## SARAH P. DUKE GARDENS



# statement of OPERATIONS

Revenue 2015	2014
Earned Income	
Facility Rentals\$346,417	\$288,679
Endowment Income	573,115
Programs & Special Events153,240	136,353
Total Earned Income: \$1,054,811	\$998,147
Contributed Income	ŕ
Duke University Allocation	\$1,113,820
Other University Support	337,767
Annual Fund	511,712
Foundations	35,000
Other Projects and Programs450,117	501,779
Transferred in from Prior Years394,198	134,191
Total Contributed Income: \$2,899,136	\$2,634,269
Total Revenue: \$3,953,947	\$3,632,416
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Expenses	
Salaries & Fringe Benefits\$1,762,306	\$1,704,856
Horticultural Operations	411,428
Programs and Special Events121,364	119,153
Marketing and PR43,316	79,645
Development77,115	150,078
Administration	201,509
Occupancy	337,767
Special Projects	170,470
Retained for Future Projects and Programs374,688	457,510
Total Expenses: \$3,953,947	\$3,632,416
Fundraising	
Current Operations (unrestricted)\$576,428	\$514,573
Capital projects (temporarily restricted )	<sup>3514,573</sup> 2,144,374
Endowment (permanently restricted)	2,384,801
Total: \$9,091,743	\$5,043,748



fiscal year runs July – June





Visitors to Sarah P. Duke Gardens frequently comment on all the new features and how wonderful everything looks. We know this because our ability to interact with visitors has grown dramatically along with the Gardens. Superlatives garnered last year include being listed as No. 4 among the "50 Most Stunning University Gardens" in the world. In this report, you will learn about efforts to

enhance the experience here for Duke students, faculty and staff, as well as visitors from Durham and around the world.

The McNabb Family Bridge and Stream is a most beautiful and serene addition to the Blomquist Garden and counts among the several new recirculating water features we have completed in recent years or have under construction. In the Culberson Asiatic Arboretum, we created the Pine Clouds Mountain Stream, a major expansion to the Japanese garden that will open to the public this fall. On the Terraces, the refurbished Pergola is covered with native Wisteria frutescens reaching toward the top, the spring/summer displays this year have been outstanding, and we broke ground on the new Fisher Amphitheater. In the Doris Duke Center Gardens, dramatic changes begun last year continue to unfold in the area of the Virtue Peace Pond and the Spring Woodland Garden, where we broke ground on the Beverly and Bert Welch Woodland Garden Overlook. And in June, the descendants of Charlotte Brody gathered for a two-day celebration in memory of Charlotte's centennial in the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden, now in its fourth season of growth and continuing development.

Programmatically, dramatic growth in our work with Durham Public Schools included a 65% increase in enrollment and completion of the first year of our partnership with the East Durham Children's Initiative. By offering regularly scheduled tours we doubled our tour revenue. And we completed a feasibility study for an expansion to the Doris Duke Center, including a redesign of the main entry experience, to better serve our growing audience as Duke, Durham and the entire region continue to grow.

It is an exciting time for Duke Gardens. The efforts of all who participate in the work of growing and nurturing this place of intense beauty and inspiration cannot be understated. They, along with friends like you, make this all possible.

As always, thank you for your support of Duke Gardens and Duke University. I hope to see you here soon.

Sincerely,

William M. LeFevre, Executive Director



It's late summer as I write this message, and the Duke campus is coming alive again, with students returning and classes starting up. I'm happy to report that the Gardens will be seeing more than our usual level of student activity this year, thanks to recent efforts to realize one of the five key objectives of our 2013–18 Strategic Plan: "Enhance the Duke student experience."

Of course, some Duke students have always found ways to enhance their own experiences in the Gardens. But when we performed a random survey of 12,000 undergraduate and graduate students, half said they visited the Gardens "occasionally" or "never." Hmm. It's time, we thought, to find ways of making the Gardens a more meaningful part of a Duke education. And now that's happening.

