2010 SPECIAL EVENTS

SPRING PLANT SALE
Preview Party & Members-Only Sale: Thursday 15 April
Public Sale: Friday 16 April – Sunday 18 April
www.bbgardens.org/springplantsale

EARTH DAY AT THE GARDENS
Sunday 25 April
www.bbgardens.org/earthday

GLORIOUS GARDENS
Saturday-Sunday 8-9 May
www.bbgardens.org/gloriousgardens

COCKTAILS IN THE GARDENS
Thursday 12 August
www.bbgardens.org/cocktails
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COCKTAILS IN THE GARDENS

Thursday 9 September

www.bbgardens.org/cocktails

ANTIQUES AT THE GARDENS

First Look Party: Thursday 30 September
Show/Sale: Friday 1 October – Sunday 3 October

www.bbgardens.org/antiques

COCKTAILS IN THE GARDENS

Thursday 14 October

www.bbgardens.org/cocktails

FALL PLANT SALE

Saturday-Sunday 16-17 October

www.bbgardens.org/fallplantsale
GUIDING CONCEPTS
OF THE MASTER PLAN

EDUCATION: Plants, gardens, and the environment.

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SUSTAINABILITY: Visitors, facilities and collections.

ACCESSIBILITY: Provide garden access for all.
DESIGN TEAM

OASIS DESIGN GROUP, Master Planners, Team Leaders

BIOHABITATS, Environmental and Sustainability Issues

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SITE ANALYSIS COMPONENTS

- SOILS
- HYDROLOGY
- SLOPES
- GARDEN ACCESSIBILITY
- VIEWS
- GARDEN CONNECTIVITY
- UNDERDEVELOPED ZONES
- CIRCULATION (AUTO & PED.)
PLANNING PROCESS/TIMELINE

PRELIMINARY DESIGN: AUGUST-OCTOBER 2008

PUBLIC CONCEPT PRESENTATIONS: NOVEMBER 2008

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: NOVEMBER 2008 – JUNE 2009

PLANNING REFINEMENTS: JUNE 2008 – OCTOBER 2009

FINAL PRESENTATION: MARCH 2010
1. Main Building Entrance
2. Dunn Formal Rose Garden
3. Conservatory Entrance
4. Garden Entrance
5. Kaul Wildflower Garden

AERIAL VIEW (Japanese Gardens not shown)
GARDEN OPPORTUNITIES

1. Parking Expansion & Reconfiguration
2. Potential New Garden
3. Blount Plaza/Entrance/Drainage/Accessibility
4. Realigned Service Road & Staff/Volunteer Parking
5. Potential New Garden/Covered Outdoor Storage
6. New Maintenance Facility Configuration
7. Persian Garden
8. Bruno Vegetable Garden
9. Herb Terrace
10. Restrooms
11. Public Rental Building
12. New Greenhouse
13. New Conservatory Entrance
14. Enhanced Entrance Drive & Garden
15. Potential Alabama Habitat Garden
16. Potential Alabama Habitat Woodland Garden
17. Maintenance Pod w/ Restrooms and Education Facility

KEY
- Garden Opportunities
- Maintenance Pods

North
MASTER PLAN SOLUTION AREAS

• ALABAMA HABITAT GARDENS
• ARRIVAL & PARKING
• CONSERVATORY & SURROUNDS
• PRODUCTION & MAINTENANCE AREAS
• ACCESSIBLE ROUTES
• ADDITIONAL AREAS
BOG: EXISTING CONDITIONS
ALABAMA HABITAT GARDENS & RESTORATION FEATURES

1. Southern Appalachian Woodland
2. Limestone Glade
3. Cross Vane
4. Existing Bridge
5. Bog Habitat
6. Boardwalk
7. Rock Toe
8. Log Toe w. Root Wad
9. Rock Toe
10. Riparian Pools
11. Live Branch Layering w. Log Toe
12. Plunge Pool
13. Red Mountain Outcrop
14. Treehouse Building
15. Bridge
16. Amphitheater
17. Teaching Plaza/Overlook w/ Restrooms & Storage Below
18. Kaul Wildflower Garden
19. Auxiliary Parking
ENTRANCE DRIVE: EXISTING CONDITIONS & MAINTENANCE
GARDEN ENTRANCE

