



The Garden Conservancy's OPEN DAYS PROGRAM

Houston Open Day
Saturday, April 18

We are proud to partner with Peckerwood Garden to bring you this Open Day.

Peckerwood will be hosting a plant sale in the Heights near the Cottage Street gardens on the Open Day, where Garden Conservancy and Peckerwood Garden information and water will be available at 802 West Temple Street (on the corner of Temple and Watson).

ENGLISH GARDEN

703 WEST COTTAGE STREET, HOUSTON

🕒 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This cottage garden perfectly complements the owners Tudor-revival bungalow. The garden is lushly planted with roses, annuals and perennials. The petite scale of the garden elements reinforces this fairytale like garden in the Norhill Historic District. This is a great example of creating a garden with great character within a small urban lot.

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➡ From 802 West Temple Street (maps, tickets, water available), turn right onto Watson Street, going south. Take the first left onto West Cottage Street, #703 is on your left just before Reagan Street. Springridge Road. Drive 0.7 mile up hill and turn left at mailbox marked 7686. The garden is at end of drive.

GARDEN AT 2434 WHITE OAK DRIVE

2434 WHITE OAK DRIVE, HOUSTON

🕒 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This unique terraced garden was the result of a drainage project that "got out of control" according to the owner. The site slopes unexpectedly to a picturesque untouched creek that drains into the canalized White Oak Bayou. Tiered beds of native and unusual plants guide you to the lowest terrace overlooking the creek. Planted with flood friendly plants, this space acts as a retention pond for the neighborhood. This garden was thoughtfully designed by expert plantsman Will Fleming.

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➡ From 802 West Temple Street (maps, tickets, water available), head west on West Temple Street, toward Julian Street. Take your second left onto Michaux Street and go 0.8 miles. Turn left onto White Oak Drive, #2434 is on the left.

GARDEN AT 6502 TAGGART STREET

6502 TAGGART STREET, HOUSTON

🕒 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This xeriscape garden near Memorial Park was designed to remind the owner of her Colorado childhood. The garden creates a memorable impression with specimen succulents, wildflowers and perennials. The plat material and sculpture screens the central patio from the street. This garden is great example of a

drought tolerant garden with personal-ity flourishing within a small urban lot in Houston. NEW | 📷 | ♿

➡ From 802 West Temple Street (maps, tickets, water available), head south on Watson Street and get on I-10 West via Taylor Street. Take exit 764 toward Washington Avenue/Westcott Street. Continue onto Katy Freeway Service Road. Make a sharp left onto Washington Avenue. Continue onto Westcott Street. Turn right onto Durford Street. Turn left onto Taggart Street, #6502 will be on the left, just before Prague Street.

JARDIN DE LA PAZ IN SHARPSTOWN

6801 HAZEN STREET, HOUSTON

🕒 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This is a mostly perennial, LUSH, xeriscape, organic and eco green garden with a plethora of blooms year round. The attitude of the garden is whimsical, playful and natural with neither a formal or overly character. The garden was created from a typical 1950s era ranch home and lawn. Now, re-purposed, re-designed, re-habbed...complex is overflowing with spirit and charm of its owner, artist/designer Jeff River Law. The garden is a mix of plants - evergreen and some deciduous, unusual tropical and desert. Somewhat of an orphanage, some plants are salvaged and others new varieties being tested for hardiness. The front yard has the owner's signature mixed beds but still respects the streetscape with a strip of

♿	Parts of garden are handicapped accessible
NEW	Gardens opening for first time
2014	Most recent year garden was open
📷	Photographs permitted

the original lawn. The back yard is lawn free with a large variety of happy plants and a variety of seating areas. Other surprising features in this small suburban size yard are an outdoor stone shower, fountain, a dry creek bed, raised herb garden and a casita of repurposed materials, gravels, stone and boulders. This garden needs very little watering (there is no irrigation system), horrible gumbo clay earth, and little to no fertilizing (no chemicals are ever added).

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➡ From 802 West Temple Street (maps, tickets, water available), head south on Watson Street and get on I-10 West via Taylor Street. Take exit 763 for Interstate 610 South S/Interstate 610 North North. Keep left at the fork, follow signs for I-610 S and merge onto I-610 S. Take exit 8A to merge onto I-69/US-59 S toward Victoria. Take the exit toward Beechnut Street/South Gessner Road. Merge onto Southwest Freeway. Turn left onto Beechnut Street. Turn left onto Bintliff Drive. Turn right onto Hazen Street, #6801 will be on the right, on the corner of McAvoy Drive.

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NATIVE PLANT GARDEN IN THE HEIGHTS

802 WEST COTTAGE STREET, HOUSTON

🕒 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This garden stands out among the traditional bungalows in the Norhill Historic District. Featuring native plants and trees, the beds surrounding the house burst out in bloom onto the street. At once beautiful and thoughtful, this is a working garden. One will see pots of cuttings, seedlings and experimental planting placed around the garden for sun not show. Behind the house is an unexpected oasis with a small fountain surrounded by interesting plants and unusual garden elements.

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RE-ENVISIONED RANCH GARDEN

🕒 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This early 1960's ranch style house has had several lives and renovations. In the latest 2012 addition, the added structures respected its original lines and lay-

out, while the gardens were simplified to give the grounds an easy indoor/outdoor relationship. The traditional entry walks and drives were removed to develop an entry garden walk to the front door from the new gravel drive. This created an opportunity for a rustic fountain and perennial plantings. The more private motor court garden allows family members easy access to come and go during the day, while also allowing for a wonderful view into a more private side garden. The backyard views are opened to the existing pool and great lawn. New gathering spaces are oriented along the length of the house to help maintain wide views out to the center open space. An interesting planting palette mixing color, texture, form and repetition, along with existing plantings, tie the entire garden together while controlling off site views. Existing trees and shrubs were transplanted into new bed layouts; existing gates, garden furniture, garden elements and reclaimed bricks were repurposed and utilized. The raised Corten steel vegetable garden, espaliered fruit trees and outdoor cook/server area contribute to the frequent dinner parties this garden hosts all year long. NEW | 📷

➡ At the request of the Garden Host, directions to this garden are provided at additional gardens open on this date, or by calling the Garden Conservancy office toll-free weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST, 1-888-842-2442.

PECKERWOOD GARDEN 20571 FM 359, HEMPSTEAD

A place for gardening, art, and conservation. It is the creation of Professor of design, plant explorer, and founder of Yucca Do Nursery, John Fairey. The garden brings together rare, drought-tolerant plants native to the southern United States and the remote mountains of Mexico and Asia. The sculptural quality of these plantings echoes the international-caliber collection of Mexican folk art displayed in the gallery. We assist the Peckerwood Foundation in public outreach and strategic planning for its future as a public garden and study center.

➡ From Houston, take Highway 290 west past Prairie View. Before reaching Hempstead, take Exit FM359 towards Brookshire. Proceed through traffic light at intersection with Business 290. Garden is located 1 mile past this intersection on right. Enter at sign for parking, nursery, and garden entry.

People that purchase a book of tickets, can bring the stubs to Peckerwood Garden on Sunday, April 19th and two people can enter for the price of one (reservations must be made in advance).

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