- A large part of the Gardens is now WiFi accessible. Students can easily find a shady nook and work on their laptops.
- The Fisher Amphitheater, opening this fall, will be an ideal open-air venue for student performances and other group activities.
- To introduce the Gardens to more students earlier in their Duke careers, we planned a concert for first-year students in their first week of classes in August 2015. This was a collaboration among Duke Gardens, Duke Performances and Residential Life at Duke.
- Continuing work begun last fall to become more of an educational resource, we are working with two Duke professors to design courses based on the Gardens. In "Applied Qualitative Research Methods," a graduate-level course in the Nicholas School of the Environment taught by Professor Charlotte Clark, students will design and conduct a survey of Gardens visitors. This will enable us to consider ways to improve the visitor experience. In "Delivering Software: Concept to Client," computer science faculty led by Professor Robert Duvall will work with four undergraduate students and Gardens staff and board members to create the framework for an informative Duke Gardens app.

Our Board of Advisors members and Gardens staff have entered into this outreach initiative with imagination and enthusiasm. Duke students are the reason why Duke Gardens exists. We'll keep looking for ways to serve them better.

Thank you for all you do for Duke Gardens,

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Cynthia Brodhead, Board of Advisors Chair











## In the Gardens

Clockwise from left: Pine Clouds Mountain Stream in the Culberson Asiatic Arboretum; Japanese apricot (Prunus mume); the Japanese Tea House; Carolina chickadee.

p. 1: Japanese ume bachi stone basin in the Culberson Asiatic Arboretum, placed in memory of Marjorie McGann Robins.

pp. 2–3: Mountain laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*) in the Blomquist Garden of Native Plants.

pp. 6–7: A view of Duke Chapel from the Doris Duke Center Gardens.

What began as a trickle of ideas came to fruition this year with the construction of several dramatic water features that are alluring both to the eyes and the ears. We also began work on a new amphitheater that is sure to be a hit with Duke staff and students as well as the Triangle community. We embarked on a new prairie in the Blomquist Garden, began major repairs to the Virtue Peace Pond and finished plans for an ambitious transformation of the Spring Woodland Garden.

## **Culberson Asiatic Arboretum**

The Japanese garden project, now known as Pine Clouds Mountain Stream, is nearing completion, with the dramatic phase one already finished. We completed the recirculating waterfall and stream and built a lovely gazebo and a storage building to assist with the Japanese tea gatherings. To help give the garden an established look, we planted about 30 very large Japanese maples, generously donated by Linda Fox, an admirer of the arboretum who spent years collecting and growing Japanese maples with her late husband, Randy. Transplanted mosses will further enhance the appearance of a time-worn setting. Work will continue through fall, with an ornamental fence and additional hardscape features. You can see a video preview at gardens.duke.edu/about/asiatic-arboretum.



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650,000

pounds of stone used to create the McNabb Family Bridge and Stream

Elsewhere in the arboretum, the Chinese garden is moving closer to fruition. Landscape architects from the firm Mahan Rykiel have completed conceptual plans, which will soon be presented to the Sister Cities Committee to develop a fundraising strategy.

## **Blomquist Garden of Native Plants**

The McNabb Family Bridge and Stream, a 270-foot-long recirculating stream and 30-foot-long footbridge, were completed in spring. This new feature just to the left of the garden's main entry is irresistible to visitors, who can't help but be

Dramatic new water features in the Blomquist Garden, Asiatic Arboretum and Spring Woodland Garden use recirculating water.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Embody environmental sustainability throughout gardens operations

drawn to the calming sound of the flowing water, the beauty of the water's path through boulders placed artfully by curator Stefan Bloodworth, and by the bridge's design, featuring metalwork panels highlighting a variety of native plants found in the garden. We are grateful to John McNabb (T'66)



Clockwise from top left: Silky camellia (Stewartia malacodendron); azure blue sage (Salvia azurea); the McNabb Family Stream; student admiring the Jerusalem artichoke (Helianthus tuberosus); and one of the metalwork panels on the McNabb Family Bridge. All photos from the Blomquist Garden of Native Plants.

pp. 10-11: Bamboo (*Phyllostachys viridis* 'Robert Young') in the Culberson Asiatic Arboretum.





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gallons of honey produced by the bees in the Charlotte **Brody Discovery Garden** 

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and his wife, Darlene, for funding this beautiful addition to Duke Gardens.

