Visitor Information

The Hunnewell Building is open for restroom access and business guests on weekdays 9:00am to 5:00pm and on weekends 10:00am to 5:00pm. The Visitor Center in the Hunnewell Building is open 10:00am to 5:00pm; closed Wednesdays and holidays.

Services in the Visitor Center include:
- Personal assistance and recommendations to enrich your visit
- Membership information
- Maps, postcards, and water bottles for sale
- Changing exhibits including materials from our archives
- Curated art exhibitions
- Activities for children and families
- Lost and found: 617.384.5209. Unclaimed items are donated to charity after two weeks.

The Arnold Arboretum Horticultural Library is open Monday through Friday, 10:00am–3:45pm. For information, visit our website, email hortlib@arnarb.harvard.edu or call 617.522.1086.

Visitor Parking and Driving Permits
Street parking is available along the Arboretum’s perimeter. Individuals with special needs may request a driving permit at the Visitor Center, weekdays only (closed Wednesday), from 10:30am to 3:00pm. Please call 617.384.5209.

Be a part of the Explorer’s Club! Borrow a Discovery Pack from the Visitor Center with tools and activities for hands-on exploration with children. Perfect for families, homeschoolers, and after-school groups. Try our newest addition, Be an Engineer, and create simple structures out of bamboo sticks.

Well Being at the Arnold Arboretum

Forest Bathing
Tam Willey, Certified Forest Therapy Guide
Relax and immerse yourself in nature on a slow-paced, facilitated combination of wandering, sitting, and resting in our landscape.

Weekend Sessions
2nd & 4th Saturday Morning Sessions: April & May
April 13, April 27, May 11, May 25, 9:00–11:00am
Fee $25 member, $35 nonmember

Five Week Series
May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 5:30–7:30pm
Fee $125 member, $175 nonmember

Lilac Therapy Walks
May 14 and 16, 9:00–11:00am
Fee $25 member, $35 nonmember

Morning Yoga at the Arboretum
July 14, 21, 28, and August 4 at 10:00am
Improve your health and practice well-being with poses, breathing, and meditation in the tranquil setting of the Arnold Arboretum. Cosponsored with the Emerald Necklace Conservancy and the NPS Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site.
Free, registration is limited and required
**Art Exhibitions**

**Drawn to Paint**  
*Paintings of Arnold Arboretum Trees by Paul Olson*  

On view May 10–July 21, 2019  
Opening Reception: Saturday, May 18, 1:00–3:00 pm

Artist Paul Olson has been a landscape painter for decades. He explores the Arboretum landscape with sketchbook in hand, then brings his on-site observations into the painting studio to work in color, reflecting on his real-world experience. These works on paper and canvas also feature paintings of bonsai from the Bonsai and Penjing Collection. Olson last exhibited at the Arboretum in 2012, with an exhibition entitled *Drawn to Woods*.

**Between the Leaves**  
*The Unique Prints of Sarah Cross*  

On view July 26–October 13, 2019  
Opening Reception: Saturday, July 27, 1:00-3:00 pm  
Cyanotype Workshop with the Artist: Sunday, July 28, 10:00am – Noon

*Between the Leaves* focuses on the ephemeral quality of light. The resulting prints are fragile, painterly, and unique. Artist Sarah Cross works with a range of photographic media, including 4” x 5” color negatives, digital manipulation, and gum bichromate printing to create photographs, which although large in physical presence, are meant to express small invitations to reverie.

Exhibitions are displayed in the Hunnewell Building Lecture Hall, which is occasionally reserved for meetings and classes. Call 617.384.5209 for exhibition availability; see page 14 for Visitor Center hours.

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**Special Events**

**A Tradition in New England since 1908**  

**Lilac Sunday**  

Sunday, May 12, 10:00–3:00pm

Of the thousands of flowering plants growing in the Arboretum, only the lilac (*Syringa* spp.) is singled out each year for a daylong celebration. With more than 380 lilac plants of 172 kinds, the Arboretum holds one of the premier lilac collections in North America. Join us to explore the beauty and diversity of these fragrant shrubs and the coming of spring on Mother’s Day at the Arnold Arboretum.

Guided and self-guided tours of the lilacs and other special collections, fun family activities, and picnicking (on this day only) make for a memorable day at the Arboretum. Be a part of this beloved Boston tradition.

