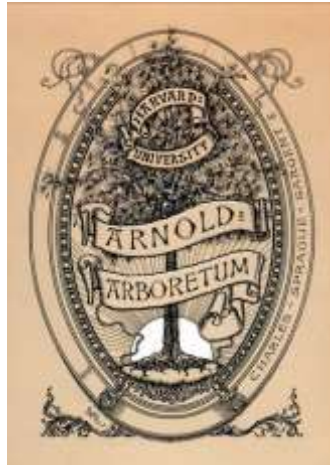


Archives IV C-2

Records of the Living Collections - Planting Lists, 1932-: Guide



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Descriptive Summary

Repository: Archives of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University, Jamaica Plain, MA

Call No.: IV C-2

Title: Records of the Living Collections - Planting Lists, 1932-

Dates: 1932-2006

Creator: Arnold Arboretum's Living Collections Department

Quantity: 3.4 linear feet

Language of Materials: English

Abstract: This collection, originally amassed by the Arnold Arboretum's Living Collections Department, contains planting lists, plant condition checks, memoranda, maps, Planting Bulletins, and other materials related to the Arboretum's bi-annual planting seasons. Each year is divided into spring and fall, during which plants are established, moved or removed, and checked for condition. The collection is organized chronologically, and spans from 1932 to 2006, with the bulk of the materials falling in the 1990s. The collection is expected to grow as more planting lists are donated.

Note: Access to Finding Aid record in [Hollis Classic](#) or [Hollis](#).

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Additional Material: A complete collection of Planting Bulletins can be found in Records of the Living Collections: Planting Bulletins, 1991 - (call no. IV C-2.1).

Processing Information

1995; 2000; 2005; 2014, Nicole Brown. Edited 2015, Stephanie Turnbull.

Acquisition Information

Provenance: This collection was transferred from the Arnold Arboretum's Living Collections departmental holdings to the Arnold Arboretum Archives in 1984 when the Archives was created. Further deposits have been made from the Living Collections Department to the Arnold Arboretum Archives post-1984, including deposits in May 2013 and on June 24, 2013 by Steve Schneider.

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Historical Note

The Arnold Arboretum traditionally has two main planting seasons: one in the spring and one in the fall, during which materials are planted and/or transferred to the main grounds from the Arboretum’s nurseries, moved around or removed from the grounds, and checked for condition. The materials in this collection document these activities, which involved the Arboretum grounds crew, horticulturists, taxonomists, superintendents, and members of the Greenhouse and Curatorial Departments, and which span from 1932 to 2006. [Donald Wyman \(1904-1993\)](#) served as the Horticulturist of the Arnold Arboretum from 1935 until 1970, and was a driving force in documenting the arboretum’s planting seasons. His successors included [Gordon P. Dewolf, Jr.](#) (Horticulturist, 1970-1976), Robert S. Hebb (Assistant Horticulturist, 1968-1974), Gary L. Koller (Supervisor of the Living Collections and then Manager of Horticulture, 1976-1998), and Stephen A. Spongberg (Assistant Curator and the Horticultural Taxonomist, 1970-1998). Spongberg revised the planting season documentation in fall 1991 to include seasonal Planting Bulletins, (a separate set of records which can be found in Records of the Living Collections: Planting Bulletins, 1991-, IV C-2.1). After Spongberg’s retirement in 1998, Peter Del Tredici became the Director of Living Collections, and directed the Arboretum’s planting seasons and plant siting between 1992 and 2004. He was assisted by Julie Coop (Manager of Horticulture, -2008). In 2007, Coop began working with [Michael Dosmann](#), who was appointed the Director of Living Collections that year; they prepared Planting Bulletins and directed plant siting. After Coop left the Arboretum in 2008, Dosmann continued directing the plant siting and preparing Planting Bulletins with the assistance of the Arboretum’s Manager of Horticulture.