Just a short walk away, the Piedmont Prairie project began taking shape this fiscal year, a gift from the family of former Gardens Board of Advisors member Marcia Angle in her honor. Staff members spent the fall researching and collecting seeds locally in the wild. The seeds germinated over the winter, to be planted in July. Ellen Cassilly Architects designed a structure for outdoor gatherings that we hope to build in the coming winter. This important new feature, with its flowering plants and grasses, will help visitors gain insight into an increasingly rare ecosystem.



Clockwise from top left: A new bench in the Spring Woodland Garden, in memory of Duke alumna Amanda Smith Johnston (T'04); the new Gothic Gate Kiosk; the Page-Rollins White Garden; bluegrass legend Alice Gerrard records a video in the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden.

> pp.14-15: The McNabb Family Bridge and Stream.

The Virtue Peace Pond behind the Doris Duke Center, a focal point for weddings and other gatherings, has had severe leaks and other problems for years. Thanks to an anonymous lead gift, and additional gifts from former Board of Advisors

Duke Gardens completed a feasibility study for the expansion of the Doris Duke Center and the redesign of the main entry experience.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Enrich the Gardens experience for visitors

member Anna Ho and several additional anonymous donors, we were able to drain the pond over the winter and assess the problems. After filling it again temporarily for spring wedding season, we began repairs in June, fortifying it with a concrete shell and adding new plumbing. The new shell makes the pond more shallow, which will be more conducive to displaying water lilies and other aquatic plants.

Plans for the Woodland Stream & Overlook project took shape over the past year, with work planned for late summer and fall. This project in the Spring Woodland Garden behind the Doris Duke Center will include an overlook and a recirculating stream along the existing ravine. It'll make for a gorgeous vista to behold from the new bench installed last year in the garden

### **Doris Duke Center Gardens**

Visitors entering Duke Gardens now have a clear starting point, thanks to the attractive new Gothic Gate Kiosk, completed late last fall. Designed by Ellen Cassilly Architects, the structure has already won a prestigious honor, Durham's Golden Leaf Award for Neighborhood Garden & Landscape. Volunteer ambassadors at the kiosk answer questions and help newcomers decide how best to approach their Gardens visit. This is an enormous improvement in our customer service, and a big step toward interacting more meaningfully with all Gardens visitors.

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**65,000** bulbs planted in the Terrace Gardens

**FALL 2014** 

The new Fisher Amphitheater will host Duke performances and classes, and it will be an ideal gathering spot for students to study and socialize.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL: Enhance the Duke student experience

in memory of a young Duke alumna named Amanda Smith Johnston (T'O4), who passed away in April 2014. The spiral-patterned stonework below the bench is especially beautiful, and not a day goes by that we don't see students or other visitors enjoying the peaceful setting of this bench. We are grateful to Amanda's family and friends for providing this alluring new resting spot.

## **Historic Gardens**

Work on the Fisher Amphitheater began in June in the Historic Gardens near the Hanes Lawn, with completion planned for fall. The amphitheater features a series of three stone seat-walls Clockwise from left: Construction of the Fisher Amphitheater; 'Pink Impression' tulips in the Terrace Gardens; butterfly on an Asian lily.



facing a low stage edged in stone. We expect the amphitheater to be a prime location for Duke classes and performances, and for students to gather to socialize or study in the shade. The WiFi is strong at the site, thanks to recent upgrades, and we will have electrical outlets for events and for visitors to recharge their mobile devices or computers. We are thankful to Board of Advisors member Rick Fisher and his wife, Beth, for funding this exciting new feature that the Duke and Durham communities are sure to love.

Nearby, we added a new bench upstream from the Berini Bridge. This was given by Mary Berini in memory of her son, Patrick Eudy, and creates a natural sitting area in the hillside overlooking the bridge and creek. And in the Mary Duke Biddle Rose Garden, we were pleased to honor the McClendon Family with a named bench, courtesy of their dear friends in the Class of 2015.