**Collections Up Close:**  

**The Ginkgo Collection**  

Sunday, June 2, 1:00–3:00pm

Celebrate plant diversity, natural history, and the work of public gardens by spotlighting plants and their families. Join us for tours, family activities and festivities in the ginkgo collection on Peters Hill. Most people can identify a ginkgo leaf — but what do you really know about the tree itself? Come learn more about this “living fossil” and explore a collection that reflects the greatest known genetic diversity of wild-collected ginkgos in North America and possibly the world.

**A free performance in the landscape**  

**Pride and Prejudice**  

Sunday, June 23, 5:00–6:00pm

Join us in the Leventritt Shrub & Vine Garden for a play adapted from Jane Austen’s novel and performed by Actors’ Shakespeare Project. See story on page 8.
Landscape Explorations

Guided Tours

Free landscape tours are available on Saturdays at 10:30am and Sundays at 1:00pm from April 13 into November. Weekday tours will be available on Mondays and Thursdays at 10:30am during May, June, September, and October. For additional details on Arboretum tours and full schedule, visit my.arboretum.harvard.edu or call 617.384.5209.

Theme Tours

Look into a special focus or area of the Arboretum. Geared toward adults, free, and registration requested.

Spring into Health
Rhoda Kubrick, Arboretum Docent
Sunday, April 14, 11:00am–12:30pm

Arboretum Bird Walks
Brendan Keegan, Arboretum Gardener 1
Saturday, June 1, 8:00–9:30am [Arborway Gate]; Sunday, June 23, 8:00–9:30am [Bussey Street Gate]
Bob Mayer, Arboretum Docent
Three Saturdays: April 27 [Arborway Gate], May 4 [Peters Hill Gate], May 18 [Arborway Gate]; one Sunday: May 5 [South Street Gate]; all 8:00–9:30am

The First Twenty-Five Years of the Arboretum
Emily Wheeler, Arboretum Docent
Sunday, May 5, 11:00am–12:30pm [Centre Street Gate]

From Seed to Tree
Dana Greenhouses Staff
First Tuesdays May–October, 1:00–1:45pm [Bonsai/Penjing Pavilion]

When Lilacs in the Arboretum Bloomed!
Chris McArdle, Arboretum Docent
Wednesday, May 8, 11:00am–12:00pm; Monday, May 13, 1:00–2:00pm [map table at ponds]

Family Rosaceae: Roses in Bloom
Marty Amdur, Arboretum Docent
Sunday, June 9, 1:00–2:30pm [map table at ponds]

Walking Postscript: Revisiting Plants from The Bulletin of Popular Information
Jonathan Damery, Associate Editor of Arnoldia
Thursday, June 13, 4:00–5:30pm

Medicinal Plants at the Arnold Arboretum
John de la Parra, Associate, Harvard University Herbaria; Ernest Anemone, Lecturer, Tufts University
Saturday, June 15, 1:00–2:30pm

Bonsai Behind the Curtain
Tiffany Enzenbacher, Manager of Plant Production
Wednesday, June 19, 5:30–6:30pm [Bonsai/Penjing Pavilion]

Peters Hill: Discover the Other End of the Arboretum
Kevin Schofield, Arboretum Docent
Thursday, June 20, 5:00–6:30pm [Peters Hill Gate]

Angiosperms and Gymnosperms
Florrie Wescoat, Arboretum Docent
Sunday, July 20, 2:30–4:00pm

Pollinators
Sunday, July 21, 2:00–3:30pm

The Forest is Calling
Sunday, August 18, 2:00–3:30pm

Fun in the Landscape for Families with Children

Spring/Summer Family Hikes
Walks highlight plants, natural phenomena, and develop observational skills in children. Maximum of three children per accompanying adult; suitable for children ages four through twelve. Free and open to all; registration is requested.

Welcome Back Redwing Blackbirds
Sunday, April 14, 2:00–3:30pm

Flower Power
Sunday, May 19, 2:00–3:30pm

Insect Safari
Sunday, June 16, 2:00–3:30pm

Science in Our Park Series

Census Challenge! Biodiversity Sampling
Sunday, April 28, 2:00–4:00pm

Dissection Dramatics! Flower Form
Sunday, May 26, 2:00–4:00pm

Get Your Hands Dirty! Soil Science
Sunday, June 23, 2:00–4:00pm

Catch Some Rays! Solar Energy
Sunday, August 4, 2:00–4:00pm