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We've got exciting news about Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens!



September 2017

Happy September to all the members and friends of Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens! It has been a toasty month of August for sure and it looks like we are in for a nice fall as well. As all the kids go back to school and the weather cools off a bit, it's time to get back to the gardening projects. Fall is my personal favorite time in the garden - nature is still hanging onto the last blooms of summer while bright colors start to light the landscapes on fire! After a warm and especially dry summer this year the colors will be truly amazing this fall.

As we head into September and October, be sure to stop in for a walkabout in the Arboretum. **There will be colorful foliage on so many**

specimens throughout the different gardens. Be sure to visit the Japanese Maple Grove but don't forget to visit the viewing mound as well. Two of the oldest trees in the gardens - matching 'Osakazuki' Japanese Maple specimens - tower above the south slope of the mound and will turn absolutely stunning red this autumn. Japanese Maples, Dogwoods, Stewartias, Viburnums, Spiraeas, Ninebarks - I could rave on and on about all the cool fall foliage there is to see this season! Come and check it all out this fall!

In addition, be sure to notice all the cool berries on display throughout the gardens. Wondering where to look? Follow the sounds of the birds grabbing goodies to eat! The Golden Raindrops Crabapple is always a stunner with little golden apples dangling for a bird feast. Near the entrance is a nice clump of Beautyberry sporting shiny purple fruits this time of year. In the Native Plant Walk there are too many cool berries to even list - Arums, Wax Myrtle, Huckleberries, Bunchberry, and so much more. Enjoy the season and pause to appreciate and respect the wonderful cycle of nature and all the autumn season gives to us and the wildlife around us. Fall is truly amazing!

At the Arboretum in this wonderful month of September we have an outstanding class for you to attend. **On Saturday September 16th at Noon we will have a special guest speaker, Janel Garnett, teaching visitors all about Fall Perennial Color.** As a landscape designer, her specialty is always color, foliage, and combinations in the garden. Come down and let Janel guide you on how to select stunning fall plants that are easy to grow in your home landscape. This is a free class to all who wish to come - **please RSVP on the [website](#) or by phone at (425) 257-8597.** Join Janel and learn all about how to incorporate fall perennials into your own garden, adding another season of colorful plants into your landscape.

We have a couple of work parties scheduled for September as well. **Wednesday, September 6th and Saturday, September 16th (both days 10 AM until Noon) will be volunteer work party days in the gardens.** There is much to do as always and we would love to have you down to help. These are fun group activities to join friends, get some much needed work done in the gardens, and feel good for helping out a great community cause. Details are on our website or just come on down and join us at the Arboretum entrance each day at 10 AM. Or better yet, as we all like to say, "Come Get Dirty With Us!"

As always we exclaim, "Thank You!" to all the members and friends who support Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens. We couldn't continue to grow the gardens without your support and membership. **If you have not renewed, [please do so](#) and take advantage of 18 months of membership for the price of a year. You won't have to renew again until March 2019!** Please continue to help us to improve the gardens and usher in another generation of Arboretum lovers. Happy Fall to all and I hope to see you on an Arboretum walkabout soon!

**Trevor Cameron, President
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