



THE GARDEN CONSERVANCY
PLANNED GIVING





THE FRANK & ANNE CABOT SOCIETY

There was no Garden Conservancy when Frank & Anne Cabot first visited Ruth Bancroft's stunning dry garden in Walnut Creek, CA in 1988. They were immediately struck by the greatness of both the garden and the gardener. On their way home, the Cabots wondered what would become of this private garden beyond the life of its creator, then already in her eighties, and so they decided to found a Garden Conservancy.

In the next three decades, the Conservancy guided the transition of Ruth's garden into a thriving public resource and has worked to help preserve over 100 historic and significant gardens across America. Today, the founding impulse of

preservation that so inspired the Cabots continues to be the common thread that runs through all that we do.

The Garden Conservancy honors our visionary founders through the creation of the Frank & Anne Cabot Society, recognizing donors who have made planned gifts to support the future of our organization.

We celebrate those whose generosity ensures that the legacy of extraordinary gardens—the living horticultural heritage of America—is available for generations to come.

There is no minimum dollar amount to become a member of the Frank & Anne Cabot Society.

Above: Frank and Anne Cabot in a field of Texas bluebonnets during an early Society of Fellows tour. Facing page exterior: Frank Cabot with Ruth Bancroft in her garden; Fred Mertz, New York Times Pictures, 1989. Front cover, facing page, and back cover: Ruth Bancroft Garden, Walnut Creek, CA; photos by Marion Brenner.

"The Garden Conservancy is an organization that must continue and thrive for future generations. It is a voice for preservation and sharing of beauty. It is comforting to think that the distribution from my estate will help make this possible in perpetuity."

Dorothy H. Gardner
Garden Conservancy Director Emerita

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Frank & Anne Cabot Society includes:

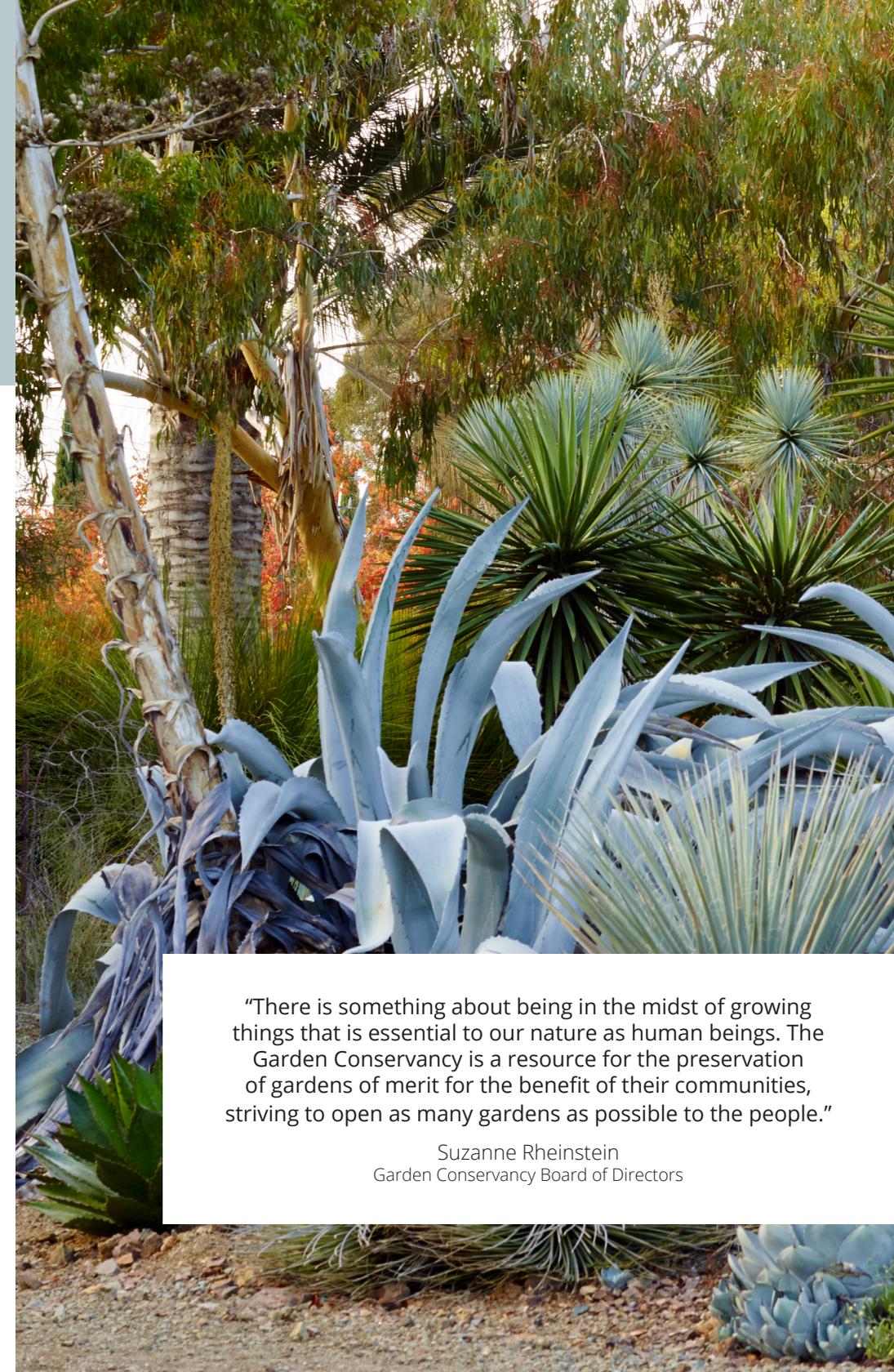
- Complimentary admission to virtual and/or in-person events presented by the Cabot Society
- Complimentary admission to Open Days gardens
- Recognition in the Garden Conservancy's Annual Report
- A token of our appreciation, created in partnership with Janet Mavec, celebrated jeweler and longtime friend of the Garden Conservancy

A well-planned gift can support the Garden Conservancy's future while helping you and your family achieve your philanthropic goals.

Including the Conservancy in your estate plans costs nothing to you now but can have an enormous impact on our ability to preserve and share extraordinary gardens for generations to come.

While the Garden Conservancy does not provide specific tax or legal advice, we would be happy to share information about charitable options.

If you would like more information, please call Sarah Parker at 845.424.6500, M-F, 9-5 Eastern or send an email to sparker@gardenconservancy.org



"There is something about being in the midst of growing things that is essential to our nature as human beings. The Garden Conservancy is a resource for the preservation of gardens of merit for the benefit of their communities, striving to open as many gardens as possible to the people."

Suzanne Rheinstein
Garden Conservancy Board of Directors



**The Garden Conservancy was created
"to ensure that the exceptional
creations of inspired and passionate
gardeners are preserved, so that
others...will be inspired in their own
right and will get to work on their
own creations."**

Frank Cabot
Garden Conservancy Founder, 1990



The mission of the Garden Conservancy is to preserve, share, and celebrate America's gardens and diverse gardening traditions for the inspiration and education of the public.

The Garden Conservancy works to:
Preserve gardens by partnering with gardeners, communities, horticulturists, garden designers, and historians.

Share distinctive gardens and ideas with the public through Open Days, tours, and other educational programs.

Champion the vital role gardens play in our culture, our history, and our quality of life.

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