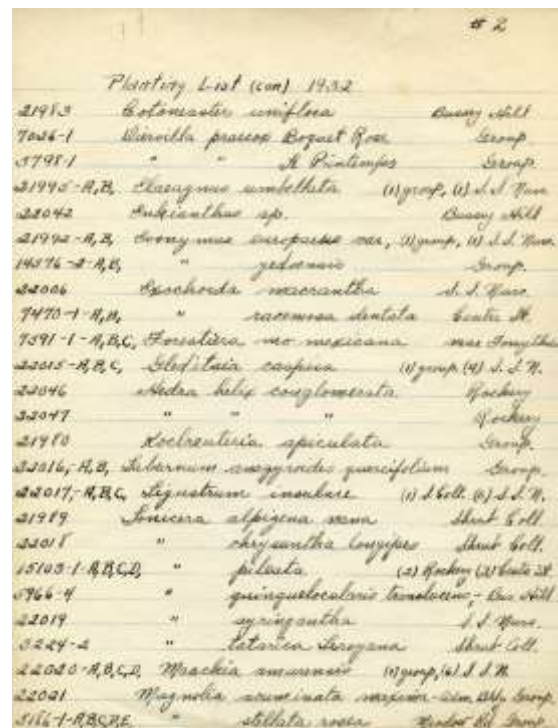


Image 1: Planting List, 1932

Scope and Content

At the creation of this finding aid, the collection spans from 1932 to 2006. The collection is made up of materials including planting lists, plant condition checks, maps, and Planting Bulletins.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged chronologically in 8 series.

- Series I:** 1930s
- Series II:** 1940s
- Series III:** 1950s
- Series IV:** 1960s
- Series V:** 1970s
- Series VI:** 1980s

Series VII: 1990s
Series VIII: 2000s

Container List

Box 1

Series I: 1930s

Folder

1. Planting Lists, 1932
2. Planting Lists, 1933
3. Planting Lists, 1934
4. Planting Lists, 1935
5. Planting Lists, 1936
6. Planting Lists, 1937
7. Spring and Fall Planting Lists, 1938
8. Planting Lists, 1939
9. Plant Condition Lists, 1938 and 1939
10. Map Index, 1939

Series II: 1940s

Folder

1. Spring Planting Lists, 1940
2. Planting Lists, 1941
3. Plant Condition Lists, 1941
4. Spring Planting Lists, 1942
5. Plant Condition Lists, 1942
6. Fall and Spring Planting Lists, 1942 and 1943
7. Fall Planting Lists, 1943
8. Planting Lists, 1944
9. Spring Planting Lists, 1945
10. Spring Planting Lists, 1946
11. Planting Lists, 1947
12. Planting Lists, 1948
13. Spring Planting Lists, 1949

Box 2

Series III: 1950s

Folder

1. Spring Planting Lists, 1950
2. Spring Planting Lists, 1951
3. Fall and Spring Planting Lists, 1951 and 1952
4. Planting Lists, 1952
5. Spring Planting Lists, 1953
6. Fall Planting Lists, 1953
7. Spring Planting Lists, 1954
8. Fall Digging Lists, 1958

Series IV: 1960s

Folder

1. Fall Planting Lists, 1960



Image 2: Planting List, 1936

2. Fall and Spring Planting Lists, 1960 and 1961
 - includes map
3. Field Checks on Planting Lists, 1961
4. Fall and Spring Planting Lists, 1962 and 1963
5. Spring Planting Lists, 1964
 - includes map
6. Field Checks on Planting Lists, 1964
7. Field Checks on Planting Lists, 1965
8. Spring Planting Lists, 1966

Box 3
Series IV cont.
Folder

9. Fall and Spring Planting Lists, 1966 and 1967
 - includes map
10. Field Checks on Planting Lists, 1966
11. Fall and Spring Planting Lists, 1967 and 1968
 - includes map
12. Field Checks on Planting Lists, 1967
13. Field Checks on Planting Lists, 1968
14. Fall and Spring Planting Lists, 1968 and 1969
 - includes map
15. Case Estates Planting Lists, 1969
16. Field Checks on Planting Lists, 1969
17. Memorandum: Making a Planting List, 1969
18. Fall Planting List, 1969



Image 4 and 5: Sections from maps included in Planting Lists from Fall 1968 and Spring 1969

Series V: 1970s
Folder

1. Fall and Spring Planting Lists, 1969 and 1970
2. Fall Planting Lists, 1970
3. Spring Planting Lists, 1971

4. Fall Planting Lists, 1971

Box 4

Series V cont.

