connections gardener Kyle Henegar.

NZ Forest Gardener Hired

The Foundation is delighted to welcome Kathleen DeMaria to the Arboretum staff. Kathleen was hired by UW Botanic Gardens this summer as the new full-time



gardener in charge of maintaining the New Zealand Forest at Pacific Connections. Her salary and benefits are being entirely funded by the Arboretum Foundation. Kathleen is a graduate of the Master of Environmental Horticulture program at the UW. Before coming on as staff, she was an active volunteer in the Pacific Connections Garden Stewards program at the Arboretum. Her most recent job was as director of garden services for Scot Eckley, Inc., during which time she organized a crew of co-workers to donate their time and labor and spend a day planting in the Siskiyou Slope section of the Cascadia Forest. Congratulations Kathleen!

Miller Lecture: “Little Known Perennials”

This year’s featured speaker at the annual Miller Memorial Lecture—Thursday, September 19, 7 p.m.—is renowned plantsman and horticulturist Tony Avent. The title of his talk will be, “So Many Plants, So Little Time: Little Known Perennial Favorites to Delight and Excite!” Avent is the owner of Plant Delights Nursery and the Juniper Level Botanic Garden in Raleigh, North Carolina, and is also a well-traveled botanical explorer, author, and plant breeder. The lecture is free and will take place at Meany Hall on the University of Washington campus. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. To RSVP, email info@millergarden.org for an e-ticket.



NZ Forest Opening Celebration

Sunday, September 15, 11 A.M. to 2 P.M.

Pacific Connections Meadow, Washington Park Arboretum—Free and open to the public!



The Arboretum Foundation, UW Botanic Gardens, and Seattle Parks and Recreation invite you to join us to celebrate the opening of the 2-acre New Zealand Forest. The Opening Celebration—organized in partnership with the Seattle-Christchurch Sister City Association and the Burke Museum—will pay homage to New Zealand’s culture and ethnobotanical history. It will feature a traditional Maori “haka,” or war dance, and a dedication ceremony with Maori carver Caine Tauwhare. There will also be speeches by Seattle Mayor Mike McGinn, New Zealand Honorary Consul Rachel

Jacobsen, and senior officials from Seattle Parks and Recreation, UWBG, and the Foundation. In addition, visitors will enjoy live music, guided tours of the new forest, educational activities, a ribbon cutting, and refreshments.

Event Schedule:

- 11:00–11:15 AM: Welcome by Warren KingGeorge, oral historian of the Muckleshoot Tribe.
- 11:15–11:20 AM: Haka dance performance by Te Tini A Maui.
- 11:20–11:40 AM: Speeches by Mike McGinn (Mayor of Seattle), Jeffrey M. Riedinger (UW Vice Provost for Global Affairs), Craig Trueblood (Arboretum Foundation Board President), and Rachel Jacobsen (New Zealand Honorary Consul).
- 11:40–11:45 AM: Procession to the New Zealand Forest.
- 11:45 AM–12:00 PM: Ribbon-cutting ceremony.

- 12:05–12:20 PM: Performance by Te Tini A Maui.
- 12:25–12:50 PM: Poi and haka workshops by Te Tini A Maui.
- 1:00–1:15 PM: Bench dedication with Maori carver, Caine Tauwhare.
- 12:35–2:00 PM: Tours, family activities, and refreshments.

Parking: Arboretum Drive will be open to one-way traffic, going south, for the duration of the event on September 15. Parking will be permitted along the right hand side of the drive, as well as in designated Arboretum parking lots.

For more information, contact our events manager Kristin Price at kprice@arboretumfoundation.org or 206-325-4510. ☺



MAKING AN INVESTMENT: Four volunteers in the Azalea Way Stewards Program earned their vests in July: (left to right) Judy Phillips, Elaine Springer, Maureen DiGiacomo, and Joanne Pearson. Also pictured here are Seattle Parks and Recreation gardener Karen Stener (with cap) and stewards coordinator Rhonda Bush (far right). We're looking to recruit more volunteers to care for historic Azalea Way at Washington Park Arboretum. For more information, please email Rhonda at RhondaBush@comcast.net or call her at 206-941-2550.

