

The Garden Path

Everyone Needs a Garden

November - December 2020



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Winter morning From the vine maple twig hangs a single feather

- Peter Kendall

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"Thank you for the updates, and good luck during these trying times. It will all get better. Here are a couple of my favorites from 2019 visits. You are stewarding a cherished place."

"Thanks for opening the garden

during this challenging time and

bringing the peace and serenity of

our community and visitors. I hope

the entire team working at the

"It was very peaceful, given the

current global crisis. Thank you

very much for all of the effort to

garden is safe and well."

allow me that time."

"Please stay safe and take care! I appreciate so much the work you are all doing, and the garden is such a special place and this community is better off for it."

"We traveled all over the world but my husband. Dutch, always said this was one of the most beautiful places he had been."

Thank You Members!

Portland Japanese Garden members are the heartbeat of our organization.

Throughout the course of the year, we were uplifted by so many who wrote messages, shared photos and memories, and most importantly, continued to be a part of our community.

> "Keep up the terrific work you are doing. Portland NEEDS the Japanese Garden."

"Thank you so much for the kind thoughts within your email this morning. The moments of serenity are just wonderful; my six-yearold son and I already feel better about the coming day."



"So special to bring my son Brandon to visit the Japanese Garden for the first time this week. His Grandpa Tim Coughlin, my dad, was a Japanese Garden Volunteer more than twenty years ago while he battled cancer ... It felt so special to show him where I sat as a child as they honored his Grandpa here .. Thank you to the Japanese Gardens for providing my family with generations of beauty and solace."



"This photo is the lock screen on my computer. It's so beautiful and it makes me feel like I'm back in the peacefulness of the garden for a split second before I return to the chaos of the digital world. I love the Japanese Garden!"

FRONT & BACK COVER Sheepscot Creative

THE GARDEN PATH NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2020

An Extraordinary Journey

Reflecting on 15 years

This fall I'm proud and humbled to mark my 15th anniversary as C.E.O. of Portland Japanese Garden. I was recently asked if I could describe the past 15 years with just one word, and indeed just one word came to mind... Extraordinary!

It has been my honor to help shepherd the organization through good times and bad, through success and at times challenges, but mostly, through a remarkable transformational journey seeking to fulfill the limitless potential of the Garden and its ability to touch hearts and lives.

Together we have ushered the Garden into a new era of engagement, inclusiveness, and exploration, building community along the way. A hallmark of the past 15 years has been expanded access to the Garden, increasing attendance from 100,000 to nearly 500,000 per year, growing membership from 3,000 to 21,000, and offering ever expanding programs from just a handful to more than 300 per year, here in Portland and on four continents around the world.

The Portland Japanese Garden community, or should I say family, have come together time and time again to move the Garden forward in the fulfillment of its mission. It is only by working together as a community that we have caught up on 20 years of deferred Garden maintenance and restoration, established the North American Japanese Garden Association, created the International Japanese Garden Training Center, completed the monumental Cultural Crossing expansion project, and prepared for the launch of The Japan Institute, which will further spread the ideals





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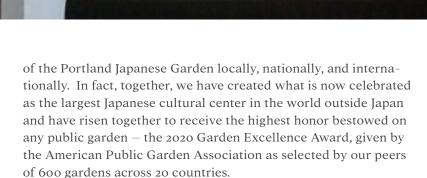
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Christina Sjogren

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Today, the pandemic we are facing has been perhaps the most challenging moment in the Garden's 57-year history. Our focus now, is on preserving and securing the work that we, and those who came before us, have done to build this irreplaceable cultural and community treasure. It is this Portland Japanese Garden community and its' ability to rise to any challenge to protect and advance the Garden that buoys me each and every day and gives me the confidence in knowing that we shall persevere. You have my promise of that.

So let me say Thank You! Thank you for allowing me this journey for 15 years, for always being there to support and do what's right and good for Portland Japanese Garden, for helping to reach millions of hearts and lives through this special place. Thank you to our members, our volunteers, and to the most talented, committed, and passionate staff that any C.E.O. could ever ask for. Thank you for the trust to lead, the opportunity to dream, and the freedom to make mistakes and learn important lessons along the way.

Each morning as I begin my day, I remind myself of the Garden's mission... "To bring the ideals of the Portland Japanese Garden to the world: art of craft, connection to nature, experience of peace."

Extraordinary indeed...

With Gratitude,

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Steve Bloom Chief Executive Officer

THE GARDEN PATH



Megumi Kato

Sharing a Vision

Celebrating the Anniversaries of Steve Bloom and Sadafumi Uchiyama

Portland Japanese Garden's CEO, Steve Bloom, and Garden Curator, Sadafumi (Sada) Uchiyama, recently sat down (socially distanced and over anniversary cake!) to chat about their tenure with the organization, their shared memories and accomplishments, and what they still hope to accomplish together. After fifteen years of knowing each other, Steve and Sada's relationship is a microcosm of the Garden's vision — two vastly different personalities, backgrounds, and perspectives harmoniously joining forces to foster peace, cross-cultural understanding, and greater hope for future generations.



