



LAN SU CHINESE GARDEN



NEWS & UPDATES FOR MEMBERS - SPRING 2020

Chinese New Year Lantern Viewing

Lan Su celebrates Chinese New Year, hosts four evenings of Lantern Viewings, showcases our 20th Anniversary, offers reciprocal admission to other Portland attractions and more ... see more inside

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LOOKING TOWARD 2020

A letter from Terry Smith, President of Lan Su's Board of Directors

Happy Chinese New Year to all!

As we set our sights on the upcoming *Year of the Rat*, I want to pause and provide a slight look ahead at what will be an exciting and pivotal year for Lan Su.

As many of you know, we have been working diligently on efforts to secure the parking lot on the north side of the garden — also known by some as Block 24 on the city grid — to begin the journey of fulfilling our vision for a cultural center as part of the long-term vision for the Old Town Chinatown neighborhood.

We are very pleased that this hard work has paid off, in the form of an executed agreement to purchase the land, and a development partnership with Prosper Portland as we move forward. A great



Rendering of proposed Cultural Center next to Lan Su Chinese Garden

To prepare for these exciting events and visionary creations, we are actively pursuing two new hires, one, in the role of Development Director, who will lead the way in fund-raising to finance these exciting times, and the other, a new Executive Director to take charge of Lan Su's tremendous march into the years before us.

Many of you might remember Jane DeMarco, Lan Su's previous Executive Director before her retirement in 2016. Jane has graciously stepped up to serve as the Interim Executive Director until the board of directors, with the help of Acumen Executive Search, to find and hire a permanent Executive Director.

We are excited about bringing new talent into the fold and celebrating our 20th Anniversary year. We hope you'll be able to join us in a number of the 20th Anniversary events.

Thank you for an outstanding year, and for your support of Lan Su Chinese Garden!

Terry Smith
President, Board of Directors



Original illustration of Lan Su Chinese Garden from the Suzhou Institute of Landscape Architecture Design prior to construction of the garden.

deal of hard work went into both of these historic commitments, and we look forward to 2020 and beyond to begin that journey in earnest.

We are also very excited that 2020 marks the 20th Anniversary of the opening of the garden, and we are planning on many celebrations, with more information to come soon.

STAFF LECTURE SERIES

Lan Su's staff present a behind the scenes and detailed view on the horticulture, programs and facilities of the garden

In 2020, Lan Su staff will present a series of six talks about the garden, familial history, and see “behind the scenes” looks at the programs, horticulture, facilities and more that make up the tapestry of the garden.



A Lacebug found in Lan Su

The Insects of Lan Su

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 — 3 P.M.

Learn how Lan Su manages its integrated pest management system with the first talk in the series by Lan Su Horticulturist and insect expert, Carla Lilyquist.

The Immigration of Straits Chinese

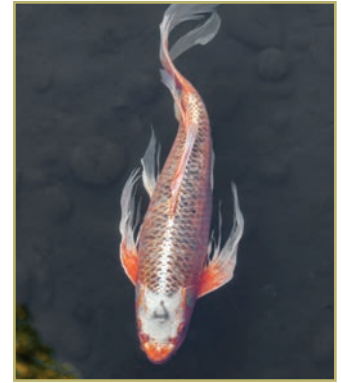
FRIDAY, MAY 15 — 3 P.M.

Program Manager Maggie Lim will share her personal family history of immigration and how Lan Su showcases the immigration story via talks, displays and programs.

Lan Su's Koi Collection

MONDAY, JUNE 15 — 3 P.M.

Some of the most asked questions from visitors and members concern our koi collection. Facilities Assistant and designated Lan Su “koi whisperer,” Calvin Hamann gives an overview of the care and feeding of our collection.



The koi in Lake Zither

The final three staff talks will include a horticulture talk, a deep dive into the building of the garden and a look back at Lan Su's history over the past 20 years. Keep an eye on our website for more details.

Learn more about the staff lecture series and future talks at WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/STAFFLECTURES

RECIPROCAL ADMISSION PROGRAM

Visit 12 other attractions in 2020 with your Lan Su membership card!



Courtesy Oregon Zoo

For the fifth year, museums and attractions in the Portland metro area and beyond have teamed up to offer reciprocal admission to their members in 2020. Members of the Portland Attractions Marketing Alliance (PAMA) initiated this special promotion as a way to show appreciation for each attraction's loyal members, as well as to highlight the important role that cultural attractions play in the community.