In the Terrace Gardens, we continued with pergola-area improvements by thinning the ailing magnolias alongside







Japanese maples donated to Duke Gardens

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Clockwise from left: Windflower (Anemone 'Honorine Jobert') in the Page-Rollins White Garden; native wisteria (Wisteria frutescens) on the Pergola; a Terrace bed featuring golden elephant ear (Colocasia esculenta 'Maui Gold') and coleus (Solenostemon scutellarioides 'Meandering Linda').

pp. 20-21: Water lilies (Nymphaea 'Wanvisa') in the Virtue Peace Pond. the path from the pergola to the Azalea Court, and removing the boxwood shrubs that had obscured the view from the pergola to the terraces and also prevented sunlight from reaching the pergola. We planted fragrant fortune's tea olive (Osmanthus x fortune) in place of the magnolias, which will provide an evergreen background without shading out the new plantings. Oakleaf hydrangea, with its bold texture and summer blooms, is now growing in front of the tea olive for a nice contrast in texture. The new native wisteria is climbing nicely up the pergola, and visitors were excited to see some pretty purple blooms already this year.

We hope you enjoy this newly opened vista on your next visit, as well as all the new features and landscape improvements that were made possible in the last year by generous Gardens supporters such as you.

At Duke Divinity School we talk a lot about what makes for human flourishing, both for individuals and communities—that the work of ministry is the work of caring for souls and bodies and people in the hopes of promoting their growth. And we talk about it in a really theoretical way in the classroom, and not so much in a practical way.

But in coming here to the Gardens, I've seen that the work of caring for plants is a type of ministry as well. You're looking to promote the growth of individual plants and also the whole garden. So you ask questions about flourishing, such as, "What's the soil condition that makes for proper growth? How can we care for these plants in a way that enables them to become the full, flourishing, beautiful plants they were intended to be?"

What I've found is that the kinds of questions I'm asking as a student translate into the garden, and the kinds of skills I'm developing as I garden translate back into the work of ministry. It's been a gift to learn from professionals that care deeply about Duke Gardens, and to get to work alongside them, to apprentice myself to them in this other work of caring.

ABIGAIL HULL (D'16)
Duke Gardens work-study student













# Gardens Outreach

From left: Visitors admire a 'Kerala Red' amaranth in the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden; homeschool students inspect a plant; a Duke student studies in the Asiatic Arboretum; a bluebird.

pp. 24-25: The Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden.

pp. 26-27: Late summer plantings in the Terrace Gardens.

We have made remarkable progress this year in deepening visitors' appreciation of not just the beauty of Duke Gardens but its importance as well. School children learn why plants and animals are crucial for our survival, and they learn how plants grow. Adults learn how to garden sustainably, and how to shape their landscapes to thrive and delight. And all visitors, through our ever more popular walking and trolley tours, learn more about how this world-class garden came to be, and how every exciting development—from the new Fisher Amphitheater to the recirculating water features—serves its mission as an invaluable resource for Duke and Durham.

## **School Programs**

Duke Gardens is pleased to be a museum partner with Y.E. Smith Elementary School through the East Durham Children's Initiative (EDCI). As one of the five museum partners, Duke Gardens hosted 80 second-grade students from Y.E. Smith on six visits over the course of the year. This was an exciting opportunity to work through a full academic year with one group of students, allowing us to develop ideas and form connections with students and play a role in the cradle-to-college goal of the EDCI.

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65% increase in school programs enrollment

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In addition, Duke Gardens partnered with Y.E. Smith to offer a "Friday Afternoon Club" exploring nature around the school.

The Y.E. Smith partnership, coupled with the program that we and Duke's Nasher Museum of Art provide to all Durham public school second-graders—"Double Exposure: Connecting Science and Art at Duke Gardens and Nasher Museum"—are having a significant impact on how local children understand and value nature. We are thankful for the financial support we receive that helps us offer these programs at no cost to students.

We also introduced Homeschool Programs last fall, with eight classes covering topics from basic botany, insect and animal identification to haiku poetry writing. We're pleased with the response; 133 participants enrolled in our 23 homeschool programs in FY'15.

## **Children & Family Programs**

Nature Adventures Camp and our other discovery programs for children continue to draw a strong following of youngsters curious about how the Earth's plants and creatures live and grow. Our camp educators help children make critical connections between themselves and the world outside their doors.



Above: Children learn about nature in the Gardens' Children & Family Programs.



The campers enrich each other's understanding, too. One child from the Central African Republic attended thanks to a partnership we developed with a local organization that assists immigrant families. Water was a limited resource where she came from, so when she was working on a project here that required her to use water, she made sure she did so while standing over a plant that would also benefit from it. Such peerto-peer lessons in conservation are priceless.