Tyler Quinn

Q: How long have you known each other and how did you meet?

Steve: A lot of people don't know this, but Sada was actually on the Garden's Board of Trustees and part of the search committee that hired me fifteen years ago. So, I met Sada on my very first visit to Portland during my interviews with the Garden. After I settled into the job, I pulled Sada aside and asked him if he would consider resigning from the Board, of course with the intent of encouraging him to apply for the Garden Curator position. In a nutshell, after Sada hired me, I hired him!

Q: What are some of the most exciting things you've accomplished together?

Steve: Well... after 12 years, the list is long! I think one of the most exciting things is that we've always shared a vision for what the Garden could become — a holistic platform for teaching Japanese culture, art and so much more beyond the physical grounds. Sada, as Garden Curator, has achieved so much more than garden maintenance, he has focused on truly curating a place that is inspired by, and inspires, a myriad of Japanese artforms like music, literature, bonsai, haiku, ikebana.

Sada: We have spent the last 12 years reshaping the definition of a Japanese garden and what it really means. 12 years ago, no one else had the title of Garden Curator. But today, many gardens - Japanese gardens in particular - have Garden Curators leading their vision. We've also expanded our focus on community through our cultural programs; encouraging people to have more conversations.

Steve: And everything that we did to build organizational capacity from the very beginning, of course, culminated in the Cultural Crossing project in 2017.

Q: What are some of your favorite memories over the last decade?

Steve: We've done so much together: visit gardens in Japan; build a sand and stone garden in Washington, D.C. (where we were literally on our hands and knees together) and of course the kasagi project ... but equally important, we've spent countless hours eating sushi and drinking sake! These "unofficial" meetings have resulted in some of the best philosophical conversations about the Garden's future direction. It's during these times that we generate the ideas and passion for where we're taking the institution.

Sada: There are so many powerful memories; more than I imagined when I came to work for a garden. For me, my memories exemplify the power of the Garden – how much it can embrace and give back.

Q: What impact has Portland Japanese Garden had on you?

Sada: I come from a gardener's family so happiness for me comes from seeing joy in the faces of guests. That's had a tremendous impact on me because no other job has provided this kind of joy. The Garden has also allowed me to implement unrealized ideas like the International Japanese Garden Training Center. This was already a concept when I interviewed with Steve. As a third-generation Japanese gardener, passing on this legacy was always something I wanted to do. Portland Japanese Garden has allowed me to fulfill this vision.

Q: Can you give us an advance look at what's yet to come?

Sada: Most people think the Cultural Crossing project is done. But it's just a "container" for the Japan Institute, which is our future focus. The close of the project was just the beginning of the next. Although we didn't have a name for it, we already had vision for the Japan Institute.

Steve: The Japan Institute will bring great things in terms of the programming we provide and the conversations we are able to facilitate across our communities here in Portland and around the world. In line with our mission and because we are "just a garden," we can encourage non-threatening dialogue around more challenging social issues.

For the full video interview, visit japanesegarden. org/vision. Look for more information on the Japan Institute in our next issue of The Garden Path in 2021.



Jonathan Lev



Gardening for the Future

Taking Steps to Ensure the Garden's Longevity

While a gardener is acutely aware of the immediate health and wellness of the plants they care for, they are also deeply mindful of how their care today can make a profound impact on the future. Working in harmony with nature, our gardeners are constantly nurturing the ecosystem of the plants and trees that make up the Portland Japanese Garden, keeping it the serene oasis for generations to come.

- 1 Sheepscot Creative
- 2 Tyler Quinn
- 3 Jonathan Ley
- 4 Peter Friedman







Just a few projects from the year include:

- Underestimated, yet critical tasks such as
 watering during the long and dry days of summer.
 While there are hundreds of automated sprinkler
 heads within the Garden's irrigation system, handwatering the essential spots provide the plants
 with the water and quiet conversation they need
 with the gardeners.
- Annual pine pruning, which allows for the gardeners to see how the trees grew over the year and past years, to determine the necessary style of pruning. In the winter, gardeners generally follow the "hamushiri" or needling technique to pluck old needles out and allow for more sunlight to reach the new buds on the inside.
- Maintaining the health of trees throughout the Garden by restructuring the shape and growth of them. Cutting back a branch means that this energy can now be distributed elsewhere, so the tree can grow to be even stronger and healthier in the long run.
- End of year cleaning, which is rooted in Japanese culture and tradition, is also reflected in the Garden. The gardeners work to clear the Garden of this year's leaves and branches to welcome in the new year and symbolize a new beginning.