Fiddleheads Fall Classes

The very popular new Fiddleheads Forest School—for preschoolers and their caregivers—is doubling its offerings for the fall, with 12 weeks of classes on subjects ranging from “What Makes a Bird a Bird?” to “Animal Tracks and Homes.” Every week’s class is based around a different learning theme, and students explore the theme of the week through a hike outdoors, hands-on activities, games, stories, and art. The classes are designed for children ages 2 to 5. Starting September 17, the classes will take place Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon at the Arboretum. A Friday morning class will be held at the Center for Urban Horticulture (3501 NE 41st Street, Seattle) from 10 a.m. to noon. There will also be one afternoon class, held at the Arboretum on Wednesdays from 2 to 4 p.m. Individual classes cost \$18 for one child and one caregiver. The cost is \$14 if you register for 6 or more sessions. You can register online at www.uwbotanicgardens.org. For more information, contact Kate Maher at uwbgeduc@uw.edu or call 206-221-6427.

DED Detected in the Arboretum.

The Arboretum has had its first confirmed case of Dutch elm disease (DED). In July, a field elm (*Ulmus minor* ‘Sarniensis’) on Elm Hill tested positive for the deadly fungus, which is spread by the elm bark beetle. Another ‘Sarniensis’ specimen looks like it may also have the disease and is being tested. The University of Washington Botanic Gardens is developing best management practices for the Arboretum’s susceptible and most valuable elms and will begin treatments this fall.

“The good news is that our susceptible elm collection is not huge—just a dozen or so specimens,” says UWBG manager of horticulture and plant records David Zuckerman. “The bad news is we will need to inject the trees with fungicide—most likely Arbotect, which has a proven track record at preventing DED infection—and this can be costly. Each injection is good for just three years, so long-term control is expensive.”

The City of Seattle and the UW campus have been battling DED in recent years, and David will be seeking their advice and support. ⇐

What's Happening

New Zealand Forest Opening Celebration

Sunday, September 15, 11 AM—2 PM

Fall Abundance Plant Sale

Saturday, September 28, 10 AM—2 PM

Arboretum Walks & Talks

October 3, November 7, December 5

Times vary (call 206-325-4510)

Arbor Circle, Legacy Circle, and Steward-level members, plus guests

Gifts & Greens Galore

Friday, December 6, 10 AM—4 PM

Saturday, December 7, 10 AM—4 PM

Japanese Garden Events

Sunday, September 15—

Respect for Elders

Sunday, October 13—

Maple Viewing Day

(See page 5)

— ONGOING EVENTS —

ARBORETUM PLANT SALES

Pat Calvert Greenhouse

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 AM—NOON

Plant Donations Nursery

Wednesdays and 2nd Saturdays

10 AM—2 PM, April to October

Guided Arboretum Walks

Every Sunday, 1 to 2:30 PM, GVC Lobby

Call 206-543-8800 to confirm

Master Gardeners Clinic

Saturdays/Sundays, NOON—4 PM,

GVC lobby

Native Plants Study Group

4th Mondays, 10 AM—NOON

All events occur at the Graham Visitors Center unless noted. Call 206-543-8800 for information on Arboretum events; 206-543-8801 for family and youth education programs or guided walks; 206-685-8033 for adult learning opportunities.

New Developments

Remembering Suzanne Peterson (1924–2013)

All of us at the Arboretum Foundation were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Suzanne Peterson. Suzanne will be remembered for her tremendous efforts in the mid-1980s as the co-chair of fundraising for the Graham Visitor Center. Her leadership helped us realize a long-held dream of building a structure to provide a forum for the public and the University of Washington's horticulture-related activities. The Graham Visitors Center is the mark that Suzanne left on the Arboretum, and it continues to benefit thousands of visitors each year.



LEFT: **FERN HUNTERS**

Participants in the Fern Hike summer experience and fundraiser, led by Judith Jones on July 13.



RIGHT: **PEAK BLOOM**

Hikers from the July 27 Esmeralda Basin Wildflower Adventure enjoying the views at Fortune Creek Pass.