## **Gardens Tours & Visitor Services**

Duke Gardens began offering regularly scheduled tours last year, and visitors embraced the opportunity enthusiastically, doubling our tour income and of course making people's visits to Duke Gardens that much more memorable and gratifying. In fall, we offered 12 tours weekly at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., and in spring we increased the tours to 16 weekly. We have almost 60 volunteer docents trained to lead tours, and we are thankful for their passion and devotion to this important service.

In addition, we expanded our commitment to visitor services by increasing the part-time visitor services coordinator position to full-time for the coming fiscal year. We look forward to sharing additional initiatives developed by our new coordinator, Sarah Leach Smith, in next year's report.





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## **Volunteer Programs**

Our Ambassador Program continues to grow, both in participation and depth of training. We now have 42 ambassadors greeting and assisting visitors at key sites throughout the Gardens.

Thanks to our Spanish-speaking volunteers, we have a Spanish-language version of the volunteer handbook, and we had a volunteer orientation in Spanish. Duke Gardens attracts many visitors from Spanish-speaking countries, and we look forward to assisting them more ably.

We also began planning for a grand celebration of the Volunteer Program's 25th anniversary in 2016—we look forward to toasting the volunteers' many important contributions to the Gardens' growth.



Clockwise from top left: Duke Law students volunteer in the nursery; visitors enjoy a walking tour; volunteer docent training; a Japanese Tea Gathering.

pp. 32-33: Visitors enjoy Easter weekend in the Terrace Gardens.



100% increase in income from walking & trolley tours

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## **Education & Public Programs**

The education program met its enrollment goal, with almost 2,900 enrollments in adult and family programs. Among the highlights of the year were a week-long art exhibit, and productive partnerships within Duke University and with Durham organizations.

At Duke, we worked with two classes from Nicholas School of the Environment on visitor surveys. And Jan Little, director of education and public programs, and Kavanah Anderson, coordinator of children and family education, joined the Nicholas School-led Trillium Fellows, who encourage faculty and staff to incorporate sustainability into educational objectives and connect across departments and disciplines.

We hosted Duke's VisArts group for a "Paintout" event, and a student astronomy group gathered here with their telescopes one evening. We worked with the Nasher Museum on an afternoon workshop in conjunction with the Nasher's Joan Miró exhibit. And we welcomed the Duke University Union Jazz Ensemble for two free swing dances organized by and for students in the Doris Duke Center.



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\$346,417

revenue from Gardens rentals

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In addition, Duke Performances presented another successful Music in the Gardens summer concert series. And we joined forces to present a free concert for students during "First Big Week" in fall 2014, which drew more than 800 people. For our fall 2015 planning, we focused on a special concert just for first-year students, with the hope that the Gardens will become an integral part of their years at Duke.

More than 800 students attended the free "First Big Week" concert in fall 2014, presented by Duke Gardens and Duke Performances.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Develop resources & manage operations for long-term financial strength

Among the Durham community partners we collaborated with are the Durham Forestry Department, N.C. Urban Forestry Council, Farm to Fork, the N.C. Native Plant Society, Durham Extension Gardeners, Durham Garden Forum, the Durham Beekeepers Club, the Durham Photography Club and the Triangle Orchid Society. Each year brings new partners and new ideas about how to strengthen the critical relationship between people and plants.



Clockwise from top left: Duke students enjoy Duke VisArts' "Paintout" in the Culberson Asiatic Arboretum; visitors enjoy a walking tour; the "Art and Nature" exhibit; learning about butterflies.

pp. 36-37: A flowering dogwood tree (*Cornus florida*) blooms in the Memorial Garden.



For our second annual "Art & Nature" exhibit, we focused on the Historic Gardens and expanded the exhibit from three days to a week. Duke Gardens inspires local artists, whose creations ranged from paintings to pottery and sculpture. And Gardens fans were pleased to have more time to come see this beautiful exhibit.

## **Special Events**

Duke Gardens had an outstanding year with special events. Revenue from rentals was \$346, 417, of which 60% came from weddings, 35% from Duke events, and 5% from non-profit and other related events.