Judson Randall

Preview 2021

Art Exhibitions at Porltand Japanese Garden

In 2020, we harnessed the power of our community of art collectors to bring three Japanese ceramic exhibitions to Portland Japanese Garden. In 2021, we will be sharing a range of art through the generous support of Jordan Schnitzer and the Jordan Schnitzer Family Foundation. Details are being confirmed, and we will be sharing an overview as well as an interview with Jordan in our next issue.

Additionally, March of 2021 will mark the 10th anniversary of the Tohoku earthquake, or the Great East Japan Earthquake. In acknowledgement and commemoration, Portland Japanese Garden will present an exhibition that tells a story epitomizing perseverance, hope, and the power of community — the journey of *kasagi* (crossbeams of a *torii* gate) from the shores of Oregon back to a shrine in Hachinohe, Japan.

Find the full story at japanesegarden.org/kasagi-gates-hope



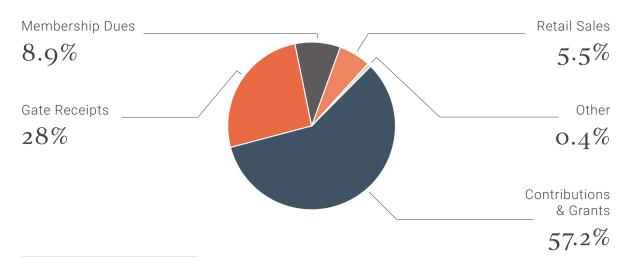
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2020 By the Numbers

Thank you for your support!

This year has been like no other in the history of Portland Japanese Garden. The impacts of COVID and wildfires have decreased our operating budget by 55% and changed the way we all experience the Garden. Through the support of our community, however, we are still here to provide respite from the challenges of our busy, modern lives: a place that allows one to explore the art of craft, a connection to nature, and experience peace.

2020 Sources of Net Operating Revenue

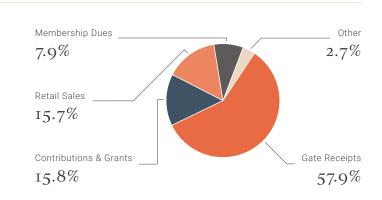


Community Support

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Total Members	First-time Donors	Golden Crane Society Members	Raised During Closure	Masks Donated by Members for Garden Staff

For Comparison

2019 Sources of Net Operating Revenue







Cumulative giving to the Annual Fund from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020

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The Corporate Golden Crane Society

Insights from our Partners

Corporate partners are an important part of sustaining the Garden.

Damon Schrosk of Treecology first dreamt of partnering with Portland Japanese Garden after a road trip here 30 years ago. His company has since installed lighting on the Antique Gate Path, put in owl boxes, and acted as the project arborist during our expansion.

Portland Coffee Roasters has supported the Garden for most of their 25 years in business. "The Garden adds to our pride in our city. It's a gem that we want to help make accessible to others," says Paul Gilles, VP of Operations.

One of the benefits Paul most appreciates is the easy access it offers their employees. Charles Holt of the Mark Spencer Hotel says their front desk staff utilize their corporate partnership to visit the Garden — and that has made it one of their most recommended tourist destinations.

"Portland Japanese Garden offers an opportunity to steal away from the city and enjoy a fully immersive sensory experience," says Roger Hinshaw of Bank of America. "We believe access to these types of experiences differentiates our community and helps residents and visitors thrive."

Toni Chandler says the Paramount Hotel always feels confident when they send visitors here. "We know they will always return enlightened, educated, and impressed by its beauty and tranquility," she says.

Corporate culture is important to NW Natural. "We support the Garden because it is an example of peace, intention, and mutual respect," says Mary Moerlins, Director of Environmental Policy & Corporate Responsibility at NW Natural. "We would be a different company if these influences were not part of our corporate culture, and the Garden has definitely been a part of that."

The Garden's power to transport people speaks to Andrew Murphy of Sapporo USA because they strive for a similar experience. "We want people to feel like they are experiencing a little piece of Japan."

The Hyatt Centric Downtown Portland says the Garden is an integral part of the city. For their part in curating experiences, they feel it is a natural connection.

James Fowler, owner of Devil's Food Catering, draws connections between the sensory aspects of his business and the Garden. "Cuisine, like gardening, is a multisensory engaging art that facilitates the sharing of culture, so our philosophies align very well," he says. "We believe in the power of arts and culture to break down boundaries, to unite us, and to make us better people."

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Jonathan Ley - The gravel at the Flat Garden in it's special, once-a-year patter for Moonviewing in October



Hannah Steelman - Irises in full bloom in July

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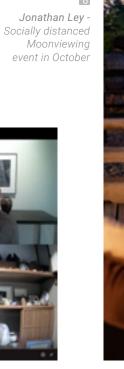
Aki Nakanishi -Video stroll through the Garden in April



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