A Summer of Special Experiences

This summer, supporters of the Foundation hosted a series of unique hiking, botanizing, and dining experience events to raise money for the Arboretum. Originally offered as part of the silent auction for the 2013 Opening Night Party, the events were well attended and very well received, and they gave us the opportunity to cultivate new friendships and celebrate good times with old friends.

On July 12, former Foundation board member Beth Bryson Morgan offered up her beautiful home on Queen Anne for an exclusive dinner with executive chef Peter Levine. Current board member Sherrey Luetjen co-hosted the event and—along with her board colleague Iris Wagner—waited on guests and helped provide a memorable culinary experience. On July 13, Judith Jones, fern authority and owner of Fancy Fronds Nursery, led a group of hikers on a spirited journey to Perry Creek, in the shadow of Mount Forgotten, where they explored the area's staggering diversity of fern and fern-allies. On July 27, Paul Smith—the head gardener for Seattle Parks and Recreation at the Arboretum and an experienced outdoorsman—led hikers on a trip to the luxuriant Esmeralda Basin in the Cascades Mountains to experience the area's legendary wildflower meadows and spectacular views.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the experience events. A special thanks to Beth, Sherrey, Iris, Judith, and Paul for their generosity—and for creating unforgettable experiences to delight the senses of our members and friends. If you have an idea for an experiential adventure for our 2014 silent auction, please let us know. (See page 5 for instructions.) ↪



Arboretum Shop
WASHINGTON PARK ARBORETUM

NEW BOOKS FOR FALL READING

- *The Good Life Lab: Radical Experiments in Hands-On Living*, by Wendy Tremayne and Dale Dougherty (Storey Publishing, 2013; \$18.95)
- *Backyard Foraging: 65 Familiar Plants You Didn't Know You Could Eat*, by Ellen Zachos (Storey Publishing, 2013; \$16.95)
- *Must-See Birds of the Pacific Northwest*, by Sarah Swanson and Max Smith (Timber Press, 2013; \$19.95)

OPEN 10 AM TO 4 PM DAILY
Ten percent discount for Foundation members

New Members

The Arboretum Foundation welcomes members who joined during the period of June 19, 2012 to August 26, 2013.

Nafisa Bhojwala and
Eshwar Somashekar
Karen Bishop
Kevin Boyer
Maureen Digiacomio

Stacey Hall
Steve Hoffman
Brian McCormick
Megan Meyer and Brian
McCormick

Heidi Powell
Cynthia Stross and Susan Stross
Louis Webster
Patricia Westlake

To renew or enhance your membership, please call 206-325-4510 or visit www.arboretumfoundation.org.

Upcoming Events



DEMO-GODDESS: Author Debra Prinzing demonstrating how to create stunning centerpieces using seasonal, locally grown material at the 2012 Gifts & Greens Galore. We'll have more great DIY presentations at this year's event.

Holiday Sale Update

Our annual Gifts & Greens Galore sale returns to the Graham Visitors Center on Friday, December 6 and Saturday, December 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. As always, we'll have a wonderful array of holiday decorations on offer, including sustainably harvested wreaths, swags, and unusual fresh-cut greens. Following up on the success of last year's craft activities and lectures, we'll again be featuring lots of DIY demonstrations. We'll also have:

- Customized centerpieces and other decorations—made while you wait!
- Beautiful, handmade floral wreaths and gift cards.
- A great selection of gifts in the Arboretum Shop, including seasonal food from local purveyors.

The event will feature craft activities hosted by the UW Botanic Gardens education staff, delicious holiday refreshments, and more. See the Gifts & Greens Galore page on our website, www.arboretumfoundation.org, for more details and for information on donating cut greens to the sale. ↪

Opening Night Party—“Art in Bloom”

Preparations are under way already for the Opening Night Party at this winter's Northwest Flower & Garden Show. On Tuesday, February 4, 2014, our guests will enjoy a fabulous evening of delicious food, fine wine, and live music, as well as the opportunity to view the beautiful display gardens at the Flower Show the day before it opens to the public—all while helping raise important funds to support the Arboretum.

The theme for 2014 garden show is “Art in Bloom,” and it will lend itself well to the elegance of our annual gala and fundraiser. The Arboretum Foundation is excited to be collaborating on our display garden with noted Seattle glass artist Ginny Ruffner. We're certain our homage to her personal Ballard garden will be a highlight of the show!