Our success for FY'15 was driven by three key strategic priorities that have helped increase revenue. We expanded the walkway and created a fenced in area behind the Isobel Craven Drill classroom, which is often used as a catering room, to create more prep space for caterers to do larger events. This has given us the ability to book events for up to 200 people, enabling us to be more competitive with larger venues.

We also created a corporate events page on our website to attract more business meetings. The page has already produced inquiries and bookings from RTP and also out-of-state businesses.

In addition, the Gardens' Special Events and Education and Public Programs staff collaborated on highly publicized public events: the Durham Magazine-produced "Taste 2015" on April 24 and a Farm-to-Fork dinner on June 5. These sold-out events were Durham-centric and showcased Kirby Horton Hall and Angle Amphitheater. They also generated a lot of interest to host weddings, and we have established two important contacts that are well connected in the industry and host diverse events. They plan to work with us more in the future.

## Marketing

Duke Gardens enjoyed the spotlight in a number of media this year, from *Duke Magazine* to *Durham Magazine*, *Garden Gate*, *Chrysanthemum* and *Outreach NC* magazines, as well as *The News & Observer*, and *The New York Times*, which featured Blomquist Garden curator Stefan Bloodworth in an article about a rare box huckleberry species. Stefan was also dubbed "a prince among plants" in an *Our State* magazine feature.

Duke Gardens placed No. 4 worldwide on a list of "The 50 Most Stunning University Gardens"

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL Be recognized as one of the best public gardens in America

UNC-TV's "Our State" program visited in spring to film a program about the Asiatic Arboretum and the Japanese Tea Gatherings. They came back in fall for additional footage. We expect the program to air sometime in 2016. And ABC's "Good Morning America" filmed an interview here with shark bite survivor Hunter Treschl, who grew up visiting Duke Gardens. Local affiliates WRAL and WTVD also aired Gardens features this year.

Grammy-nominated bluegrass legend Alice Gerrard filmed a live video of her song "Strange Land" for Indy Weekly in the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden. You can see it by searching











106,786

people visited gardens.duke.edu

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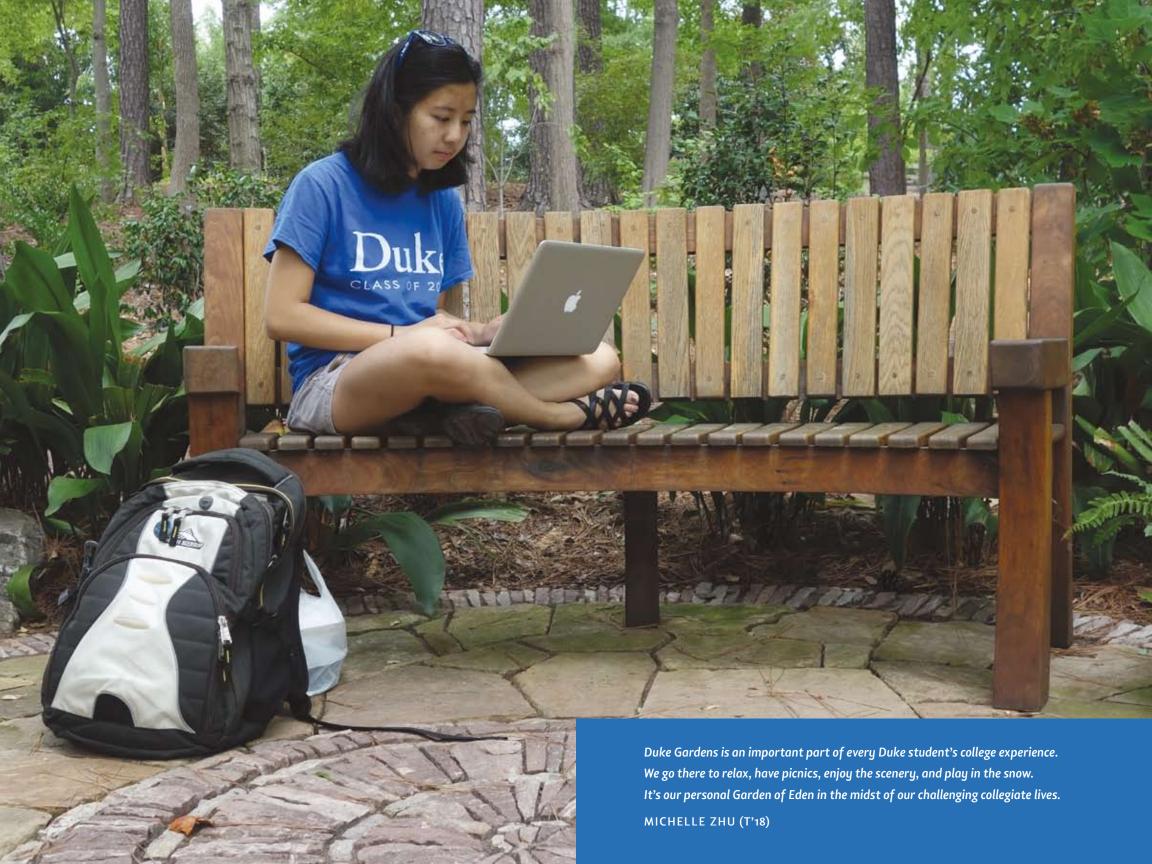
Clockwise from top left:
Pink muhly grass (Muhlenbergia
capillaris) in the Doris Duke Center
Gardens; students relax in the
Azalea Court; Fall Plant Sale;
a "Good Morning America"
interview in the Doris Duke
Center; Spring Plant Sale.