All 12 participating attractions will sponsor a free admission month as part of this popular program, with the addition of a thirteenth attraction, the World of Speed

Motorsports Museum. Through 2020, membership to one of the organizations listed below is your key to free admission for yourself and three guests to a different attraction each month:

PARTICIPATING ATTRACTIONS

- **JANUARY** — Oregon Zoo
- **FEBRUARY** — Oregon Historical Society
- **MARCH** — Deepwood Museum & Gardens
- **APRIL** — Five Oaks Museum (*formerly Washington County Museum*)
- **MAY** — World of Speed Motorsports Museum
- **JUNE** — Columbia River Maritime Museum
- **JULY** — Clark County Historical Museum
- **AUGUST** — Architectural Heritage Center
- **SEPTEMBER** — Rice Northwest Museum of Rocks & Minerals
- **OCTOBER** — Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum & World Forestry Center
- **NOVEMBER** — Oregon Coast Aquarium (*all*) & Portland Japanese Garden (*Lan Su only*)
- **DECEMBER** — Lan Su Chinese Garden

Learn more about the Reciprocal Admission program at WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/RECIPROCAL

THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY: THE TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF PLANT HUNTING

March 11, 2020 — 2 p.m.



Human beings have been moving plants from place to place around the globe for thousands of years, usually providing a great benefit. However, this moving of horticultural specimens has not been without issues

especially due to planetary climate change resulting in location-specific changes in temperature, moisture and seasonal fluctuations. This has taken on a greater urgency to move plants and their seeds to botanic gardens and seed banks to ensure their survival.

William A. McNamara, a noted botanist and Executive Director of the Quarreyhill Botanical Gardens, presents his talk, “*The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: The Trials and Tribulations of Plant Hunting.*” For the past thirty-one years, he has ventured into the mountains of China, Japan, India, Nepal, Vietnam and Myanmar in search of plants. In his talk at Lan Su, McNamara will describe his history of plant-hunting as well as what the future holds for botanists to follow.

Learn more WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/PLANTHUNTING

FLORAL DISPLAYS: CAMELLIAS, ORCHIDS, PEONIES AND ROSES



CAMELLIAS | MARCH 27-29



EAST ASIAN ORCHIDS | MAY 9-10



PEONIES | MAY 22-35



ROSES | JULY 3-5

Learn more about these and upcoming Floral Displays at WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/FLORALDISPLAYS

CHINESE NEW YEAR CONTINUES THROUGH FEBRUARY 9

Lan Su Chinese Garden's Year of the Rat Celebration occurs from January 25 through February 9.

Chinese New Year — Year of the Rat — is China's most important and celebrated festival, kicked off on Saturday, January 25 with a series of events including lion dances, a Wishing Tree activity and a family craft activity.

A special mailer with a detailed schedule including all events, activities and Chinese New Year partners was mailed to you in early January. Here is a highlighted list with some featured events popular with members and families each year including a curated pop-up version of our Garden Shop located in the Hall of Brocade Clouds:

- Lion Dances every weekend
- Cultural Performances
- Children's Performances
- Kid's Activities
- Martial Arts Demonstrations *and more!*



Didn't receive your mailer or need an additional one? Download your copy now at WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/CNYSCHEDULE2020. Enjoy special extended hours in the garden from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. during Lan Su's Chinese New Year celebrations (January 25 - February 9, 2020).

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE AT LANTERN VIEWING TICKETS!

One of Lan Su's most popular events, Lantern Viewing Evenings always sell out. Get your tickets now!



LANTERN VIEWING EVENINGS

- Thursday, February 6 — 6-8 p.m.
- Friday, February 7 — 6-8 p.m.
- Saturday, February 8 — 6-8 p.m. **SOLD OUT!**
- Sunday, February 9 — 6-8 p.m.

Four traditional Lantern Viewing Evenings close out the Chinese New Year Festival. The garden will glow with hanging red lanterns illuminating sweeping roof lines and the lake will reflect the light of a large illuminated 20 ft. dragon lantern sculpture.

A lion dance and dragon procession by Lee's Association Dragon & Lion Dance Team, the popular Wishing Tree activity, and a family-friendly activity, are all a part of these special evenings.

Complimentary hot cider will be provided. The Teahouse will be open each night with non-reserved seating (\$10 per person minimum). *Please note: This event occurs rain, shine or cold*

TICKETS

- Member — \$35
- General — \$45
- Children (4-12) — \$15

Learn more and purchase tickets at WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/LANTERNVIEWING

UPCOMING ART SHOWS AND RECEPTIONS AT LAN SU

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A Bridge Between Two Sister Cities



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Magic Garden



On your next visit to Lan Su, take in one of the amazing works of art on display in the Scholar’s Pavilion or the Lounge Hall. These artists on display have been chosen among a series of applicants to showcase their work — and make it available for sale — by our retail art team. Each artists’ work is selected to fit within Lan Su and many pieces showcase Lan Su itself.