Donate to Our Silent Auction: Once again, the Opening Night Party will include a lavish silent auction filled with eye-popping local treasures and unique, nature-inspired experiences. If you would like to donate an item, service, or experience to the silent auction to support the Arboretum, you can download a procurement form from the Opening Night Party event page on our website, www.arboretumfoundation.org. Please contact Sheila Beer at sbeer@arboretumfoundation.org or 206-325-4510 with any questions. ↪

Save
the Date!

Opening Night Party at the
Northwest Flower
& Garden Show
Tuesday, February 4, 2014
Washington State
Convention Center,
Seattle



Fall Events at the Seattle Japanese Garden

- **Sunday, September 15: RESPECT FOR ELDERs**—The garden marks the importance of elders in our community by offering a range of performances and cultural activities. The event program runs from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and includes tea ceremonies and a concert by the Silk Strings Koto Ensemble. Admission is free all day for senior adults 65 and older.
- **Sunday, October 13: MAPLE VIEWING DAY**—Enjoy blazing autumn foliage throughout the garden.

For details, call 206-684-4725 or keep an eye on the Japanese Garden website, <http://www.seattle.gov/parks/parkspaces/japanesegarden.htm>.

VOLUNTEER VINE

Celebrating Our Volunteers— On August 8, the UW Botanic Gardens and the Arboretum Foundation threw their annual, joint Volunteer Appreciation & Awards Happy Hour. It was a warm, beautiful evening on the patio of the Graham Visitors Center, and the atmosphere was undeniably celebratory...helped just a smidge by the Kiwi Collins cocktails!

More than 100 guests attended the event, and it was fun to see volunteers from many different programs mingling and chatting. The staff members of the Arboretum and Center for Urban Horticulture welcomed the opportunity to demonstrate their appreciation by serving hors d'oeuvres and baking homemade desserts.

Judy Phillips earned the Foundation's coveted Volunteer of the Year Award, and is a very deserving recipient of this honor! Judy is a long-time volunteer who helps at our plant sales, is a regular volunteer at



TOASTING OUR VOLUNTEERS

Guests at the annual volunteer appreciation party enjoying the event's special New-Zealand-themed cocktail.

Plant Donations Nursery, is an Azalea Way Steward, serves on our event committees, and more. In all that she does, Judy is aware of representing the Arboretum Foundation and works hard to make sure we are seen in the best possible light.

For all the volunteers who helped the Foundation out this year but were not able to join us, please know how much we value your contributions!

Event Volunteers Needed! Our fall/winter event season is beginning, and we need your valuable assistance to make it a success. Upcoming events include the FallAbundance Plant Sale, on September 28, Gifts & Greens Galore, on December 6 and 7, and Opening Night at the Northwest Flower & Garden Show, on February 4. If you'd like to sign up to help, please contact our volunteer resources manager, Megan Meyer, at mmeyer@arboretumfoundation.org or 206-325-4510.

What's In My Garden 🌿

Pam Judge, Arboretum Shop Volunteer

What is in your garden this season? So many plants in my garden are very busy right now (late summer). My roses are looking wonderful—particularly striking are the lovely chocolate-orange color of the 'Hot Cocoa' and the yellow, orange, and red rainbow colors of the 'Chihuly'. Chocolate cosmos are also among my favorites because of their outstanding colors. Of course, one has to have food for the hummingbirds, so there is salvia, sage, and hyssop offering their nectar.

What is your favorite season to garden? I like all the seasons and make the most of them as I can. Winter is a particularly good time to appreciate what is often overlooked at other times of the year.

Can you recommend a good gardening or nature book? Anyone interested in Pacific Northwest gardening should have *Gardening with Native Plants of the Pacific Northwest* by Arthur R. Kruckeberg. Another interesting book is *Plants of the Pacific Northwest Coast*, compiled and edited by Jim Pojar and Andy MacKinnon. It offers special notes about plant folklore, as well as how the plants have been eaten or used medicinally.

When did you start volunteering at the Arboretum? I started volunteering about five years ago in the gift shop and then expanded to helping at the plant sales and garden shows. I'm still expanding my volunteer efforts.