pp. 42-43: A new bench in the Spring Woodland Garden, in memory of Duke alumna Amanda Smith Johnston (T'04). her name at indyweek.com. An Emmy Award-winning reality show producer developing a new show for the Lifetime network filmed a blind date in the Discovery Garden—a perfect setting to fall in love. And "Wayne Drop," from the Durham Saves Water campaign, visited Duke Gardens for a photo shoot.

The website continues to draw an increasing number of visitors, and we have added new content to assist visitors and highlight the Gardens' accomplishments and also its devoted supporters. The home page now has a "Connections" feature highlighting donors and members. And we increased the "call to action" boxes that showcase programs, rentals and Gardens news. We added more fill-in forms for rental inquiries and for people seeking photo reservations. Among the helpful features we're working to add soon are interactive maps.

In social media, our followings on Facebook and Twitter are strong. And we are faring especially well in Instagram, the popular photo-sharing app, where our fast-rising following is at almost 1,000. The new visitor services coordinator will be devoting part of her time to assisting with social media, so we look forward to even more engagement with our online followers in the coming year.





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## Friends of Duke Gardens

gifts received during the 2015 fiscal year (July 1-June 30)



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From left: Filming a blind date reality show pilot in the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden: an outdoor celebration in the Doris Duke Center Gardens.

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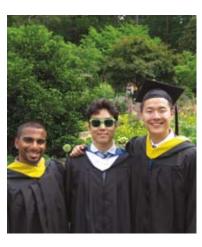
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From left: A celebration in the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden; horticultural volunteers; dedication of a bench in the Mary Duke Biddle Rose Garden in honor of the McClendon Family.

pp. 48-49, from left: Blomquist Garden curator Stefan Bloodworth discusses the new McNabb Family Bridge and Stream; 2015 graduates in the Terrace Gardens; rhododendron blooming in the Memorial Garden.

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From left: Paul Jones, curator of the Culberson Asiatic Arboretum, discusses the new Pine Clouds Mountain Stream; white top pitcher plants (Sarracenia leucophylla) in the Spring Woodland Garden; Volunteer Recognition Celebration.

pp. 52-53, from left: Jason Holmes, curator of the Doris Duke Center Gardens, discusses the bee houses in the Charlotte Brody Discovery Garden with volunteers training to be docents; Azalea 'George Tabor' in the Perennial Allée.

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From left: A wedding portrait in the Page-Rollins White Garden (Robin Lin Photography); Tulipa 'Maureen' and Persian fritillary (Fritillaria persica 'Ivory Bells') in the Page-Rollins White Garden; Volunteer Recognition Celebration; and Nymphaea 'Lindsey Woods' water lily in the Virtue Peace Pond.

pp. 60-61: Stonework at the new bench in the Spring Woodland Garden; spineless prickly pear cactus (Opuntia ellisiana).

p. 64: Fringe tree (Chionanthus virginicus) framing the Doris Duke Center.





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