ART RECEPTIONS

Lan Su offers a series of Art receptions — both open to the public during regular hours, and for donors at \$250 and above in the evening, throughout the year. To learn more about attending, contact Lisa Santo, Development Manager at lisas@lansugarden.org.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5 – 6–8 P.M.

open to members and donors who give at the \$250 and above annually

Artists on Display

- Jennifer Foran — *Emerge*
- Kenneth Marunowski — *Lan Su: Layers of Meaning*
- Sophia Ling — “Paint” Like No One Else — *Rags to Art: Ling Yu-in(Sophia Ling)’s Fabric Collage Works*

THURSDAY, MAY 7 – 6–8 P.M.

open to members and donors who give at the \$250 and above annually

Artists on Display

- The Han Collection — *The Han Collection: A Bridge Between Two Sister Cities*
- Wesley Younie — *Magic Garden*

Art at Lan Su is presented by Arlene Schmitzer. To learn more about Art on display, visit WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/ART

THE SCHOLAR’S ARTS – CELEBRATING THE YAJI

Celebrate the Scholar in April with music, poetry and a special gathering called a Yaji

During the late Yuan and early Ming dynasty, Chinese scholars gathered in gardens to enjoy food and wine, guqin music, compose poems, create paintings and more. These “elegant gatherings” were known as *Yaji*. Typically lasting for days, many were documented in Chinese paintings.

As part of Lan Su’s Scholar’s Arts Month, on Sunday, April 5 from 2-5 p.m., a come celebrate a *Yaji*. Local artists create calligraphy, compose poems, play music and more.



Learn more about Yajis and all of the events of April’s Scholar’s Arts Month at WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/SCHOLARSART

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ENTER THE WONDERLAND: LAN SU'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Visit the Main Branch of the Multnomah County Library for a special display of Lan Su's first 20 years — March 7 - May 3, 2020



Celebrate the first 20 years of Lan Su Chinese Garden with an exhibit showcasing its history. More than a beautiful and tranquil garden, it is your window into Chinese culture, history and way of thinking in downtown Portland.

Join the public with an opening celebration on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 2 p.m. with a lion dance, cultural performance and refreshments.

Special thanks to the Multnomah County Library for their support in hosting this exhibition.

Learn more at WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/LIBRARYEXHIBITION

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VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Celebrating volunteer achievements and special awards

In October, more than 100 volunteers, their guests, staff and Board members celebrated the many achievements of Lan Su's volunteer team. Four volunteers were recognized with special awards for their outstanding service.

Andie Karinen received the Bamboo Award for her work as a superlative Garden Host. Ellen Bartholomew was recognized with the Chrysanthemum Award as a mainstay of the school guide team. Wes Bevans was celebrated for his work throughout the year in many roles (guide, Garden Host, greenhouse, and activities volunteer) which personified the excellence of the Orchid Award. Finally, Jane Maynard received the Plum Award for taking on the guide training while continuing her weekly shift as a Garden Host.



Additionally, volunteers were recognized for their continuing service as they joined the Hours Clubs that range from 100 hours to 4,000 hours of service since the garden's opening.



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BONSAI TALK & PLANTING DEMONSTRATION

April 4, 2020 — 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

To celebrate the donation of a juniper bonsai from the Pacific Bonsai Museum, Curator of the Museum, Aarin Packard will discuss aspects of *penjing* design while repotting a plant into a Chinese style container to remain in Lan Su's permanent collection.

Learn more about *penjing* and bonsai at WWW.LANSUGARDEN.ORG/BONSAITALK

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Music in the Teahouse Sun, Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat
- Tai Chi with the Tai Chi Life Mondays & Thursdays
- Calligraphy in the Teahouse Thursdays
- Chinese New Year Festival — Year of the Rat January 25 - February 9
- Chinese New Year Lantern Viewings* February 6-9
- Art Reception (\$250 donors & above) March 5
- Plant Talk with William McNamara March 11
- Camellia Exhibition March 27-29
- Scholar's Arts Month April
- Plant Talk: Bonsai and Planting Demonstration April 4
- Yaji April 5
- Staff Lecture: The Bugs of Lan Su April 15
- Art Reception (\$250 donors & above) May 7
- East Asian Orchid Exhibition May 9-10
- Peony Exhibition May 22-25
- Rose Exhibition July 3-5

**this event requires a special ticket*

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