What is your favorite thing about volunteering at the Arboretum? My favorite part about working in the gift shop is meeting interesting visitors from all over the world and helping them find that special gift to take home. I also enjoy answering visitors' questions about the Arboretum and the plants—sometimes identifying a plant in one of the front planters or discussing care of a fern or tree. There is so much to do and so many wonderful people to work with, which makes volunteering fun and rewarding. ☺



UWBG Events & Classes

Art Exhibit: Handmade Artisan Tiles

ELISABETH C. MILLER LIBRARY
CENTER FOR URBAN HORTICULTURE
(3501 NE 41ST STREET, SEATTLE)

An artisan tile is like a colorful hybrid of sculpture and painting. Artisan Tile Northwest, a non-profit group that advocates for regional handmade tile artists, will present an exhibit in the Elisabeth C. Miller Library, from September 4 to October 28. Many of the tiles on display will have botanical or nature themes. All the tiles will be for sale with a portion of proceeds benefiting the library. For more information, visit www.millerlibrary.org or call 206-543-0415.



ARTISAN TILE: See—and buy—beautiful handmade tiles such as this piece by Clare Dohna at the Miller Library in September and October.

Cabling, Bracing, and Staking Trees

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 8 A.M. TO NOON, WASHINGTON PARK ARBORETUM

When is it helpful or necessary to use supports on trees and tree branches? What are the best tools and techniques to use for cabling, bracing, and staking? Learn the answers in this outdoor class at the Arboretum led by UWBG arborist Chris Watson. Fee: early-bird rate, \$60; \$65 after September 17. For more information, email urbhort@uw.edu or call 206-685-8033. Register online at www.uwbotanicgardens.org.

Urban Foraging: Weeds and Wild Foods

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1 TO 3 P.M., WASHINGTON PARK ARBORETUM

Learn how to identify and gather some of the most common edible weeds and wild foods available in your garden and beyond. Melany Vorass Herrera, author of *Front Yard Forager*, will lead a “weed walk” and hands-on workshop in the Arboretum and will discuss topics such as plant gathering ethics, local rules and regulations, safety, and general information about how to cook with weeds. Fee: early-bird rate, \$30; \$35 after September 28. For more information, email urbhort@uw.edu or call 206-685-8033. Register online at www.uwbotanicgardens.org.

Spectacular Seeds

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1 TO 3 PM, WASHINGTON PARK ARBORETUM

A plant's beauty does not end when flowers fade and the leaves fall off. The show continues with the formation of fruit, seedpods, capsules, and seeds, which can have lots of ornamental appeal in addition to their nutritional and ecological importance. Join Barbara Selemón, former plant propagator at UW Botanic Gardens, to explore the vast diversity of seed types to be found in the UWBG collection at the Arboretum. Fee: early-bird discount \$25; \$30 after September 29. For more information, email urbhort@uw.edu or call 206-685-8033. Register online at www.uwbotanicgardens.org. ↪



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Arboretum Scene:

Hamamelis virginiana American witch-hazel

The Virginia witch-hazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*)—also known as American witch-hazel and common witch-hazel—is a season bender. Just when you’ve reconciled yourself to the idea that the flowers in your garden are all gone and the bloom season is past, this large, deciduous shrub pops into action. Beginning in September, it produces “spidery,” yellow, four-petaled flowers that fill the air with a spicy fragrance for several weeks. In fact, Arboretum visitors frequently smell the flowers before they see them because, unlike its Asian relatives, this species blooms while still in leaf. A native of eastern North America, from Nova Scotia to the Carolinas and westward to Nebraska and Illinois, it forms a large shrub or small, low-branched tree, up to 20 high and at least as wide. (Its bark and leaves are the source of the astringent “witch hazel” found in topical medicines used to reduce swelling.) The plant thrives in moist but well-drained, acidic soils in full sun to partial shade; flowering is best in sunny sites. In the Arboretum, the best places to go sniffing for Virginia witch-hazel are in the Woodland Garden (grid 31-3E) and across Arboretum Drive from the Pacific Connections Entry Meadow (grid 7-5E).

—Randall Hitchin, Arboretum Foundation



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