Folder

5. Spring Planting Lists, 1972
6. Fall Planting and Digging Lists, 1972
7. Spring Planting Lists, 1973
8. Spring Digging Lists, 1973
9. Fall Planting and Digging Lists, 1973
10. Spring Planting Lists, 1974
11. Fall Planting Lists, 1974
12. Fall Digging Lists, 1974
13. Spring Planting Lists, 1975
14. Spring Digging Lists, 1975
15. Fall Labelling Lists, 1975
16. Fall Planting and Digging Lists, 1975
17. Spring Planting Lists, 1977
18. Fall Planting Lists, 1977
19. Spring Planting Lists, 1978
20. Fall Planting Lists, 1978
21. Spring Planting Lists and etc., 1979

Series VI: 1980s

Folder

1. Fall Planting Lists, 1982
2. Spring Planting Lists, 1983

Box 5

Series VII: 1990s

Folder

1. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, 1990
2. Fall Planting Lists and Memoranda, 1990
3. Plants Planted in Fall and Spring, 1990 and 1991
4. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, 1991
5. Fall Planting Lists, July and August 1991
6. Fall Planting Lists, September 1991
 - includes Planting Bulletins
7. Fall Planting Lists and Memoranda, October to December 1991
 - includes Planting Bulletins
8. Fall Planting Lists and Maps, Undated 1991
9. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, November 1991 to February 1992
10. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, March to June 1992
 - includes Planting Bulletins

Box 6

Series VII cont.

Folder

11. Spring Rosaceae in Cans, 1992
12. Spring Planting Lists and Notes, Undated 1992
13. Fall and Spring Planting Summaries, 1991 and 1992
14. Fall Planting Lists and Memoranda, July to September 1992

15. Fall Planting Lists and Memoranda, October, November and Undated 1992
 - includes Planting Bulletins
16. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, February to August 1993
17. Spring Planting Lists and Maps, Undated 1993
18. Spring Planting Bulletins and Drafts, 1993
19. Fall Planting Lists and Memoranda, June to August 1993
20. Fall Planting Lists and Memoranda, September to November and Undated 1993
 - includes Planting Bulletins

Box 7

Series VII cont.

Folder

21. Spring Planting Lists, 1994
 - includes Planting Bulletins
22. Spring Planting Lists, Undated 1994
23. Peter Hill Renovation Project, April to June and undated 1994
 - includes Planting Bulletins
24. Fall Planting Lists, 1994
 - includes Planting Bulletins
25. Spring Planting Lists, 1995
26. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, 1996
27. Fall Planting Lists, 1996
28. Spring Planting Lists, 1997
29. Fall Planting Lists, 1997
30. Spring Planting Lists, 1998
31. Fall Planting Lists, 1998
32. Spring Planting Lists, 1999
33. Summer and Fall Planting Lists, 1999
 - includes Planting Bulletins

Series VIII: 2000s

Folder

1. Spring Planting Lists, 2000
2. Fall Planting Lists, 2000
3. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, 2001
 - includes Planting Bulletins
4. Fall Planting Lists and Memoranda, 2001
5. Spring Planting Lists, 2002
6. Fall Planting Lists, 2002

Box 8

Series VIII cont.

Folder

7. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, 2003
8. Fall Planting Lists, 2003
 - includes Planting Bulletins
9. Spring Planting Lists and Memoranda, 2004
10. Fall Planting Lists, 2004
11. Spring Planting Lists, 2005
 - includes Planting Bulletins

- 12.** Spring Planting Receipts, 2005
- 13.** Summer and Fall Planting Lists, 2005
- 14.** Spring Planting Lists, 2006
- 15.** Summer and Fall Planting Lists, 2006