1. ENTRANCE DRIVE
2. ENTRY SIGN AND PLANTING
3. SERVICE ROAD
4. FOREST FLOOD PLAIN
5. RESTORED STREAM
6. BOARDWALK
7. SEASONAL PLANTINGS
8. FORMAL GARDEN
9. OVERLOOK PLATFORM
10. SILTATION CATCHMENT
11. CULVERT/WETLAND DIVERTER
12. STREAM
13. OXBOW WETLAND
14. WETLAND HABITAT
15. PARKING
ENTRANCE DRIVE: WET MEADOW AND HUMMOCK PLANTS
VISITOR PARKING LOT

EXISTING: +/- 210 spaces w/ 5 bus spots

PROPOSED: +/- 314 spaces w/ 5 bus spots

SPECIAL EVENT PARKING

JAPANESE GARDEN SPACES: +/- 23 spaces

NET GAIN: +/- 127 spaces
PARKING: COMPARABLE EXAMPLES: BIOSWALES & INFILTRATIONS AREAS
UPPER BLOUNT PLAZA: EXISTING CONDITIONS
GARDEN CENTER

Designed by: Landscape Architect Joel Eliason (Nimrod Long & Associates), and Architect John Carraway
UPPER BLOUNT PLAZA
& RESTAURANT TERRACE

1. ENTRANCE DRIVE
2. PASSENGER DROP OFF
3. WELCOME PLAZA
4. EXTERIOR GIFT SHOP SPACE
5. EXISTING SCULPTURE
6. EXISTING FOUNTAIN
7. RESTAURANT TERRACE
8. PAVILION
9. MOON TREE (SYCAMORE)
10. EXISTING OVERLOOK
11. HEDGE BORDER
CONSERVATORY: EXISTING
CONSERVATORY ENTRANCE

1. FORMAL GARDEN
2. GRAND ENTRANCE STEPS
3. ENTRANCE TERRACE
4. CONSERVATORY
5. CONSERVATORY ADDITIONS
6. EVENT TERRACES
7. EXISTING GARDENS
8. SEASONAL PLANTINGS
9. HANDICAP RAMP
10. SEASONAL PLANTINGS
CONSERVATORY GARDENS

1. CONSERVATORY
2. CONSERVATORY ADDITIONS
3. DECORATIVE PAVING
4. BOSQUE
5. CITRIS TREES IN POTS
6. POOLS
7. DECORATIVE GARDEN GATE
8. LATH HOUSES
9. ACTIVITY BUILDING
10. BREEZE WAY
11. RESTROOMS

PERSIAN GARDEN

12. GARDEN PLOTS
13. HERB TERRACE
14. PAVILION
15. STONE COLUMNS
16. GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER CROPS

VEGETABLE GARDEN & HERB TERRACE

CONSERVATORY GARDENS
MAINTENANCE FACILITY

1. LATH HOUSES
2. POTTING SHED
3. PRODUCTION GREEN HOUSES
4. PLANT LAY DOWN AREA
5. SERVICE DRIVE
6. GAS PUMP
7. MAINTENANCE STORAGE
   FACILITY W. GREEN ROOF
8. MAINTENANCE PARKING
9. POWER PLANT
10. ENTRANCE PLAZA
11. BIOSWALE
12. MAINTENANCE OFFICE
13. PLANT WALK
14. STAFF PARKING
15. BULK STORAGE
CONSERVATORY & MAINTENANCE FACILITY:
COMPARABLE EXAMPLES – PRODUCTION GREENHOUSES
GARDEN ACCESSIBILITY
OTHER AREAS

ASIAN GLADE WALK

SERVICE AREA EXPANSION AND FIRE TRUCK TURN-AROUND

ARRINGTON PLANT ADVENTURE ZONE
(Horticultural Therapy space)

JAPANESE GARDENS / PARKING LOT GATEWAY
NEXT STEPS…
WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

When will it happen?
1. Wheels are in motion now…..
2. Upper Blount Plaza (design development)
3. Arrington Plant Adventure Zone (design concepts)
4. Ireland Old-Fashioned Rose Garden (des. dev.)

How long will it take?

How much will it cost?

Who will fund it?
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